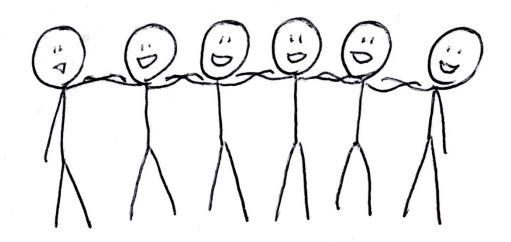
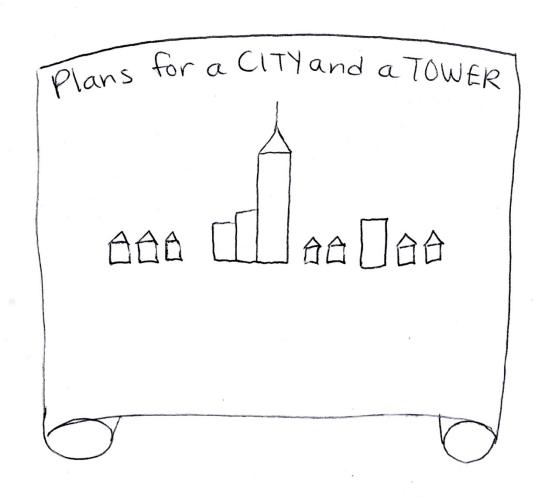
Mystery Babylon vs. the Wilderness

To live in Mystery Babylon or to marry הוה in the Wilderness, that is the question from Genesis to Revelation.

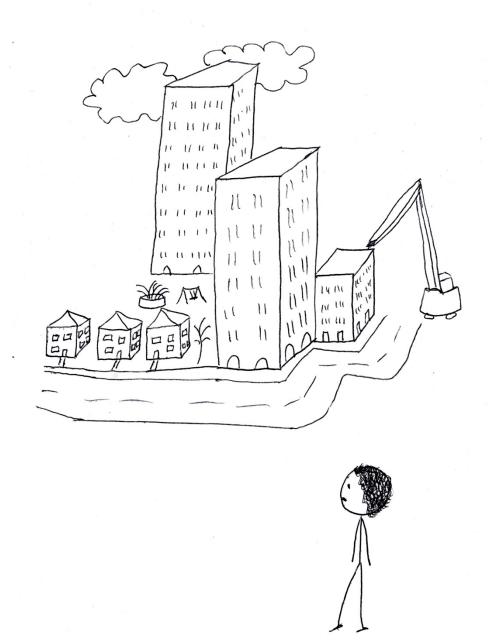
And all the earth had one language and oneness in speaking. Gen 11:1



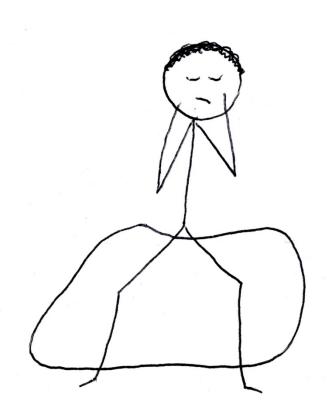
And they said, "Come, let's build ourselves a city and a tower. And the tower's head will be in the heavens. And we will make a name so that we are not scattered over the face of the earth." Gen. 11:4



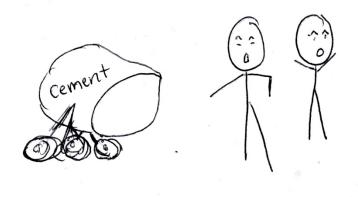
And חוח' came down to see the city and the tower that the sons of Adam had built. Gen 11:5

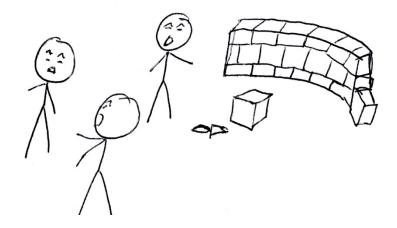


And הוה said, "See, the people are one and their language is one and this is what they begin to do! And all that they intend to do will not be cut off from them. Come, let's go down there and mix their language so that a man does not hear the language of their neighbor." Gen 11:6-7

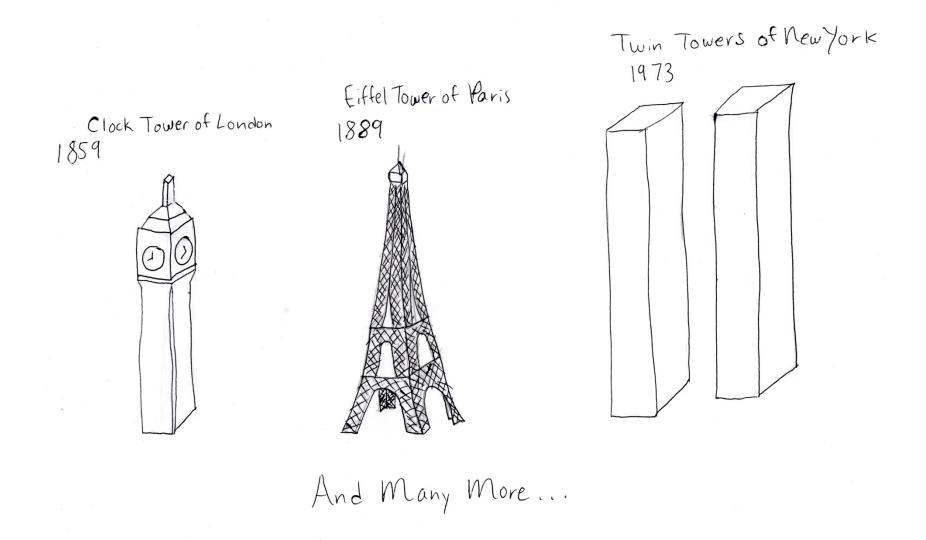


And הוה' scattered them from over the face of the earth and they stopped building the city. So her name is called Babel because there הוה' mixed the language of all the earth and from there הוה' scattered them over all the earth. Gen 11:8-9

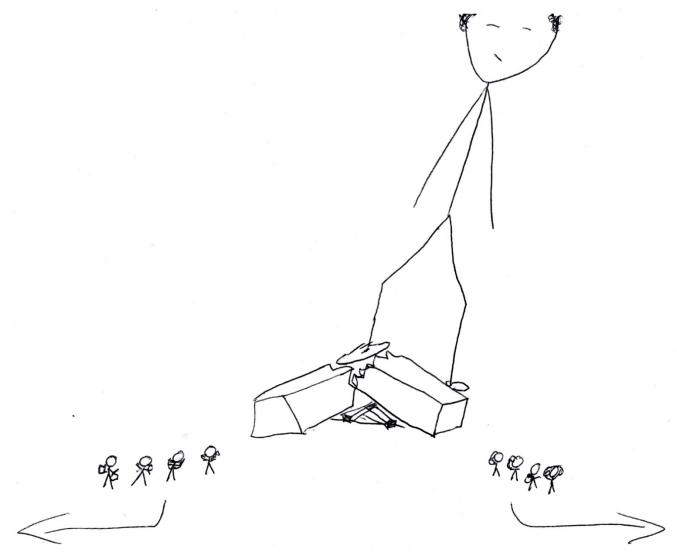




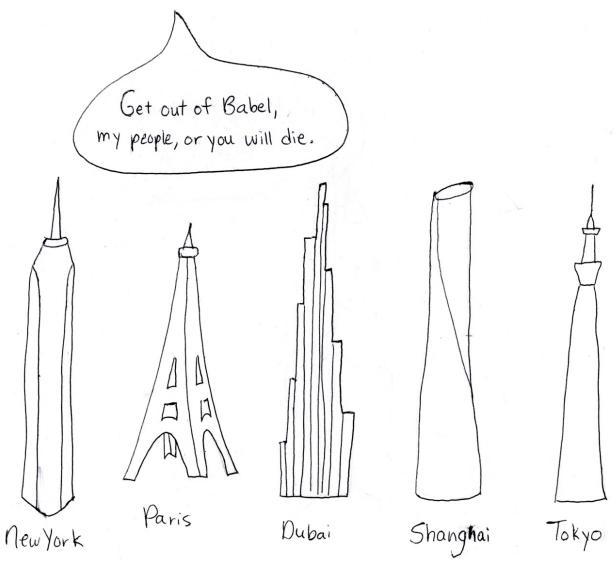
But ההה knew that eventually people would again begin to build cities with towers that reach the heavens and to make places of name (famous places) where they could live in big, tight groups instead of scattered homes. And he calls those places Mystery Babel. (Babylon is the Greek word for Babel. But in Hebrew there is only the one word, Babel.)



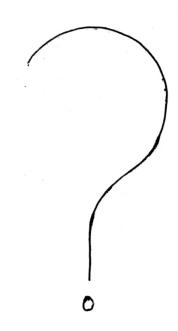
And so he warned his people that when that happened, they must not stay there or love those places because he promised that he would again come down and judge those places just before he returned.



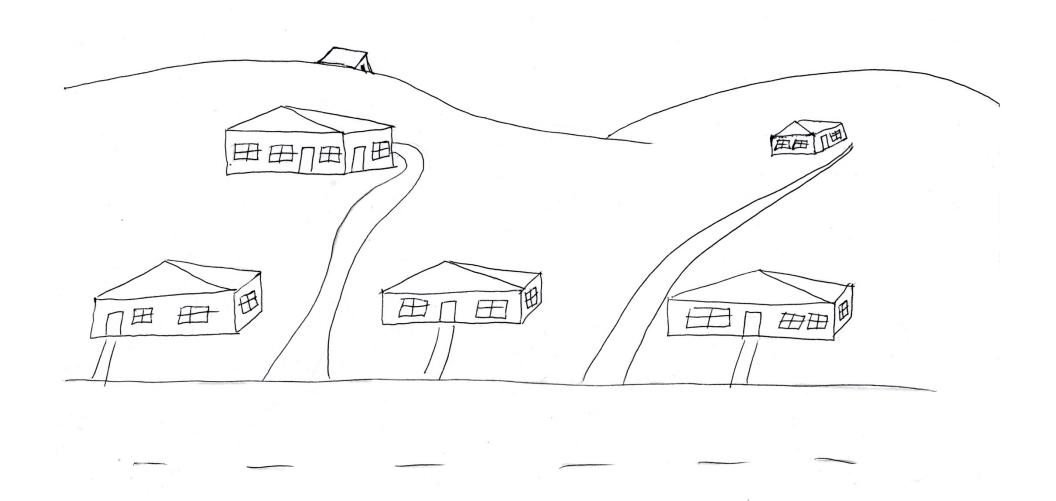
He said, "Come out of her, my people, so that you don't share her sins and receive her punishments because her sins have reached up to the sky and I have remembered her unrighteousness." Rev 18:4



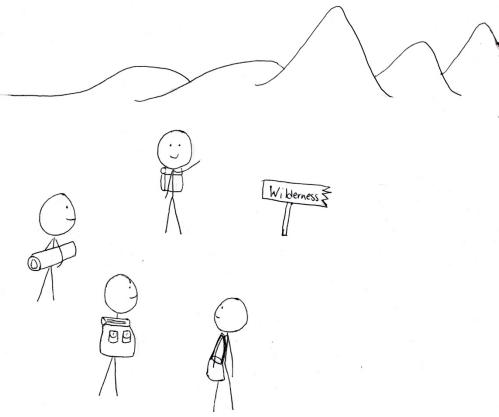
But where do we go to flee from Babel?



To places that are the most opposite we can find – places that are not well known or famous, that have no towers or tall buildings, and where people live in scattered homes, in or near the countryside.



And eventually 'mill actually take us all the way into the wilderness to completely get away from Babel, just as he took the Children of Israel into the wilderness to get away from Egypt.

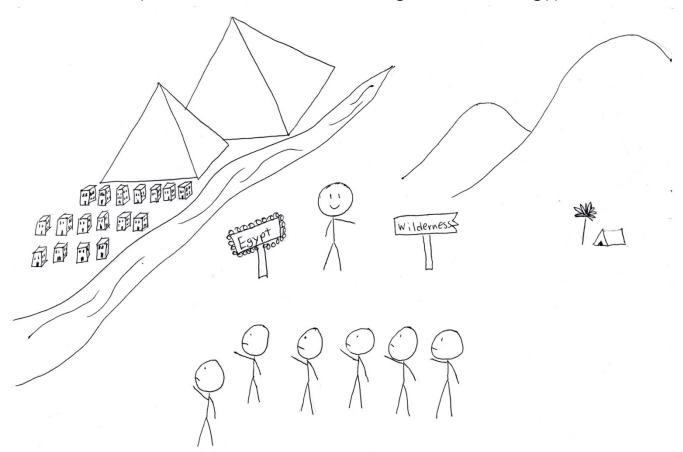


You have seen what I did to Egypt and how I carried you on the wings of eagles and brought you to myself. Ex 19:4

And the woman is given the two wings of a great eagle so that she can fly into the wilderness, to her place where she is nourished for a time, times, and half a time away from the face of the snake. Rev 12:14

And when he does take us into the wilderness, we must remember not to try him as the Children of Israel did.

And they said to Moses, "Is there a lacking absence of graves in Egypt that you have taken us to die in the wilderness? What is this you have done to us to bring us out from Egypt?" Ex 14:11



And the Children of Israel said to them, "Who can grant our death by the hand of "in the land of Egypt when we sat over pots of meat and when we ate bread to satisfaction? Because you have brought us to this wilderness to kill all this assembly with starvation." Ex 16:3

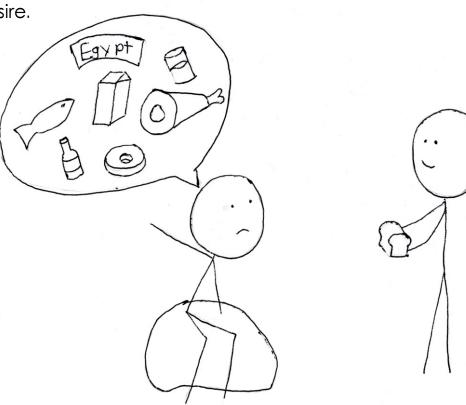
And there the people thirsted for water. And the people put themselves against Moses and said, "What's the point of this? You brought us up from Egypt to kill us and the children and the livestock with thirst." Ex 17:3

And those gathered in their midst wanted a desire.

And they turned back. And they wept also, the Children of Israel. And they said, "Who will feed us meat? We remember the fish that we ate in Egypt without payment, the cucumbers and the melons and the leaks and the onions and the garlic. And now our being is dry.

There is nothing at all but manna for our eyes."

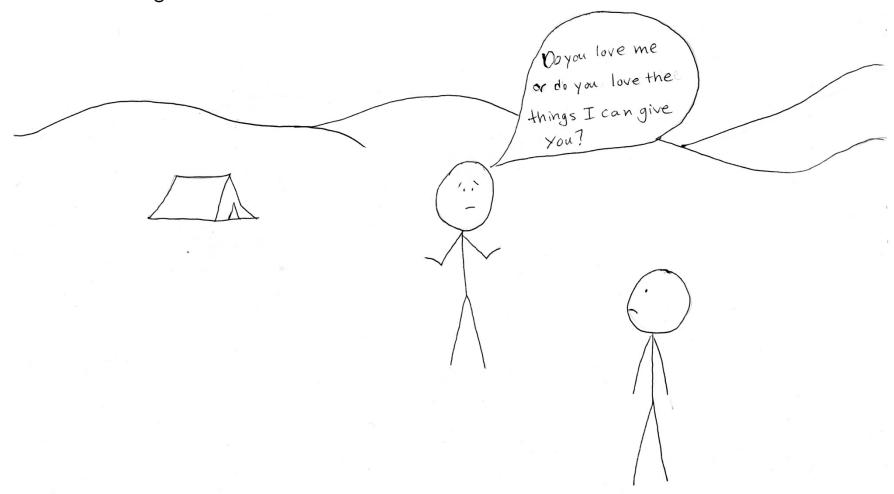
Num 11:4-6



And all the Children of Israel put themselves against Moses and Aaron. And all the assembly said to them, "If only we had died in the land of Egypt or in this wilderness. If only we had died. And why has 'הוֹח' brought us to this land to fall by the sword? Our wives and our little ones shall become plunder. Would it not be good for us to return to Egypt?" Num 14:2-3

Because he has many very good reasons for all that he leads us through in the wilderness.

And remember all the way יהוה your God led you these 40 years in the wilderness, in order to humble you, to prove you, to know that in your heart you guard his commandments or if you don't. And he humbled you and he starved you and he fed you the manna that you did not know and that your fathers did not know in order to make you know that man will not live on bread alone because man will live on all that goes out from the mouth of יהוה. Deut 8:2-3



"Yes, see, I will entice her and lead her in the wilderness and speak over her heart. And I will give to her from there her vineyards and the Valley of Achor for an opening of hope. And she will respond there as in the days of her youth and as in the day that she came up from the land of Egypt. And it will be in that day," declares יהווה "you will call me my husband and no longer call me my master." ... "And I will engage you to myself forever. And I will engage you to myself in righteousness and in judgement and in kindness and in compassion. And I will engage you to myself in faithfulness. And you will know "יהוה 2:14–16 and 19–20"."

