Revelation

Chapter 17

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Spiritual PROSTITUTION will be judged.

Exo 34:14 For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God.

- → God deserves His rightful place as LORD.
 - 1. Because He is Creator.
 - 2. Because He is Redeemer.

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- → God deserves the devotion of men.
 - Men will give their devotion to another.
 - This is likened to UNFAITHFULNESS in a marriage.

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There will be a wholesale turning away from God and replacing Him with the worship of a FALSE GOD.

Isa 48:11 For how should my name be polluted? And I will not give my glory unto another.

I saw a woman...full of names of blasphemy...full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication...MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

The woman on the beast is the coming false one-world religion. Gen 11:4

- In God's eyes she is a harlot.
- She is a single global RELIGION which prostitutes the truth.
- Tolerance will be exalted over the exclusive worship of God alone.

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• The philosophy of man will become the RULE.

Col 2:8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

Pro 16:25 There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, But the end thereof are the ways of death.

The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit...

The beast here is the empirical world government.

• There will be ten subservient kings and their kingdoms.

Depicted is the apparent death/assassination and resurrection of the world ruler.

• A COUNTERFEIT of the resurrection of Christ

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.

The future world government will be a revived Roman Empire.

Seven mountains = Seven kings

Five prominent kings that are fallen	King that is	King that is not yet come
Augustus Nero Claudius Tiberius Trajan	DOMITIAN (Ruled at the time Revelation was written)	One-world religion

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The Seventh King - The Future One-World Religion

- Temporarily as powerful as the EIGHTH KING mentioned later in this chapter
- Same as the harlot mentioned earlier

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"Crowns in the shape of a fish head were worn by the chief priests of the Babylonian cult to honor the fish god. The crowns bore the words "Keeper of the Bridge," symbolic of the "bridge" between man and Satan. This handle was adopted by the Roman emperors, who used the Latin title *Pontifex Maximus*, which means "Major Keeper of the Bridge." And the same title was later used by the bishop of Rome. The pope today is often called the *pontiff*, which comes from *pontifex*..." ~~ J. Walvoord

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

The eighth king is the satanically-inspired world ruler himself.

- The overarching purpose for this king and his subservient kings is to OPPOSE Christ and all who give allegiance to Him.
- They will amass all their resources for this purpose.

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- They will fight the Lamb Himself in a great battle called ARMAGEDDON and will lose.
- Satan knows he will be defeated and yet will still attempt to overthrow the true King.

Rev 12:12 ...the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because <u>he knoweth that he hath but a short time</u>.

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.

Satan will destroy the harlot in order to receive exclusive WORSHIP for himself.

Psa 148:13 Let them praise the name of the LORD:
For his name alone is excellent;
His glory is above the earth and heaven.