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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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Pro 6:26

For by means of **a whorish woman** *a man is brought to* **a piece of bread**: and the adulteress will hunt for the precious life.

5) The TREASURES of wickedness

Pro 10:2

Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: but righteousness delivereth from death.

Mic 6:9-11

9 The LORD'S voice crieth unto the city, and *the man of wisdom* shall see thy name: hear ye the rod, and who hath appointed it.

10 Are there yet **the treasures of wickedness** in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure *that is* abominable?

11 Shall I count *them* pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?

- TREASURES OF WICKEDNESS are contrasted with RIGHTEOUSNESS
- TREASURES of wickedness are in the HOUSE of the wicked, along with the scant MEASURE (Heb. *ephah*)

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- 6) The FIST of wickedness (Isa 58:4)
- 7) The BONDS of wickedness (Isa 58:6)
- 8) A ROD of wickedness

Eze 7:10-11

10 Behold the day, behold, it is come: the morning is gone forth; the rod hath blossomed, pride hath budded.

11 Violence is risen up into **a rod of wickedness**: none of them *shall remain*, nor of their multitude, nor of any of theirs: neither *shall there be* wailing for them.

- The ROD of wickedness is the Antichrist

Isa 10:5,24

5 **O Assyrian, the rod** of mine anger, and the staff in their hand is mine indignation.

24 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD of hosts, O my people that dwellest in Zion, be not afraid of **the Assyrian**: he shall smite thee with **a rod**, and shall lift up his staff against thee, after the manner of Egypt.

- 9) The BORDER of wickedness (Mal 1:4)

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Other Facts Regarding Wickedness

- 1) Wickedness comes from the wicked (1 Sam 24:13)
- 2) Wickedness is sown (i.e.- like a SEED) (Job 4:8)
- 3) Wickedness is associated with the Antichrist (Job 20:12; Psa 10:15) cf. (Rev 17:3)
- 4) God has no pleasure in wickedness (Psa 5:4) and hates it (Psa 45:7)
- 5) Wickedness leads to a barren land (Psa 107:34; Jer 12:4)
- 6) There is spiritual wickedness in high places (Eph 6:12)
- 7) WICKEDNESS is not to dwell in the house of the righteous

Job 11:14

If iniquity *be* in thine hand, put it far away, and **let not wickedness dwell in thy tabernacles.**

- LEAVEN was also not to dwell in the house of the righteous

Exo 12:15

Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall **put away leaven out of your houses:** for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.

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- LEAVEN= “a substance, typically yeast, that is added to dough to make it ferment and rise; anything which makes a general CHANGE IN MASS; something which CORRUPTS or depraves that with which it is MIXED; a pervasive influence that MODIFIES something or TRANSFORMS it for the better”
- LEAVEN appears 23x (# of chromosomes from each parent) and 39x (3x13) in all it's forms
- LEAVEN= Gr. *zyme*, from which we get the word ENZYME which means, “highly selective catalysts, greatly accelerating both the rate and specificity of metabolic chemical reactions, from the digestion of food to the synthesis of DNA”
- The Greek word *zyme* is translated LEAVEN 13x
- LEAVEN is the agent that transforms grape juice into wine through the process of fermentation, whereby it breaks down the sugar in the grape juice and converts it to alcohol and carbon dioxide
- GRAPE JUICE symbolizes BLOOD (Deu 32:14), and life of the flesh is in the blood (Lev 17:12)
- SUGAR, specifically deoxyribose, is a critical component of DNA

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- The WOMAN (Babylon the Great) hid LEAVEN in THREE MEASURES (i.e.- equivalent to an EPHAH) of meal to transform the condition of the kingdom of heaven and the kingdom of God in the absence of the King

Matt 13:33

Another parable spake he unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

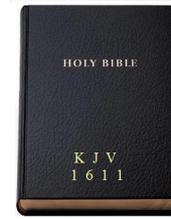
Luke 13:20-21

20 And again he said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God?

21 It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

- It is possible that these scriptures point to a time when the WOMAN (Babylon the Great) MINGLES some sort of LEAVEN into the BREAD of humanity that TRANSFORMS it
- This transformation will actually be an irreversible and unredeemable corruption

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- LEAVEN represents a number of things including WICKEDNESS

1 Cor 5:6-8

6 Your glorying *is* not good. Know ye not that **a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?**

7 **Purge out therefore the old leaven,** that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:

8 Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with **the leaven of** malice and **wickedness;** but with the unleavened *bread* of sincerity and truth.

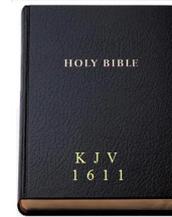
- DIVERS MEASURES were also not to dwell in the house of the righteous

Deu 25:14

Thou shalt not have in thine house divers measures, a great and a small.

- WICKEDNESS is connected with LEAVEN, DIVERS MEASURES (Heb. *ephah*), and the WOMAN

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- In contrast, wickedness is in the dwellings of the wicked

Psa 55:3,15

3 Because of the voice of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked: for they cast iniquity upon me, and in wrath they hate me.

15 Let death seize upon them, and let them go down quick into hell: for wickedness is in their dwellings, and among them.

8) Wickedness is IN THE MIDST of...THE CITY

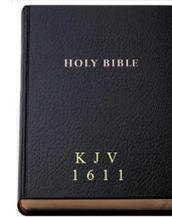
Psa 55:9,11

9 Destroy, O Lord, and divide their tongues: for I have seen violence and strife in the city.

11 Wickedness is in the midst thereof: deceit and guile depart not from her streets.

- The CITY is associated with the DIVIDING OF TONGUES, which connects it to BABEL/BABYLON (Gen 11:9) cf. (Rev 17:5,18)
- Wickedness in the midst of the CITY is in the same context as wickedness in the DWELLINGS of the wicked (Psa 55:3,15)

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- It is also in the context of the BETRAYAL of a PROFESSING FRIEND which can apply to AHITHOPHEL the royal counselor (2 Sam 15:12) (a type of the FALSE PROPHET) and JUDAS ISCARIOT the son of perdition (John 17:12) (a type of the ANTICHRIST)
- The context also contains prophetic references to the ANTICHRIST

Psa 55:12-14,20-21,23

12 For *it was* not an enemy that reproached me; then I could have borne *it*: neither *was it* he that hated me that did magnify himself against me; then I would have hid myself from him:

13 But *it was* thou, a man mine equal, my guide, and mine acquaintance.

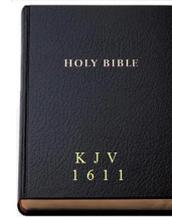
14 We took sweet counsel together, and walked unto the house of God in company.

20 He hath put forth his hands against such as be at peace with him: he hath broken his covenant.

21 The words of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war *was* in his heart: his words were softer than oil, yet *were* they drawn swords.

23 But thou, O God, shalt bring them down into the pit of destruction: bloody and deceitful men shall not live out half their days; but I will trust in thee.

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- Wickedness is also IN THE MIDST of...THE EPDAH (Zec 5:8), so it is possible that THE EPDAH could also represent THE CITY
- But THE CITY is THE WOMAN (Rev 17:18), and the WOMAN is in the midst of the EPDAH!

Rev 17:5,18

5 And upon her forehead *was* a name written, **MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS** OF THE EARTH.

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

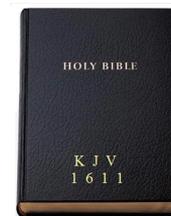
9) WICKEDNESS is an ABOMINATION

Pro 8:7

For my mouth shall speak truth; and **wickedness is an abomination** to my lips.

- Since Babylon the Great is the mother of abominations (Rev 17:5), she is the mother of wickedness

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10) WICKEDNESS is at a place of JUDGMENT

Ecc 3:16

And moreover I saw under the sun the place of judgment, *that* wickedness was there; and the place of righteousness, *that* iniquity *was* there.

- Wickedness is with the woman in the ephah, both are taken to the land of SHINAR (Zec 5:11), and the woman is a city/system called BABYLON that is JUDGED

Rev 17:1,18

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:

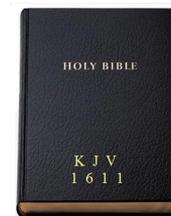
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Rev 18:8,10

8 Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong *is* the Lord God who judgeth her.

10 Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.

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Rev 19:2

For true and righteous *are* his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

- BABYLON was in the land SHINAR (Gen 10:10)

11) The whole WORLD lies IN WICKEDNESS

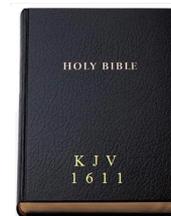
1 John 5:19-20

19 And we know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness.

20 And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.

- WE= those OF GOD; those BORN OF GOD (1 John 5:4); the SONS OF GOD (1 John 3:2); those who BELIEVE ON the name of the Son of God (1 John 5:13)
- The WORLD is contrasted with BELIEVERS- as believers are IN CHRIST, so the world is IN WICKEDNESS
- Every person is either IN CHRIST or IN WICKEDNESS

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- The CHURCH is IN CHRIST; the ANTI-CHURCH is IN WICKEDNESS
- The church is a chaste VIRGIN (2 Cor 11:2); the anti-church is a great WHORE (Rev 17:1)
- Every person is either JOINED to CHRIST or JOINED to the HARLOT

1 Cor 6:16-17

16 What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh.

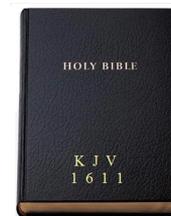
But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.

Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.

Jer 51:6

Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and deliver every man his soul: be not cut off in her iniquity; for this *is* the time of the LORD'S vengeance; he will render unto her a recompence.

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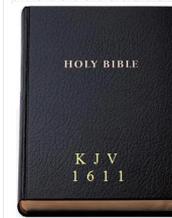
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