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"BEING A RESTORED HUMAN"



"THE FALL OF BABYLON" Part 2 REVELATION 17:1-6; SUPPORT SCRIPTURE

I. IDENTIFYING BABYLON

- A. Babylon is given in the Scriptures as a woman. She is the counterpart to the woman with whom we are to be in a covenant relationship to honor God. She is Wisdom, the living concept of <u>Torah</u> and <u>Logos</u>
- B. Babylon is the <u>perversion</u> of the proper relationship to God. She is an immoral concept providing an immoral relationship for the person who is deceived by her. She is opposed to God and His law. Like Wisdom, she is spiritual.
- C. Babylon is the "mother" of every perversion of breaking the original covenant relationship with God and reflected in its actions
 - 1. She is the <u>product</u> of the lusts of the darkened imagination, the unregenerate mind
 - 2. She is <u>visible</u> when the imagination creates what it sees; the place where every lust is seen. This is idolatry personified
- D. Babel, the creation of Nimrod, begat Babylon out of Nimrod's perverted lust; Babylon seduced him
 - 1. Nimrod, a mighty hunter in the <u>face</u> of God; the picture of great defiance and of violent human conquest; supernatural power
 - 2. Nimrod is Noah's great grandson; the <u>founder</u> of many great cities that would become conquering kingdoms



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- 3. Babylon would become his driving lust; she created in him a thirst for the blood of other humans especially anyone believing in God
- 4. Nimrod developed the concept of stealing what others had produced and living off their labors; his <u>offspring</u> would do the same
- 5. Because of his stature as a "hunter," religions were built around his exploits and became the foundation for idolatry and lusty, bloody worship of the principalities as gods

II. THE DESCRIPTION OF BABYLON

- A. She sits on many waters 17:15
- B. Kings are <u>seduced</u> by her and the people got drunk off the wine of her adultery; kings got rich off her and their subjects enjoyed the spoils of war
- C. She has a useful relationship to the beast, the seed of satan; not love; scarlet with 7 heads and ten horns
- D. She is dressed in the wealthiest of finery, gold and jewelry to <u>attract</u> even more kings
- E. She holds a golden cup of her abominations and filthiness; she is proud of them
- F. She is drunk with blood lust and blood
- G. She is named, "Mystery, Babylon the Great, the Mother of harlots and of the abominations of the earth". She was known in the OT but not this way.
- H. Her last visible appearance will be as the great city that rules over the kings of the earth. The last kings in alliance with the beast will hate her and destroy her.

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