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Bible Prophecy

Mystery, Babylon The Great (Pt.1)

A composite image with a reddish-pink tint. In the background, St. Peter's Basilica is visible on the left. A large, dense crowd of people fills the foreground. A large, stylized eye is superimposed over the center of the image. Two UFOs are positioned in the upper corners of the frame. The text is overlaid on the image.

MYSTERY,
BABYLON THE GREAT,
THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND
ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH

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“The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues”

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Eze 17:12-16

12 Say now to the rebellious house, Know ye not what these *things mean?* tell *them*, Behold, **the king of Babylon is come to Jerusalem**, and hath taken the king thereof, and the princes thereof, and led them with him to Babylon;

13 And hath taken of the king's seed, and **made a covenant with him**, and hath taken an oath of him: he hath also taken the mighty of the land:

14 That the kingdom might be base, that it might not lift itself up, *but* that **by keeping of his covenant it might stand**.

15 **But he rebelled against him** in sending his **ambassadors into Egypt**, that they might give him horses and much people. Shall he prosper? shall he escape that doeth such *things?* or **shall he break the covenant**, and be delivered?

16 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely in the place *where* the king *dwelleth* that made him king, whose oath he despised, and **whose covenant he brake**, *even* with him in the midst of Babylon he shall die.

- These ambassadors are covertly sent by Zedekiah to Egypt in an effort to convince the Pharaoh to join forces with him to rebel against Nebuchadnezzar (a type of the Antichrist)
- Zedekiah was hand picked by Nebuchadnezzar and made a COVENANT with him whereby he took an oath to obey him and rule Judah as a vassal king; in return Nebuchadnezzar would spare Jerusalem and allow Zedekiah to rule

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- Zedekiah **BROKE THE COVENANT** by sending the ambassadors to Egypt, and did so about the time Nebuchadnezzar (a type of the Antichrist) **CAME TO JERUSALEM**
- When Nebuchadnezzar found out what happened, it was the death sentence for Zedekiah and desolation for Jerusalem and the temple
- While the prophetic roles are reversed between the parties of the covenant, a **BROKEN COVENANT** will result in the Antichrist invading Jerusalem and desolating it and the temple

Lam 4:12

The kings of the earth, and all the inhabitants of the world, would not have believed that **the adversary and the enemy should have entered into the gates of Jerusalem.**

Dan 9:27

And he shall confirm **the covenant** with many for one week: and **in the midst of the week** he **shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease**, and for the overspreading of abominations **he shall make it desolate**, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

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Luke 14:28-32

28 For which of you, **intending to build a tower**, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have *sufficient* to finish *it*?

29 Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and **is not able to finish it**, all that behold *it* begin to mock him,

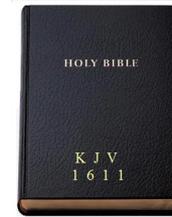
30 Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish.

31 Or **what king, going to make war against another king**, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with **ten thousand** to meet him that cometh **against** him with **twenty thousand**?

32 Or else, **while the other is yet a great way off**, he **sendeth an ambassage**, and **desireth conditions of peace**.

- The reference to an UNFINISHED TOWER (v.28-29) looks back to BABEL (Gen 11:8)
- The war between TWO KINGS may picture the war between Satan and the Lord, specifically a STAR WAR that takes place in the middle of the Tribulation
- Satan is the God of FORCES (Dan 11:38)- “may the Force be with you”

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Rev 12:7-9

7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

- The king with 10,000 pictures SATAN and the king with 20,000 pictures the Lord because 10,000 is 1/3 of the total of 30,000 and Satan has 1/3 of the angelic host

Rev 12:3-4

3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.

4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

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- The king a GREAT WAY OFF may refer to the fact that the Lord is IN HEAVEN while the devil is ON THE EARTH
- The king picturing Satan SENDS AMBASSADORS desiring conditions of PEACE- this may picture the COVENANT between the Antichrist (their leader) and Israel (Dan 9:27)
- Based on the potential implications of previous references and many more to come, it is possible that these ambassadors picture fallen angels that transform themselves as ambassadors from an alien world professing to come in peace to the earth, sometime between the Rapture and the beginning of the Tribulation
- They are the AMBASSAGE come to DECEIVE the world under the guise of peace before the ARMIES come to DESTROY the world (Rev 9:1-21; 12:9)
- This is Satan's attempt to FINISH THE TOWER

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2 Cor 5:18-21

18 And all things *are* of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath **given to us the ministry of reconciliation**;

19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath **committed unto us the word of reconciliation**.

20 Now then **we are ambassadors for Christ**, as though God did beseech *you* by us: **we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God**.

21 For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

Eph 6:19-20

19 And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of **the gospel**,

20 **For which I am an ambassador** in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

- CHRISTIANS are AMBASSADORS for Christ and the gospel
- Just like angels, Christians are AMBASSADORS in that we are both MINISTERS (i.e.- the MINISTRY of reconciliation) and MESSENGERS (i.e.- the WORD of reconciliation)

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Facts About Ambassadors

- 1) An ambassador is IN another country but not OF it (John 17:16; Eph 2:19)
 - 2) An ambassador represents his country and leader in a foreign land (Acts 1:11; 2 Cor 5:20)
- The COUNTRY we represent is HEAVEN and the country we are in is the WORLD

Heb 11:16

But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.

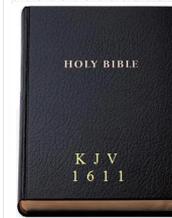
- 3) An ambassador speaks and dresses different than others (1 Pet 2:9)
- 4) An ambassador works in and out of an embassy (i.e.- local churches)- an embassy is considered foreign soil to the host country

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- 5) An ambassador is to establish and maintain right relations between his home country and the host country (2 Cor 5:18-21)
 - 6) An ambassador may be recalled to his home country if he does not faithfully perform his duties (but he does not lose his citizenship). If he commits a crime his home country can grant him “diplomatic immunity”, which exempts him from trial in the host country, but he is tried in his home country
 - 7) An ambassador will be evacuated if his home country goes to war with the host country or the conditions in the host country are such that the ambassador’s safety, health, or life is jeopardized
- The nations of the earth have PRINCIPALITIES and AMBASSADORS
 - There are spiritual principalities over the nations (Eze 38:2; Dan 10:13,20-21), are there also spiritual ambassadors?
 - The Lord has both HUMAN (the Church and Israel) and ANGELIC (holy angels) AMBASSADORS could Satan also?



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