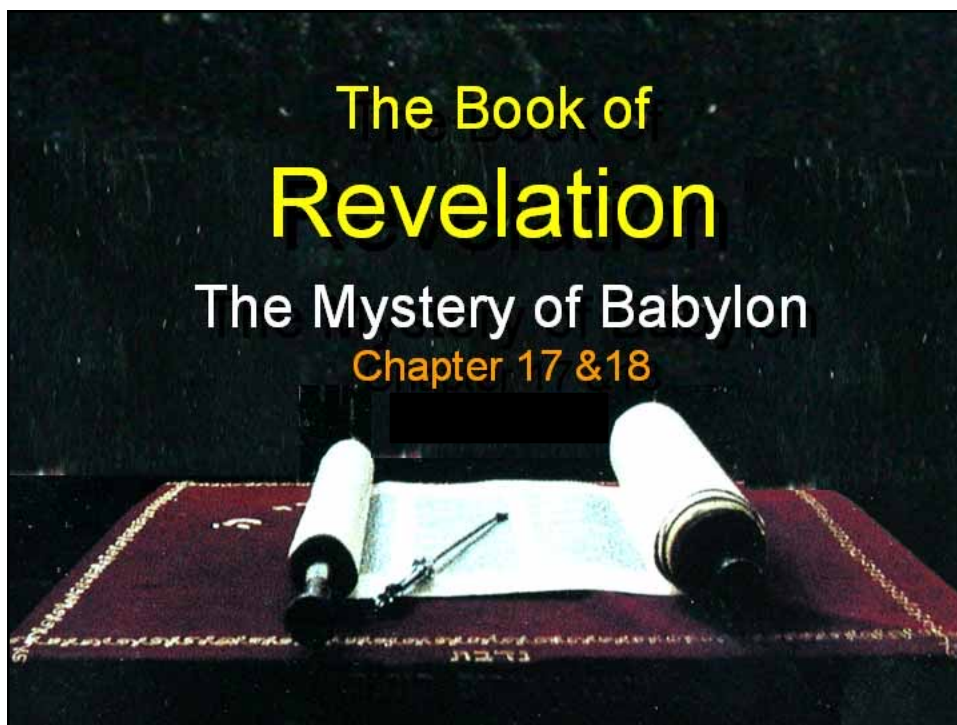




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Spiritual Babylon

- All forms of occultic practices have had their origins in the original city of Babylon Isa 47
- Tammuz, the son of Nimrod and his queen, Semiramis, was identified with the Babylonian Sun God, and worshipped following the winter solstice: ~ Dec 22-23
- As Babylon was conquered by subsequent empires, this entire religious system was transplanted, first to Pergamos, Rev 2:12-17 and then to Rome.

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The Two Women

	Israel Chapter 12	Woman riding Beast Chapter 17
Where?	In Heaven	Upon many waters
Mother	Of Man-Child	Of Harlots
Clothed with	With sun	Purple, Scarlet , Gold
Identity	Sun, Moon, Stars	Reigns over Kings of the Earth
Enemy	Dragon	10 Kings (Ultimately)
Relationship	Hated by world	Caressed by world
Sustained by	Wings of heaven	Dragon
Headdress	Crown of 12 stars	Mystery Babylon the Great
Status	Widowed, divorced	"Am no widow..."
Final location	New Jerusalem	Habitation of demons

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Mystery Babylon

Revelation 17 & 18

- **The Great Whore** 17
 - Rides the Beast with 7 heads, 10 horns
 - Mother of Harlots and Abominations
 - Drunk with the blood of the saints
- **Babylon the Great (City)** 18
 - Kings
 - Merchants
 - Those that trade by sea

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Babylon

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The Great Whore

Revelation 17

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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:

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.

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.

Revelation 17:1-3

12

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:

Revelation 17:4

13

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

Revelation 17:4,5

14

And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of
the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of
Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great
admiration.

And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou
marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the
woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which
hath the seven heads and ten horns.

Revelation 17:6,7

15

The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

Revelation 17:8

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

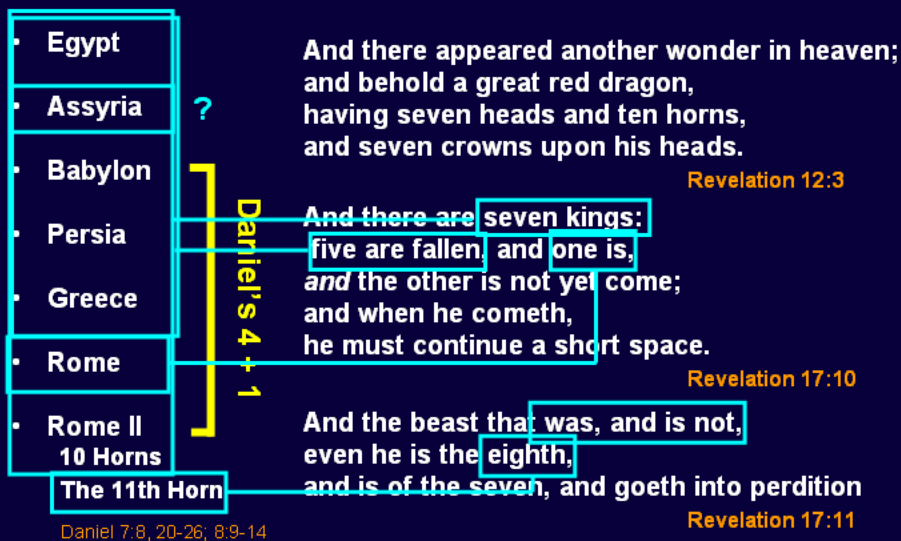
And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.

And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.

Revelation 17:9-11

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Satan's Seven Super-Kingdoms



Daniel 7:8, 20-26; 8:9-14
Daniel 2:31-35, 40-45; 7:7-8, 19-25
Revelation 13:1-2; 17:3, 7, 12-18

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*And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings,
which have received no kingdom as yet; but
receive power as kings one hour with the beast.
These have one mind, and shall give their power
and strength unto the beast.*

Revelation 17:12,13

29

These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

Revelation 17:14

30

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

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.

Revelation 17:15,16

31

For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will,
and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the
beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.
And the woman which thou sawest is that great
city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

Revelation 17:17,18

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Revelation 17

- Notice that the prostitute *is not the beast*, but *rides* the beast. She initially exploits the beast, but is eventually destroyed by him Rev 17:16,17
- The reference to the “golden cup” is another link with Jeremiah, et al.
- Mystery Babylon as a false religious system has been identified with the city of Rome from the early centuries until this present hour.

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Ten Clues

- 1) A prostitute: promiscuous, unfaithful
- 2) Has universal influence; all over the world
- 3) She is seated upon the beast (steers, dominates)
- 4) Purple, Scarlet, Gold, and Jewels
- 5) Golden cup: precious, yet a counterfeit, filled with abominable things

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Ten Clues

- 6) Mystery, Babylon the Great; linked with Babylon of Nimrod Cf. Rev 11:8
- 7) Mother of Prostitutes: has spiritual offspring; Not alone
- 8) Persecutor of Christians, revels in their blood Cf. Dave Hunt
- 9) Seven Hills. Rome built on seven hills:
 - Aventine, Caelian, Capitoline, Esquiline, Palatine, Quirinal, & Viminal
- 10) The Great City that rules over the kings of the earth.
 - In John's day, could only be Rome.

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Babylon the Great

(The City)

Revelation 18

36

Babylon of 17 = 18

1. The usage of the word "Babylon" is never used of the beast or its heads
17:5, 18
2. The context before and after Revelation 18
cf. 16:19; 17:1, 18; 18:2-3; 19:2
3. The statements of Revelation 18:3, 24 with 6:9-11

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And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.

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.

Revelation 18:1,2

38

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.

Revelation 18:3

39

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.

For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God
hath remembered her iniquities.

Revelation 18:4,5

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Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double
unto her double according to her works: in the
cup which she hath filled fill to her double.

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.

Revelation 18:6,7

41

*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.*

Revelation 18:8

42

*And the kings of the earth, who have committed
fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall
bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall
see the smoke of her burning,
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.*

Revelation 18:9,10

43

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

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,

Revelation 18:11,12

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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.

And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all.

Revelation 18:13,14

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*The merchants of these things, which were made
rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of
her torment, weeping and wailing,
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!
For in one hour so great riches is come to nought.*

Revelation 18:15-17a

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*And every shipmaster, and all the company in
ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea,
stood afar off,
And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning,
saying, What city is like unto this great city!*

Revelation 18:17b-18

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And they cast dust on their heads, and cried,
weeping and wailing, saying, Alas, alas, that
great city, wherein were made rich all that had
ships in the sea by reason of her costliness! for in
one hour is she made desolate.

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

Revelation 18:19,20

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And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great
millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus
with violence shall that great city Babylon be
thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.

Revelation 18:21

49

And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft ~~he~~ *be*, shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee;

Revelation 18:22

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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.

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

Revelation 18:23,24

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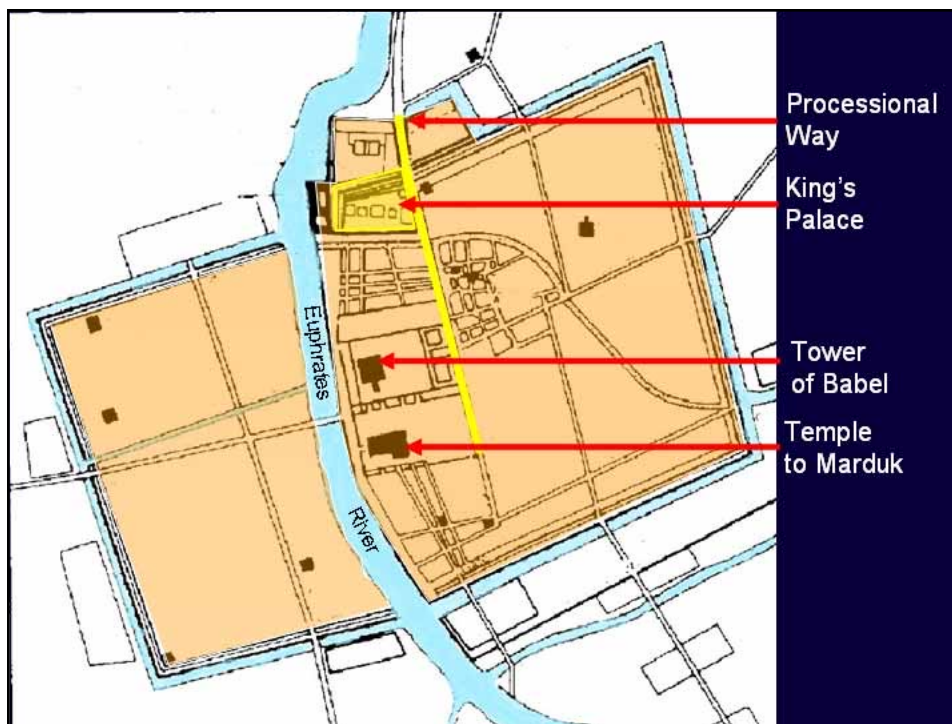
The Origin of Babylon

- The first world dictator: Nimrod ("Rebel").
 - "a mighty hunter *in defiance of the Lord.*"

Genesis 10:9

 - "Bav" = gate; "El" = God:
Babel = "Gateway to the gods"
- This was the beginning of the city of Babylon.
 - This ziggurat was later rebuilt by Nebuchadnezzar as Etemenanki, "the building which is the foundation of heaven and earth."

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The Doom of Babylon

- **Fall of Babylon** 539 BC
 - Without a battle
 - Became Alexander's capital
 - Atrophied over the centuries
 - Presently being rebuilt
- **Destruction of Babylon** Isaiah 13, 14; Jeremiah 50, 51
 - “Never to be inhabited”
 - “Building materials never reused”
 - “Like Sodom and Gomorrah”
- **“Mystery Babylon?”** Revelation 17-18

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Destruction of Babylon

	Isaiah		Jeremiah		Revelation	
	13	14	50	51	17	18
Many Nations Attacking	4, 5	2, 26	2, 9 41, 46	7	16	
Israel in the Land, Forgiven		1	4, 20			
Like Sodom & Gomorrah	19		40			
Never to be inhabited Bricks never reused	20	23	13, 26 39	26, 29 37		
During “Day of the Lord”	6, 10 11, 13		25		✓	✓
Literal (Chaldean) Babylon	19	22	50	4, 24 63		
King's fornication Drunk with wine				7	2	3, 9
Scarlet, purple Golden Cup				7	3, 4	6, 16

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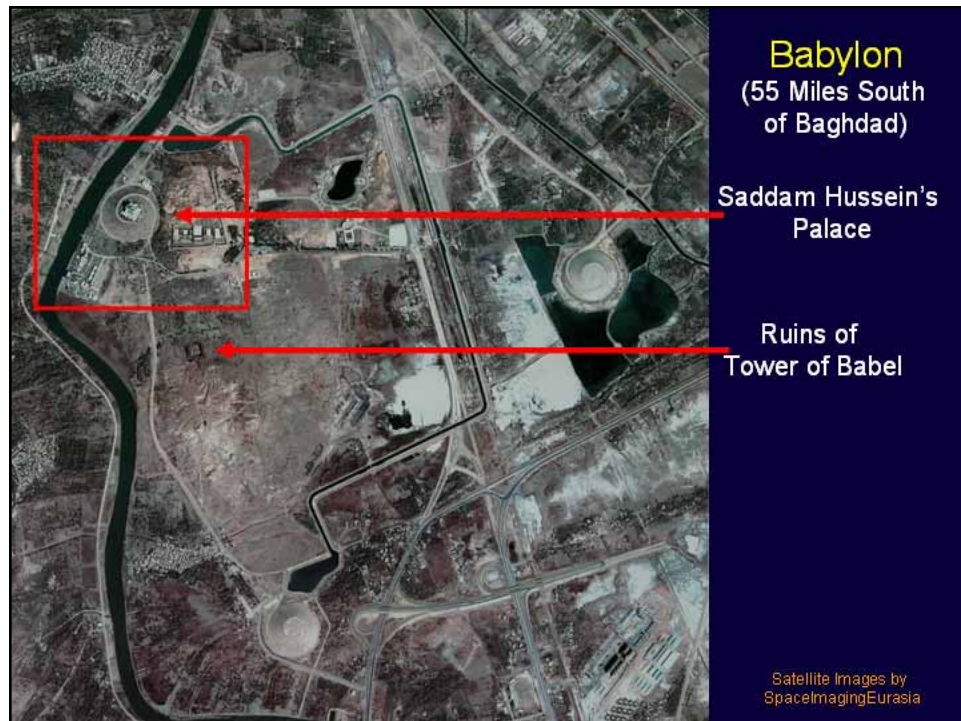
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**Babylon's future written in its ruins (Reuters)
10 Feb 2009**

Largely overlooked by the Western news media over the past few weeks was an enormously significant story. The government of Iraq is moving forward with plans to protect the archaeological remains of the ancient City of Babylon, in preparation for building a modern city of Babylon. The project, originally started by the late Saddam Hussein, is aimed eventually at attracting scores of "cultural tourists" from all over the world to see the glories of Mesopotamia's most famous city. What's more, the Obama Administration is contributing \$700,000 towards "The Future of Babylon Project," through the State Department's budget.

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The "Fifth Horseman"

And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood and his name is called The Word of God.

Revelation 19:11-13

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Next Session

- Read Chapter 19 - 20
- Research what you can on the ancient Jewish Wedding

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