

Revelation 18 (The Judgment of the Great City Babylon)

A. Identifying Babylon

- a. Babylon is described in Rev. 17:18 as “the great city that has a kingdom over the kings of the earth.”
 - i. Babylon is described as a harlot with _____ in chapter 17.
 - ii. The term city indicates that it is an _____ of people.
 - iii. Since the “great city” has control over “the kings of the earth,” it must have _____ and control.
 - iv. The “great city” is _____ with the “kings of the earth”. She is called the “great prostitute” in Rev.17:1,2.
 - v. Babylon the Great is a great _____ because “the merchants of the earth,” will be mourning her at the time of her destruction. (Rev.18:3,9,10, 15-17)
 - vi. Babylon here is widely viewed as a _____.
 1. She gains power through _____. (Rev.18:23)
 2. Babylon is called “_____.” (Rev.18:2)
 3. Babylon is also described as being _____), persecuting “prophets” and “holy ones.” She even murders the “witnesses of Jesus. (Rev.17:6)

B. First angel with great authority and with great glory speaks. (vs.1-3)

- a. Babylon will fall because it has become a dwelling place for demons and every unclean spirit, bird and detestable beasts.
 - i. In Revelation 9:13-16 the sixth angel blows the trumpet and 200 million demons are released to kill a third of mankind. This demonic city may be in reference to the _____ that will be the epicenter of their work.
- b. She will corrupt the nations with _____.
 - i. The indictment of sexual immorality is _____ but to general unfaithfulness and rebellion against God. (Jeremiah 3:2)

- c. She will have great (_____) and influence over the world as well.

C. Another voice from heaven speaks. (vs.4-20)

- a. First he calls the (_____) from Babylon that they may not be influenced by her.
- i. The call to separation has marked the elect of God (_____). (Gen 12:1; Isa. 52:11; Jer. 51:45; 2 Cor. 6:14-17; James 4:4)
 - ii. The second command is to “(_____)” as she paid back others with her attack on believers.
 1. This is in response to the (_____) in 6:9-10
 2. She will be “burned up with fire” for her (_____) that she will never experience mourning. (v.7,8)
- b. The second group addressed are the (_____) who committed sexual immorality and lived in luxury with her. (v.9,10)
- i. They will (_____) and be in fear for the hour of judgment. (v.10)
 1. “Single hour” is referring to the (_____) rather than a literal hour. This phrase is used three times to describe the judgment of Babylon. (vs. 10,17,19)
- c. The third group addressed are the (_____) (vs.11-15)
- i. Their judgment is going to come in (_____). As Babylon the Great is judged in financial ruin everyone dependent on her will also be ruined along with her.
- d. The fourth is addressed directly to the “(_____)” (vs.16-19)
- i. In a “single hour” all the wealth she accumulated will be laid waste.
- e. The final address is to the “(_____)” to rejoice for paying her back for what she did to them. (v.20, 24)

D. The mighty angel speaks. (v.21-24)

- a. This angels speaks of a (_____)
of the Great City Babylon.
 - i. The great city will be thrown down and will be no more.
 - ii. The sound of harpist and musicians, of flute and players and trumpeters will be heard in her no more.
 - iii. Craftsman of any craft will be found in her no more.
 - iv. The sound of mill will be heard from her no more.
 - v. The light of a lamp will shine in her no more.
 - vi. The voice of bridegroom and bride will be heard from her no more.

Study Questions for Revelation 19 (Memory Verse Revelation 19:9)

- a. What is the primary response in heaven as a result of God's judgment on the great city Babylon?
- b. What is the marriage supper of the Lamb referring to in verse 9?
- c. The angel immediately corrects John not to worship the angel and that only God ought to be worshipped in verse 10. We naturally tend to worship things that we deem greater than us or things that we cherish. How should the angel's warning be applied in our personal lives of things we inadvertently may be worshipping.
- d. Who is the one riding on the white horse in verses 11 to 21?