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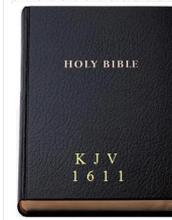
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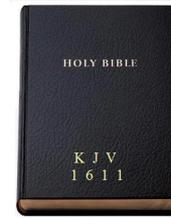


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# Bible Prophecy

*Mystery, Babylon The Great*  
*(Pt.2)*

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- The woman was HIDDEN in the ephah so Zechariah did not know what, if anything, was in the ephah until the angel showed him
- The ephah is a flying object so the woman is the OCCUPANT and DRIVER of the ephah
- If the ephah represents COMMERCE, then the woman is the DRIVING force behind global commerce- this appears to be supported by Revelation 18
- If the ephah represents the means of GATHERING and KILLING saints, then the woman is the one responsible for DRIVING these barbarities- this also appears to be supported by Revelation 18

## Rev 18:11,15,20,24

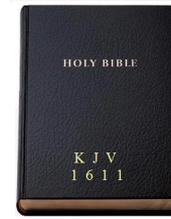
11 And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:

15 The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing,

20 Rejoice over her, *thou* heaven, and *ye* holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her.

24 And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

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- The woman is seen sitting IN the midst of the ephah in Zechariah 5 but she is seen sitting UPON many waters and UPON the beast (specifically his seven heads) in Revelation 17
- If the two women are the same then it is reasonable to conclude that what the woman in Revelation 17 is sitting UPON is also IN the midst of the ephah in Zechariah 5
- MANY WATERS= peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues
- SEVEN HEADS= seven mountains and seven (successive) kings

## Rev 17:1,3,9-10,15

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:**

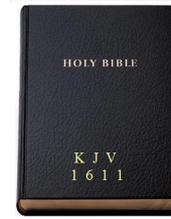
3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw **a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast,** full of names of blasphemy, **having seven heads** and ten horns.

9 And here *is* the mind which hath wisdom. **The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.**

10 **And there are seven kings:** five are fallen, and one is, *and* the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.

15 And he saith unto me, **The waters** which thou sawest, **where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.**

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- What could CONTAIN “peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues” as well as “seven mountains” and “seven kings” that rule successively not concurrently? A global (WORLD) SYSTEM and/or a CITY

## Rev 17:18

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

## Zec 5:8

And he said, This *is* wickedness. And he cast it into the midst of the ephah; and he cast the weight of lead upon the mouth thereof.

## This is wickedness.

- Since wickedness is cast into the midst of the ephah, it is distinct from the ephah, yet also synonymous with it (explanation to follow)
- Since wickedness is cast into the midst of the ephah where the woman was already sitting, it is distinct from the woman, yet also synonymous with her (explanation to follow)

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- WICKEDNESS is WITH the woman and IN the same place (i.e.- the midst of the ephah)
- WICKED; WICKEDLY; WICKEDNESS appears a total of 494x (38 x 13= # of REBELLION; CURSE)
- The first appearance of each form of the word is in the context of the days of Noah or the days of Lot (Luke 17:26-30)

## Gen 6:5

And GOD saw that the wickedness of man *was* great in the earth, and *that* every imagination of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil continually.

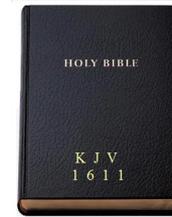
## Gen 13:13

But the men of Sodom *were* wicked and sinners before the LORD exceedingly.

## Gen 19:7

And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly.

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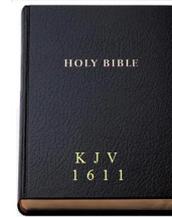


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## Things That Are Called “Wickedness”

- 1) Fornication/adultery (Gen 39:9)
- 2) Incest (Lev 18:17; 20:14)
- 3) Prostitution/whoredom (Lev 19:29; Jer 3:2)
- 4) The deeds of the seven nations of Canaan (Deu 9:4-5) cf. (Lev 18:24)
- 5) Idolatry/forsaking the Lord/serving other gods (Deu 13:11; 17:2; 28:20; Jer 1:16; 2:19; 44:3,5,9)
- 6) Murder (Jud 9:56)
- 7) The deeds of children of Belial (Jud 20:13)- includes bi-sexual rape and murder (Jud 20:3,12)
- 8) Asking for a king besides the Lord (1 Sam 12:17,20)
- 9) The deeds of a man of Belial (i.e.- Nabal)- includes folly (1 Sam 25:25,39; Ecc 7:25)
- 10) Child sacrifice/witchcraft and occultic activities (2 Kin 21:6)
- 11) Homosexuality (Jer 23:14)

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## Things Of Wickedness

### 1) The CHILDREN of wickedness

#### **1 Chr 17:9**

Also I will ordain a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, and they shall dwell in their place, and shall be moved no more; neither shall the children of wickedness waste them any more, as at the beginning,

- The children of wickedness are responsible for WASTING (i.e.- afflicting) Israel cf. (2 Sam 7:10; Isa 6:11-13)
- The Lord appointed a place to PLANT Israel (i.e.- like SEED) cf. (Matt 13:38)

### 2) The TENTS of wickedness

#### **Psa 84:10**

For a day in thy courts *is* better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

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- The TENTS OF WICKEDNESS is in contrast to the HOUSE OF GOD
- The TENTS of wickedness are synonymous with the HOUSE of the wicked (Pro 21:12; Mic 6:10) cf. (Zec 5:11)

## 3) The SON of wickedness

### **Psa 89:22**

The enemy shall not exact upon him; nor the son of wickedness afflict him.

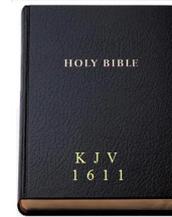
- The SON OF WICKEDNESS is associated with THE ENEMY, and THE ENEMY is THE DEVIL

### **Matt 13:39**

The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.

- THE DEVIL/SATAN is the WICKED ONE

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## Luke 8:12

Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.

## Mark 4:15

And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts.

## Matt 13:19

When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth *it* not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.

- The son of WICKEDNESS is the son of SATAN (i.e.- the Antichrist) and also the ENEMY

## 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.

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## 2 The 2:3-4,7-9

3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for *that day shall not come*, except there come a falling away first, and **that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition**;

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

7 For **the mystery of iniquity** doth already work: only he who now letteth *will let*, until he be taken out of the way.

8 And then shall **that Wicked be revealed**, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

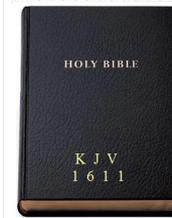
9 *Even him*, **whose coming is after the working of Satan** with all power and signs and lying wonders,

## 4) The BREAD of wickedness

### Pro 4:17

For they eat **the bread of wickedness**, and drink the wine of violence.

- THEY= the wicked (Pro 4:14)
- BREAD is associated with WICKEDNESS; WICKEDNESS is associated with a WOMAN (Zec 5:7-8), and a WHORISH WOMAN is associated with BREAD



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