

EPISODE 03

Boundaries Reset · Babel

Genesis 5 – 11 · Apostle Tommy E. Quick

Genesis 5:1 – 11:32 · Panoramas 3 + 4 of 15

Episode length: ~20 minutes

Companion PDFs: Panorama 03 — Genesis 5–9 · Panorama 04 — Genesis 10–11

One-sentence promise: "Tonight we read the flood and the tower side by side — because the same humanity that survived a reset tried to climb back up its own staircase, and that's still the cycle we are living in."

Cold open (00:00 – 01:00)

[OPEN][THEME]

HOST: And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man. Genesis 6:3. Six chapters after the breach, the world has gotten so loud that God Himself names a limit. Welcome to the CFADD Panorama Podcast. I am Apostle Tommy E. Quick. Tonight we do something we have not done yet — we take two Panoramas in one episode. Panorama 3, Boundaries Reset. And Panorama 4, Babel. They belong together, and you will see why. [THEME OUT]

[MAP] Two downloads tonight — Panoramas 3 and 4 at cfadd.org/pentateuch. Stack them next to each other on your screen.

Joined Banner + Macro (01:00 – 04:00)

[ZONE 1][ZONE 2]

HOST: Two banners.

Panorama 3 — Boundaries Reset. The flood resets a humanity that has erased every limit, and the rainbow names the new boundary.

Panorama 4 — Babel. A reset humanity tries to climb back up its own staircase, and God scatters what He could have stopped.

Macro Position for both: This is the Reset and Re-Scatter stage of the Pentateuch. After the breach of chapters 3 and 4, humanity does not heal — it accelerates. By chapter 6 every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. God resets the world with water. Re-blesses the survivors with the dominion mandate of Genesis 1. And then humanity, with the smell of the flood still in the timbers of the ark, says let us build a tower whose top may reach unto heaven, and let us make us a name. The flood washes the world. It does not wash the heart. That will take Sinai. And after Sinai, a cross.

Zone 3 — Outline Bars, Walked Together (04:00 – 07:30)

[ZONE 3]

HOST: I am going to walk both outline bars at once. Follow with your eyes.

Panorama 3, chips left to right:

- The Sons of God — the corruption of Genesis 6. Limits dissolve.
- Noah found grace. The hinge of the chapter.
- The Ark. God's mercy gets a blueprint of its own — gopher wood, pitch, three decks, one door.
- The Flood. Water above and below, the un-creation of Genesis 1 in reverse.
- The Dove. A new creation peeks through.
- The Altar. Noah's first move on dry ground is worship.
- The Rainbow. The boundary God draws with Himself — never again by water.

Panorama 4, chips:

- The Table of Nations. Genesis 10. Seventy nations. The world repopulated in order.
- One Language. Chapter 11 opens with the unity of speech.
- The Plain of Shinar. A migration eastward — away from where God set the family.
- Brick and Slime. Synthetic materials, not natural stone. Babel is the first city of man's manufacture.
- Let us make us a name. The exact inversion of let us make man in our image.
- The LORD came down. Heaven still inspects earth.
- Confusion. Babel — balal, to confuse — and the scattering of the nations.

[SHIFT] Hold the two bars side by side. Panorama 3 ends with God's name on a rainbow. Panorama 4 ends with humanity's name on a tower that fails. That is not a coincidence. Restoration is whose name is on the building.

Zones 4 & 5 — Structural Flow + Shifts (07:30 – 11:30)

[ZONE 4][ZONE 5][SHIFT]

HOST: I am combining flow and shifts here because the two Panoramas move as one rhythm.

- Corruption rises from the breach of Genesis 3. Limit-dissolution. Sons of God. Violence fills the earth.
- Grace finds one man. Noah. Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD is the first time the word grace appears in Scripture. Hold that — grace shows up at the door of judgment, not after it.
- An ark is built to specs. Mercy has carpentry.
- The world is un-made. Day 2 of creation reversed — waters above and below recombine. Day 3 reversed — dry land submerged. Genesis 1 in rewind.
- A new world begins with a man, his wife, his three sons, and their wives. Eight souls. Same blueprint, fresh start.
- The dominion mandate is restated in 9:1, almost verbatim from 1:28. God hands the keys to humanity again.
- A new boundary is added — no eating blood, no shedding blood without account. The boundary God gives a reset world is the sanctity of life.
- The rainbow — the sign of a unilateral covenant. God's bow, hung in the cloud, pointed upward.
- Then — chapter 11. And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.
- Then — Let us build us a city and a tower.
- Then — confusion, scattering, seventy nations dispersed.

Four thematic shifts across both Panoramas:

Violence to Grace. Chapter 6 is the most violent verse-set in Genesis. Chapter 6:8 is the first verse of grace.

Un-Creation to Re-Creation. The flood is Genesis 1 backwards, then forwards. God reverses the world to remake it.

Rainbow to Tower. God writes His name across the sky. Humanity writes its name on a brick.

Unity to Scattering. One language becomes seventy nations. God scatters humanity not as punishment but as protection — a unified rebellion is a more dangerous thing than a divided one.

Zone 6 — Literary Divisions (11:30 – 12:30)

[ZONE 6]

HOST:

- 5:1 – 6:8 — The genealogy of Seth and the corruption of the world.
- 6:9 – 9:17 — The Noahic flood account.
- 9:18 – 9:29 — Noah's vineyard and the curse of Canaan.
- 10:1 – 10:32 — The Table of Nations.
- 11:1 – 11:9 — Babel.
- 11:10 – 11:32 — The genealogy from Shem to Abram — the camera narrows toward one family God will use.

[SHIFT] The end of Panorama 4 is the most important verse in Genesis you have probably never highlighted — chapter 11 ends with Terah, the father of Abram. The scatter of Babel sets up the call of Abraham. The scattering is not the end of the story. The scattering is how the next chapter knows where to find Abram.

Zone 7 — Ministry Layer (12:30 – 16:30)

[ZONE 7][MINISTRY]

HOST: Six pillars, both Panoramas.

Doctrine in the Text. God judges. God preserves. God re-blesses. God scatters. All four are mercy. Even the scattering is mercy — for unified rebellion is the most dangerous thing a fallen humanity can build.

Family Principle. Noah's household is saved by household. Husband, wife, three sons, three daughters-in-law. The first salvation narrative in Scripture is a household salvation. God is in the family-rescue business from the first reset onward.

Kingdom Principle. The dominion mandate is re-given in chapter 9. The kingdom is not cancelled by the flood. Whenever God resets, He re-commissions. Hold that for the cultural moments you are in right now.

Cultural Application. Every age of human history builds its own tower. The materials change — brick and slime, then stone, then steel, then code. The motive does not change — let us make us a name. The Rebuilder names the tower for what it is.

Prayer Declaration. Lord, draw the rainbow over my household. Reset what needs to be washed. Re-commission what needs to be re-blessed. Scatter what I have built only to make myself a name. Let Your name be on the building.

Rebuilder's Charge. Rebuilders refuse Babel even when they could lead it. Anyone of stature is offered the brick-and-slime project — a platform, a name, a movement that is unified around something less than the LORD. The Rebuilder declines. Names made by humanity get scattered. Names given by God get covenanted. That is the difference between Babel and the next chapter — Abraham, to whom God says I will make of thee a

great nation, and I will make thy name great.

Zone 8 — Christward Trajectory (16:30 – 18:30)

[ZONE 8][CHRISTWARD]

HOST: The gold panel. Christ in the reset and the scatter.

The Ark is Christ. 1 Peter 3 explicitly reads Noah's ark as a baptism — eight souls were saved by water. The Lord prepared one door of mercy in the side of the ark, and one door of mercy in the side of the Son. Both close from heaven's side, not earth's.

The Dove is the Spirit. The dove returns with an olive leaf in Genesis 8. The Spirit descends like a dove in Matthew 3. The same Spirit who hovered over the waters in Genesis 1 announced the new creation in Genesis 8 and inaugurated the new creation at Christ's baptism.

The Rainbow is the Throne. Revelation 4 — there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald. The boundary God drew over Noah is the permanent fixture of His throne room. Mercy is not a temporary mood. Mercy is hung in the architecture of heaven.

Babel is reversed at Pentecost. Acts 2 — every man heard them speak in his own language. What Genesis 11 scattered, Acts 2 gathered. Babel was God scattering the nations to protect them. Pentecost was God gathering the nations to save them. The Spirit who confused Babel is the Spirit who united the church.

Close and CTA (18:30 – 20:00)

[CTA]

HOST: Two Panoramas tonight. One reset. One scatter.

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Three — next week, the longest episode of the season. The Patriarchal Arc. Panoramas 5, 6, and 7 — Abraham, Jacob, and Joseph. Genesis 12 through 50. Three Panoramas in one episode, because the patriarchs are one story.

Until then — let God's name be on your building.

[THEME OUT]

Show notes

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A double episode. The flood resets the world; the tower tries to climb back up its own staircase. Apostle Tommy E. Quick walks two Panoramas side by side — the reset and the re-scatter — and shows how Pentecost reverses Babel.

Download tonight's Panoramas:

- [Panorama 03 — Genesis 5–9 · Boundaries Reset](#)

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In this episode:

- Grace appears at the door of judgment (Genesis 6:8)
- The dominion mandate re-given in Genesis 9 — every reset includes a re-commission
- Babel — let us make us a name — and why scattering was protection, not punishment
- Ministry Layer: rebuilders refuse Babel even when they could lead it
- Christward Trajectory: the ark, the dove, the rainbow, and Pentecost as Babel reversed

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