

The Voice of Truth # 526

The Worlds New Religion

In the 18th chapter of Revelation, it opens with these words, verse 1: **and after these things**, and **after these things**, are the first words of the 18th chapter of Revelation. "These things" are the events of chapter 17 where the harlot wife of the Antichrist is set forth as Mystery Babylon, the great; mother of harlots and the abominations of the earth. She is the composite of all the religions of the earth, including Judaism, Romanism, Protestantism, paganism, heathenism, and all the infidelities and isms, because they all begin, or believe, in a supreme being. That's right. Now, I've had several letters and folks taking issues with me and said, you're afraid to come out and name the religious group that is the harlot wife of the Antichrist. Brother, there is no one particular religious group. It's the composite of all religions of the earth without Christ. After the born-again believers are taken out of the world at the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ in mid-air for his own, all religious bodies will unite under one head and will give their allegiance to the Antichrist.

In our study of the 17th chapter, we saw that all these false religions had their beginning under Nimrod, the great rebel, and culminated in the mystery Babylon under the beginning of the reign of the Antichrist. Then we saw that the Antichrist would turn against this religious harlot, and God will put it into the minds of the ten kings to destroy her, burn her with fire, make her desolate, and get rid of her, root and branch, because God hates idolatry. Now you follow me and I'll show you why Satan gets rid of this harlot wife. "After these things", sets forth the time element between the 17th chapter and the 18 chapters of Revelation, the destruction of mystic Babylon and the fall of the city of Babylon, which according to Revelation 13, is 42 months. Now that's the time element between the 17th chapter and the 18th chapter of revelation.

When the Antichrist is slain after three and a half years, or first half of his rule, he is raised from the dead, and he comes forth with mighty power, speaking great

things and blasphemies, opening his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. **And power was given unto him to continue forty and two months. and power was given him over all kindreds and tongues and nations.** Then in Revelation 13:11, we noticed another beast come up out of the earth, which is the false prophet, and he exercises all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. He also had an image of the beast made. And he causes the image of the beast to speak and puts to death everyone who will not worship the image of the beast. Now read the 13th chapter of Revelation again. It is here in the middle of the reign of the Antichrist that he turns on all false religions who profess to worship a supreme being and causes them to be literally destroyed off the face of the earth.

Then you have a world where all religious libraries are burned. All the Bibles are destroyed as far as possible. Every saint is put to death as far as possible. Only those whom God hides away in the wilderness, or caves escape. You have an earth stripped of every vestige of a supreme being and any coloring or veneer of Christianity. Then what takes place? Now you listen. Satan, for the first time, is in a position to set himself up to be worshiped. The whole world then turns to the Antichrist and worships him as the son of Satan. Temples and synagogues of Satan are set up worldwide, and for forty and two months, the whole world is completely given over to the worship of Satan through the Antichrist, who is the god of this world, according to 2 Thessalonians 2:4. It is a new type of religion that the world has never known, and it's going to be worldwide.

Knowing that God's word is true and his prophetic word cannot lie, when I read the word of God, such a vivid description of this new world order and this new world society and this new world religion that is going to be set up under the reign of the Antichrist for three and a half years, I'm literally amazed at our religious leaders. They are being moved by the spirit of Satan and are laboring so fervently and zealously and religiously to bring about a world church. Get it now? Listen! Not knowing that after they have realized their ambition, and brought to pass the vision of such a world church, the union of all religions of the world, this worldwide organization will be utterly and completely annihilated from the face

of the earth. My preacher friend, why don't you spend your time preaching the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, that sinners might be saved and might be delivered out of this old mystic Babylon when God's wrath is poured out upon it and it goes down into the pit.

But God is permitting Satan to put in the minds of our religious leaders in order to bring about the amalgamation and union into one composite whole, all the religions of the world for one purpose, that he may lead her to her destruction. Jeremiah 51:7, 8. When Satan has accomplished this great feat, then he turns on the very thing he has led you to accomplish, and through his son, the Antichrist, he literally strips her, burns her, and as you would say, unclothes her and leaves her utterly naked and destroys and annihilates every vestige of religion that has made a claim to believe in and worship a supreme being or the God of heaven, regardless of what name it parades under. When the born-again believer sees clearly what God is doing here, instead of being discouraged, we rise up and begin to praise the Lord of Heaven that the time is coming, and that shortly, when God will allow Satan to get under his complete control, all the religions of the world for one purpose, that through Satan he will destroy all the idol worship that has paraded under the name of Christianity. God hates it, and he's going to bring it into judgment and use Satan to do it. That may seem a contradiction that God will put into Satan's mind to destroy that which he has built up, but Satan cannot set up his religion until it is put completely out of the way. Satan cannot realize his age-long ambition to be like the Most High, according to Isaiah 14, until the entire earth, except God's elect, will have repudiated a supreme being and become atheistic in reality. Modern education has made great strides in helping bring this to pass in our universities and other seats of learning. Christ is laughed at, made fun of, booed at, and there's a worldwide revolt against Christ, the Bible and the triune God, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. The whole world is on the toboggan slide under the power of Satan and his emissaries to bring to pass this amalgamation of all religions of the earth under a Christian veneer with an atheistic base or substance and clothed in an idolatrous dress.

And **after these things**, the destruction of mystic Babylon by the ten Kings, Revelation 17, with the old wine of Babylon's fornication set aside, Satan sets in immediately to build his own religion with himself as God, the beast as the

Antichrist, and the false prophet as the third person of hell's trinity. For the first time in the history of the race, Satan comes out in the open in his true colors, and we behold the depths of Satan, and the doctrines of devils emerge from beneath the cloak of Christianity and religion. Satan, in the fury of his hatred against even the garments that clothe so-called worship of God, has stripped away every vestige or semblance of Christianity or veneer of religion from all his teachings and doctrines of the Evil Trinity. The deification of the creature, dethroning as he thinks, the sovereignty of God, Satan gains the whole earth. Man is turned loose with his unbridled lust and pride, with all restraint gone, and they worship Satan, their new world order, new society, and new religion, flowing out from the capital city, the rebuilt Babylon. As Jerusalem was the capital city of the worship of Jehovah, and will again be the capital city of the world during the thousand-year reign of Christ on earth, so Satan moves through the Antichrist to set up a new capital city, which will become the center of his great society, his new world order, and the city of his new religion, and of world commerce. This means rebuilding the city of Babylon. Also, it means the rebuilding of the Tower of Babel, which was the center of all Nimrod's worship, the mother of all paganism.

The first Babylon with its temple was built under Nimrod, who is said to be the greatest rebel that the earth has ever known up to that time or since. Satan, through him, planned to overthrow all the worship of Jehovah and set up his new religion at that time. Everything was in Satan's favor. The whole earth was of one language and of one speech, and under Nimrod's leadership, the vast majority of the earth's population was held together. They proposed to build a city and a tower in the land of Shinar. It says their purpose was to make a name for themselves, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth. But Jehovah intervened in mercy. He came down and confused their language and then scattered them abroad upon the face of all the earth so that they had to leave off building the city. Everywhere they went over the face of the earth, they erected temples to the sun god fashioned after the temple of Babel.

Following this scattering abroad of the population of the entire earth, God divided the earth into continents in the days of Peleg, Genesis 10:25. This left every continent inhabited, and beneath the ruins of past ages, traces of early civilization can be found on every continent. Today the earth is moving fast toward one

world language that can be understood by all the inhabitants. This is being brought about by world religion, world commerce, world trade, world education, as well as world government. So, everything will favor Satan's plan to rebuild Babylon according to prophecy and making Babylon once again the capital of the earth. Then God takes the restraint off the Antichrist that he placed on Nimrod and the Antichrist becomes the greatest rebel of the whole world. **After these things**, yes, after the execution of the great harlot, mystic Babylon, the great city Babylon, the capital city of the Antichrist's new world order will be rebuilt. The prophetic word is very plain that this city will be rebuilt. Let's turn to Zechariah 5:5:

Then the angel that talked with me went forth and said unto me, lift up now thine eyes, and see what is this that goeth forth. And I said, what is it? And he said, this is an ephah that goeth forth. He said, moreover, this is their resemblance through all the earth. And behold, there was lifted up a talent of lead: and this is a woman that sitteth in the midst of the ephah. And he said, this is wickedness. And he cast it into the midst of the ephah; and he cast the weight of lead upon the mouth thereof. Then lifted I up mine eyes, and looked, and behold, there came out two women, and the wind was in their wings; for they had wings like the wings of a stork: and they lifted up the ephah between the earth and heaven. Then said I to the angel that talked with me, Whither do these bear the ephah? And he said unto me, to build it an house in the land of Shinar: and it shall be established and set there upon her own base.

The word Shinar refers to Babylon. Wind in their wings refer to the fact it will be built quickly, as a great commercial center, and it shall be established and erected on her own base, that is, on the same foundations of the old city, and is the quintessence of wickedness, or the capital city of the new world order, under the power and authority of Satan through the Antichrist. If you'll read 13th and 14th chapters of Revelation and the 15th and 51st chapters of Jeremiah closely, you'll find that the city of Babylon has never been destroyed as prophecy says she will. For instance, Isaiah 13: 19, **and Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees' Excellency, shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah.** And also listen to Jeremiah 51:6, **Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and deliver every man his soul: be not cut off in her iniquity; for this is the time of the Lord's**

vengeance; he will render unto her a recompense. 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. Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed: howl for her; take balm for her pain, if so be she may be healed.

We are told here that Babylon will be overthrown as the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah as the others of the plains were overthrown. That was some night when the angels came down to Sodom and commanded Lot to move out, as the cry of the sins of Sodom had reached unto heaven, and the time of her judgment had come. The scripture says that when the angels had led Lot and his daughters out and away from the city, God rained fire and brimstone on them. Listen, **and the sun was risen upon the earth: Then the Lord rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the Lord out of heaven and overthrew those cities and all the plain; and all the inhabitants of the city, and that which grew upon the ground.**

The word for brimstone there is bitumen, bitumen, which is naphtha, and naphtha is crude petroleum. In like manner the Lord God of heaven will destroy the last Babylon. We are told that the bottom of the Dead Sea is covered with asphalt, the residue of petroleum; so will Babylon be destroyed in like manner.

And then the Dead Sea was because of the earthquake that opened the earth and let those cities go down into hell. And there is a fault line from the Sea of Galilee passing through the Red Sea and down into Africa, we are told, and then that great sea there, 1,300 feet deep below sea level, is filled with water, and so will Babylon be destroyed in the same manner. After these things, it says, all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, Revelation 18:3.

After Satan succeeds in the throwing off of all cloak of Christianity and of deity, and he comes out in the open and establishes his new religion, we stop and listen; We hear the cry of the nations of the earth against the Lord and against His anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder and cast away their cords from us. The wine of old Babylon's fornication in her golden cup was **abominations and filthiness of her fornication**, or idolatry and fornication.

After these things, when the cup is full and the drunken kings empty the dregs and turn on the great harlot to destroy her, the nations drink the new wine, the new wine. This new wine is called the wine of the fury or the wrath of her fornications; in that third verse. The word wrath means fury or crazed passion. It is like the tiger with the scent of blood. In other words, all the unbridled lust, all the pent-up carnality, depravity, and wickedness of the human heart flows forth in full force with no restraint. The Holy Spirit is no longer in the earth restraining wickedness and lawlessness. The gospel is no longer preached and its influence is all gone. No longer is the Word of God spoken, except by angels setting forth the judgment of God. Therefore, all nations are, as Jeremiah says, mad. They are reeling, staggering under the power of unbridled hatred, malice, jealousy, wrath, in what they call the greatest world boom of commerce the world has ever known. I cannot find language to describe what I see and what I feel that will take place during those 42 months of the absolute reign of Satan, through the Antichrist, over the entire earth. All of this goes on in the midst of God pouring out the vials of wrath as set forth in the 15th and 16th chapters of Revelation. Because we're told in that 16th chapter over and over again that as these judgments fall upon Satan's new society, his new religion, his new world order, the inhabitants repent not to give God the glory. They've crossed the deadline. They gnaw their tongues for pain and blaspheme the God of heaven.

After these things, we find that the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her. Every king, every ruler of the entire earth is in alliance with Satan and the Antichrist. They've given over to the worship of Satan, and they're leading their nation to adopt the worship of Satan as the state religion. That's all you hear on the radio. That'll be all you'll hear on television. That's all you'll hear in the newspaper and magazines. And that's all you'll see or hear at the movies, on the street corners, in the marketplaces. The worship of Satan, the power of force, and the sex orgies that accompany the night revelry and devil worship. Satan will set up his system of worship and sacrifices. The young women will dedicate their bodies to the worship of Satan. And the temples that'll be rebuilt for the worship of Satan, will be riled with these young women, offering their bodies upon the altar of lust to the honor and glory of Satan. The kings of the earth put their stamp of approval upon every phase of such worship. My friend, it may shock you when I tell you that such worship is now going on over the earth. Also, there are

hundreds of groups over America alone which meet regularly to worship Satan and him alone. In this group of doctors, educated men, the wealthy, the elite in society, in many instances they offer blood sacrifice to Satan, and it has been known that they offer human sacrifice.

In their so-called worship of Satan, they are worked up into a frenzy, and the whole scene is turned into a sex orgy of unbridled lust. Now just think of a time when all restraint is gone, all the kings of the earth come out in the open, and such worship of Satan is worldwide. No wonder heaven is in revolt against the world given over to such lust. This is what the world is headed for right now from every angle, religiously, educationally, politically, and socially.

And **after these things**, the scripture says, and the merchants of the earth wax rich through the abundance of her delicacies. The Antichrist will be a wizard in commerce and through his policy also shall cause craft to prosper in his hands. In spite of all the plagues that God pours out upon such a world, he keeps the commerce of the world organized and prospers. That's the reason the scripture repeats over and again that they blaspheme the God of heaven because God's interfering with our business of making money, and with the enjoyment of our so-called pleasure. Can you think for one moment, my friend, of a whole world that's given over completely to pleasure, the enjoyment of flesh, and the making of money? They will join house to house, field to field, merging business after business. Everything will be under the direct control of the Antichrist. You can't sell or buy unless you have his name upon your forehead or in the palm of your hand.

Now you can understand more clearly what is meant in Revelation 16:13. **And I saw three unclean spirits, like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet, which went forth gathering the whole world to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.** You see now why they have no trouble in marshalling their armies of the world together in the land of Palestine to kill the Son of God. Satan knows that Christ is coming back in 42 months. Satan knows that he's coming back to Mount Olivet, because the Bible says so. Satan believes the Bible, the Word of God, but he has the whole world deceived.

What awful days lie ahead of this earth, what days of judgment, what days of carnage, what days of slaughter. Our Lord will have to come back to put down such rebellion, and he will. He will clear this earth of every rebel before he sets up his kingdom on earth. As I came through college and the seminary, I was taught that the gospel would conquer this world and bring the whole earth in subjection to the Lord Jesus Christ. And that when he came back to this earth, he would find a world ready to receive him. That would be the most joyous occasion the world would ever know. I dedicated my young life during those years to the preaching of the gospel and gave all my youth trying to win men to Christ, to bring in the kingdom. But as I began to study more closely the word of God and to watch the signs of the times, and I saw the downgrade of the population of the world in their rebellion against God and how the churches worldwide were becoming to be permeated as never before with false doctrine, I saw that such doctrine was not taught in the word of God. I count it one of the greatest days of my life, get it friends, outside of my salvation in Christ, that when the Holy Spirit opened my eyes to see that the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ is preached for one purpose and one purpose only, and that is to call out a people for the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. He showed me that this world is under the judgment of a sin-avenging God. And then when the Holy Spirit opened my eyes to see that I was a lost sinner, after I'd been preaching for 25 years, I was amazed beyond measure, to see that everything was under the judgment of God. I never ceased to praise Him that He delivered me from the present evil world, from the power of sin, from the penalty of sin, and from the dominion of sin. Now my life is dedicated to the gospel for one purpose, to call out God's people, not to bring in the kingdom. God the Father will give the Lord Jesus Christ the kingdom and he'll come and rule over it with a rod of iron. Before he comes, he's going to bring into judgment this entire world that's under the power and sway of Satan. Bring it to judgment. Destroy it. Destroy Satan's religion. Destroy Satan's great society. Destroy this world order. Now my brother, I'm not discouraged at the world situation, it's awful. But my Lord is coming one of these days for his own. And when he comes, then this earth will be turned over to the Antichrist to rule it for a given length of time. It will head up in the rebuilding of the city of Babylon and the setting up of a new religion with Satan as head, which the Lord Jesus Christ will destroy at his coming. Listen, **when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, taking vengeance on them that know not God, and**

that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ; who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the glory of God and the presence of his power.

Do you know Christ?