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# Bible Prophecy

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

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## Pro 5:3-11,20

3 For the lips of **a strange woman** drop *as* an honeycomb, and **her mouth is smoother than oil**:

4 But **her end** is **bitter as wormwood, sharp as a twoedged sword**.

5 Her feet go down to **death**; her steps take hold on **hell**.

6 **Lest thou shouldest ponder the path of life, her ways are moveable, that thou canst not know them.**

7 Hear me now therefore, O ye children, and depart not from the words of my mouth.

8 **Remove thy way far from her**, and **come not nigh the door of her house**:

9 Lest thou give thine honour unto others, and thy years unto the cruel:

10 Lest strangers be filled with thy wealth; and thy labours *be* in the house of a stranger;

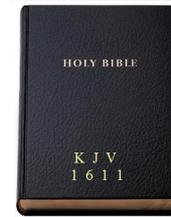
11 And thou mourn at the last, **when thy flesh and thy body are consumed**,

20 And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished with **a strange woman**, and embrace the bosom of **a stranger**?

## **Her mouth is smoother than oil.**

- The word SMOOTHER only appears 2x (v.3; Psa 55:21) and these appearances give another connection between the strange woman (Babylon the Great) and the Antichrist

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## Psa 55:20-21

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.

- The SMOOTH words of Babylon the Great are DECEITS

## Isa 30:10

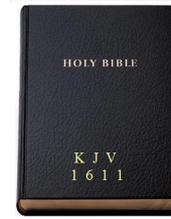
Which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophecy not unto us right things, speak unto us **smooth things,** prophesy **deceits:**

## Rev 18:23

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.**

- FLATTERY= “false (DECEITFUL) praise”; see notes for Proverbs 2:16

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## Her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a twoedged sword.

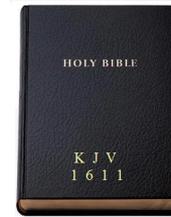
- The strange woman is BABYLON the Great and the CHALDEANS were a BITTER nation (Hab 1:6)
- HER END could refer to what COMES upon her or what she BRINGS upon those who meddle with her but the former is more likely
- The phrase TWOEDGED SWORD appears 4x (v.4; Psa 149:6; Heb 4:12; Rev 1:16) and every other appearance refers to the WORD OF GOD
- The words SHARP, TWOEDGED, and SWORD appear in the same verse together only 2x (v.4; Rev 1:16) and the other appearance clearly refers to the WORD OF GOD

## Rev 1:16

And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance *was* as the sun shineth in his strength.

- Babylon the Great will meet her BITTER END by the WORD OF GOD
- The word of God is bitter-sweet (Rev 10:9-10); BITTER to those who reject it and fall under it's judgment but sweet to those who believe it and rest upon it's promises

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**Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell.**

- See notes under Proverbs 2:18

**Lest thou shouldst ponder the path of life.**

- The PATH OF LIFE is the WORD OF GOD

**Psa 16:11**

**Thou wilt shew me the path of life:** in thy presence *is* fulness of joy; at thy right hand *there are* pleasures for evermore.

**Psa 25:4**

**Shew me thy ways,** O LORD; teach me thy paths.

**Her ways are moveable.**

- MOVEABLE= “to change place or posture; to transfer from place to place; to change residence”

**Pro 7:11**

(She *is* loud and stubborn; **her feet abide not in her house:**

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- Although Babylon the Great has a HOUSE, she does not stay there often, she is frequently on the MOVE
- She moved from Babel (Babylon) to Pergamos (Rev 2:13), to Rome (Rev 17:18); and may move back to, or have another house built in, the land of Shinar (Zec 5:11)
- MOVEABLE= Heb. *nuwa*= the same word translated FUGITIVE (Gen 4:12,14) (referring to CAIN'S judgment), VAGABONDS (Psa 109:10) (referring to JUDAS ISCARIOT'S judgment), and STAGGER (as in DRUNK) (Psa 107:27; Isa 29:9)
- Babylon the Great is a FUGITIVE from justice so she is always on the move because she knows it is hard to hit a MOVING target
- In contrast, the true believer is to be UNMOVEABLE (1 Cor 15:58)
- The Roman Catholic Church professes that it has NEVER CHANGED it's teachings in matters of faith and morals but it has CONSTANTLY CHANGED to suit it's purposes and to avoid detection
- One reason she changes HER WAYS is so people do not ponder THE WAY, the Lord Jesus Christ (John 14:6)

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## **Thou canst not know them.**

- Another reason she changes HER WAYS is so NO ONE can know them (i.e.- her ways are MYSTERIOUS) cf. (Rev 17:5)
- In contrast, the Lord wants his way to be known among ALL that they might be saved

## **Psa 67:2**

That **thy way may be known** upon earth, **thy saving health among all** nations.

## **1 Tim 2:4**

**Who will have all men to be saved**, and to **come unto the knowledge of the truth**.

- Since her ways hinder us from pondering the path of life, we are not to let our hearts decline to her ways

## **Pro 7:25**

**Let not thine heart decline to her ways**, go not astray in her paths.

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## Remove thy way far from her.

- The charge to REMOVE from the STRANGE WOMAN is repeated in various forms for BABYLON

### Isa 48:20

Go ye forth of Babylon, flee ye from the Chaldeans, with a voice of singing declare ye, tell this, utter it *even* to the end of the earth; say ye, The LORD hath redeemed his servant Jacob.

### Jer 50:8

Remove out of the midst of Babylon, and go forth out of the land of the Chaldeans, and be as the he goats before the flocks.

### Jer 51:6,45

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.

45 My people, go ye out of the midst of her, and deliver ye every man his soul from the fierce anger of the LORD.

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## Rev 18:2,4

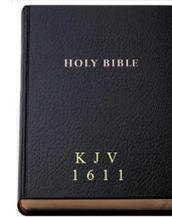
2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, **Babylon the great** is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.

4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her**, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

## When thy flesh and thy body are consumed.

- There are a total of at least eight (8) negative consequences in (v.9-14) for not avoiding the strange woman, all of which can apply to those who engage in adultery or prostitution, and those who engage with Babylon the Great
- Practically, the consumption of flesh and body can refer to STDs (or a super STD yet to come) that afflict those who engage in sexual perversion
- Prophetically, it refers to THE PLAGUE that smites Babylon the Great and all those who commit fornication with her and refuse to heed the Lord's warning to remove, flee, and come out of her
- THE PLAGUE is to be consumed and utterly burned with FIRE

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## Rev 17:16

And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.

## Rev 18:4,8

4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

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.

- This FIRE is the TWO-EDGED SWORD of the WORD OF GOD that comes out of the Lord's mouth at his Second Coming

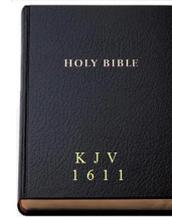
## Zec 14:12

And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.

## Rev 19:15

And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

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## Jer 23:29

Is not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer *that* breaketh the rock in pieces?

## Heb 4:12

For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

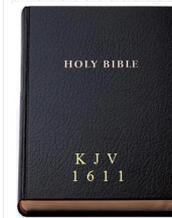
## 2 The 1:7-8

7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,

8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

## 2 The 2:8

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:



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