

## Chapter 10

*The genealogie of Noes children, by whom the world was increafed againe, after the flood.*

**T**hefe are the generations of the fonnes of Noe, Sem, Cham, and Iapheth: and children were borne to them after the flood. <sup>2</sup> The children of Iapheth: Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Iauan, and Thubal, and Mofoch, and Thiras. <sup>3</sup> Moreover the children of Gomer: Afcenez and Riphath and Thogorma. <sup>4</sup> And the fonnes of Iauan: Elifa and Tharfis, the Cetims and the Dodanims. <sup>5</sup> Of thefe were diuided the Iles of Nations in their countries, ech one according to his tongue and their families in their nations. <sup>6</sup> And the fonnes of Cham: Chus, and Mefraim, and Phut, and Chanaan. <sup>7</sup> And the fonnes of Chus: Saba, and Heuila, & Sabatha, and Regma, & Sabathaca. The fonnes of Regma: Saba, and Dadan. <sup>8</sup> Moreouer Chus begat <sup>a</sup>Nemrod: he began to be mightie in the earth, <sup>9</sup> and he was a valiaunt hunter <sup>a</sup>)before our Lord. Therof rofe a prouerbe: As it were Nemrod the valiaunt hunter before our Lord. <sup>10</sup> And the beginning of his kingdome was Babylon, and Arach, and Achad, and Chalanne in the land of Sennaar. <sup>11</sup> Out of that land came forth <sup>a</sup>Affur, and builded Niniue, and the ftreets of the citie, and Chale. <sup>12</sup> Refen alfo between Niniue and Chale: this is the great citie. <sup>13</sup> But Mefraim alfo begat the Ludims, & the Anamims, & the Laabims, the Nephthuims, <sup>14</sup> and the Phetrufims, and the Cafluims: of whom came forth the Philiftims & the Caphtorims. <sup>15</sup> And Canaan begat Sidon his firft begotten, Hethæus, <sup>16</sup> and Iebufæus, and Amorrhæus, and Gergefæus, <sup>17</sup> Heuæus and Aracæus: Sinæus, <sup>18</sup> and Aradius, Samaræus, and Hamathæus: and afterwarde were fpred the people of the Chananits. <sup>19</sup> And the limitts of Chanaan were from Sidon as we come to Gerara euen to Gaza, vntil thou enter to Sodoma

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<sup>a</sup> That is in his fight who can not be deceiued.

& Gomorrha, and Adama, & Seboim euen to Lefa. <sup>20</sup> Thefe are the children of Cham in their kinreds, and tongues, and generations & lands, and nations. <sup>21</sup> Of Sem alfo <sup>a</sup>)father of al the children of Heber, the elder brother of Iapheth were borne. <sup>22</sup> The children of Sem: Ælam and Affur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram. <sup>23</sup> The children of Aram: Vs, and Hul, and Gether, and Mes. <sup>24</sup> And Arphaxad alfo begat Sale, of whom was borne Heber. <sup>25</sup> And to Heber were borne two fonnes: the name of the one was Pharleg, <sup>b</sup>)becaufe that in his dayes was the earth diuided: and his brothers name was Iectan. <sup>26</sup> The which Iectan begat Elmodad, and Saleph, and Afarmoth, Iare, <sup>27</sup> and Aduram, and Vzal, and Decla, <sup>28</sup> and Ebal, and Abimael, Saba, <sup>29</sup> and Ophir, and Heula, and Iobab. Al thefe were the children of Iectan. <sup>30</sup> And their dwelling was from Meffa as we goe on as far as Sephar a mountaine in the eaft. <sup>31</sup> Thefe are the children of Sem according to their kinred and tongues, and countries in their nations. <sup>32</sup> Thefe are the families of Noe, according to their peoples & nations. Of thefe were <sup>a</sup>)the nations diuided on the earth after the flood.

## ANNOTATIONS

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| <p>Li. 1. c. 4. Antiqit.<br/> l. Antiq. Chalda.<br/> Li. 1. c. 2. in Ofce.<br/> li. 16. c. 3.<br/> 4. &amp; 17. ciuit.</p> | <p>8 Nemrod.) To this Nemrod the fonne of Chus, firft builder and king of Babylon, Iofephus, S. Epiphanius, S. Hierom, S. Auguftin, and generally al ancient writers afcribe the firft tyrannie, and firft fetting vp of an earthlie citie oppofite to the Citie of God after the flood. He was a <i>Valiant</i>, or rather a <i>Violent hunter</i> a giant hunter (faith S. Auguftin, according to the feuentie Interpreters) who by falshood and force brought manie vnder his dominion. For he fturred vp pride (faith Iofephus) and contempt of God in men, auoching that they were not beholding to God for prefent felicitie, but to their owne vertue; and fo fupposing men would fal from God to him, if he offered him felfe a leader, and helper againft a new flood, by litle and litle drew al to tyrannie.</p> | <p>Nemrod king of Babylon, a futtle &amp; cruel giant.</p> <p>An Arch-heretike.</p> |
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<sup>a</sup> Hence S. Auguftin geathereth that the people of Ifrael were called Hebrewes of this Heber. *l. 16. c. 3. ciuit.*

<sup>b</sup> Heber hauing a fonne borne when the tongues were diuided called him Phaleg, which fignifieth diuifion. *S. Aug. li. 16. c. 11. ciuit.*

Berofus Ann-  
ian. li. 4. c. 5.  
Eufebius in  
chron. & alij.

He was otherwife called Saturnus, and was at length amongft others accounted a god. After him his fonne Belus Iupiter (as moft authors affirme) raigned 65. yeares. And then fucceded Ninus the firft king of the Affirians.

li. 1. Antiq. c. 4.  
Li. 16. c. 3. ciuit.  
Eufeb. in chron.

11 Affur builded Niniue.) Here is great difficultie, and much difpute amongft writers, who this Affur is. Briefly, we may either fay with Iofephus and S. Auguftin, that Affur the fonne of Sem built a citie, which afterwards Ninus of Chams race enlarged, enriched, and changing the name called it Ninum: or els that this word *Affur* here fignifieth (as *4. Reg. 15. Pfal. 82. Efaia 10. & 31.*) the king of Affirians, to wit Ninus the fonne of Belus, who as al hiftories greeke and barbarous reporte (faith S. Hierom) was the firft that raigned ouer al Afia, & among the Affirians built Ninum a citie of his owne name, which the Hebrewes cal Niniue. He fet vp the Monarchie of the Affirians, called the golden kingdom, which ftood 1240. yeares. And made his father Belus to be honored for a god. To whom the Babilonians, as Plinie teftifieth, firft erected ftatues, altares, & temples. Of this Belus or Bel of Babylon were alfo deriued other falfe goddes, as Belial the god of Libertines, or without yoke, Beelphegor god of the Moabites, Beelzebub of the Acharonites, Baal in Samaria, Baalim amongft the Philiftims: and the like in other nations.

Iud. 19. Num. 25.  
4. Reg. 1.  
3. Reg. 16.

Affur, fonne of  
Sem, or Ninus king  
of Affirians.

Firft falfe goddes.

S. Aug. 16.  
c. 3. ciuit.

32 The Nations.) How manie Nations and tongues were in the world immediatly after the towre of Babylon, is more cōmonly fuppofed, then clerly fhewed by old or late writers. Only it femeth certaine and euident, that there were iuft as manie tongues as Nations. But to finde precifly (as the common opinion holdeth) 72, is hard. For in this chapter (where they would count this number) are not mentioned fo manie. Neuertheles if we adde certaine that begane diftinct Nations afterwards, til Iacob with his children went into Ægypt (in whom only the Hebrew Nation and Tongue continued to Chrifts time) the number wil come right. Of Iapheth were borne 7. fonnes chiefe of Nations. Againe of Gomer (befides his fuppofed fucceffor, who can not be counted beginner of an other diftinct nation) came 2. other heades. Likwife of Iauan (befides his firft fonne) rofe 3. more nations. Of Cham by his firft fonne Chus were 6. nephewes princes of nations. Againe of Regma (befides his fucceffor) came one more. And Nemrod befides his kingdom of Babylon, rayfed vp other 6. By his fecond fonne Mefraim came 8. nations, Chams third fonne Phut made only one nation. And Chanaan his fonnes made 11. more. Of Sem (laft mentioned for better connecting the maine Hiftorie, and fucceffion of the Church) came the chiefe and principal Nation the Hebrewes, defcending from him by Arphaxad, Sale, Heber, and fo directly to Iacob. Of Sem alfo were borne 4. other fonnes beginners of nations. Againe of Aram (befides his firft fonne) were 3. fathers of nations. Likwife of Heber (befides the Hebrewes defcending by Phaleg) were borne to his other fonne Iectan 13. heades of nations.

The common opin-  
ion of 72. tongues  
is not clere in  
Scripture.  
Yet this num-  
ber of nations  
and tongues  
may be probably  
geathered in this  
and other places of  
Genefis.

The Hebrews  
chiefe of thefe na-  
tions.

Gen. 24. 19. 17.      These are al that are named in this place: to wit, of Iapheth,  
 25, 26. 25, 23.      12. of Cham 33. and of Sem 21. which make in al 66. wherunto  
                          if we adioyne Nachor (Abrahams brother) Moab, and Ammon  
                          (Lots fonnes) also Ifmael (Abrahams eldest fonne) and his iffue  
                          by Cetura, and finally Efau (Iacobs brother) who made 6. more  
                          diftinct nations, the whole number is 72. This probable collection,  
                          with the reft, we fubmit to better iudgement.