

THE BOOK OF REVELATION

“This World Will Not Last”

Rev 17-18

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Part 17 of 19

Intro:

All Rev verses in ESV

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Genesis 11:3-9 (NIV)

Book:

BABYLON

1. GOD'S **DESCRIPTION** OF BABYLON

- Babylon is entrenched in a worldly resistance to God

Five ways to recognize this civilization that sets itself up against God

A. A woman sitting on a scarlet beast (17:3)

- Its father is the **devil**

B. The woman was dressed in purple and scarlet (17:4a)

- Its focus is **materialism**

C. She held a golden cup in her hand (17:4b)

- Jeremiah 51:7 (NIV)
- Its character is **immorality**

D. This title was written on her forehead: The title was “Mystery. Babylon the great. The mother of all prostitutes and of the abominations of the earth.”

- Its business is **prostitution**
- Ezekiel 16:15 (NIV)

E. She is drunk with the blood of the saints (17:6)

- Its religion is **anti-God**
- 7 heads are the 7 hills on which the woman sits
- Who is this beast with 7 heads and 10 horns?
- Babylon the woman is the unholy opposite to **the Bride of Christ**

- Babylon the city the ungodly opposite of the ***New Jerusalem***.

2. GOD'S ***PERSPECTIVE*** ON BABYLON

A. The voice of ***condemnation*** (18:1-3)

- God's perspective: ***Babylon is going to fall***

B. The voice of ***separation*** (18:4-8)

- God's perspective: ***Come out from her my people!***
- Jeremiah 51:45 (NIV)

C. The voice of ***lamentation*** (18:9-19)

- God's perspective: ***"In one hour"***

D. The voice of ***celebration*** (18:20-24)

- God's perspective: ***Justice will be done***