Journey towards the Cross

Topic:
Pride breaks, Humility builds.
Bible portion:
Genesis 11:1-9
Focus:
Tower of Babel: Pride breaks, Humility builds.

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A daily devotional for lent season

40-Day Gospel Reading Plan

Bible Readings for Today

Matthew 13-14

Have you Read your Bible today?

Memory Verse for the day

Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.

Matthew 13:43 (ESV)

Quote

"Humility is not thinking less of yourself, but thinking of yourself less."

- C. S. Lewis

Prayer Point

Pray for the protection of the children

When sin entered the world and corrupted God's creation, the Book of Genesis reveals the unfolding of God's redemptive plan for humanity through various divine interventions. One significant event that illustrates this is the construction of the Tower of Babel.

At that time, the people were united by one language, one speech, and one dwelling place. Their unity brought organization, strength, and shared purpose. Empowered by collective ability, they sought to shape their own future. Their declaration, "Let us make a name for ourselves," reflects more than a desire for recognition or identity; it reveals a deeper ambition — the intention to elevate themselves beyond their rightful place under God.

In the Garden of Eden, humanity's temptation was the desire to be like God. At Babel, however, that desire advances further — not merely to be like God, but to rise above Him. The effort to make a name for themselves symbolizes human pride and self-sufficiency, standing in direct opposition to God's divine purpose.

This longing for self-glory and recognition continues to mislead people even today. Pride distances us from God, while humility restores us to His will. The Tower of Babel reminds us that when humanity seeks greatness apart from God, confusion and division follow. But when we humble ourselves before Him, He builds what truly endures.

Therefore, let us pray that God will grant us the grace to crucify such desires within us, so that we may live in humility and submit ourselves to His perfect will.

Prayer: Dear Lord, help me to crucify my desire for self-glory and recognition. Instill in me the humility that Jesus showed on the cross. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

-Rev. Abraham G. Sathyanathan