

Revelation

The in-depth study of revelation

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Rev. 18 ; 1 – 24

Study # 1

The Judgment of Babylon

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9. When we see words like wilderness in chapter seventeen verse three which describes a future event to happen, and we see chapter sixteen is the end of the seven-year tribulation period, we know that chapter eighteen must be moved to be in chronological order or John is being given a hid-sight view of what has just happened.
- a. Chapter eighteen is not a player chapter meaning something to happen or something going to happen.
 - b. Chapter eighteen is a fill in the blanks chapter, or this is what has just happen chapter.
 - c. When we take the information from chapter eighteen and place it where it fits or belongs or even answers the questions of, then we gain even more of a clearer view of what scripture is saying to us.
10. Chapter eighteen opens with another angel making the a final announcement.
- a. One with power and authority
 - b. His presence illuminates the whole universe with His glory.
 1. Many relate this to the moment Christ returns or as if he comes with Christ as Jesus comes to do battel with Satan at the battel of Armageddon.

Revelation 18:1 (NKJV)

¹ After these things I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was illuminated with his glory.

11. This angel makes the final announcement.
- a. Babylon has fallen
 - b. Babylon the great is fallen
 1. The commercial and political reign of Satan has been destroyed.
 - a. It is done!

Revelation 16:17 (NKJV)

¹⁷ Then the seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, "It is done!"

12. The angel gives us two things.
- a. The defeat of the Satan and the antichrist and its reign
 - b. The reason why they were defeated.
 1. Because the world had become the inhabitation of devils and every foul and evil thing

Revelation 18:2 (NKJV)

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13. Chapter eighteen has two well-known players.
 - a. First – The religious Babylon
 1. Was called the mystery Babylon
 2. Was presented as a woman or harlot and mother
 3. The religious Babylon is situated on seven hills. Rev. 17 : 9
 4. Was subdued or destroyed by the political Babylon in chapter seventeen.
 - b. Secondly – The political or commercial Babylon.
 1. Is called Babylon the great.
 2. Is portrayed as a city or a great city and a mighty city
 3. Is visible from the sea. Rev. 18 : 17 - 21
 - c. Both will end up portrayed as being burned.
 1. Ultimately destroyed to the point of nonexistence.

14. Both are symbolic of a worldwide system, one religious and one political who deceives the world.
 - a. The political Babylon will be destroyed by the hand of God.
 - b. In just a moment of time
 1. Satan has overthrown one.
 - c. The one world religion or better known as the false prophet.
 1. God will overthrow the other known as the antichrist.

15. The angel declares Babylon has fallen.

a. The angel gives John the reason for the fall.

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1. First - Because Babylon had become the habitation of devils.

a. Means - The world has been taken over by every demonic force and evil. -(much as in the days of Noah or Sodom and Gromer).

Gen. 6 - Gen. 19 - Isiaha 21 : 9

1. It had become the dwelling place of every evil demon.

2. We must remember that demons that have been chained from the fall of Satan have been released upon the earth.

Rev. 9 - 11 - Rev. 11 : 7 - Rev. 12 : 12

2. Secondly - It had become a Hold of or a prison to every foul spirit.

a. Means - Every unclean spirit imaginable - every evil works - every worship of idols - all like they were in a cage or prison devouring each other and everything.

3. Third - It had become as a place of hated birds, those which would devore the flesh of all liken to the ravens, bussers any flesh eating vultures.

a. The word birds means haunting spirits, they taunted the people and business of the world to have evil thoughts and to do evil and unthinkable actions and deeds

Isiaha 13 : 19 - 22 - Jeramiah 50 : 38 - 40 - Rom. 1: 1 - 31

16. The antichrist and its one world government reign had corrupted the whole

a. The world

b. The church by three means.

1. The world and world leaders were seduced by the drunkenness of it wine of fornication for other idols and idol worship.

2. The church had been taken in by it and subdued by its richest and wealth and promise of power.

3. The economy had been seduced by the economic boom of luxury and the personal love of and for glamorous living.

Revelation 18:3 (NKJV)

³ For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth have become rich through ma

c. Scripture warns us time and time again about the corruption of riches.

1 Tim. 6 : 10 - James - 1 -11 - Luke 18 : 25 - Matt. 19 : 23 - 24

17. This godly society will be destroyed.

- a. The antichrist and its reign had created a lawless and godless society
Outside of remanence the world was a lawless place much like we see happening today one full of
 1. All types of fornication and sexual misbehavior.
 2. Divorce
 3. Murders
 4. Greed
- b. Paul constantly warned his readers of being apart of a fallen world.
[Eph. 5 : 1 – 11](#) - [Gal. 5 : 19 – 25](#) - [1 Cor. 6 : 9 – 20](#) - [Rom. 1: 18 – 32](#)

18. Scripture speaks of several controlling spirits that are very active in our society working toward and for the agenda of Satan.

- a. The spirit of bondage – [Rom. 8 : 15](#)
- b. The spirit of the world - [1 Cor. 2 : 12](#)
- c. The spirit of man – [1 Cor. 2 : 11](#)
- d. The spirit of disobedience – [Eph. 2 : 2](#)
- e. The spirit of false teaching – [1 Tim. 4 : 1 – 10](#) - [11 Tim. 3 : 1 – 5](#) -
[11 Tim. 4 : 1 – 5](#) – [1 John 4 : 1](#)

- f. The spirit of error – [1 John 4 – 6](#)

19. Her sins had reached the heavens.

- a. Now she is paying the price.
[Revelation 18:5 \(NKJV\)](#)

⁵ **For her sins have reached to heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities.**

20 The world had focused its attention on.

- a. Pleasures, fun, exercise, recreation, sports, dress and comfort.
- b. Technology
- c. Education
- d. Riches
- f. Science instead of the worship of the one and true God.
[Ex. 20 : 1 - 5](#)

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