Session 5 – Handout - Revelation & End Times Study THE VIALS, THE RISE & FALL OF BABYLON

We Cover: Rev 16, 17, 18, 19:1-5 and others.

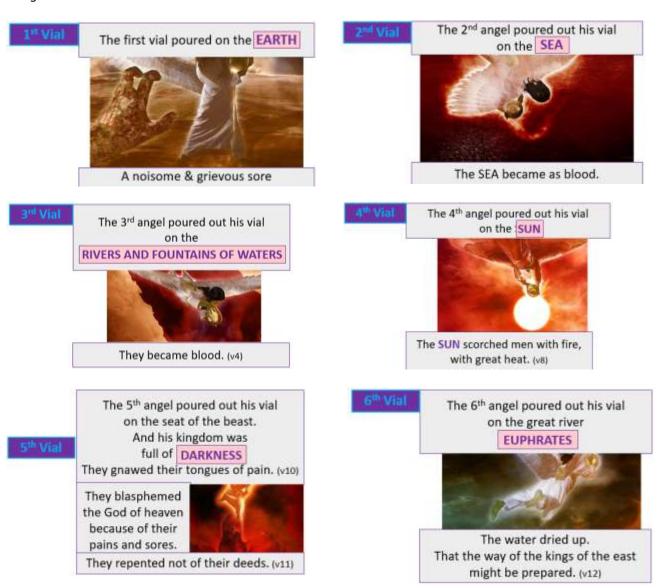
REVELATION 16:

Rev 16:1 'And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and **pour out** the vials of the **wrath of God** upon the earth'

Revelation 8 and 9 have described the first six 'trumpet judgements', or plagues, that God pours out on the earth. These Judgements start on the same day after the rapture of believers. The parables of Lot and Noah confirm this (Luke 17, Matt 24). The Revelation 16 Vials, or 'bowl judgements', add to the trumpet judgements of the water turning into blood, sores, etc., but the plagues now become more severe i.e. the 'whole' sea becoming blood.

Yet humanity continues in their evil ways, they 'repent not of their deeds'. (Rev 16:11)

Rev 16:2 And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there **fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast,** and upon them which worshipped his image 3 And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea.

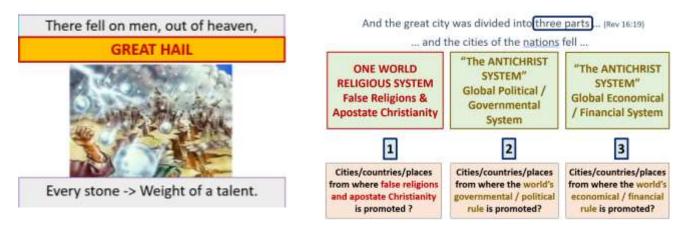


- 12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.
- To **gather them for the battle of the great day of God Almighty**. 16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue **Armageddon**
- 17 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, **It is done.**
- 18 And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.19 And the great city was divided into **three parts**, and the cities of the nations fell: and great **Babylon** came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath 20 And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent:

The 7th Vial ends with giant hailstones causing further destruction.

This seems to be shortly before or simultaneous with the blowing of the seventh trumpet.



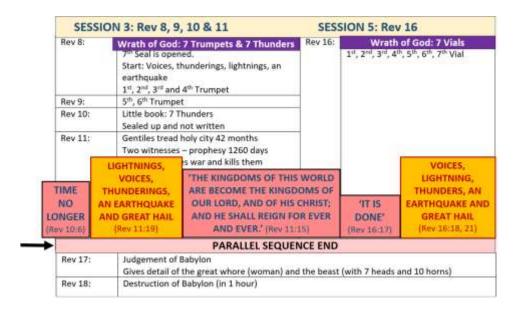
Chronology: How does the sequence of the 7 Trumpets, the 7 Thunders and the 7 Vials fit on the timeline?

We've noted before that Revelation 12 to 16 is a parallel sequence to Rev 6 to 11. The 7th trumpet is blown in Rev 11, after which Rev 12 to 16 re-starts the parallel narrative.

Note that in Rev 11, after the sounding of the 7th trumpet, Rev 11 continues to describe that the Lord Jesus Christ is now reigning over the kingdoms of this world, i.e. the beast is no longer in power at the 7th trumpet.

As we are told that 'the beast' is still in power at the 5th vial, this shows that the 5th vial will occur before the 7th trumpet. We can thus conclude that the vials are thus contained somewhere inside the Rev 8-11 trumpet sequence.





In Rev 17-18 we see the following images or pictures:

- BABYLON
- THE BEAST
- The WOMAN / WHORE

BABYLON:

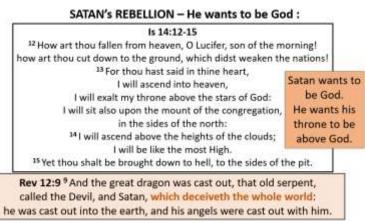
After the flood, God commanded men to "be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth". (Gen 9:1, Gen 10:5). God's plan was that they would trust in God's provision and that each group of people would decide over its own affairs. If man were to congregate in too a great number, they would become prideful in their achievements, and set themselves up to act independently from God. Such an attitude would drive them further and further away from God and into increasing depths of evil.

However, in opposition to God, the men of Babel nevertheless decided to build a great city and a gigantic tower as a symbol of their power and unity, to make a name for themselves. (Gen 11:1-10)

This idea of a united world, which is in direct opposition to God's plan for mankind, has existed from the tower of Babel and continues throughout history. We see man wanting to control through Empires, Dictators, Secret Societies, Elites / Bureaucrats, Corrupt governments, 'Works' Religions, etc. Even though empires have come and gone, the 'Babylon spirit' has re-appeared in every Empire.

In Zech 5:5-11 we note how <u>WICKEDNESS</u> has gone forth from EMPIRE TO EMPIRE. Wickedness may also be defined as a lifestyle, values, and worship in rebellion to God. (1 John 5:19)Therefore, we see the spirit of globalism, the spirit of a One World Government, the spirit of One World Domination has existed from the tower of Babel and this Babylon 'spirit' has gone forth from EMPIRE TO EMPIRE.

It has been Satan's plan all along to gain control over all men. Then he would be able to set up his own throne and 'be like the most high'.



Rev 20:10 ¹⁰ And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

Satan's strategy:
Kill, steal and destroy
Blinds
Takes captive
Ensnares
Devours
Deceives

Satan's strategy with the final world empire:



SATAN'S STRATEGY:

John 10:10 ¹⁰ The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

2 Cor 4:4 ⁴ In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

1 Tim 3:7 Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

2 Tim 2:26 ³⁶ And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

1 Pet 5:8 8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

Revelation 12 describes Satan as a seven headed dragon warring against God's plan for mankind.

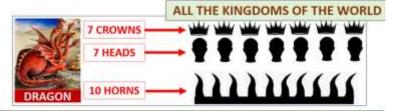
In Revelation 13 a different beast arises out of the sea, still with seven heads, but now with ten horns and ten crowns (the sea picturing the nations).

The seven heads illustrate the seven world empires who have carried the 'Babylon Spirit' throughout history. Out of these empires a final world 'beast empire' will arise which will be ruled over by ten kings. (the 10 horns, and the 10 crowns showing that they are physical people).

Satan's strategy is that these ten 'kings' will elevate another person, the 'Antichrist', who is possessed by Satan, into sole world rulership

SATAN

Devil, DRAGON, Old Serpent, Accuser, Tempter (Rev 12:3, 9)



Luke 4:5-6 ⁵ And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him <u>all the kingdoms of the world</u> in a moment of time. ⁶ And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it.

Satan will attempt to mimic Jesus as being a Saviour figure, and then proceed to deceive and coerce the whole world into worshipping him.

Note from Luke 4 and Revelation 12 all previous kings and kingdoms have been under Satan's control.

In the final Empire he will take control in 'person'.

The BEAST out of the SEA

What comprises this BEAST out of the SEA. Is there more to it than the ten kings?

Can we learn some more from Daniel 2 & 7.... Refer to Session 4 for the details of Daniel's prophecies.

Daniel 2: Nebuchadnezzar's dream of the great statue / image

Nebuchadnezzar's dream is a very condensed picture of 'world history' and a glimpse of what is to come. The four main players in world history, from God's perspective, are revealed in Daniel 2, as well as the organisation and composition of the final world rulership.

DANIEL 2:28-45 Nebuchadnezzar's dream of the great statue / image:



The ten toes of Daniel 2 confirms the Rev 13 picture that the final world empire will be ruled over by ten kings from a mix of nations. The empire's composition will be a conglomeration of nations (part iron, part clay), indicating a mixture of strong and weak nations.

In Revelation 17, however, we focus on identifying the 'Babylon Spirit', which is the strategy that will be used by Satan to entice, 'dumb-down' and deceive all the nations.



Whereas all prior kingdoms have arisen by one nation dominating the surrounding ones by force, the final kingdom is going to be different. Mankind will be ruled over by rulers from an amalgamation of nations.

The amalgamation of nations is pictured by the mixture of iron and clay in the feet and the toes of the statue. The toes represent the ten rulers of the final world empire.

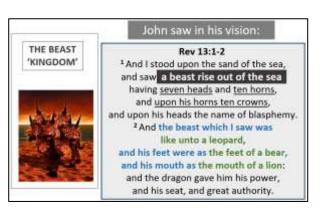
In addition, there appears to be an attempt by the rulers to corrupt or alter the 'seed of men'.

Daniel 7: Daniel's dream - 4 beasts coming out of the sea (4 Kingdoms)

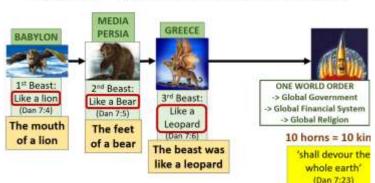
Daniel's dream re-confirms the picture of Daniel 2 of the four major empires to come (Babylon and three thereafter), and then expands on the fourth empire, and especially on the last days of the fourth world culture or power. We can conclude from the description of the final 'beast' that this final 'one world government' will be different from previous empires where one nation dominated the rest. It will come into power by stealth.

"And the beast which I saw was like unto a **leopard**, and his feet were as the feet of a **bear**, and his mouth as the mouth of a **lion**: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority." (Rev 13:2)

In Daniel 7 the detail of the 'leopard kingdom', the Grecian empire is provided. This kingdom was established by stealth and speed by Alexander the Great. His conquest of the world was much like a leopard's attack. Alexander took the Medes and Persians, many times more numerous, by stealth and speed. (Refer to session 4 for detail)



Daniel's dream - 4 beasts coming out of the sea (4 Kingdoms)



In addition to the 'leopard' characteristics, we note that the beast has the mouth of a lion (proud and arrogant), speaking great words of blasphemy, and also has the feet of a bear. (Trampling the nations underfoot).

Daniel 7 'Beast' prophecy (summary below). Note all empires are represented by a **kingdom** and a person, the **king**. (Dan 2:37)



This "super powerful future world kingdom" will be an amalgamation / combination / mixture of the characteristics of the past world kings and kingdoms and 'shall devour the whole earth' (Dan 7:23)



Daniel 2 & 7 shows that the final empire will be administered by ten kings from different regions all working together behind the scenes, represented by the ten horns on the seven leopard heads.

The Antichrist (little horn) will arise among them as the 11th king. After establishing himself and taking power, he will arrogantly exalt himself above God and magnify himself in his own heart (2 Thess 2:3-4).

In opposition to Jesus, he demands worship as he believes he is the 'saviour of the world': the Anti-Christ. His rule is limited to 3.5 years (Rev 13:5, Dan 7:25, Refer to Session 4).

From the information from Revelation 13, Daniel 2 and 7 we can now interpret Revelation 17, the nature of the Whore (Babylon Spirit) and the final One World order (the 3-part Beast:- political, financial and religious)

Given IIII to make Global war with the saints and to overcome them Daniel Given power over Government kindreds, tongues and nations. (Rev 13:7) Rev 13 Rev 17 Beast out of the Sea The Woman/Whore He causes ALL, both: Beast out of the Earth Small and great, Rich and poor, Free and bond The beast & the 10 kings To receive a mark in their right hand or in the foreheads. Global Financial No man can buy or sell unless they have: System ONE WORLD ORDER -> the mark or THE BEAST "System" -> Global Government -> the name of the beast or > Global Financial System BABYLON -> the number of his name. (Rev 13:16-17) -> Global Religion Global Religion

The Whore of Revelation 17: (Read Rev 17)

Key verses showing us who the Whore is:



REV 17:1-2 ¹ And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither;

THE ONE WORLD ORDER (Rev 13)

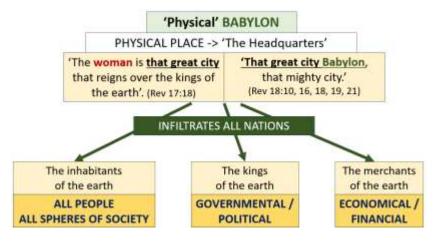
I will shew unto thee the judgment of the GREAT WHORE that sitteth upon many waters: ² With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of HER fornication.

The Whore has a PHYSICAL and an IDEOLOGICAL manifestation.

Because the 'whore' is referred to as a city in some verses, we recognise that there is a physical aspect to the 'whore'.



The physical aspect is perhaps best represented by the physical headquarters of the powers promoting the whore, those promoting the 'Babylon Spirit' ideology. This ideology corrupts all societies of the world, contaminating their mindsets and beliefs.



As all speres of society are contaminated, these organizations infiltrate governments, corporations, financial institutions, education, etc.

We will attempt later to give examples of which organizations are likely to comprise the physical Babylon.

Revelation 18 tells us that Babylon will be burned, destroyed. This is likely to refer to the physical Babylon, as the ideology seems only to cease when the Antichrist is removed.

HOW ARE ALL NATIONS INFILTRATED?

The Babylon spirit corrupts and contaminates the 'physical Babylon' by her evil enticements. Governments, organizations and Workplaces become her accomplices by ever increasing levels of her infiltration.

It may be expected that both the physical and ideological Babylon will especially focus on corrupting western Christian culture. The WHORE loves to seduce victims into worldliness. She entices the nations into thinking that fulfillment lies in chasing after the things and pleasures of this world, which become their idols.



Victims become ensnared, addicted, intoxicated and lose their ability to 'see' and 'hear' God's 'voice'.

She causes all nations and inhabitants of the earth to be 'intoxicated' by HER spiritual idolatry & adultery.

The chart alongside demonstrates the ideological aspect of Babylon, as promoted by her human agents. She deceives, sins, tempts and corrupts societies and organizations.

The result is a society too intoxicated and blind to acknowledge God.

The WHORE causes all nations and inhabitants of the earth to commit spiritual idolatry & adultery:

Rev 17:1b,2 "...the GREAT WHORE that sits upon many waters: 2 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**"

The Whore is the end time representation of the 'Babylon Sprit'. She firstly manifests as physical organizations working from a 'great city', but also manifests as the corrupting influence of the underlying spirit of evil. The Old Testament compares idolatry, the 'chasing after other 'gods',' to spiritual whoredom and spiritual adultery. Refer to the verses below:

What does God's word teach us about spiritual idolatry & adultery?

"WHORING" & "WHOREDOM" in the Old Testament IS SPIRITUAL WHOREDOM

'WHORING AFTER THEIR GODS' (Ex 34:15-16)

'Offer sacrifices unto devils' (Lev 17:7)

'Go whoring after their idols' (Ez 6:9)

'Evils committed in all their abominations' (Ez 6:9)

'Adulteries and lewdness in whoredom' (Jer 13:27)

'Whoredoms with all the idols of thy abominations' (Ez 16:36)

-> SPIRITUAL IDOLATRY & ADULTERY

Spiritual idolatry & adultery presents itself/is demonstrated through:

Pagan Priesthood
Sun, moon, earth worship
Idol and devil worship
Blasphemous signs, symbols and terms
Gestures and signaling
Ornate Clothing and jewelry
Occultic practices, rituals, initiations
Burning incense
Evil Sacrifices
False prophets and apostles
Corrupted representation of the God of the Bible
Corrupted doctrines and Bibles

Therefore, 'the whore' promotes:

- Rebellion against God and His word.
- Lies, false beliefs.
- False religions.
- Promotes idolatry, wickedness and evil.
- Undermines godliness and morality.
- Loving the world and the things in the world.
- Corrupts Christian doctrines.

She aims to corrupt all levels of society, in all the cultures of the world before she and the Beast System, and finally the Antichrist, takes over.

Note this idolatry is nothing new, it's the ancient Babylonian pagan religion of sun, moon and earth worship, together with its secret priesthood, which transferred from Empire to Empire. They simply adopt new names for the same 'deities' originating from Babel, i.e. Tammuz (Ez 8:14), etc. become Isis, etc, for the Egyptians, who then proceeded to invent a multitude of other gods. These 'gods' transfer as similar entities but with different names to the next empires, the Assyrian, Babylonian, Medo-Persian, Greek and Roman empires leading up to the final world empire.

The WHORE causes all nations and inhabitants of the earth to act as if drunk ('intoxicated'):

Jer 51:7 **Babylon** hath been a golden cup in the LORD'S hand, **that made all the earth drunken**: the nations have drunken of her wine; **therefore the nations are mad**.

Characteristics of Drunkenness (Intoxication):

- Lack of restraint
- Mental confusion
- Forgetfulness
- · Impaired judgment
- Irrational behavior
- Impaired/confused reasoning
- · Crude, inappropriate speech and gesture
- · Argumentative, aggressive & obnoxious behaviour
- · Open to manipulation, BLINDNESS

- · Careless, Disorientated
- · Agitated, anxious
- Impulsivity
- · Antisocial behaviour
- Unresponsiveness
- "Madness"

THEREFORE SHE "has blinded the minds". 2 Cor 4:4 ...the god of this world hath <u>blinded the minds</u> of them which believe not ...

Titus 1:15 Unto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.

Possible actions:

- · Irrational thinking and decisions
- · Misguided conclusions
- · Confused thinking
- · 'Groupthink'
- · Thought manipulation
- · Distrust of fellow man
- Fear mongering



- Dehumanizing laws and social guidance
- · Distortion of the truth
- · Calling good 'evil' and evil 'good'
- · Debilitating and disabling restrictions
- Redefining laws and rules

The above definitions of how this 'drunkenness' of the nations may manifest provides a picture of society devoid of 'common sense', values, morals, and discernment. It has no boundaries between good and evil hence is incapable of loving and caring relationships, self-control, self-sacrifice, humility, peace, constructive negotiations, any godliness or fruits of the spirit.

Some of David's Psalms graphically illustrate the wickedness mankind can fall into.

Who does the Whore control?

The WHORE sits on 'seven mountains' and 'many waters'. These pictures illustrate and confirm that in the end times the influence of the whore increases to the extent that it is possible for her to control all levels of society. The only way out is for **believers to cease participating** at all in her 'Beast System', or Babylon culture. (Rev 18:4)

7 heads are 7 mountains.





Rev 13:3 3and all the world wondered after the beast.

Rev 13:7 7 And it was given unto him

to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

Sits on many waters.

REV 17:1

The waters are peoples,

multitudes, nations and tongues,

REV 17:15

What does the whore look like and how does SHE manifest?

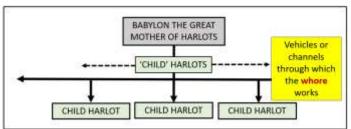


v4" And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having **a golden cup** in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:

- Ornate clothing: Bishops and priests of corrupt religion typically appeal to the physical by adorning themselves 'with gold and precious stones' and wearing garments' purple and scarlet in colour".
- Golden cup: Rites of corrupt religion

{17:5} And upon her forehead was a name written, **MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT,** THE **MOTHER OF HARLOTS** AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. {17:6} And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus"





The Revelation 17 description of 'MOTHER OF HARLOTS' presuppose that this 'MOTHER' has offspring, i.e. 'children' associated with her. We have already identified that the 'whore' is the current continuation of the Babylon spirit with has a physical location or 'headquarters, (i.e. The 'Mother of harlots'), but which also operates through a a variety of physical entities (Child Harlots).

Regarding the 'child harlots', we know, for those who care to investigate, that a global elite, through their accomplices the Jesuits, freemasons, bankers, UN, WEF, etc., appear to be involved in a power grab to control government actions globally. This power grab seems to be designed to bring about a one world government consisting of ten partitions. Each partition will have a leader.

It is important to separate the Beast system (i.e. global elite and accomplices), run through the 10 kings, from the whore, as the beast (the 10 kings) will end up hating/resenting the whore, and destroying the physical manifestation of Babylon, i.e. its location and 'headquarters'. (v 16)

Note the 10 kings may possibly not be political personages, but super-rich families, technocrats, bankers and industry leaders.

Vehicles or channels through which the whore works: BABYLON THE GREAT MOTHER OF HARLOTS Corrupt Governments Secret Societies Jesuits WHO, UN, WEF etc. Corporate businesses Freemasons Brotherhoods/Fraternities The Vatican **Education Institutions** Central Bankers Illuminati, Etc. 'Charity' Organisations Jehovah's Satanists 'Watered-down' Christianity Islam Witchcraft Works Salvation Churches Buddhism Witnesses Astrology New Apostolic Reformation Hinduism Mormonism Scientology Zionist ideology Humanism Orthodoxy Prosperity, Social Gospel Atheism Catholicism New Age Etc. Etc. Etc. Etc.

The list alongside is compiled from various sources, which are not hard to come by for those who care to investigate. Note some organizations might not even realise that they are unwittingly furthering the cause of the 'Mother of Harlots'.

If anything, the list is incomplete and misses a whole swath of shadow government organizations, secret societies, false-front churches and charities.

In the whore's hand is a 'golden cup of abominations' and on her forehead is written 'Mother of harlots and the abominations of the earth'. Therefore, she encourages and 'entices' all people and nations etc. to participate in the abominations of the earth.

The Bible shows us that the following are an abomination to God:

Idolatry and false gods. (Deut 17:2-5, Deut 27:15, Deut 29:17)

Occult practices. (Deut 18:9-12)

Ungodly sexual relationships: homosexuality, fornication and adultery. (Lev 18:22-29)

Abortion / Murder / hands that shed innocent blood. (Prov 6:17)

Dishonest business dealings. (Deut 25:13-16)

Wickedness. (Prov 15:9)

Injustice. (Prov 17:15)

A proud look, a lying tongue, a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that make haste to run to evil, a false witness, one who sows discord among brothers. (Prov 6:16-19)

Signs: the following are indicators of the influence of the whore will have on society:

The WHORE's influence results in the following SIGNS (Session 2):

- Iniquity shall abound. (Matt 24:12, 2 Tim 3:1-5)
- Love of many wax cold. (Matt 24:12)
- Ungodliness, Wickedness and evil. (Jude v15)
- Truth cast to the ground. (Dan 8:12, Rom 1:18, 2 Tim 4:3-4, 2 Thess 2:9-12)
- Rejection and blasphemy of God. (Rev 16:9-11)

The WHORE subtly DECEIVES (Session 2):

Matt 24:4 ⁴ And Jesus answered and said to them, Take heed that no man deceive you.

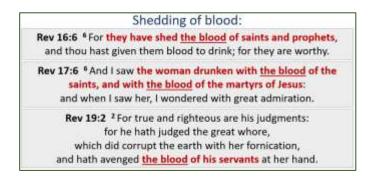
Rev 18:23 ²³ ... : for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for <u>by thy sorceries were all nations deceived</u>.

- Idolatry and worship of devils. (Rev 9:20-21, Rev 18:2)
- Shedding of blood. (Rev 16:6, Rev 17:6, Rev 18:24, Rev 19:2)
- Change of times and laws. (Dan 7:25)
- Knowledge increased and 'running to and fro'. (Dan 12:4)
- Global rule. (Dan 7:23, Rev 13:3,7,8,12,16)

Persecution:

Rev 17:6 The WOMAN was drunken with the blood of the saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. (v6) Rev 18:24 ²⁴ And in HER was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of <u>all</u> that were slain upon the earth. **2 Tim 3:13** ¹³ But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, **deceiving**, and being deceived.

Col 2:8 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.



The Seven Mountains:

REV 17:9 ⁹ And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the WOMAN sits.

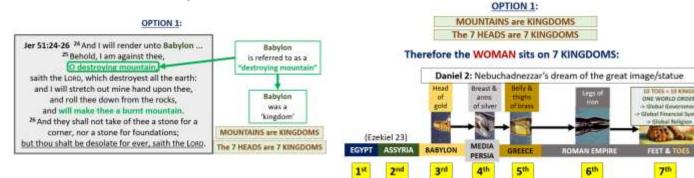
What are these 'The 7 heads are 7 mountains' on which the WOMAN sits? (Rev 17:9)

Option 1: Seven mountains 'on which the woman sits':

The first option is that the seven mountains are 'peaks of power' through history, i.e. empires.

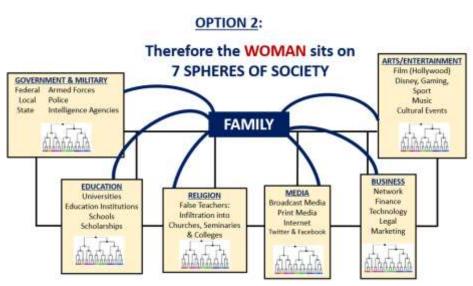
Jeremiah 51 describes a kingdom as a mountain. In this option we note that only two empires existed before the Babylonian Empire of Nebuchadnezzar, i.e. Egypt and Assyria.

Using the 'Daniel 2 statue' as a template, we can see a fit, because the final world kingdom of the 10 kings is the 7th, with the Antichrists rule being the 8th.



Option 2: Seven mountains 'on which the woman sits':

This may be symbolically referring to the influence of the 'Babylon spirit' over the 'seven mountains of culture'. The Whore and its 'child harlots' (agents such as the Jesuits, Masons and their subsidiaries) having infiltrated Education, Religion, Family, Business, Government/Military, Arts / Entertainment

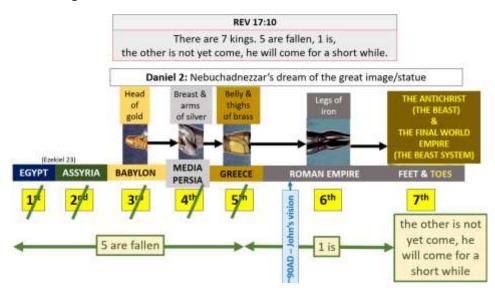


Option 3: Seven mountains 'on which the woman sits':

Another option is recognising that Rome is called the 'City of seven hills". In this scenario the 'woman sits' in Rome, referring to the Roman Catholic church's physical location. These seven hills are small and cannot really be considered as mountains, though.

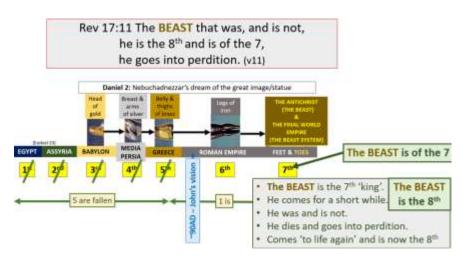
In addition, Rome does not qualify as the beast, because 'the 4th beast' is a composite beast (Rev 13:2)of all previous Empires, not only the Roman Empire. Rome is a player though, through the Vatican, and seems to be one of the 'Child Harlots'.

He is the eighth and is of the seven:

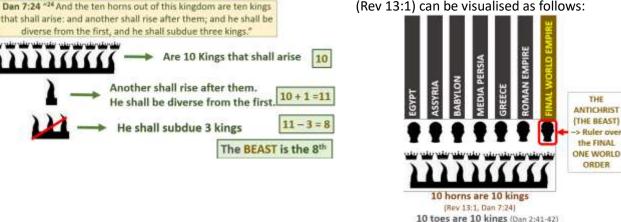


The Antichrist is likely to be the final beast which at the same time is the 8th king, and 'of the seven'. Note that the Daniel 2 chart alongside pictures a statue representing the end-time beast with 5 historical heads (empires), the Roman Empire of John's Day (the 6th), and a future 10 kings the 7th empire.

The seventh is the final one world government, and seems to be composed of the remnants of all the previous six. Is it perhaps in the form of an 'United Empire of nations'?



Therefore, the Beast out of the Sea, 'having 7 heads and 10 horns, and upon his horns are 10 crowns' (Rev 13:1) can be visualised as follows:



How is the Beast Destroyed?

REV 17:12-13 12 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.13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the BEAST.

REV 17:14 **14 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.

Rev 19:19

¹⁹ And I saw THE BEAST,
and THE KINGS of the earth,
and their armies,
gathered together to make war
against him that sat on the horse,
and against his army.



Rev 19:16 ¹⁶ And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS

Three and a half years after the abomination of Desolation the Antichrist's time is up. Jesus appears on the white horse, presumably appearing to the 'Woman in the Wilderness' of Rev 12 (the remnant of Israel) first. Revelation 19 describes the final actions of the Antichrist and the Beast system (the ten kings reduced to seven) to reclaim Jerusalem. All nations come together to do battle against Jesus.

However, they are all wiped out by Jesus, who now is King of kings and Lord of lords!

How will the WHORE be destroyed?

17:16} And the ten horns which thou saw 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.** {17:17} 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. {17:18} And the woman which thou saw is that great city, which reigns over the kings of the earth.

The 10 kings resent the whore (her control, abuses, wickedness, false world religion, etc.) and destroy the whore's physical manifestation, the great city. This seems to happen before the Antichrist comes into power and subdues three of the ten kings. In addition, the chronology of the angelic messengers in Revelation 14 indicates that Babylon falls before the 'mark of the beast' is implemented.

Note also that the ten kings gave their power to the beast (v17) they never gave their power to the whore. It seems that the woman (Babylon) may be taking the beast 'for a ride,' to further her own pleasures and whoredoms. The kings may feel that they did all the groundwork while the whore is on the gravy train. That may have generated the resentment.

REVELATION 18:

Another angel came down from heaven: (v1)

'BABYLON the great is fallen, fallen'.... (v2)

Is become the habitation of devils, of every foul spirit ... (v2)



All nations have drunk of the wine of HER fornication. (v3)

The kings of the earth have committed fornication with HER. (v3)

he merchants of the earth made rich through abundance of HER delicacies. (v3)



REV 18:4-8 Another voice from heaven:

> COME OUT OF HER, MY PEOPLE, THAT YE BE NOT PARTAKERS OF HER SINS ... '! (v4)

HER sins reached heaven, God has remembered HER iniquities. (v5) Reward HER double according to HER works. (v6) SHE has glorified herself and lived deliciously.... Sits as queen. (v7)

> HER plagues shall come in ONE DAY, death, mourning and famine. SHE shall be utterly destroyed with fire. (v8)

The merchants of the earth

REV 18:11-15

shall weep and mourn ... no man buys their merchandise any more. (v11)

List of merchandise slaves and souls of men. (v12-13)

Fruits that their soul lusted after... all departed, find them no more. (v14)

The merchants of these things were made rich stand afar off, weeping and wailing. (v15)

Thy merchants were the great men of the earth. By thy sorceries were ALL NATIONS DECEIVED. (v23) **REV 18:23**

Φαρμακεία pharmakeia

far-mak-i'-a medication ("pharmacy"), that is, (by extension) magic (literal or figurative): - sorcery, witchcraft.

₹G5332 Φαρμακεύς pharmakeus far-mak-yoos' From φάρμακον pharmakon (a *drug*, that is, spell giving potion); a druggist ("pharmacist") or poisoner, that is, (by extension) a magician: - sorcerer.

REV 18:20-23

God has avenged you on HER. (v20)



Mighty angel ... millstone cast into the sea.

Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, ... found no more. (v21)

No music, no craftsman, no sound of a millstone, no light of a candle, no voice of a bridegroom and bride (v22-23) In HER was found the blood of prophets, and of saints and of ALL that were slain on the earth. (v24)

Jeremiah's prophecy of Babylon: Jeremiah 50 & 51 - SUMMARY

Jeremiah's prophecies, having been fulfilled when Babylon fell to Cyrus, the king of the Medes and Persians, will find a secund fulfillment during the end times. Many prophecies are layered in this way, showing God's power to orchestrate events and weave these prophesies such that they have multiple applications. God's foreknowledge is also displayed very graphically in Jeremiah's and Daniel's prophesies.

- "Hindermost" means a nation that will come up later in time. (Jer 50:12)
- All the earth/nations drunk with her wine. (Jer 51:7)
- Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed. (Jer 51:8)
- Flee out of the midst of Babylon. Time for the Lord's vengeance. (Jer 51:6, 45)
- A 'destroying wind' will come against Babylon. (Jer 51:1)
- Dwells upon many waters. (Jer 51:13)
- The wrath of the Lord will be poured upon Babylon and it shall not be inhabited and be desolate. Time of the LORD's vengeance. Judgment. (Jer 50:13, 15, 28, Jer 51:6, 9)
- Land of graven images and idols. Dwelling place for dragons. (Jer 50:2, 38, Jer 51:17, 37, 47, 52)
- Sinned against the LORD. "Striven against the LORD" contested, fought against. Proud against the LORD. Vanity - excessive pride in own achievements. (Jer 50:14, 24, 31, Jer 51:18)
- She will be recompensed according to her works. (Jer 50:29)

- Make land desolate, empty ... for ever. Shall be a wilderness, a dry land, a desert. Great destruction. A desolation among the nations. Destroy her utterly. (Jer 50:12-13, 22-23, 26, 45, Jer 51:2-3, 26)
- None shall dwell therein. Shall be no more inhabited for ever. Her cities are a desolation, no man dwells. (Jer 50:3, 39-40, Jer 51:29, 43, 62)
- 'I will kindle a fire in his cities'. (Jer 50:32)
- Babylon 'submerged' into the sea. Babylon shall sink. (Jer 51:42, 63-64)
- "Mingled people" may mean a culture/society losing its identity. Shall become as women. May mean weak, fragile, frail, cowardly ... (Jer 50:37, Jer 51:30)
- The nation that will destroy and make Babylon desolate, will come from the north. (Jer 50:3, 41)

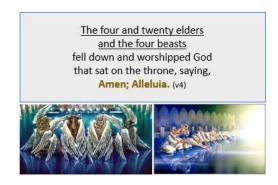
Rev 18 gives us a description of the destruction of Babylon. Rev 19 starts where we see God being praised and worshipped for judging and destroying the Whore (both the physical and ideological Babylon).

Revelation 19:1 for he hath judged the great **WHORE**,



A voice came out of the throne saying:

Praise our God,
all ye his servants,
and ye that fear him,
both small and great. (Rev 19:5)



Prov 2:1-5 My son, if thou wilt receive my words,
and hide my commandments with thee;

2 So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding;
3 Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding;
4 If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures;
5 Then shalt thou understand
the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.

How does Rev 16 and 18 fit on our Matt 24 timeline?

