IN the World but not OF the World

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Revelation 18

The prognosis of the city of men

The ground for such a prognosis

The despair of those whose affections are set upon the city of men

The call of Christians living in the city of men

The warning today for unbelievers committed to the city of men

The prognosis of Babylon (ie city of men): Babylon is fallen

- The fall will be sudden, dramatic and traumatic (18:2, 8, 10, 17, 19, 21).
- 2 "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great!
- 8 ... her plagues will come in a single day, death and mourning and famine,

and she will be burned up with fire...

- 10 For in a single hour your judgment has come."
- 17 For in a single hour all this wealth has been laid waste."
- 19 For in a single hour she has been laid waste.
- 21 Then a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone and threw it into the sea, saying, "So will Babylon the great city be thrown down with violence, and will be found no more.

The grounds for the fall of the city of men (19:3, 6, 7, 11-13, 24).

- Sexual immorality
- Gross materialism and idolatry

- Glorification of man/Arrogance and pride
- Evil against image bearers

The despair of those whose affections are set upon the city of men (18:9-12, 15, 17-19).

The call of Christians living in the city of men: Come out of her (19:4)

· Be IN the world, yet not OF the world

Hebrew 11:24-27

John 17:14-18

James 4:7-8

Ephesians 5:1-4

The warning today for unbelievers committed to the city of men (18:21-23)

• All you are seeking apart from Jesus will one day be no more