

lost sight of the Almighty's covenant with their father Noah.

Q. Did they succeed in their foolish undertaking?

A. No, Almighty God sent amongst them, when their work was fast progressing, a confusion of tongues which prevented them from understanding each other; they were thus obliged to leave their tower unfinished, and disperse throughout the different countries of the world.

Q. What was this tower called?

A. It was called Babel, a word which means confusion.

Q. Where was it being erected?

A. On the plain of Shinar, near the river Euphrates, in Asia.

Q. In what year did this occur?

A. It occurred two thousand two hundred and forty-seven years before Christ.

Q. Whither did the family of Cham go to settle?

A. The family of Cham went to settle in Egypt, Arabia, and Palestine, the latter receiving the name of Chanaan, from Cham's eldest son, accursed of God.

Q. What great city was built on the river Euphrates by Nimrod the hunter, a descendant of Cham?

A. The city of Babylon, afterwards called the Great, which became in time the seat of a mighty empire.

Q. What countries were occupied by the children of Japhet?

A. The country of Asia Minor, and a large portion of Europe, were occupied by the children of Japhet.