

## Turning it off

Genesis 11:5-9

Technology

... *master or mastered?*

... *image of Christ -or- image of the world?*

... *above God?*

Ziggurats

Dangers

Children and technology

## Considerations for the week

Contrast how we typically interact with one another now with how people did a few years ago – also in the near past and distant past. Consider both the positive and negative aspects of each form of interaction.

The biblical tower-builders wanted to make a name for themselves. How does this desire play-out in our society's use of technology?

Review Genesis 11:1-4. Speculate how these people might have convinced themselves that their plans were acceptable and not contrary to God's instructions in Genesis 1:28 and 9:1.

How did technology play a part in the plans of the people of Shinar?

Describe any parallels in their use of their technology and in our technology.

Technology is ubiquitous. Examine how you use technology and when it might be better not to do so. Consider how a week (or a day) might go for you, were you to turn off your phone for the week (day).

*Please use these considerations for personal reflection, small group discussions, and with friends and family.*



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**And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built.**

– Genesis 11:5, ESV

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Scripture read today  
during worship:

Romans 11:33-12:2

Psalm 18:16-19

## Prayer today

Members will be praying for us during the service today and also during the week. Please email us at [prayer@rtbchurch.org](mailto:prayer@rtbchurch.org) to let us know how we may pray for you.

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**Rice Temple Baptist Church**

## Today's order of service

Prelude, *Be Still My Soul*

Call to Worship, Anna Fuqua

Hymn  
*Let All the World in Every Corner Sing*

Hymn 38, *I Will Call upon the Lord*

Hymn, *Enough*

Hymn, *Who Can Satisfy My Soul Like You?*

Offertory  
Reading, Elizabeth Fuqua  
Special music, *Living Water*

VBS report

Message, Clint Reiff

Hymn of response, *Word of God, Speak*

Benediction, Kay Hyde

Postlude  
*I Am Resolved / Standing on the Promises*

## Weekly events

Today after benediction, Cookies & Coffee, in parlor

Young adults fellowship, Monday at 6:45pm. Dinner and discussion for those in college or starting careers

Mom's Day Out, Tuesday and Friday, 9am – 2pm  
pre-registration required

Wednesday

Dinner served, 5:30-6:30 pm – Menu: garlic butter  
pasta, peas, artichokes, salmon spread, cookies

Prayer, 6:30 pm in the prayer room

Ladies' international Bible class (Zoom), 6:45 pm

Sermon discussion on Zoom, 7 pm

Choir rehearsal, 7:45 pm

Will resume in the fall:

BLAST! Children's Bible study and fun

Kids' Music Class

Joy Program, Thursday, 9am-noon, conversational  
English classes, Bible study, crafts, and handbells

Young internationals Bible study, Saturday at 7 pm

Men's Bible study, every-other Saturday at 8 am.  
Meets next week, June 28.

Sunday morning

Adult Bible study, 9:30 am

Worship, 10:45 am

Children's Church at sermon time

**The church office has information on events.**

Phone: 713.559.6875 Email: [office@rtbchurch.org](mailto:office@rtbchurch.org)  
The office is open Tuesday - Friday, 9am-4pm

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**Church Conference** There will be a special church conference held in person at the church on Sunday, June 29, 2025, at 12:45 pm. The agenda for the meeting includes consideration and possible vote on permitting the Kachin church to use our facilities. Please contact the church office for information.

**Templegram** Our weekly newsletter is provided to us by email, usually on Tuesday. If you'd like to receive it, please email us at [office@rtbchurch.org](mailto:office@rtbchurch.org).

Please be advised that our services are livestreamed to the internet. Your participation in the service serves as your consent to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your participating minor children.