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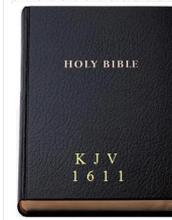
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Study to shew thyself approved unto God" (2 Tim 2:15)

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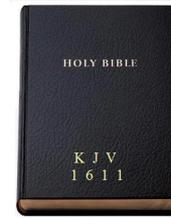


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Bible Prophecy

Mystery, Babylon The Great (Pt.1)

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- The king of Babylon sought to assimilate (mingle) the king of Judah's SEED through DOCTRINE and DIET
- The mingling of the seed coming under the Antichrist (Dan 2:43) involves false teaching (doctrinal deception) and possibly eating (or ingesting) something that brings “transformation”

Gen 3:4-5

4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

Rev 2:14,20

14 But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.

20 Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

- The king of Babylon's meat was DECEITFUL and eating it resulted in DEFILEMENT (Dan 1:8)

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Pro 23:1-8

- 1 When thou **sittest to eat with a ruler**, consider diligently what *is* before thee:
 - 2 And put a knife to thy throat, if thou *be* a man given to appetite.
 - 3 Be not desirous of **his dainties**: for **they are deceitful meat**.
 - 4 Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom.
 - 5 Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for *riches* certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven.
 - 6 **Eat thou not the bread** of *him that hath* an evil eye, neither desire thou **his dainty meats**:
 - 7 For as he thinketh in his heart, so *is* he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but **his heart is not with thee**.
 - 8 The morsel *which* thou hast eaten shalt thou vomit up, and lose thy sweet words.
- The king of Babylon did not give his meat to a captive because he was a kind and caring person, it was because he had ulterior motives
 - Jehoiachin “coverted” and ate the king of Babylon’s meat, so he pictures the lost in the Tribulation who receive the mark of the beast and worship his image

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- Daniel and his three companions refused to eat the king's meat, so they picture the faithful Jewish remnant in the second half of Tribulation who refuse to take the mark of the beast cf. (Dan 1:8) and worship his image cf. (Dan 3:16-18)
- The king of Babylon's program of change lasted 3 YEARS and was a time of NOURISHING (Dan 1:5); the Antichrist's program of change lasts 3 ½ YEARS (Dan 7:25) corresponding with the second half of the Tribulation, which is also a time of NOURISHING for the faithful Jewish remnant

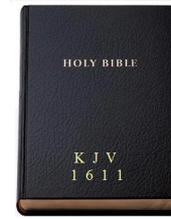
Rev 12:6,14

6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.

14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

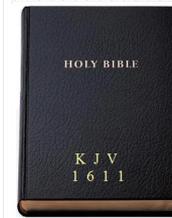
- Those who were successfully converted at the end of the 3-year change program could stand before the king of Babylon (Dan 1:5), but those who remain undefiled and successfully convert (Acts 3:19; Rom 11:26) at the end of the last 3 ½ years of the Tribulation will stand before the King of kings (Rev 19:16)

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- The name change served to eliminate any trace of the conquered person's former identity and to signify the emergence of a new person through "conversion"
- The name change for Daniel and his three companions is especially significant since their old names contained the name of the one true God and their new names were after Babylonian gods
 - Dani-EL= "GOD is my judge"; BEL-teshazzar= "Bel's attendant"
 - Misha-EL= "who is what GOD is"; Me-SHACH= "guest of Shach"
 - Hanan-IAH= "JEHOVAH has favored"
 - Azar-IAH= "JEHOVAH has helped"; Abed-NEGO= "servant of Nebo"
- Even today, those who convert to Islam (Muslim= "one who submits") change their names to correspond to their new god, Allah
- These changes are a counterfeit of the changes resulting from the new birth
- There are 12 name changes in the Bible (Gen 17:5,15; 32:28; 41:45; Dan 1:7; John 1:42; Acts 13:9; Rev 2:17; 3:12), most of them typical of the changes effected by the new birth
- The Antichrist and false prophet will counterfeit the new birth through the process involving the mark of the beast (Rev 13:14-18)



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