### FALL

#### "Tower of Babel"

**Series Objective:** Students will learn:

- The Story of the First Sin
- The Story of Cain and Abel
- The Story of Noah
- The Story of the Tower of Babel

Series Theme Verse: "God is Love." 1 John 4:16

**Lesson Objective**: Students will understand the story of the Tower of Babel.

Lesson Passage: Genesis 11:1-9

**Materials Needed**: Jenga game or building blocks or some other type of blocks children use to build a tower.

#### Lesson Plan:

### The Story:

# **Talking Points:**

- Before telling the story, allow the students to build with the blocks.
- Challenge the students to build a tower as high as the ceiling.
- When their efforts inevitably fail, have the children sit near the fallen blocks and listen to a story about some people who wanted to build a high tower.
- Read the story from Genesis 11, then paraphrase it.
- In the story, how many languages were spoken by all the people on earth? (1)
- What did the people decide to build? (a city and a tower)
- What did the people use to build the tower? (bricks)
- How tall did they want to make the tower? (as tall as Heaven)
- Why did they want to build such a tall tower? (they wanted to show how great they were)
- Did God see the tower? (yes, God sees everything)
- Was God pleased with the tower? (no)
- What did God do to stop the people from building? (He confused their language)
- Did He let all the people stay where they were? (no, He scattered them all over the whole world)

#### The Story Retold:

- Ask the students to work together to build a small tower.
- Can they work together to build without talking to each other?
- It would be hard to work together on such a big project if they couldn't talk to each other.
- Explain to the children that God wants us to ask Him for help instead of trying to prove how great we are.

## The Story and Me:

- Say the Series Theme Verse as a group several times.
- Divide the students into three groups.
- Have each group say one part of the verse in order. Group 1 will say, "God". Group 2 will say, "is". Group 3 will say, "love". Let the groups change their word if there is time.
- Talk to the students about how short and simple this verse is. Does that mean the verse is not important? No! This is still a very important verse.
- Practice saying the verse all together again.