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 - a. The defeat of Satan and the antichrist and their reign.
 - b. The reason for their defeat

5. What was the reason for her defeat?
 - a. The world had become the inhabitation of devils.

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 - b. The spirit of the world
 - c. The spirit of man
 - d. The spirit of disobedience
 - e. The spirit of false teaching
 - f. The spirit of error
 - g. The spirit of fear

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7. John is being given a grant tour of the after math of the return of Christ.

Revelation 18:7 (NKJV)

⁷ In the measure that she glorified herself and lived luxuriously, in the same measure give her torment and sorrow; for she says in her heart, 'I sit *as* queen, and am no widow, and will not see sorrow.'

- a. The long-awaited return of the Lord Jesus Christ has just taken place in chapter sixteen.
- b. The antichrist and his worldwide system has been defeated
- c. The battel of Armageddon has taken place and the armies of the world have also been defeated by the Lord Jesus Christ.
- d. Babylon, the great city had become a place of devils and devil worship and a place for every foul spirit to roam and dwell.
 1. Babylon represents a world-wide godless society of the antichrist is not a city or location, but yet a evil worldwide corrupt system developed and governed by the antichrist and his evil government.
 2. By this time, we must remember the false prophet and his reign has been overthrown.
 3. The antichrist is in full control.

8. We must remember that many think that Babylon represents a city or location of which no one can agree upon where the city or location is.

- a. But I believe as others that it is a worldwide system that Satan has created to rule and rein over all of what God has created, the devil never wants a little or will settle for a small part, He wants it all, He wants to rule and rein as a god over what God has created and will do anything to do so.
- b. Satan will never be satisfied with just a small part of your life; he wants it all and given any grounds are open area he will take it, not being satisfied until he owns it all.

John 10:10 (NKJV)

¹⁰ The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly.

9. The angel gives John five reasons for the fall of this world-wide system called Babylon the Great City.
 - a. It will be destroyed because of her spiritual corruption.
[Rev. 18 : 2](#)
 - b. It will be destroyed because of her corruption of cities, nations and kings
 1. The corruption ran deep into all points of governments.
[Rev. 18 : 3](#)
 - c. It will be destroyed because of her corruption of all the people.
 1. The corruption of secularism.
 - a. Secularism offers comfort, pleasures, recreations, all a person needs and wants for the physical and mental needs without the worship of one true God.
 - b. It denies their need of repentance and a savior.
[Rev. 18 : 4 – 5](#)
 - d. It will be destroyed because of her persecution and destruction of God people Physcially. –(martyred).
[Rev. 6 : 6 – 11](#)
 - e. It will be destroyed because of her selfish pride.
[Rev. 18 : 1 – 7 - Isiaha 13 : 1 – 16 - Isiaha 14 : 1 – 32 – 11Tim. 4 : 1- 5](#)
[11 Tim. 3 : 1 – 5](#)
10. Satan pride will finally be dealt with.
11. Vance Havner an old preacher from the pass said.
 Popularity has slain more prophets of God than persecution ever did
 - a. He said, Most never fail because of persecution.
 - b. They fail because they want to be liked
 1. The prophets weren't rejected for being unclear
 2. They were rejected for being uncompromising
 - c. Today
 1. Truth is still costly, so we soften it, adjust it and repackage it until it is no longer Offensive and no longer transforms it hearers
 - d. The question isn't, will they accept it, -(The truth) -nor has it ever been.
 - e. The question has to be, are we willing to still say it.

12. Satan will lead a world away from God through the ignorance of technology.
a. His greatest tool of deception will be the use of technology.

Psalm 14:1-7 (NKJV)

- ¹ The fool has said in his heart, "*There is no God.*" They are corrupt, They have done abominable works, There is none who does good.
² The LORD looks down from heaven upon the children of men, To see if there are any who understand, who seek God.
³ They have all turned aside, They have together become corrupt; *There is none who does good, No, not one.*
⁴ Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge, Who eat up my people *as they eat bread*, And do not call on the LORD?
⁵ There they are in great fear, For God *is* with the generation of the righteous.
⁶ You shame the counsel of the poor, But the LORD *is* his refuge.
⁷ Oh, that the salvation of Israel *would come* out of Zion! When the LORD brings back the captivity of His people, Let Jacob rejoice *and* Israel be glad.

- b. Ignore people are easily deceived.

1. The Kings wept
2. The Merchants wept
3. The person left here upon earth wept and mourned because of their great loss.

Revelation 18:7-12 (NKJV)

⁷ In the measure that she glorified herself and lived luxuriously, in the same measure give her torment and sorrow; for she says in her heart, 'I sit *as* queen, and am no widow, and will not see sorrow.'⁸ Therefore her plagues will come in one day--death and mourning and famine. And she will be utterly burned with fire, for strong *is* the Lord God who judges her.⁹ "The kings of the earth who committed fornication and lived luxuriously with her will weep and lament for her, when they see the smoke of her burning,¹⁰ standing at a distance for fear of her torment, saying, 'Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! For in one hour your judgment has come.'¹¹ And the merchants of the earth will weep and mourn over her, for no one buys their merchandise anymore:¹² merchandise of gold and silver, precious stones and pearls, fine linen and purple, silk and scarlet, every kind of citron wood, every kind of object of ivory, every kind of object of most precious wood, bronze, iron, and marble;

- c. God Judgments are according to the life they lived.

1. The word Alas means – with Great surprise.

- a. Meaning these who mourn are unaware of the return of Christ.
meaning they were scripturally ignore people.

- d. It was measured back to her-(or them)- with equal punishment or judgment

- e. The meaning of the word mourning for Babylon is symbolic of being worldwide or for a world-wide system or destruction of that system.

1. It also means for oneself, or personal loss, and possessions, and power.

Prov. 15 : 27 - Jer. 17 : 11 – 1 Tim. 6 – 10 - James 5 : 3

11. The angel just keeps revealing to John the depth of devastation and loss that were worldwide by all merchants and dealers of all kinds of worldly and precious goods.

a. Everything precious to man became a snare to their hearts.

Revelation 18:12-16 (NKJV)

¹² merchandise of gold and silver, precious stones and pearls, fine linen and purple, silk and scarlet, every kind of citron wood, every kind of object of ivory, every kind of object of most precious wood, bronze, iron, and marble; ¹³ and cinnamon and incense, fragrant oil and frankincense, wine and oil, fine flour and wheat, cattle and sheep, horses and chariots, and bodies and souls of men. ¹⁴ The fruit that your soul longed for has gone from you, and all the things which are rich and splendid have gone from you, and you shall find them no more at all. ¹⁵ The merchants of these things, who became rich by her, will stand at a distance for fear of her torment, weeping and wailing, ¹⁶ and saying, 'Alas, alas, that great city that was clothed in fine linen, purple, and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls!

b. They were living a lavish lifestyle without God much like we see today.

12. When we see the term Plagues come in one day in verse eight.

a. It is symbolic of no time to prepare or repent.

b. Jesus warned His listeners about the quick destruction that awaits those who are unprepared.

Matt. 24 : 15 – 51

13. The angel reveals to John exactly how long the judgment of God takes.

a. All were reduced to ashes in just one hour of man's time.

1. The 200-million-man armies of the world were defeated.

2. The antichrist and his reign were defeated.

3. The one world system with its mark of the beast was defeated.

4. Those who had become kings with kingdoms were defeated.

5. All who worshipped the beast were reduced to ashes in just one hour.

Revelation 18:17-18 (NKJV)

¹⁷ For in one hour such great riches came to nothing.' Every shipmaster, all who travel by ship, sailors, and as many as trade on the sea, stood at a distance

¹⁸ and cried out when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, 'What *is* like this great city?'

a. One hour is a biblical principle.

1. Jesus asked His disciples to pray for one hour.

Matthew 26:40 (NKJV)

⁴⁰ Then He came to the disciples and found them asleep, and said to Peter, "What? Could you not watch with Me one hour?"

Job 20 : 28 - Ps. 49:10 - Prov. 23 : 5 - Prov. 27 : 24 - Eccles. 2 :18 - Jer.17:11 – 1 Tim. 6 : 7

2. Scripture encourages us to lay-up our treasures in heaven.

Matt. 6 : 19 – Ps. 39: 6 - Deut. 8 : 13 – 14 – Ps. 62: 10 – Prov. 28 : 20 – Matt. 19 - 23

14. Just to clean up some loss words in chapter eighteen.
- a. When we see words liken to Her sins in verse five means a great heap of sins.
 - b. verse six Address the execution of God wrath.
Rewards means – to repay
As to reward means – for her spiritual delusion, of which she deceived those who were willing to be deceived.
Her deception was double also her judgment be doubled.
Doubled means – in her suffering or punishment
 - c. Verse 7 trough 8
 1. I am no widow see no sorrow is symbolic of living prideful and Self-centered
 2. Secure from her pass – presence – future reasonability and of her sins (as some many live today).
 3. Fire – means total destruction
 - d. ver. 13 - The word cinnamon – was used by harlots to spice up their beds to make them smell good.
 - e. Verse 14 – Fruits that thy soul lusted means – The lust of the soul for the fruits of fornication.
 - f. The list given in verse 11 – trough 15 is known as the fruits of the fallen church.
The apostate church of scripture which has existed trough out history.
 1. The nation of Israel – Ex. 16 : 10
 2. The New Testament church – Rev. 19 : 8
 3. The bride of God – Ps. 132 : 9

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