

## Inside the Text:

### I. The deceptive desirability of the prostitute. (1-6, 15, 18)

- A. The prostitute was influential. (1-2; 15)
  
- B. The prostitute was connected. (3 [13:1-4]; 7-13)
  
- C. The prostitute [apostasy] was seductive. (4-6, 18)
  - 1. Based on her ability [wealth]. (4)
  - 2. Based on her attitude [headband]. (5; Proverbs 7:11)
  - 3. Based on her actions [killing believers]. (6)

### II. The destructive demands of the beast. (7-17)

- A. He instilled mysterious wonder over the people. (7-8)
  
- B. He controlled kings and kingdoms. (9-13)
  
- C. He will not share his glory with any other. (15-17)

### III. The determined sovereignty of the Lamb. (14)

- A. He is in charge of everything. *“Lord of lords.”* (19:16)
  
- B. He is in control of everything. *“King of kings.”* (Deut. 10:17; Ps 136:3; Dan. 2:47; I Tim. 6:15; Matt. 28:18; Acts 10:36) (see 17:17)
  
- C. He is actively pursuing a relationship with the elect. *“called and chosen and faithful”* (2:10; Luke 18:7; Rom. 1:6)

## Apply the Text:

- **Be on guard against the seductive allurements of the world.** (James 4:4; I John 2:15-16; Rom. 12:1-2)
- **Remember that the world, the flesh, and the Devil demand your total allegiance.** (Rev. 17:15-18)
- **Place your hope in Jesus.** He is the Sacrificial Lamb, the Lord of lords, and the King of kings. He desires a relationship with you that is real and personal. (Rev. 17:14)
- **Attend “Tortured for Christ” at the Easley Cinema on Monday, March 5, 2018.**  
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