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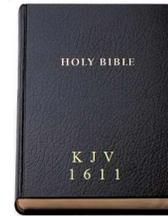
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Study to shew thyself approved unto God" (2 Tim 2:15)

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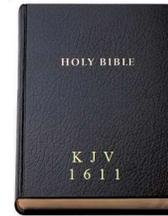
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- × The daughter of Babylon sounds just like her mother when she says NONE ELSE BESIDE ME because her mother (i.e.- the Roman Catholic Church) boasts that she is the ONLY true Church and there is NO SALVATION outside of her
- × The daughter of Babylon, like her mother, seeks to take the place in the hearts and minds of men that only the Lord should occupy- that is the essence of spiritual FORNICATION from a spiritual HARLOT

I shall not sit as a widow.

- × WIDOW= “a woman who has lost her husband by death; to bereave of a husband”
- × The implication is that the daughter of Babylon has a husband who dies
- × The HUSBAND is THE HEAD of the wife (Eph 5:23), and as such is responsible for PROVISION, PROTECTION, and final DECISION-MAKING
- × Another word for HEAD is CAPITAL
- × If the daughter of Babylon is the USA, then who/what is the HUSBAND that is the HEAD/CAPITAL of the USA responsible for providing, protecting, and decision-making that DIES?

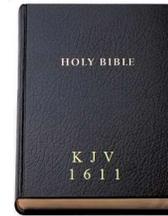
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- × The daughter SOUNDS just like her mother, with the exception that the daughter is called a LADY (v.5,7) and never refers to herself as a QUEEN because that title is reserved for her MOTHER

Rev 18:7

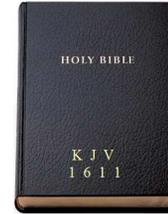
How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow.

- × The MOTHER will also become a WIDOW, albeit for a very short time, when her HUSBAND the Antichrist is killed (Rev 13:3; 17:8)

Neither...the loss of children.

- × CHILDREN= “the inhabitants of a country”
- × If the daughter of Babylon is the USA then her CHILDREN are the CITIZENS of the USA

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These two things shall come to thee in a moment in one day.

- × The near or partial fulfillment is the Babylon of Nebuchadnezzar, which saw its leader slain (along with many people), and the capital city taken in a single night by the Medes and Persians

Dan 5:30-31

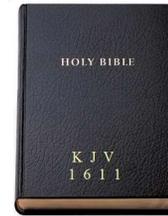
30 In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain.

31 And Darius the Median took the kingdom, *being* about threescore and two years old.

- × But Nebuchadnezzar's Babylon continued as a city after it was taken by the Medes and Persians and was not destroyed and made desolate for many centuries
- × When the far or complete fulfillment of this prophecy takes place, the daughter of Babylon will become desolate **SUDDENLY**

Isa 47:11

Therefore shall evil come upon thee; thou shalt not know from whence it riseth: and mischief shall fall upon thee; thou shalt not be able to put it off: and desolation shall come upon thee suddenly, *which* thou shalt not know.



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- × If the daughter of Babylon is the USA, then its judgment will be instant and swift, and involve the destruction of her capital (i.e.- Washington, DC) and the death of all her people (i.e.- American citizens)

Jer 50:29

Call together the archers against Babylon: all ye that bend the bow, camp against it round about; **let none thereof escape**: recompense her according to her work; according to all that she hath done, do unto her: for she hath been proud against the LORD, against the Holy One of Israel.

Jer 51:29,37,43

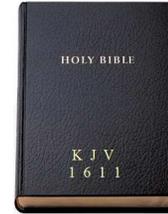
29 And the land shall tremble and sorrow: for every purpose of the LORD shall be performed against Babylon, to make **the land of Babylon a desolation without an inhabitant.**

37 And Babylon shall become heaps, a dwellingplace for dragons, an astonishment, and an hissing, **without an inhabitant.**

43 **Her cities are a desolation,** a dry land, and a wilderness, **a land wherein no man dwelleth,** neither doth *any* son of man pass thereby.

In a moment.

- × IN A MOMENT appears 11x (# of CONFUSION) (v.9; Exo 33:5; Num 16:21,45; Job 21:13; 34:20; Psa 73:19; Jer 4:20; Lam 4:6; Luke 4:5; 1 Cor 15:52)



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- IN A MOMENT is associated with the DEATH of the wicked

Job 21:7,13

7 Wherefore do the wicked live, become old, yea, are mighty in power?

13 They spend their days in wealth, and in a moment go down to the grave.

Job 34:20

In a moment shall they die, and the people shall be troubled at midnight, and pass away: and the mighty shall be taken away without hand.

- IN A MOMENT is associated with the DESOLATION of the ungodly

Psa 73:12,19

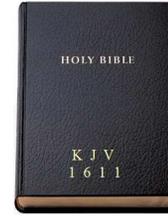
12 Behold, these *are* the ungodly, who prosper in the world; they increase *in* riches.

19 How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with terrors.

- IN A MOMENT is associated with DESTRUCTION

Jer 4:20

Destruction upon destruction is cried; for the whole land is spoiled: suddenly are my tents spoiled, *and* my curtains in a moment.



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- IN A MOMENT is associated with the CONSUMPTION of Korah and his company, and the response of Moses and Aaron is similar to Abraham's when the Lord tells him about the judgment of Sodom

Num 16:20-22

20 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

21 Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment.

22 And they fell upon their faces, and said, O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and wilt thou be wroth with all the congregation?

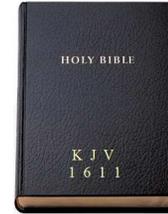
Gen 18:23

And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked?

- IN A MOMENT is associated with the OVERTHROW of Sodom and the OVERTHROW OF SODOM is a picture of the judgment of the DAUGHTER OF BABYLON

Lam 4:6

For the punishment of the iniquity of the daughter of my people is greater than the punishment of the sin of Sodom, that was overthrown as in a moment, and no hands stayed on her.



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Jer 50:40

As God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbour *cities* thereof, saith the LORD; *so* shall no man abide there, neither shall any son of man dwell therein.

- Before the overthrow of Sodom IN A MOMENT, ALL THE RIGHTEOUS Abraham alluded to (Gen 18:23) were EVACUATED to safety

Gen 19:15-16,22

15 And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened **Lot**, saying, Arise, take **thy wife**, and **thy two daughters**, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city.

16 And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.

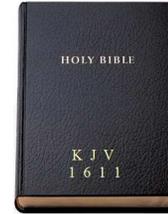
22 Haste thee, escape thither; for **I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither**. Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.

2 Pet 2:6-8

6 And turning the cities of **Sodom** and Gomorrha into ashes condemned *them* with an **overthrow**, making *them* an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;

7 And **delivered just Lot**, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked:

8 (For **that righteous man** dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed *his* righteous soul from day to day with *their* unlawful deeds;)



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- IN A MOMENT is associated with the TRANSFORMATION and the TRANSLATION of the saints at the Rapture

1 Cor 15:51-52

51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but **we shall all be changed,**
52 **In a moment,** in the twinkling of an eye, **at the last trump:** for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

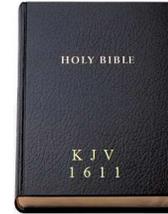
- × It is possible that the just like Sodom was destroyed immediately after Lot and his family were removed that the USA will be destroyed immediately after the Rapture of the church

Isa 57:1

The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth *it* to heart: and merciful men *are* taken away, none considering that **the righteous is taken away from the evil to come.**

In one day.

- × IN ONE DAY appears 13x (v.9; 9:14; 10:17; 66:8; Gen 27:45; Lev 22:28; 1 Sam 2:34; 1 Kin 20:29; 2 Chr 28:6; Est 3:13; Zec 3:9; 1 Cor 10:8; Rev 18:8)



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- × IN ONE DAY is associated with the REGENERATION of the earth and Israel

Isa 66:8

Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall **the earth** be made to **bring forth in one day**? or shall **a nation be born** at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children.

Zec 3:9

For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; upon one stone *shall be* seven eyes: behold, I will engrave the graving thereof, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will **remove the iniquity** of that land **in one day**.

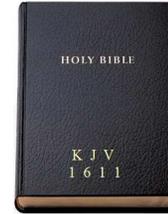
- × IN ONE DAY is associated with the destruction of the DAUGHTER of Babylon and her MOTHER but they will not be destroyed in the SAME day

Rev 18:8

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.

Lev 22:28

And *whether it be* cow or ewe, **ye shall not kill it and her young both in one day**.



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In their perfection.

- × PERFECTION= “the state of being complete or whole; the state of nothing requisite in wanting; entire; fully mature; finished”
- × The daughter of Babylon boasts that she will never be a widow or know the loss of children but the Lord says both will CERTAINLY and COMPLETELY happen

For the multitude of thy sorceries.

- × The daughter of Babylon ACTS like her mother by engaging in SORCERIES

Isa 47:9,12

9 But these two *things* shall come to thee in a moment in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood: they shall come upon thee in their perfection for the multitude of **thy sorceries**, and for the great abundance of thine enchantments.

12 Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of **thy sorceries**, wherein thou hast laboured from thy youth; if so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest prevail.

Isa 57:3

But draw near hither, **ye sons of the sorceress**, **the seed of** the adulterer and **the whore**.