## Babylon The Woman on the Beast Revelation 17



## What you see is not what all there is

## The world is not what it appears to be



Revelation 17
Introducing The

Woman on the Beast

Revelation 17:1-6 The Vision Revelation 17:7-18 The Vision Interpreted Unveiling the world and her underlying forces



#### **The Vision V1-6**

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<sup>4</sup> The woman was dressed in purple and scarlet, and was glittering with gold, precious stones and pearls. She held a golden cup in her hand, filled with abominable things and the filth of her adulteries. This title was written on her forehead: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF PROSTITUTES, AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

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## Introducing Babylon the Prostitute

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Her Great Power
Promiscuous Unfaithful



#### **Her Beauty and Power**

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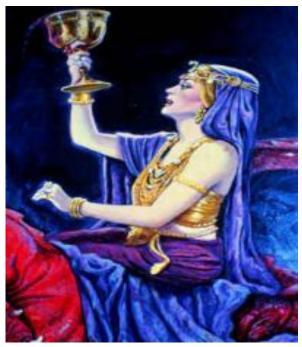
#### John was Astonished

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A blend of confusion & fear What does she represent?

How to withstand her?



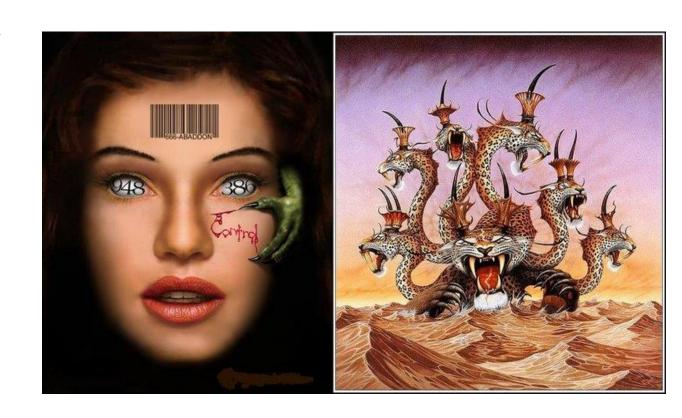


## V7-18 Mystery Revealed

<sup>7</sup>Then the angel said to me: "Why are you astonished?

I will explain to you the mystery of the woman and of the beast she rides, which has the seven heads and ten horns.

The Woman & The Beast



## The Beast The Anti-Christ

<sup>8</sup> The beast, which you saw, once was, now is not, and will come up out of the Abyss and go to his destruction. The inhabitants of the earth whose names have not been written in the book of life from the creation of the world will be astonished when they see the beast, because he once was, now is not, and yet will come.



## Political Power of Empires/Kings Past, Present, & Future

7 Heads

The seven hills; Roman Empire.

7 kings or kingdoms
Five past kingdoms

Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Persia, Greece.

Present is Rome Future is Beast's kingdom



Ten Horns - Future
Complete Brief Empires

#### The woman

**MYSTERY** 

## BABYLON THE GREAT MOTHER OF PROSTITUTES

ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH

#### Two women & Two cities

Prostitute vs. Pure bride Babylon the city of man vs. Jerusalem the city of God



#### V18 Babylon the Great City

The woman you saw is the great city that rules over the kings of the earth.

Babylon symbolizes
Ungodly Reign/Power
Idolatrous Corrupted
Worldly political, social
economic Systems.



#### **Babylon the Great**

- Founded by Nimrod Gen 10:8-11
- Tower of 'Babel', of confusion.

  Hebrew name 'Bab-el' in Gen 11

  'means the gate of God'.



"This was built by Saddam Hussein, son of Nebuchadnezzar, to glorify Iraq."



#### Mother of Prostitute

#### Spiritual Infidelity

False Religious
 Beliefs & Teaching

## Abomination of the Earth

All Idolatry hated, loathed upon by God.



#### **Her Demise**

16 The beast and the ten horns you saw will hate the prostitute.

They will bring her to ruin and leave her naked; they will eat her flesh and burn her with fire.

<sup>17</sup> For God has put it into their hearts to accomplish his purpose by agreeing to give the beast their power to rule, until God's words are fulfilled.

Self-Destruct
Short-lived



#### **World Economic Crisis**

- 1929 Wall Street Crash
- 1987 Black Monday
- 1997 Asia Financial Crisis
- 2007–2008 Global Financial Crisis
- 2010-2012 European Sovereign Debt Crisis









Babylon the Prostitute Today A Seductive & Deceptive World

Counterfeit Faith/Belief Systems
Political Power
Economy Power
Social Media Power
Religious Power

## 'Our Babylon' Seduction of City

Money, Sex, Power.

Through Political Economic Power Education, Social Media.







## False Deceptive Religious Teaching

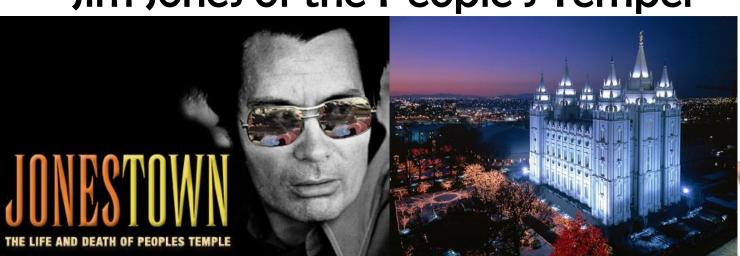
Philosophy/Cults

New Age Belief/Mysticism

Joseph Smith the Mormon

L. Ron Hubbard Scientologist church

Jim Jones of the People's Temper

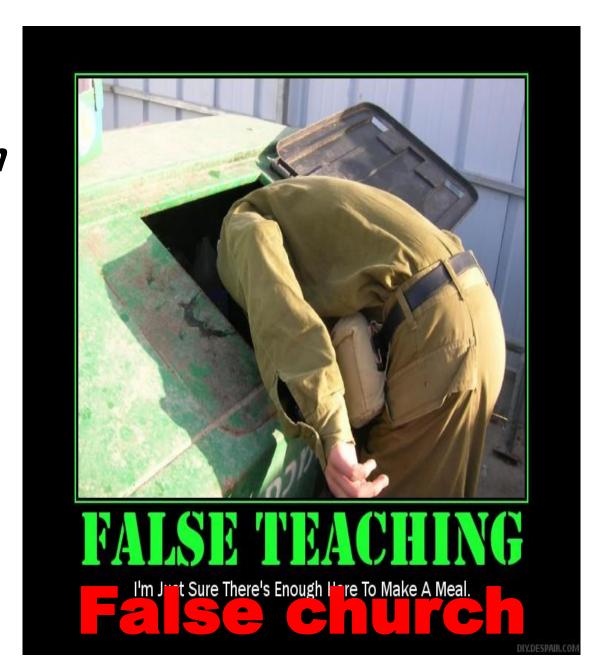




#### Philippians 3:18-19

For, as I have often told you before and now say again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup> Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is on earthly things.

Lust for power, pride, and pleasure.



# Worship God We belong to the Pure Bribe Choose the City of Jerusalem Not Babylon! She will self-destruct!

"Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great!

#### **Live Triumphantly**

With Gratefulness Confident and Hopeful

The world around us

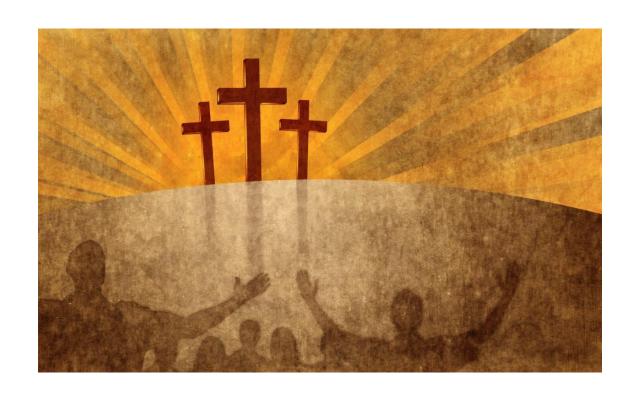
(Present)

The world within us

(Kingdom values)

The world beyond us

(Future)



#### **Revelation 18**

Pronouncement of the sure and irrevocable fall of Babylon and the call of the saints to come out of her

