L2.13 "Nimrod the Mighty Hunter"

Read Together: God saved eight people from the great flood He brought upon the earth: Noah and his wife, his sons Shem, Ham, and Japheth, and his sons' wives. The sons of Noah began to have children, and their families grew into all the nations of the world. The names of their descendants (children, grandchildren, etc.) can be found in Genesis 10. Even as these families grew into tribes and nations,



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the earth was still very sparsely populated. One of the sons of Ham was named Cush, and one of the sons of Cush was named Nimrod, who was a mighty hunter. The people began to trust in Nimrod for their protection in place of God Almighty. They called Nimrod "the mighty hunter before the *LORD*" (Genesis 10:9). People began to idolize him, and most of them soon forgot the lessons of the Flood.

Read Together: Genesis 9:18-19; 10:1-8, 13-32; Acts 17:26

Discuss:

- Explain to your child that knowing the names of the ancient peoples and lands they lived in is important because it helps us identify their descendants today. This also helps us understand prophecies that affect them.
- Discuss Acts 17:26 with your child. Explain that Acts 17:26 shows that God has given different parts of Noah's family different lands to inherit.
- Ask your child to picture himself or herself on the earth about 100 years after the flood. Would it
 be frightening to live in an area where wild animals outnumber humans? What would be the
 natural thing to do? What should they have done?
- Ask your child what lessons he or she thinks people should have learned from the Flood. How
 does the people's attitude toward Nimrod show they had not learned those lessons?

Review Memorization:

Genesis 11:9 "Therefore its name is called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth."