

# Eridu as “Babel” (Genesis 10/11)



1. Potentially the **oldest city in the world** and the **first Sumerian city built after the Flood** during expected lifetime of Nimrod.
2. Used **baked mud brick construction** (cf. Gen. 11:3-4) in the **3000s BC** during the expected lifetime of Nimrod.
3. The ziggurat ruins of Eridu are **far larger** and **older** than any others, and seem to best match the Biblical description of the **unfinished** Tower of Babel.
4. Eridu was **abandoned after the end of the third millennium** (around 3000 BC) – the same time as the dispersion of languages at the Tower of Babel.
5. Eridu and Babylon were often **referred to interchangeably** (“Babylon”/NUN.KI).