**06. In HIS Name**

**In the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit**

### • Genesis 11: The Tower of Babel

**11**Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. **2**As people moved eastward,[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%2011&version=NIV" \l "fen-NIV-269a" \o "See footnote a)] they found a plain in Shinar[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%2011&version=NIV#fen-NIV-269b)] and settled there.

**3**They said to each other, “Come, let’s make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. **4**Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves;

**Desert: insecurity/we look for a comfort zone/plain but we cannot stay without doing nothing: we project ourselves in what we do/Babel tower (babel definition: 1. the confusing sound of many people talking at the same time or using different languages). Consequences when someone wants to wants to exalt his/her name?: solitude/no communication/no relation/dispersion/ Idols ruin life, relations/peace/**

**• How can we escape from idolatry?** **Exodus 20, 7 can help us:** You shall not invoke the name of the LORD, your God, in vain.

• Don’t blaspheme!(= to speak of or talk to with disrespect**7**“**You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**

**•**Don't mention it! **Muslim**s (nor image and no word about God) His name cannot be said in words. Don't insult him! but for children is enough.

• **Literally means:** to take upon oneself\to take over/carry on me: **Lamb of God**, you who redeem ... you who take upon yourself.

• **Name in the Bible: identity**- your truth. **A person is his or her name**. Adam= gave the corresponding name to each creature. Moses recognized God's name at the burning bush. The mission. **Who are you really?**

• To take on someone's name: **a surname acquired by marriage**, a Jewish name, Jew. Abram=exalted father;  Isaac = “**one who laughs” or “one who rejoices.”; John=God is gracious/** **Affiliation, the expression of a relationship. Does the name match the reality?**

• sometimes we have useless relationship. Formal. Hypocrisy: acting, mask. Like a doctor who is not a doctor, a father, a priest, a friend (for sex only). **Have you experienced this sort of relationships/for interest only?**

• When/how can you find out that someone has an authentic relationship with you? In the emergency. In the dramatic moment. **Do we have also with God unauthentic relation?**

• Yes! Prayer for interest/ rosary every day/mass every Sunday. Youth group for fun or to find a partner. Result! **One market: more profit with less money.**

• **Mk 10, 17-22:** Good teacher ... I have done all these! **You wanted it, come after me/with me**. I'll take you with me! You are my heart**! Leave everything for me! Is the relationship with God less than a marriage?** The original and the copy.

• **Only an authentic relationship with God frees us from idols**. The only way is to disobey idols and immerse yourself in the true God. Until you do, you don't know who God is, or if He even exists. Had multiple properties! Here, his god! Jesus came for the poor in spirit!

• What are you afraid of losing if God takes you? Your four stupidities! In the end, you are afraid of losing your idols, only idols, because God does not take your life, on the contrary, he fills it with meaning, with joy, he elevates it. If even God can't touch them, neither can your wife/husband, your children... How will you do it for your love? Explain me! Here's the best part!

• I am convinced that you are capable! You were made for an authentic relationship with God. You were made for a great, noble life. Your heart knows! Children: I want everything! You deserve! You will do beautiful things. To immerse yourself in God, you must think that you are precious. Will anyone believe you? I yes. He knows you! I know what he has put in your heart.

• **When will you receive God's name upon you?** Baptism (you will be immersed) in the Name of the Trinity. It will be a blessing.

• Do not be afraid of your fragility, your mistakes: it is a strength, you will seek a relationship. Just believe in your beauty and greatness!