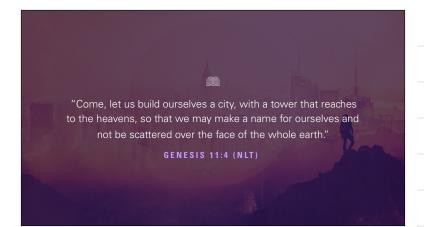


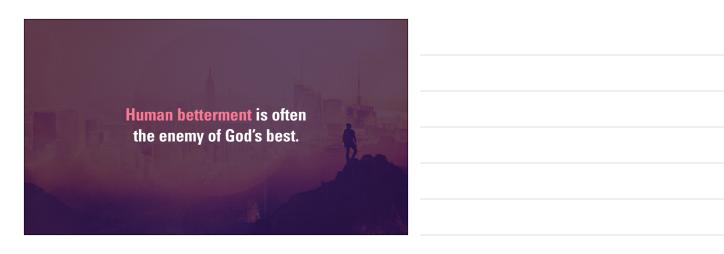
#### In the face of Babylonian culture, God will empower his people to: 1. Stand firm in their faith – "shall be strong" 2. Take action on God's behalf – "do great exploits"

# What is Babylon?



"If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other."

GENESIS 11:6-7



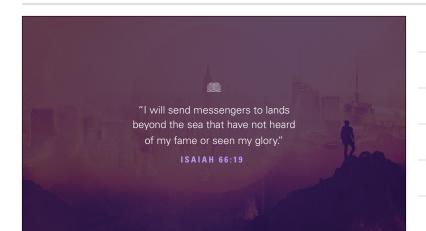
### What's So Bad About Babel? Human disobedience, pride and independence from God.

#### Babylonian culture is humanistic at its core: It rejects God as its sole source of authority, then does what it deems right.









## "The Missio Dei in Daniel "Therefore, I [Nebuchadnezzar] decree that the people of any nation or language who say anything against the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego be cut into pieces... for no other God can save in this way." DANIEL 3:29



#### The Mission of God and Me

Missions is about ensuring that God's glory is proclaimed in Babylon in my home, my office, my school, my city and around the world.

#### The Mission of God and Me

I do mission by the way I live, by the words I proclaim, and by the actions I take to support the glory of God through the rule of God.

# What is Thriving? To be the human conduit for the glory of God. "God will bless everyone who honors Him." PSALM 115:13





### What is the chief purpose of man? Man's chief purpose is to glorify God and enjoy him forever.

God is most glorified in me when I am most satisfied in him. And I will be most satisfied in him when I am addicted to his glory.

