

66-Revelation – 19-Transcript

welcome back to Wednesday night Bible study tonight we are going to be covering despite what my label says here we're going to be covering Revelation chapter 17 and 18 and this is going to be going into a bit more detail of what we saw last week when we covered Revelation 16 and that is the wrath of God upon his enemies will open with a word of Prayer and then we'll get straight into chapter 17 and part I don't know if we'll get through all of 18 but well we'll give it a try we'll probably cover half of chapter 18 Heavenly Father we pause before you to give you thanks and praise dear Lord we just want to thank you so much God for this precious knowledge that it's just so wonderful God that we have this great privilege to understand the things that are going to take place in the future and while the world is going about its business and it's deceived you have seen to it father that we have the scriptures the word of truth that is a lamp unto our path we thank you so much for this father and just pray that you'll continue to bless and deepen our understanding we ask this Lord and the Holy Name of Jesus Christ let's get straight into the text and we'll begin with we'll begin just going back to chapter 16 and you remember when we covered chapter 16 that there was this critical verse in chapter 16 and was in verse 17 and it said the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air and I just want to take a moment to talk about this word vial because I didn't I would say was saying Bowl last week and somebody brought that to my attention that I didn't actually explain what why

I was saying Bowl when the scripture says vial I think vial is an unfortunate translation in the King James the actual Greek word is the file a or fee LA and it's translated Bowl and that what a fee la would look like it's it's a religious shallow bowl that is used in religious ceremonies and so a better translation would be bull and something that you can see that it's shallow that as soon as you pour it its contents empty out very quickly and so these seven bowls the wrath of God is poured out immediately as soon as the Angels pour their bowls so let's get back to the the text and it says here then in chapter 16 and verse 17 that when he poured out as when the seventh angel poured his bowl into the air they came a great voice out of the Temple of Heaven from the throne and it said it is done it's done so so it's over now it's all over and now the kingdom of God is established but then we come into chapter 17 and you'll see as we go into chapter 17 well this one of these angels that had the seven bowls says to John come and see the judgment of the great so what chapter 17 and 18 are doing is going into greater detail of something that has already happened Babylon has already fallen and now the angel is turning to John and say I need you to understand this and I need you to make this available to God's servants so that they can understand this particular judgment that happened already in the pouring out of the the bowls so but before we go to chapter 17 I just remember when we were in chapter 21 this verse in verse 9 of chapter 21 that there came unto me and notice the language here there came unto me one of the seven angels and we across

referenced chapter 17 when we were in chapter 21 now we're in Chapter 17 let's cross-reference back to chapter 21 they came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and talked with me saying come over here and I will show you the bride the Lambs wife so so John is now going to have vision of this bride that is prepared to marry Christ now notice the language where he says come over here and I will show you the bride one of these angels that had the seven balls now we're coming to chapter 17 and notice the similarity of the language and there came one of the seven angels which had the seven bowls and talked with me saying come over here and I will show you the judgment of the great that sits upon many waters so that's similarity in language I think it's designed by design it's not any accident where this is a counterfeit she's pretending to be Christ's bride but John is seeing her for what she really is and him and she is going to see and by extension we are now able to see the judgment that is going to come upon her but for most of the world they believe that she is what she claims herself to be the Bride of Christ but John and the servants of God did the rest of us serving God know exactly who she is she's this great and this great judgment is now coming upon her and and this is nothing new look at the prophecy of mayhem and we'll just read this through and just see how similar this is because this is not new she goes all the way back to Nimrod and Nimrod and Semiramis and Babel and the original Babylon and she's been coaches been coexisting with

these rulers ever since
in fact she helps them rule so she's
been mingling with them and coexisting
with them and and God has had judgments
against her listen to now whoa - the
bloody city it is full of lies and
robbery deceit they the prey departs not
so a deceit and oppression and
exploitation and there came out a great
voice oh sorry let me just go back to
full of lies and robbery the prey
departs not because of the multitude of
the whoredoms of the well favorite
harlot so it's the same harlot even
though we're going back in time now
because of the multitude of the
whoredoms of the well favored harlot the
mistress of witchcraft that sells
Nations through her whoredoms and
Families through her witchcraft this is
what she does this is what she has
always done behold I am against you says
the Lord of hosts and I will discover
your skirts upon your face and I will
show the nation's your nakedness and the
kingdoms your shame and I will cast
abominable filth upon you and make you
vile and will set you as a gazing stalk
so you can see very clearly be or we can
feel the emotion the anger the wrath
that God has towards this this is
clearly an enemy of God
despite her her protestation God to the
contrary and it shall come to pass that
all they that look upon you shall flee
from you and say Nineveh is laid waste
who will bemoan her when shall I seek
comforters for you so it's the the same
outcome of this of Nineveh the
Assyrians is the same outcome we're
going to see for the Babylonians and
their king so coming back to chapter 17
then to deal with this in time for and
there came one of the seven angels with

the seven bowls and talked to they say
come here and I'll show you the judgment
of the great that sits upon many
waters with whom the kings of the earth
have committed fornication so now we see
that and that's her her craft is to
engage the kings of the earth so in this
end time all of these rulers of the
earth she's a prostitute she's a
and she's going to engage with them so
that she can gain wealth so she's going
to gain wealth by colluding with these
kings of the earth so the kings of the
earth have committed fornication pornea
would be a better translation
basically sexual immorality and this is
a real key for us that sexual immorality
is idolatry because it has a spiritual
representation and the spiritual
representation is that any church that
does not rely upon God but rather makes
political unions with the leaders of
this world this represents sexual
immorality because the church should be
faithful to God and rely upon God so the
kings of the earth have committed
adultery fornication sexual immorality
and the inhabitants of the earth
remember reading earlier about those who
dwell upon the earth the inhabitants of
the earth have been made drunk with the
wine of her fornication so these
basically what we're seeing here in
ciliates in the air in Saint Peter's
spirit centuries in revision were rolled
away different Pope Francis green and
Abednego patriarch of Istanbul during
the atomic illusions such meetings are
taking place known as the Great Schism
with Western and Eastern Christianity in
1054 says they've been me 34 world
leaders had attended the mass and
delegates from 132 curses were present
so he carried on using sovereigns had

made the trim to the wilderness pudding
from belch and I saw a woman sit upon a
sweater the first greetings was from the
president of Italy Italian Carlos had
been one of the strong to succeed 60
minutes before policies assuming that
sits upon many Crown Prince phillipo
Spain and is why she knows the Pope's
really wrong to Mississippi was present
there were news centered all who wanted
know now where said the Pasadena Pawnee
well Keynes scarlet-colored Beast so the
way that she sits upon many waters is
that she sits upon this beast and it's
this scarlet coloured Beast that gives
her access to the many people's so he
carries her carried him away in the
spirit into the wilderness and saw a
woman sit upon a scarlet coloured Beast
full of names of blasphemy having seven
heads and
and horns and so we need to understand
that these ten horns are on the seventh
head so it's seven heads because these
are the Empire's the the world-ruling
empires that have persecuted and
consumed God's people beginning with a
Syria Egypt Babylon coming all the way
through to the end time and this endtime
beast or head has ten horns and we know
that because of the prophecy in Daniel
Daniel said that after this I saw in the
night visions and behold a fourth beast
so Daniel sees this fourth beast that
that precedes the Empire or the kingdom
of God and so this fourth beast beast
was dreadful and terrible and strong
exceedingly so just of this is dreadful
terrible exceedingly strong and it had
great iron teeth it devoured and broke
in pieces and stamped the residue with
the feet of it and it was different from
all the beasts that were before it and
it had ten horns so this final beast

which Daniel sees as the fourth beast
Daniel begins at Babylon and so he
counts for John begins at Assyria and
counts seven and will actually see that
he counts eight John counts eight beasts
Daniel counted four four that were
really centered around Babylon beginning
with Nebuchadnezzar and the woman was
arrayed in purple and scarlet color debt
with gold and precious stones having a
golden cup in her
full of abominations and the filthiness
of her fornication so she's rich she is
she's decked in purple she's in a
scarlet color she's decked with gold and
precious stones and pearls and she she's
just full of wealth and she's gotten
this wealth through trading through
through committing immorality with the
leaders of the church so she'll do
anything for wealth and so she has this
great wealth and also with that wealth
his abomination and blasphemy
so she's full of blasphemy and and what
John calls here the filthiness of her
fornication and upon her forehead is
written upon her forehead was a name
written Mystery Babylon the Great the
mother of harlots and the abominations
of the earth so there is this Babylonian
mystery religion that is stamped upon
her forehead so the same way the Saints
have the seal of God upon their forehead
and the worshippers of the devil have
the mark of the beast upon their
forehead this woman has the mystery
Babylonian religion upon her forehead
and so you know I think it's very clear
if you study the Roman Catholic Church
it's very clear that it is rooted in the
Babylonian mystery religion and it is
not at all related to the Hebrew text
the Hebrew God the God of Israel
however this woman it would be it would

be very how shall I say it would be very narrow it would be very limited for us if we were to say that the woman that John sees here is the Roman Catholic Church because John says that this woman sits upon a scarlet-colored Beast having seven heads so we have to go all the way back to Assyria and come all the way through all the seven to identify the woman so if we say it's the Roman Catholic Church while the Roman Catholic Church is 2,000 years old so we can't say that the Roman Catholic Church sits upon seven heads so the understanding is the Roman Catholic Church certainly is to be identified as part of this mystery Babylonian religion and a leader of it especially in our end time since since the first century our search Said's subsequent to the first century church but this woman is the Babylonian religion it's the Babylonian religion and and it is it goes all the way back to summer Emma's who was the wife of Nimrod she's the one that introduced this false worship system and it gave Nimrod power so she's the one that colluded Nimrod being the political power she being the religious power and all of these empires have benefited from bringing this Babylonian mystery religion into their politics and so this woman is the Babylonian mystery religion and John identifies it for her here set for us here saying that upon her forehead and so all through time we will see it's not just the Catholic Church where we will see these telltale signs it's it's all of these false religions from from Semiramis all the way through the seven empires that we will see these telltale signs of where the spiritual authority comes from and it comes from this mystery religion Babylon the Great

the mother of harlots and the abominations of the earth and here Jeremiah reinforces that saying in Jeremiah 51 that Babylon has been a golden cup in the Lord's hand that made all the earth drunken so same language the earth gets drunk on this doctrine of the Babylonian mystery religion so it is the mystery religion of Babylon that is this this harlot

he has made all the earth drink or drunk and the nation's have drunken of her wine therefore the nation's are mad so this is where the insanity of this world comes from it comes from drinking this this false doctrine ease these false philosophies this mystery religion all the nations are mad and certainly we are seeing that today that the nations are drunk

and John is telling us at the or Jeremiah's telling us here that it is this Babylonian mystery religion the religion of the devil this counterfeit religion that is making the nations drunk and mad the Jeremiah continues oh you that dwell upon many waters so again the angel said to John come and I will show you the judgment of the horror and John saw this woman sitting upon many waters

so yes the Catholic Church definitely is a representation of this mystery religion but we can't say that the Catholic Church is the for because this horse sits on many waters and sits upon the seven heads so it is the Babylonian mystery religion or you that dwell upon many waters abundant in treasures she's rich always rich is always about money your end has come and the measure of your covetousness and so as I said this goes all the way back to Genesis and you remember in Genesis that Nimrod was a

mighty hunter against the Lord
he was the Lord's adversary he was
hunting Souls and take my Souls away
from the Lord therefore it is said even
as nimrod the mighty hunter against the
lord that would be better translated
against and the beginning of his kingdom
was babel so that the beginning of
Babylon is with Nimrod and Iraq and
Akkad and calneh in the land of Shinar
what we call Iraq today and you can see
they even the alliteration Iraq so all
of that land is where Nimrod began this
mystery religion and the beginning of
his kingdom was babel and then in
Genesis 11 the whole earth was a
one language in one speech that is
always the Babylonian agenda from
Genesis to Revelation through the seven
heads the seven empires it's always been
about global control and so we're seeing
it very very clearly today you know
Revelation gives us symbolic language
but we have to now take that symbolic
language and look at the news look at
what's happening in the world around us
and see that the symbols that are
presented to us in Revelation are
actually taking place the in and around
us and so we see this push for
globalization it's not new it goes all
the way back to Nimrod and so the whole
earth was of one language and of one
ideology that is what whatever they
spoke they agreed with the same
philosophy and we see this push for
everybody to conform to the same
philosophy everybody has to have the
same opinion everybody's being bullied
into having the same ideology and they
said go to or come on let us build us a
city and a tower and this is what we
have to understand the city representing
political control and the tower

representing religious control that that
it's the religious ideology that
authorizes the political power and so
there's always this beast with a false
prophet or beast with a prostitute a
harlot that gives spiritual authority to
the Beast and so the false prophet is
getting everybody to worship the Beast
whose top may reach unto heaven and let
us make the name lest we be scattered
upon the face of the earth so to
understand the mentality of these beasts
powers we need to understand two
individuals one is Nimrod and the Nimrod
agenda and then subsequent to that we
need to understand Nebuchadnezzar and so
studying Daniel and studying the
behavior of Nebuchadnezzar and studying
his objectives and his agenda because
he's the head of the four kingdoms that
Daniel saw or that Nebuchadnezzar saw
and then Daniel saw as well with the
four beasts he's the mind of this statue
and so all of the subsequent kingdoms
they really don't think for themselves
they have the thinking the perspective
the ideology the agenda the perspective
the the objective of of Nebuchadnezzar
which is the same religion the same
political quest as Nimrod so the once we
understand this their agenda becomes as
plain as day with it they're not so
complicated they're not so sophisticated
we can see straight through them and so
it's a city and a tower it's always this
woman riding the Beast this false
prophet authorizing the political power
and so John says and I saw the woman
drunken with the blood of the Saints so
there's an agenda to gain wealth and
there's an agenda to destroy God's
people and so again it's the woman and
yes we definitely have seen the Catholic
Church at work and you think of the the

Inquisition and all of the torturing and pursuit of God's people by the Catholic Church

but we can go all the way back to Assyria and go all through the seven heads and there's this religious authorization to pursue and destroy God's people and so you saw the woman drunk with the blood of the Saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus and our coming now into this endtime period where the beast is given power over the saints and this woman is the one who's who's got the blood thirst for the saints and so she's drunk with the blood of the Saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus and when I saw her I wondered with great admiration and it's not you know it's not like he's admiring her to say she's some wonderful person really what what he means by great admiration is more that it's all he's just in awe over this woman and how effective she is and how powerful she is in terms of pursuing and destroying God's people so he's there in a state of awe and then the angel is speaking to him and the angel says to him why are you marveling so the angel didn't speak to him and says why are you marveling I will tell you the mystery of the woman so now the angel this angel is going to talk to John and explain to him so first of all he's just recorded to us what he has seen and that's his job to tell us the things that he sees and so he's told us what he sees and now the angel he see the angel sees him in this state of wonder and so the angel says to him why did you Marvel I will tell you the mystery of the woman and of the Beast that carries her so you've got two parts here we've got this woman and the Beast

is carrying her so as much as she's authorizing the Beast and giving legitimacy to the ayat giving ideology till it to give legitimacy to the beast power the Beast is also supporting her and the Beast is carrying her and parading her around so they really are cooperating with each other and now the angel says to John I'm going to explain to you the mystery of this woman and of the Beast that carries her which has the seven heads and ten horns so now we get the angels explanation to John of what it is he was witnessing what it is that he saw the Beast that you saw was and is not and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit and go into perdition and I think this verse really makes it clear to us that we cannot read the book of Revelation as if it's just one linear chronology it's apocalyptic literature it's visionary at symbols and and it's it's Hebrew literature so it doesn't do the way the Western line today the way we work week we work in very straight lines everything's very linear the more linear something is the more clear it is to us but not so with this book of Revelation that it's not just you know this happens then this happened we saw the last week when we looked at the seven trumpets and then we looked at the seven bowl judgments so there's the seven the judgment of the seven trumpets and then there was the judgment of the seven bowls and we saw very clearly that it's not that the seven trumpets are blown and then we get to the seventh and the kingdom of God is declared and then all of a sudden after God begins to rain we still have the seven bowls and there's work as the angels are pouring out the seven bowls

the the beast is still ruling he still has his throne and so it became very clear to us as we lined it up that the trumpet blast the first trumpet blast announces the first judgment and then the ball completes that judgment the first one was on the earth then the second trumpet is blown and it's upon the sea and then the angel comes along and pours out the ball and that completes the judgment upon the sea and so even though it looks like it's linear it's not it's actually going back and reinforcing and giving more detail to what has gone before and so at the end of the seven bowls now it's done and the kingdom of God is established and now we're told that the Beast shall arise out of the bottomless pit but we always we already saw that when we were looking back at the fifth trumpet but it was the fifth trumpet and so the Beast that you saw was there's just more detail going back in time now the beast thing you saw was and is not and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit so this is kind of like a counterfeit of the Messiah that God describes himself as him who was and was not and and shall be forevermore the difference is this counterfeit is going to go into perdition so in a sense there is quote-unquote a resurrection from the dead but it's a resurrection into perdition so the beast that you saw was and is not ascend out of the bottomless pit and go into perdition and they that dwell on the earth again very key phrase they that dwell on the earth either they're going to be subjected to the wrath of God because they're established in the earth and they're part of this beast system they that dwell on the earth shall wonder whose names were not

written in the book of life from the foundation of the world so there's this book of life that if you're not in that book of life you cannot live you we have to be in that book of life when they behold the Beast that was and is not and yet is and so this is why John counts eight beasts because there are seven heads but the seventh head that Empire dies and it's written off and then it comes back to life so the seventh head is like two heads so that's why John sees eight beasts even though Daniel just saw four because John is going back further in time and then the last beast he actually splits in two because of this death and then return to life and herein when we were in chapter 13 he says I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth and he had two horns like a lamb and spoke as a dragon so here's the religious authority and you know these symbols there can be different symbols for the same thing and so this this this is one symbol of the same spiritual authority for the political power and so this false prophet where this beast here is another symbol of the same spiritual religious authority for the political authority so this religious authority came up out of the earth and it's a counterfeit it looks like the Savior it looks like the Messiah he had two horns like a lamb but the truth is he spoke like a dragon he's really a servant of the devil the same way that the the is trying to present herself as the Bride of Christ but she's really a harlot and he exercises all the power of the first beast before him and causes the earth this is what the religious beast is doing what the the prostitute is doing causes the earth and them which

dwell there and again that key phrase of those who dwell in the earth to worship the first beast this is the fornication this is the pornea the sexual immorality she'll do anything for money and wealth and so it's in her interest to collude with this powerful political leader and to have everybody worship Him and and that's in her interest to do that and so he supports her and she supports him and this is this woman that is riding upon this scarlet dragon whose deadly wound was healed so this is the beast that died and somehow came back to life and then in Exodus just going back to that book of life that the book of life is not something new that John is introducing it goes all the way back to the Torah where we see here that Moses says yet now if you will not forgive that is Israel's sin and if not blot me I beg you out of your book which you have written so Moses has such a love for Israel and wanted to preserve Israel but he was even pleading with God to the point where he was willing to to die forever to come out of existence if it meant that Israel would lose their salvation and the Lord said unto Moses whosoever has sinned against me him will I blot out of my book and so those that are not written in the book of life they're blotted out of the book of life then there's no eternal life we are written in the book of life and we must endure to the end you know there is one of the churches that God says you know unless I blot your name out of the book of life so this is what really matters is eternal life this this existence will be over in a flash and so we have to conduct ourselves in such a way that we remain and we don't have our names etched out of we remain in the book of

life here in daniel at that time Michael
stand
to Great Prince which stands fear and
the children of your people that is
Israel and there shall be a time of
trouble such as never was since there
was a nation even to that same time this
is the tribulation and at that time your
people shall be delivered so God will
finally act every one that shall be
found written in the book so it's just
so beautiful how revelation is so fully
integrated with the rest of God's Word
it would be impossible for any human
being to sit down you know it's funny uh
the Muslim as well so just say so I
think Mohammed actually began this to
say the quran is a miracle and no nobody
could create a verse sura like the like
what's in the quran I mean what nonsense
are so easier so so it's so nonsensical
actually it doesn't make any sense
it doesn't connect to anything it's just
this obscure poetry whereas human we
read a revelation this is truly a
miracle this is truly a miracle no man
could sit down and write this book and
have it so well integrated into the rest
of the Word of God and that's something
that I'm trying to demonstrate here as
we go through this study how tightly
integrated revelation is with the rest
of God's Word because it's the same
voice and God's people recognize the
voice of their Shepherd and when an
impostor comes along they don't follow
that impostor
they won't follow a devil they're going
to follow God they're going to follow
the true Shepherd and so we see this
just beautiful tight integration with
God's Word all the way going back to the
Torah and through all the prophets and
Jesus Christ Himself when we saw in Luke

when he was resurrected with the disciples he showed them in the law and in the prophets in all the literature all the scriptures what was written of him and everything was according to the scriptures and so this book of life goes all the way back to the Torah and then John writes

here is the mind which has wisdom so so he says he's gonna explain to John the mystery of the woman and of the Beast that she sits upon that was and is not an insult rise from the bottomless pit so now he's explained to John here is the mind which has wisdom the seven heads are seven mountains and so that's important for us to understand it so he's explaining now you know what are these seven heads they're seven mountains on which the woman sits so the seven mountains and sometimes people think these are Seven Hills but they're not they're seven mountains and a mountain represents an empire represents government so the seven heads are seven empires there are seven government's going back again to Assyria all the way coming up to the present time there are seven world-ruling empires that consume God's people the seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits and this is also why I said earlier that yes the no doubt the Catholic Church is part of this Babylonian mystery religion but we would be wrong to say that she is the because the that the harlot sits upon all seven mountains so she goes all the way back and and beginning with the Assyrian Empire this same woman sat on that Empire through Egypt through Babylon all the way through to our present time so this is wisdom to understand that the woman is sitting upon seven mountains because the seven

heads of the Beast that she sits on are in fact seven mountains and then he reinforces that to say and there are seven kings so this is now this is the wisdom five are fallen one is and the other is not yet come so he's explaining now what's going on here that at the time of writing John is saying there are seven mountains these are Kingdom's and so there are seven Kings five are fallen so there in the past one is in the present and so we know that John was writing under the jurisdiction and the the purview of the Roman Empire so one is and that yet there's another that is not yet come so another one is coming and this other one that that's coming he explains it's actually two more because it's it the seventh is actually the eighth the eighth is of the seven convulse we'll see that a bit later so the other is not yet come but when it comes well when he comes he must continue a short space so you know the devil comes down yes he's full of Wrath he knows he has a short time it's gonna be intense but it's going to be short and the Beast that was and is not so this is wisdom now he's explaining what's going on there are there are seven mountains and he's just explaining to John the mystery so there's this woman sitting on a beast that has seven heads he explains to the seven heads well these are seven mountains that is there seven kingdoms and so there are seven kings five are fallen so that's gone that's over that's in the past one is so John is in the time of the one that is one is yet to come and he says the so you saw this beast that was and is not and so that one that

comes back to life even he is the eighth
so there's actually eight beasts or
eight heads but is of the seven so it's
not a different that so one is one is
you have to come the different one is to
come but the eighth is really the
seventh it's not a new one it's the same
as the seventh so there's there seven
but the eighth is different well sorry
the 8th is the same as the 7 so the 7th
is different with the 8th is the same as
7 and show that's the one that will go
into perdition now the ten horns which
you saw are ten Kings so there's seven
months
that is seven kingdoms then there are
ten horns as well so I saw you saw ten
horns on one of the heads
well these ten horns are ten Kings which
have received no Kingdom as yet but
receive power as kings one hour with the
Beast so it's a short time it's an
intense time the seventh head will
actually have ten Kings and they'll
they'll get to rule with the Beast for
one hour and so Daniel saw this as well
and the ten horns out of this kingdom
are ten Kings that shall arise and
another shall arise after them and he
shall be diverse from the first and he
shall subdue three kings so Daniel is
giving us a bit more detail here that
there's this powerful one that comes up
later and he's going to subdue three of
the kings and he this is the real leader
now he shall speak great words against
the most high and shall wear out the
saints of the Most High
so John saw this Daniel saw it the other
prophets see it as well that's fine but
the Saints of the Most High will be
sealed and will be protected from the
wrath of God when God has finally
reached the his limit and unleashes the

the the winepress and and his wrath
while the Saints will not have to face
that but the Beast and those who
received the mark of the beast they will
have to face that wrath but he shall
wear out the Saints of the Most High and
to think chain to change times and laws
so we're going to see this changing
times and laws in a new legal system
changing times as well that's obviously
challenging the Sabbath and the holy
days and they shall be given into his
hand until a time and times and the
dividing of time so there's three and a
half year period is going to be an
intense period it's the tribulation it's
the rising of the beast and
is when the Saints will be overcome by
the beast but this is how we gain
victory over the devil through our love
of Jesus Christ and so it appears like
the Beast is conquering and succeeding
but what is actually happening is the
Saints are on their way to glory we're
on our way to glory and we are we are
gaining victory over the Beast through
our testimony and through the blood of
the Lamb
these have one mind and shall give their
power and strength unto the Beast these
shall make war with the lamb
so as clearly these are adversaries of
God and they will make war with the lamb
an interesting language the lamb is the
one who is redeeming mankind but they
are of the devil and they are making war
with the lamb and the lamb shall
overcome them so he will crush them and
in the other revelation is all about
overcoming it's all about overcoming the
beast will overcome the Saints but it's
really the Saints that are overcoming
the Beast and then Christ will come and
crush the Beast and overcome the Beast

and this is a book that's all about
overcoming and enduring and for he is
Lord of lords and King of Kings and they
better with him are called and chosen
and faithful this is the key we are
faithful and that's why it's so
important for Christ to ensure that we
understand how the future will unfold so
that we are clear minded and we see
what's happening when we understand not
just what's happening but what's going
to happen what's going to happen next
and he said unto me now sees that the
angel is explaining to John he says the
waters which you saw those on so he's
just decoding everything for John and so
he says here ok let me explain this to
you now the Watchers which you saw where
the horse sits are people's and
multitudes and nations and tongues so so
this is the this is how we must
understand this symbol
that this is able to influence
people's and multitudes and nations
Hong's and she does this with
collaboration of the political beast so
the political beast is supporting her
and she's supporting him with her her
influence and the ten horns which you
saw upon the Beast
notice this now the ten horns which you
saw upon the Beast these shall hate the
Beast
I started we shall hate the and
shall make her desolate and naked and
shall eat her flesh and burn her with
fire like whoa this is amazing so you
know this is this is like the fruit of
hatred
so the and the beast and these ten
Kings hate God's people they hate Jesus
Christ and so they're happy to collude
with one another but they actually are
so full of hatred they actually hate

each other as well and so even though they're using this they actually hate her and so John is the one though an angel explains to John that these ten kings they're going to hate the they'll use her but they'll hate her and they shall make her desolate and naked she thought she was clever she thought she could work with these people and it's actually her undoing they're going to make her desolate and naked and they shall eat her flesh and burn her with fire and I think this burn her with fire is very interesting again the this integration with the Word of God notice this in Leviticus 21 that the daughter of any priest if she profane herself by playing the she profanes her father and she shall be burned with fire so this trying to pretend that she is the the bride she is the faithful wife of Christ know if this God will not tolerate this and so these 10 Kings are gonna burn her with fire and that's the appropriate punishment for this verse 17 for God has put in their hearts to fulfill his will and to agree so all 10 of them will agree and give their Kingdom unto the Beast until the words of God shall be fulfilled and the woman which you saw is that great city so that's very very interesting now that this woman is actually a great city and so it's a very wealthy city the woman which you saw is that great city which reigns over the kings of the earth and so whether this is the Vatican or the actual original Babylonian city but it's the same that's the same Babylonian system so there's great wealthy City that that he saw the John is explaining that this woman is actually a city so this religious system this false

Babylonian mystery religion is actually a city it's a great city which reigns over the kings of the earth so it uses its religious authority and its wealth to actually exert influence over the kings of the earth and after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven having great power and the earth was lightened with his glory so one angel is talking to him which one of the ones that have the seven bowls now he sees another angel come down and this one has great power and the whole earth now was lightened with this angels glory and Ezekiel says behold the glory of the Lord of Israel came from the way of the east and his voice was like the noise of many waters and the earth shined with his glory so again a call back to her God's glory can fill the whole earth and he cried mightily with a strong voice saying Babylon the Great is fallen so finally this this Babylonian system is fallen this false religion this Babylonian mystery religion Babylon the Great is fallen is fallen says it twice and has become the habitation of devils and the hold of every foul spirit and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird so these are symbols of demons that this city is the had become the habitation of all of these unclean demons notice what Isaiah says and behold here comes a chariot of men with a couple of horsemen and he answered and said Babylon is fallen is fallen so this prophecy of Isaiah is now fulfilled in Revelation again great very tight integration with the other prophets and all the graven images of her gods he has broken down into the ground so this again is the the breaking of this mystery religion and it's actually a great city Isiah continues

and thorns come up in her palaces
nettles and brambles in the fortresses
thereof and it shall be a habitation of
dragons and a court for howls against in
symbolic language there the wild beasts
of the desert shall also meet with the
wild beasts of the island and the satyr
shall cry to his fellow and the screech
owl also shall rest there and find
herself a place of rest so these all
these unclean birds are how to have
their habitation here there shall the
great owl make her nest and lay and
hatch and gather under her shadow there
shall the vultures also be gathered
every one with her mate Jeremiah another
prophet therefore shall her young men
fall in the streets and all her men of
war shall be cut off in that day says
the Lord the continuum in Revelation for
all nations all nations not some nations
for all nations have drunk
for all nations have drunk of the wine
of the wrath of her immorality so
they've all gotten involved she had such
this global influence over all that all
the kings and all the nations and so
they they're all now subject to the
wrath of God and it's pictured as wine
because of the wine press that God is
gonna have this wine press that's going
to crush mankind and the blood will be
everywhere and that's Yuri likens that
to to wine and the kings of the earth
have committed fornication with her and
notice it's not just the kings but the
merchants of the earth are waxed rich
through the abundance of her delicacies
so she was able to engage in trade with
them in such a way that they loved it
because they were getting wealthier so
she's getting wealthy very getting
wealthy and all of this is resulted in
the oppression of God's people and I

heard another voice from heaven saying
come out of her my people that you be
not partakers of her sins and that you
receive not of her plagues so again they
these seven judgment these bowls 7 bowls
there upon her and upon the political
and the religious system of Babylon and
God is saying come out of her my people
and notice here in Isaiah saying the
same thing depart you depart you leave
go you out from there touch no unclean
thing go you out of the midst of her and
be you clean that bare the vessels of
the Lord and I think this is really
appropriate for us as we are approaching
Passover and the days of unleavened
bread that we come out of the Babylonian
system and have nothing to do with her
religious idolatry nothing to do with
compromising this way of life that we've
been called to nothing to do with her
sexual immorality it's everywhere and
and the marriage of a man and wife is
symbolic of the marriage of Christ and
the church
and any sexuality outside of marriage is
idolatry and the devil would love to
just draw God's people in to this point
man into this immorality and we just
have to come out of this system have
nothing to do with it well we will face
the wrath of God you know people think
that Jesus Christ is just you know lovey
dovey lovey dovey well he's so loving
that he's going to remove everything
that compromises love everything that
destroys love he's going to destroy so
that in the new creation there is only
love and that's what we mean by we serve
a loving creator and that's why the
angels are just so in awe of his
judgments because his judgments are
right and they are true and they are
sound and so he says the Prophet says be

clean you that bear the vessels of the
Lord Jeremiah says remove out of the
midst of Babylon and go forth out of the
land of the Chaldeans and be as the
he-goats before the flocks and so
Christian men have nothing to do with
point a Christian women have nothing to
do with pornea Christian women think
about how you dress do you reflect the
Bride of Christ or do we dress more like
this world this Babylonian system and
men what are we attracted to we
attracted to the pure Bride of Christ or
we more attracted to the harlot and the
ways of the harlot so there's a very
clear call here to to rid ourselves to
come out of this system so that we are
biased by implication not all of God's
people will be spared from the hour of
judgment of God in fact that's very
clear when you read the letter to the
Church of Philadelphia now God says I
will spare you from this hour that's
going to come up on all the world and by
implication well not everybody certainly
when you read the letter to the
Laodiceans he's warning them to repent
or else they're going to face this
judgment
and so come out of her remove out of the
midst of Babylon and go forth out of the
land of the chaldeans and be as the
he-goats before the flocks flee out of
the midst of Babylon and deliver every
man his soul this is this is a time to
get serious the world is falling apart
around us and that's all of these
symbolic all of this symbolic language
is coming to pass you know though the
horsemen of deception is riding and the
whole we hear this term fake news this
is deception and so we're in the time of
deception these symbols are actually
playing out in front of our eyes and the

prophets are now pleading with us as God's people to come out of this system because God says you'll come like a thief in the night and we don't want to be caught off guard with all in them to come at an hour when we least expect him we want to be into the scriptures and develop a love for the scriptures that we just love God's Word and that way we can be plugged in because you know the thief really he comes as a thief in the night to those who are not expecting them but we should be expecting healing and we should have this great desire for the Lord and we won't have that if we're compromising our walk with him if we're compromising our walk with him will be afraid of him in fact there's a scripture in Isaiah that says the hypocrites in Zion are afraid fearfulness has seized the hypocrites we need to make sure we are coming out of her flee out of the midst of Babylon and deliver every man his soul be not cut off in her iniquity so you know it's becoming clear how full of iniquity our society is and so let's not get drawn into this and certainly you know what was hardcore pornography years ago is like common entertainment today you even see children engaged in in pornea and been filthy talk and adults will giggle and laugh and it's just all so funny because iniquity is abounding and because iniquity will abound the love of many will wax cold we cannot be in this category so flee out of the midst of Babylon and deliver every man his soul do not be cut off in her iniquity for this is the time of the Lord's vengeance this is the time of the Lord's vengeance he's just waiting he's just waving but eventually he's going to strike and he's gonna bring down the

wicked this is the time of the Lord's vengeance and he will render unto her our recompense so she's going to get what's coming we don't want to have anything to do with what's coming upon her Jeremiah continues my people go you out of the midst of her get out of her and deliver you every man his soul from the fierce anger of the Lord and I think this is this is a problem that we have in the church because we don't study religiously the the book of Revelation we tend to want a more study the Gospels and so we get this image of Christ with his first coming when he came on a mission to redeem Israel and so he had a certain way of being but he's to accomplish that mission and now he's on another mission and that mission now is to bring down the wicked to judge the wicked and to free his people from all of this wickedness and idolatry and he is angry Jeremiah describes him as having fierce anger and I don't know if we think about Jesus Christ as having fierce anger but I think if we did especially as we go into the Passover we be very motivated not in a in a anxiety way but in a very responsible way like we are going to meet the Lord he's coming and he's full of fierce anger and rightly so and we want to be with him in judging the wickedness of this and so we've got to come out of Babylon he says deliver every man his soul from the fierce anger of the Lord for her sins have reached unto heaven that's how bad it is and God has remembered her iniquities so here in Revelation 18 6 continues reward her even as she rewarded you and double unto her double according to her works in the cup which she has filled fill to her double and you know this is righteous language and

the more we clean ourselves up the more
we will speak like this the more we will
say amen to this and this is you know
sometimes we try to be more we want to
be kinder than God we want to be more
righteous than God and everybody gets a
pass and we just understand all all
kinds of wickedness it's all free
capable well know hear the call is for
the angel is calling for God to give her
double according to her works and this
is the judgment of Christ that he judges
righteous judgment according to her
works listen to David Psalm 137 8 Oh
daughter of Babylon who are to be
destroyed

happy shall he be that rewards you as
you have served us so she has been
destroying she's drunk with the blood of
the saints and David is saying ok
blessed is he that's going to reward you
as you've done to us Jeremiah says shout
against her around about she has given
her hand her foundations are fallen her
walls are thrown down for it is the
Vengeance of the Lord take vengeance
upon her as she has done do unto her
this is why the righteous angels say
Amen because God's judgment is very
precise and he looks at what the wicked
do what the what they do and there were
their acts and then he judges them very
specifically according to their acts
and so here Jeremiah says do unto her as
she has done call together the archers
against Babylon all you that bend the
ball and we saw the ten Kings are gonna
turn on her all you that bend the ball
camp against it roundabout let none
Durov escape recompense recompense her
according to her work according to all
the Cheetahs done do unto her for she
has been proud against the Lord against
the Holy One of Israel so we're just

coming up to the the hour that we have I think called pause here we were partway through the judgment in revelation 18 this judgment upon the woman we're also going to see it on the commercial empire as well and so we'll continue God willing next week so all of this God is giving to us so that we can understand these things that shall shortly come to pass and it's when we see the full picture history history the present as well as the future and and in the distant eternal future that this is what makes us faithful this is what gives us patience so no matter how things how bad things get around us we are just waiting for the Lord and we will have patience with him and for him why because he's faithful that promised Jesus Christ is Lord good night