

Babylon: Great Harlot Judged (part 2) **Revelation 17:7-18**

I. DECLARATION: "Come here, I shall show you" (vv.1-3a)

II. DESCRIPTION: "woman sitting on a... beast" (vv.3b-6)

III. DISCLOSURE: "Why do you wonder?" (vv.7-18)

A. Beast: "the mystery of the...beast" (vv.7-17)

1. Resurrected King: "the beast that carries her...that you saw" (vv.7-8)

a. Supernatural: "was and is not, and is about to come up"

b. Superhuman: "those who dwell on earth will wonder"

2. Historical Kings: "the seven heads...are seven kings" (vv.9-11)

3. Contemporary Kings: "the ten horns...are ten kings" (vv.12-14)

4. Historical Kingdoms: "the waters which you saw" (v.15)

5. Unified Kings: "ten horns/beast...common purpose" (vv.16-17)

a. Despised: "these will hate the harlot"

b. Despoiled: "these will make her desolate and naked"

c. Devoured: "these will eat her flesh"

d. Destroyed: "these will burn with fire"

e. Destined: "for God...to execute His purpose"

B. Babylon: "the mystery of the woman...the city" (v.18)

1. Exalted: "the great city" (v.18a)

a. Powerful: "the strong city" (Revelation 18:10)

b. Proudful: "the glory of the Chaldean pride" (Isaiah 13:10)

2. Expected: "which reigns over the kings of the earth" (v.18b)

a. Prominent: "having great wealth" (Revelation 18:16-17)

b. Persecuting: "the oppressor has ceased" (Isaiah 14:4)

*Next week: **Read Revelation 18:1-8***