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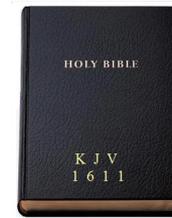


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Bible Prophecy

Mystery, Babylon The Great

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- This analysis includes: (1) a review of the 399 scripture references related to Babylon; (2) a verse-by-verse exposition of the 7 chapters dedicated to the prophetic judgment of Babylon (the Great); and (3) a comparison of the various types and pictures of Babylon the Great

The 7 Chapters Related To The Judgment Of Babylon

Isaiah 13
Isaiah 14
Isaiah 47
Jeremiah 50
Jeremiah 51
Revelation 17
Revelation 18

Types Of Babylon The Great

Potiphar's wife
Delilah
Jezebel
Athaliah
The strange woman (in Proverbs)
The woman in the ephah
The woman with the leaven
Herodias

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- Lastly, the progressive revelation of BABYLON in the book of Revelation will be reviewed from John's perspective
 - **Babylon** (Rev 14:8)
 - **Great** Babylon (Rev 16:19)
 - Babylon **The** Great (Rev 17:5; 18:2)
 - **That** great **city** Babylon (Rev 18:10,21)
- The steps involved are similar to putting a jigsaw puzzle together
 - Get all the pieces (evidence) spread out on the table
 - Work outside to inside
 - Identify and position the “four corner” pieces- most easy to identify because they have two straight edges
 - Identify and position the remaining “edge” pieces- relatively easy to identify because they have one straight edge
 - Identify any pieces that look similar and group them together
 - Use a picture or pictures as a guide if available

Note: Just as a picture is a 2-dimensional representation of a 3-dimensional reality and can not be a PERFECT representation, so a type or figure in the Bible can not be applicable to 100% of the details of the anti-type

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Indications Of The Identity Of Babylon The Great

1) Babylon the Great is a CITY

- Types include Jericho, Nineveh, Tyre, and Babylon
- It was the city of Babel/Babylon but is now the city of Rome

2) Babylon the Great is a SYSTEM

- In the broad sense, it appears to be the world system
- In a stricter sense, it is a global religious system that possesses tremendous wealth and political power
- It is the Anti-Church just as the Beast is the Anti-Christ

3) Babylon the Great is a demonic SPIRIT

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Eze 26:7

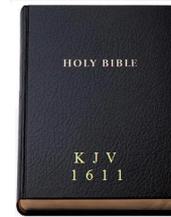
For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, **I will bring upon Tyrus Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, a king of kings**, from the north, with horses, and with chariots, and with horsemen, and companies, and much people.

Eze 29:18

Son of man, **Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon** caused his army to serve **a great service against Tyrus**: every head *was* made bald, and every shoulder *was* peeled: yet had he no wages, nor his army, for Tyrus, for the service that he had served against it:

- The king of Babylon, Nebuchadnezzar, was God's instrument of judgment against the city of Tyre
 - Nebuchadnezzar is usually a type of the Antichrist but in his destruction of Tyre he is a type of Jesus Christ
 - There are numerous similarities between Tyre and Babylon the Great that indicate Tyre is a type of Babylon the Great
- 1) Tyre was destroyed by A "king of kings" (Eze 26:7) and Babylon the Great will be destroyed by THE "King of kings" (Rev 16:19; 17:14; 19:16)

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2) Tyre was a crowning city and so is Babylon the Great

- *Crowning*= “investing with a crown, or with royalty or supreme power; honoring with a wreath or with distinction”

Isa 23:8

Who hath taken this counsel against Tyre, the crowning city, whose merchants *are* princes, whose traffickers *are* the honourable of the earth?

Rev 17:18

And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

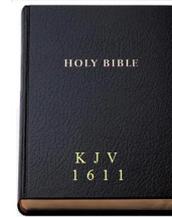
3) Tyre was a merchant city and so is Babylon the Great

Isa 23:3,11

3 And by great waters the seed of Sihor, the harvest of the river, *is* her revenue; and she is a mart of nations.

11 He stretched out his hand over the sea, he shook the kingdoms: the LORD hath given a commandment against the merchant city, to destroy the strong holds thereof.

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Eze 27:3,24

3 And say unto Tyrus, O thou that art situate at the entry of the sea, *which art* **a merchant of the people** for many isles, Thus saith the Lord GOD; O Tyrus, thou hast said, I *am* of perfect beauty.

24 These *were* thy merchants in all sorts *of things*, in blue clothes, and broidered work, and in chests of rich apparel, bound with cords, and made of cedar, among **thy merchandise**.

Rev 18:11-12

11 And **the merchants** of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth **their merchandise** any more:

12 **The merchandise** of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble,

4) Tyre is one of two cities specifically associated with TRAFFICK; the other is Babylon

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Eze 17:4,12

4 He cropped off the top of his young twigs, and carried it into **a land of traffick**; he set it in a city of merchants.

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**;

5) Tyre was a RICH city and so is Babylon the Great

Eze 26:12

And they shall make a spoil of **thy riches**, and make a prey of thy merchandise: and they shall break down thy walls, and destroy thy pleasant houses: and they shall lay thy stones and thy timber and thy dust in the midst of the water.

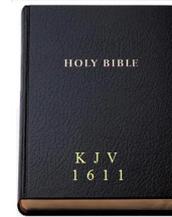
Eze 27:33

When thy wares went forth out of the seas, thou filledst many people; thou didst enrich the kings of the earth with **the multitude of thy riches** and of thy merchandise.

Rev 17:4

And **the woman** was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and **decked with gold and precious stones and pearls**, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:

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Rev 18:16-17

16 And saying, Alas, alas, that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and **decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls!**

17 For in one hour **so great riches** is come to nought. And every shipmaster, and all the company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea, stood afar off,

6) Tyre's RICHES are connected to the RELIGION industry as are Babylon the Great's

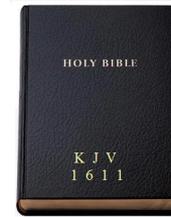
Isa 23:18

And **her merchandise** and her hire **shall be holiness to the LORD**: it shall not be treasured nor laid up; for her merchandise shall be for them that dwell before the LORD, to eat sufficiently, and for durable clothing.

Rev 17:4

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Rev 18:12-13,23

12 The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble,

13 And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men.

23 And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.

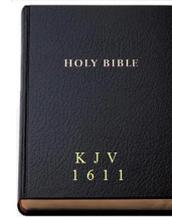
7) Tyre was a HARLOT city that committed fornication with the kingdoms of the earth just like Babylon the Great

Isa 23:16-17

16 Take an harp, go about the city, thou harlot that hast been forgotten; make sweet melody, sing many songs, that thou mayest be remembered.

17 And it shall come to pass after the end of seventy years, that the LORD will visit Tyre, and she shall turn to her hire, and shall commit fornication with all the kingdoms of the world upon the face of the earth.

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Rev 17:1-2

1 And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of **the great whore** that sitteth upon many waters:

2 With whom **the kings of the earth have committed fornication**, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

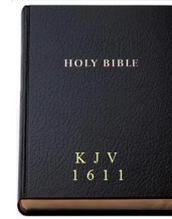
Rev 18:2-3

2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, **Babylon the great** is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.

3 For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and **the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her**, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.

- A total of 5 cities are called a HARLOT or WHORE because they were all given special revelation regarding the one true living God but turned (back) to idolatry, primarily for political and financial gain

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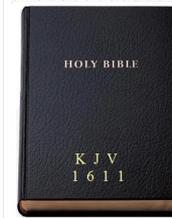


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The 5 Harlot Cities

- 1) Jerusalem (Isa 1:21; Eze 16:16,28,35,41; 23:19,44)
- 2) Tyre (Isa 23:15)
- 3) Samaria (Eze 23:5,44; Mic 1:7)
- 4) Nineveh (Nah 3:4)
- 5) Babylon The Great (the MOTHER) (Rev 17:1,5,15-16; 19:2) cf. (Isa 57:3)
 - Jerusalem (the capital of Judah) and Samaria (the capital of Israel) had more than special revelation of the one true living God, they had a covenant relationship
 - Tyre's special revelation goes back to king Hiram (2 Chr 2:12) and his covenant relationship with kings David and Solomon (1 Kin 5:1,8-9; 9:13; 2 Chr 2:3)
 - Nineveh's special revelation goes back to the preaching of Jonah and the repentance of the king (Jon 3:6-10; Luke 11:30)
 - Babylon the Great's special revelation goes back to Noah and his sons, the testimony of Daniel and his three companions, and the true Christian roots of the "church of Rome" (Gen 8:20; 10:8-10; Dan 2:27-30; 3:16-18,25; 4:19-27; 5:18-28; Rom 1:7; Rev 2:20-22) cf. (Pro 2:16-18)

Note: No nation in history has been the benefactor of more spiritual light than the USA. Formed by divine providence to be the base of gospel operations in the last days, a safe haven for the church to carry out the Great Commission, the USA has always been identified as a "Christian" nation. As time has gone on, the USA exports more perversion and filth to the world than the word of God. It has prostituted itself for financial gain like no other entity in history. The USA may not be Babylon the Great, the MOTHER of harlots, but it is a daughter more like it's mother than any other before her.



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