



Pentecost against Babel

AT A GLANCE



Bible

Genesis 11:1–9 and Acts 2:5–11



Topic

Unity in diversity



Takeaway

Diversity as a gift of the Spirit



10–15 minutes



Object: building blocks



Preparation: 10 min



indoors or by the fire



Make it personal: In two sentences, share something you have experienced yourself on the topic "Unity in diversity". Real stories stick best.



How the devotion works

2 min

Opening

Build a tower out of blocks. Ask: What is good about uniformity – and what is dangerous?

3 min

Bible text

Read Genesis 11:1–9 (the Tower of Babel) and Acts 2:5–11.

5 min

Thought

At Babel people want to become great with one language and one tower – God scatters them. At Pentecost the Spirit does not abolish the languages but lets everyone understand in their own language. God's unity is not uniformity but diversity that understands itself.

5 min

Conversation

How do we as a group deal with differences – denomination, background, opinion?



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Prayer to read aloud

Spirit of God, you give unity without making us all the same.
Help us to live our differences as a richness. Amen.



To think further

- Where is unity forced today instead of given?
- What does that mean for ecumenical and international scouting?



For leaders

- Leave room for doubts and critical questions – an honest conversation matters more than a quick answer.
- As a leader, feel free to share a personal experience.
- With heavy topics, keep an eye on who is struggling and be available afterwards.



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