## **THE BABYLONIAN HARLOT** Revelation 17

In Chapter 17 and 18 we have a divine view of religion during the seven-year Tribulation period. In chapter 17 this is presented as "Ecclesiastical Babylon" and in chapter 18 as "Political Babylon." This is not literal Babylon but the thing symbolized, as "Babylon" will be very literal, physical, and real. This "Babylon" is presented under the figure of an unchaste woman.

In Revelation we find four women: 1) Jezebel (2:20), 2. a women clothed with the sun (12:1-2) Israel, 3) the great harlot (17:1), 4. the Bride of Christ (19:7,8). God's woman – Israel; Satan's woman – Jezebel. Christ's woman - The Bride (church) and antichrist's woman the harlot. Notice that Satan is the great counterfeiter.

THE UNCHASTE WOMAN 17:1-6,18; Babylon whore religious idolatry in all forms

- Her judgment announced vs. 1
- Her sins and her lovers vs. 2
- Her dominion vs. 3
- · Her attire and sins vs. 4
- Her Name vs. 5
- Her Drunkenness vs. 6

THE PROMISE OF THE EXPLANATION 17:7 Of the pair The Babylonian whore and the Beast whore

THE SCARLET BEAST 17:8-17; 3,9-10 cf. 13:5-7

The satanic Prince out of abyss or revived Roman east – Islam - cf. 11:7; Dan. 10:12- 21;

The Kingdoms of the World as God states them in Relation to His people of Israel: 1-Egypt; 2-Assyria; 3-Babylon; 4-Persia; 5-Greece; 6-Roman (John's time); 7-Ottoman (followed John's time.) **17:8-10** 

The 8th Kingdom is the Beast (Antigod) the 7th now revived -17:11

The Ten Horns **17:12**: are ten kingdoms inside the Old Roman Empire which made up the 7th and become part of the 8th; Dan. 7:8; 23-24; Rev.13:1-3;

The ten Kings will give their kingdoms to Antigod and will fight alongside Antigod (Beast 1) and religious Antichrist (beast 2) against Jesus Christ. **17:13-14**; 19:19-21; Dan. 8:25

The waters are the many peoples that make up the 8th kingdom **17:15**; 1:3; 13:1; Dan. 7:2,17

THE WOMAN'S DESTRUCTION 17:16-17 cf. Dan. 7:24

The ten kings the Antigod and Antichrist will turn against the whore at the middle of the 70th week of Daniel the seven year Tribulation so the Beast 1 can be worshipped as God. II Thess. 2:3-4

THE WHORE IS A GREAT CITY **17:18** THAT HAS A KINGDOM REIGNING OVER THE TEN KINGS

Do you belong to Christ's Holy Kingdom or Satan