BABYLON THE GREAT IS FALLEN

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Revelation Chapter 18

- 1. And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.
- 2. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.
- 3. For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.
- 4. 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.
- 5. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities.
- 6. 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.
- 7. How much she has glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she says in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow.
- 8. Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judges her.
- 9. And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning,
- 10. Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, 'Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! For in one hour is your judgment come.

- 11. And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buys their merchandise any more:
- 12. The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble
- 13. And cinnamon, and odors, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men.
- 14. And the fruits that your soul lusted after are departed from you, and all things, which were dainty and goodly, are departed from you, and you shall find them no more at all.
- 15. The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing,
- 16. And saying, Alas, alas, that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls!
- 17. For in one hour so great riches is come to naught. And every shipmaster, and all the company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea, stood afar off,
- 18. And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What city is like unto this great city!
- 19. And they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing, saying, Alas, alas, that great city, wherein were made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her costliness! For in one hour is she made desolate.
- 20. Rejoice over her, you heaven, and you holy apostles and prophets; for God has avenged you on her.
- 21. And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.
- 22. And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in you; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft he be, shall be found any more in you; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in you;

- 23. And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in you; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in you: for your merchants were the great men of the earth; for by their sorceries were all nations deceived.
- 24. And in her was found the blood of prophets and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

Vs 1 'And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven having great power and the earth was lightened with his glory'; First of all the second word in this verse has a problem in it. 'After these things', King James is always putting things futuristic or historically. The word is 'meta' it literally means 'in the midst of these things'. So it should read, "amid these things he saw this thing come to pass. We want to see the book of Revelation as laid out in perfect form: Chapter one, chapter two, chapter three; all the way through Chapter 22. It doesn't happen that way. He saw a vision and in the midst of this vision he was explaining things that he saw. And at the same time when he saw one thing, he would see other things. And he would tell about these things, and then he would come back and tell about another thing. It was a great vision he saw. He only had ONE vision. But he had to take twenty-two chapters, what we have set up, to tell about all of it. So it wasn't put in perfect form like we want it to be. We have to understand, by the Spirit, what he saw. He got the vision of the whole thing. He just revealed it to us as he could speak it.

He said, 'In the midst of these things, I saw another angel'. What is the angel? It's a messenger. 'Come down from where?' Heaven.... the spirit realm, having great power and the earth was lightened with his glory. Now tell me who that angel was? It was the Christ. Everyone wants to call him Jesus. But I am going to call him the Christ, because he was a flesh body just like you, and the Christ that came down was what was within him. You see the Christ came from heaven to earth. Jesus did not come from heaven to earth. Jesus was formed in the earth as a flesh man where he came from. Christ came from above, and He came and dwelled in an earth body. Do you understand what I'm saying? That is where people are seeing things incorrectly. They're worshipping Jesus, the flesh man, a man just like you and I. That is what is wrong with the church. What we are supposed to worship is the Christ that came from God down to earth, and was transformed into this body. I am speaking of the Christ. I am going to give you a list of scriptures and you can look them up later: Luke 2:32; John 1: 4

& 9; John 8:12; John 9:5; John 12:46. And all of these had to do with Jesus being the light that came down from heaven, to light every man that comes into this world. So who is the light? The Christ. So the Christ is come down to light every man, true? You can go into Matthew, lets go back a ways; let's go back into the old covenant. Let's see a pattern of this: When Moses went on the mountain to talk to God; Christ is God is that true? When Moses went in the presence of God and God told him, 'Turn your back, let me just pass by you.' What happened to Moses? He was enlightened. His face glowed so much that he had to wear a veil over his face. People couldn't even look at him when he came down from the mountain. In Matthew chapter 17, The Mt of Transfiguration, they call it. Jesus was on the mountain. What happened to him? He was transfigured into a form of light they couldn't even look at; they could just see the bright light. When Paul was on the road to Damascus and the Spirit lighted him, what did he say happened? 'A great light shining from above, God. Not necessarily meaning the light was up there, in the air, it just means that it was a higher form that enlightened him. It was the Spirit; it was not the flesh. So that is what I want to show you here, this angel, this messenger is the Christ. And you don't have to look too far to see Him, because if you can see the Christ, you can see the light, and that light will light you up.

Vs 2 'And he cried, and this is the Christ crying, the Christ cried mightily in a strong voice saying, Babylon the great is fallen'. What is Babylon? Confusion, but what does it represent? It is the soulish system in us; the female side; she, Babylon; the woman, my woman, because my woman from the onset is not faithful to my man, Christ. My woman, my soul is not faithful to my man, Christ. That makes me what? A Babylonian whore, my soul. I'm trying to identify something here. I'm not speaking of a prostitute; I am speaking about the principle of not being faithful to my man. And my husband is who? He's the Christ. So now, the Christ is calling out saying, Babylon (the soul); so Christ is telling you that that realm is over with. The soul realm is duality. When the soul was formed, we can go all the way back to Genesis one and it says, 'He created first of all the 'first fruits'; Genesis chapter 1 verses 1,2 & 3. He created the first-fruit. And then 1:26: 'Let us create man in our image.' He was speaking to the first-fruit who He had already created and said, 'Let us make man in our image.' He turns around and in 2:7 He forms man out of the dust of the earth. And as He breathed His breath, or the same word is 5315 nephesh (neh'-fesh) same as Spirit'. He put His Spirit into that flesh man. So we have flesh and we have spirit. God put them together, is that mixture?? Mixture, confusion, soulish. So He put them

together and they became a living soul. So the soul is a realm of mixture. God created it, but He wants us to understand it. When we understand it, we can overcome that soulish realm and walk into the heavenlies, we can't walk into the heavenlies in the soul realm. So back to the verse it says, 'it is fallen'. When he said, 'is fallen', that meant, at the time He was speaking this, John was in a vision and he saw something. Can you see what John saw? He saw the Christ. He saw all the way back to when Adam and Eve were in the Garden. He saw the woman, the soul, Eve, being deceived. There's the confusion. He saw her fall. He saw Adam in his bad state. He saw him make the wrong choices out of his emotions; his mind, will and emotions, rather than drawing from the Christ that was within him; from the God that was with him. He chose to go to his natural side. He saw Eve, the soul, make the decision; he saw the woman go down. Babylon is fallen; he saw her go down. But then I think he saw something else, in this whole picture, he saw the Christ on the cross. When He died on the cross, then it comes back to, 'It is finished." Because when Christ died on the cross the one was done away with. The one is dead now isn't he? The last Adam is dead. That soul realm has been done away with, it is not there anymore; he already took care of it. It happened right there on the cross.

'Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen.' There's your witness, it is fallen, twice: 'and is become' And the reason I spoke of the act back in the garden first, is because he said, 'Is become a habitation of devils or demons and the hold of every demonic spirit and the cage, or literally the holding of the prison of every unclean or hateful bird, every demonic bird. When the soul fell in the Garden of Eden, then the mind began to imagine, and it created every kind of demonic influence that you can think of. Now we can say well, Jesus cast out devils, didn't he? Well you know why? Because it was full of them. The mind is where all this stuff is created. I don't believe in demons and devils. The only ones I believe in is the ones you create. I believe they are real when you create them. In your mind, you create these things. When you give place to it, there it is. I have cast demons and devils out of untold numbers of people, but I didn't understand at the time that it was a growing process for me. Sometimes I still have to do those things because that is where some people are. They understand and they think that demons and devils are a reality, that's because of where they are at the time. But when you come to understand, just like someone said here last week, 'There is only one Spirit in the earth, it's God's Spirit'. Everything else is created in the imagination of humanity. The only demons and devils I

believe in is the ones I see you create in your mind; that's all. And even if you create them, I know that greater is He that is in me, than he that is in the world. I know in Luke He says that He gives me power over all the power of the enemy. That is you; you have to understand that you have power over that. You don't have to let your imagination run off and create these things. Take every thought captive to the obedience of Christ. Casting down every *imagination*, there is where it is created, in your imagination. Casting down every imagination and every high thought that exalts itself against the knowledge of God. If we can get hold of this thing, we don't have to listen to all that stuff. Take hold of this mind, put on the mind of Christ. Why does He keep telling you this? If you have the mind of Christ, you'll not create demons and monsters in your head. You can't do it because it is the mind of Christ. Do you think He was concerned about demons and devils? They were all around Him; do you think He didn't recognize it? People had them created everywhere. The man Legion had thousands in him. He didn't bother them, he just walked down the street when they popped up and he said, 'Get behind me, go away.' He didn't need those things. He only dealt with the ones that got in His way. You don't have to go looking for them; there are plenty of them. And there are going to be people manufacturing them in their heads from now on until the time this realm is over. Don't worry about those things.

Vs 3 'For (or because) all nations' now what is a nation? I'm not speaking about countries here; this is speaking of the mind. This is an internal teaching. This whole book is written as an internal teaching. It is what is going on in our lives? So this is an imagination, this is a mind, because all minds have "drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication." See, I have partaken of my woman's wine, her understanding about her. And you know what, she tells me she is a lovely thing. She tells me how lovely she is, how sweet she is, and to just lay with her. In Proverbs 7 you can read about the harlot. Oh she has her bed prepared and it says, 'Just come and lie with me, the good man is gone away, he won't be back for a while.' Come on. Doesn't your woman tell you that? It's inside of you. It's inside of us. I am speaking about our soul, our mind; and we've all partaken of this thing. Every one of us has partaken of it. It says that 'all minds have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her 'unfaithfulness'. And the kings of the earth have committed fornication in the midst of her.' The kings of the earth; who is this speaking of? It speaks of covenants; dust, sand, stars. Who are the ones on the earth? The dust and the sand; I wonder who are the ones called the kings of the earth? I'm going to tell you, I am not talking to the kings of the earth today. I'm talking to kings of the heavenlies; I'm talking about the kings of the stars. I'm not speaking of this dust and earth thing. I am speaking about the heavenlies. So these kings that are kings of the earth that committed fornication with her, who is this speaking of? The first two covenants; the people in the religious systems, that's the ones. So in my mind, if I stay in Passover or in Pentecost, I'm still a king of the earth. I have to ascend to the heavenlies and be seated in heavenly places in Christ. As long as I stay in Passover and Pentecost, I am not going to be a heavenly king. Isn't that your call? If Christ is seated in the heavenlies, where do you have to go? I can't stay in this earthly realm, because I'll be merchandised.

'And the merchants of the earth' (these are the ones that live in that Passover and Pentecost realm). We have to go to Tabernacles. We have to go to Mt. Zion, the highest place. 'Are waxed rich from the power of her luxuries. If you don't believe it, I defy you to find the church that is truly in Tabernacles that is much larger than we are right here. You aren't going to see it, because the luxuries go in the first two realms, they stay in the earth. I defy you to find Jesus living in a big palace with all the delicacies of the world. Did he? He would have been born in some big fancy palace but he was born in a sheep shed. He didn't have the things of this world, because they are not important. And as long as the church world puts their focus upon their buildings, on their big pointy things on top, and how many chairs they get in, and how many people, how many classrooms they can have, how many people they can entice to come and buy their wares; if that's important guess what? You have nothing. God is not interested in those things. I'm not interested in those things. You need not be interested in those things. You need to be interested in what God is doing in your life, not in all these things that they want to offer you in the world.

'And I heard another voice from heaven, from the spirit realm, saying, Come out of her', who is he speaking of here? The realms of the soul; dust and sand. In order that you be not partakers of her sin.' It is speaking about the soul realm. The soul covers Passover and Pentecost, the dust and the sand. Come out of her! There's three women aren't there? Orpah, Naomi and Ruth. We have to go to Ruth. But he heard this from the spirit, 'Come out of her in order that you be not partakers of her sins, and that you receive not of her plagues.' The only way I am going to get out of this, and this is what the church is teaching: You have to fly away to heaven, so you don't have to die; or you've got to die to fly away to heaven; one or the

other. So you don't get to be partakers of all of these bad peoples punishment and sin. I'm not speaking of bad people, I am speaking about the bad that is in each and every one of us that has to go away, first and foremost. 'Come out of her' it is speaking of the soul realm. 'Come out of those soul realms so you won't be partakers of her sins and that you receive not of her calamities.' The only way that you are going to come out of this is to come out of the dust and the sand. When you come out of the dust and the sand, then you are seated in the heavenlies. Tell me what kind of punishment that Christ is going through today. Is God being punished for anything? Who could punish Him? If we are seated in heavenly places in Christ, then we cannot receive those things. If I have the mind of Christ in me, that is the only way that I can get into the heavenlies; if I have the mind of Christ in me, then how in the world could I be thinking like the dust and the sand? You see because I am thinking with the star mind, the star covenant. Listen to this; we have got to come out of the dust and the sand. There is nothing wrong with the dust and the sand. They are stepping stones; I am standing in the dust, I take the first step, there's my dust; I take the second step, I'm in the sand; and the third step I go into the heavenlies, the stars; that's all. It's a progression. There is nothing wrong with any of them, but you can't stay there. He said, 'Come out of them.' There is only one place that you can stay and that is in the heavenlies, in the star covenant. Anything else, you are a partaker of the soul realm.

Vs 5 'Because her sins (or the soulish sins) have reached unto heaven and God hath remembered her iniquities.' And whose iniquities has he remembered? It goes all the way back to Eve when Adam's soul disobeyed. He went back to all of them. But see there is another passage in there, and I can't quote the scripture right now, but it says that when the Priest went across the river of Jordan, which is the descender or death, when they stepped into the water, carrying the presence of God, and that speaks of the first-fruit carrying the presence of God (that's us); when they stepped into death, guess what happened? The water backed up, it stopped; and they walked across on dry ground. And that water backed up from here, all the way back to Adam, a town called Adam. You know what, when he remembered her sin from the beginning, he remembered that that water, (the word,) backed all the way to a town called Adam, and guess what it did? It took care of that and cleansed that town too. It went all the way back to Adam. When Jesus died on the cross, it went all the way back to Adam, every bit of it, and got to him too.

Vs 6 'Reward her, the soul, even as she, the soul, rewarded you, and double unto her, the soul, double according to the soulish works in the cup which the soul hath filled, fill to the soul double.' Do you understand this? I am speaking of the soul inside of me, my woman. So it's going back to her double of what she has done to us.

Vs 7 'How much she, the soul, hath glorified herself' see what the soul is going to do for you? She is going to get you to look at self. It's not about self; it's about the Christ. It's about the Christ that is at the very center of your being. That is who you are; you are Christ on the earth today. It's not about anyone else. It's about the Christ. That is all that it's about; and this woman that I have within me, like you have within you, she's okay as long as she is in her place. And don't take that as some male chauvinistic statement, I'm speaking about my soul; because my woman is not my wife sitting over here; it is what is inside of me. This is an internal thing. My woman has to be in proper order with her husband the Christ; do you hear me? My wife has to deal with her man, and her woman too, just like 'How much the soul has glorified herself, and lived evervone else. deliciously, literally it is luxuriously, so much torment. The word torment is 'touchstone'. So it is 'so much of a test give her'. The 'touchstone' is a test, to see how much gold is worth. It checks the quality of gold or silver, it's a rough stone that they rub gold or silver on and it shows how good the gold is. So God says, 'test the soul the same way she has done you. Check her; give her double of what she has given you. Check her double; see how good she is'. You know what I mean? Hang on to this. It's just a test. God is not trying to kill her, your soul. He is trying to bring her into submission to her husband, that's all; it is just to line things up. 'And sorrow or grief, give to her, the soul, because the soul says, in the souls heart, I sit a queen and am no widow'. Do you know what she is really saying? "My old man is not dead." But you know my book says the old man is dead. My book says that the Christ, the Jesus that came on the face of the earth, he was the last Adam. If the last Adam died two thousand years ago, that tells me the old man is what? **He's dead**. But yet my soul wants to hang on to it, and in the first two covenants the dust and the sand, they are going to teach you that the old man is still alive in you. They are going to tell you to blame him. You see I've got something better than that. I am going to tell you that the old man is dead. And the best thing that you can do with a dead body is to bury it because it stinks. And that is exactly what the church is producing today. If you don't believe it, read Isaiah Chapter 5, he said when he looked for fruit to come forth; it brought forth poisonous, stinking berries. The church's fruit today is 'flesh' because flesh can only produce flesh. Seed produces like kind, so if the spirit of Christ is speaking, it can only reproduce the Christ. And if my mind, my soul realm, is speaking, then I am only going to reproduce that soulish, fleshly stink. 'I sit a queen and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow', or grief. You see that is the denial that is in the church today; it's a denial. They want to hold on to the man, but they want to hold on to Adam. They want to hold on to the old man, but the new man is Christ. It says in Romans 7:2 'For the woman which has a husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he lives; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband. So then if, while her husband lives, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress, or unfaithful. But if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man.' Look what he says: 'Wherefore, my brethren, you also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ that you should be married to another'. See what he is telling us? I'm not married to my old man anymore. As long as my old man is alive in my thinking process, and I try to hold on to Christ, what am I? I'm an adulteress; I am unfaithful. But I have to realize that my old man is dead, put him in the grave, and get married to my husband. I'm free to marry my husband now see? And Christ came and did that. He gave us that opportunity to marry our husband, our real husband. Not just a bag of dirt.

So, the denial that the church teaches is that the old man is still alive. Everything that goes on in their life, who do they blame it on? Somebody out there made me do it. It's never inside. But here (in my mind) is what made me do it. I can't do anything without first thinking about it in my head. Whether I am conscious or not of what I thought of, it went through my thinking process didn't it? Everything you do goes through your thought process first. Whether I consciously realize it or not, I think about it, before I perform whatever I do. So how can I blame someone out there for something that I did, or that I thought of in my mind? (*Justifying is just a lying*.)

Vs 8 'Therefore, or because of this, shall her, the soul's calamities arrive in one day.' Now this isn't right 'one' it is the wrong word; it's the 'first'. Therefore shall the calamities arrive in the first day. Did anyone catch that? First day, second day. So when are the calamities going to arrive? First day. Look at this with me; I want you to go back in your walk since you have come to God. When did your troubles start? I'm not speaking about

your life, I'm speaking about when you start trying to serve God, there's where your trouble comes. And you see the language says that the troubles come in the 'first day'. All of those calamities come in the 'first day.' And the church say, 'Oh just come to Jesus and say, Lord forgive me, and everything will be a big rose garden. That is your woman talking. That is your woman talking; 'Come and sleep with me, lie in my bed, the good man is gone don't worry about it; we can just take our delight.' That is the woman talking to you. But God says, 'No, realize that I have done the work. It's not what you've done, I have already finished it.' The calamities come in the first day don't they? Look back at what I just said in Romans 7 about the law? The law goes with the woman; the woman is in the law; she is the law.

'In one day, or in the first day' death and mourning, or literally grief. Death comes in the first day, and grief and famine. This is not a famine of food; it's a famine of the word. In the first day there's a famine. You speak to the people who are in the Passover position what will they tell you. 'Oh we have the word of the Lord'; you go to Pentecostal and they say, 'We have the word of the Lord'. He said there was a famine in the earth didn't he? There is a famine in the earth. In the earth is where the famine is. There has never been a famine in the star realm. Never has there been a famine in the heavenly realm. The famine has always been in the earth; always been in the earth. There has always been a famine because the people that live in the earthly realm have no comprehension of what the Spirit of God is saying. What did Paul say? 'The natural man receives not the things of the spirit because they are spiritually discerned'. You see, the man who lives in the dust and the earth, they cannot understand. They cannot understand because they are spiritually discerned. I have to ascend to the heavenlies; I have to go into the stars. Why did he say so many times, 'Put on the mind of Christ' if it wasn't necessary to put on the mind of Christ? God is not going to tell us to do something that is not worthwhile, something that's just a waste of time, would He? We need the mind of Christ. And the only way we are ever going to know the mind of Christ is to know Him and His word, and through that He reveals everything else that we need to know. I can't give you everything that God wants you to have. I can only give you an outline; I can only lead you so far and then the Spirit of God in you has got to rise up and take hold of the rest of it. I am not going to be one that says, 'I have everything' that would be a lie. Because there is some of Christ in each one of us, and each one of us has that little piece that will hook together and make us stronger. I can't have it all. God never put all his eggs in one basket.

He put it in the Christ. Some will say well, He put all of it in Jesus.' No, that man Jesus, had the Christ in him, and that same Christ is in us. So He didn't put it in one basket, He put it in a whole bunch of baskets.

'And she, the soul, shall be utterly burned in fire'. Everyone thinks that this is a bad thing. Fire purifies. She is going to be purified. Just as surely as Adam died for his woman, it's the same parallel with Christ dying on the cross for His bride, the church. I will guarantee you; your soul will be redeemed. Jesus said, 'If a man save his soul, he shall lose it, but if he gives up his soul, or loses his soul, what would he do? Find it. Do you know why? Because she is going to be brought back. The soul is not a worthless thing; it is just something that is in a lot of confusion and deception right now, because we do not understand her and she is not in submission to her man. You can draw a whole lot of parallels off this.

'Because strong is the Lord God that judges her.' God, help us understand judgment. Help us understand judgment. Judgment is not punishment, it's not torment, it's not beating us up, it's not killing us, it's not setting us on fire and burning us literally; it is changing the way we think. And sometimes it takes some hard knocks on our head to make us think right doesn't it. We have to realize that God is going to consume everything out of us that is not Him. As long as we have the dust, and we have the Spirit of God mixed together in that mixture realm of the soul, it's not pure God. The only way that I can get into the heavenlies is to get rid of the dust that He put me in; and He put us there. It is not my fault that I was put there, I didn't ask for it. God chose to put me in there, but I have got to come out of there. I have to get rid of all that separation; all that mixture, separate all of it out; and I have to walk in Spirit, because God is Spirit. And when I walk in spirit, or you walk in spirit, guess where you walk? You walk in a place that Isaiah said was a highway that lions can't walk there. And even vultures can't fly there; it's a higher way. They can't get there. And people will always say when you walk on this highway, 'you're crazy, you don't make any sense!' Well I don't to the dust, I guarantee you that. But in the heavenlies there is a lot that they don't understand. Paul said the natural man would not understand this; so don't worry about it.

Vs 9 'And the kings of the earth', who is that? They are the ones, the kings, the rulers; who is this speaking of? <u>Leadership</u>; people that live in this dust realm; people that merchandise the people. This is the leadership in the

church realms isn't it? We see a lot of that, every day. 'The kings of the earth, the ones who choose to live in the dust and the sand, have what? They have been unfaithful; they committed fornication, have been unfaithful; and have lived deliciously in the midst of her (meta- in the midst of her) shall bewail her and lament for her, the soul, when they shall see the smoke of her burning.' The flesh is going to cry out for its woman. Notice this, the flesh is never going to cry for the man. The flesh always wants the woman, why? Because she is going to tickle their ears; 'Come lie with me, I'm beautiful, I'm sweet, I've got my bed decked with aloes and myrrh and all this sweet smelling incense; come and sleep with me.' That is what she is saying. 'And you can do anything you want, we'll just take our delight and do anything we want.' You see, that is all going on in the mind. And all she is doing is seducing the Christ in you. Sorry, I'm not going there. The Kings of the earth want that woman.

'And they shall see the smoke of her burning.' Those are the trials that are testing her for her character; that touchstone again; it's testing her for character. And you know, the woman, the soul, does not have a lot of character. Women don't take this the wrong way; I am not speaking about women. I am speaking about the soul. The soul has no character. We have a picture hanging in our fellowship and the first time I saw it I fell in love with it. It says, 'Character is who you are when no one is watching, but God.' And the woman says, 'He isn't watching. He's went off on a long journey, come on and lay with me'; that is what the woman will tell you. But you see, my man is standing, and your man should be standing in your heart, saying no, no, no way. Someone asked me if I felt that the section of this verse "and they shall see the smoke of her burning" was the destruction of the false church. At one time I would have said yes to that, but, I'm speaking about inside. I'm not speaking of the church "out there", per say, I'm speaking of the woman inside. If it speaks of the external woman, it's the church, but I am speaking internal, so this makes this our soul. So my woman, in her first two realms, in the dust or the sand is going through this process. But if I move up into the star covenant, or into Tabernacles, then I don't go through that. That's why he said in the first part of Revelation that the second death would have no hurt upon us, once we die the first death. The second death will have no hurt upon us. So this is not speaking of the church system per say; if it's external yes, but if it's internal I'm speaking of the realms that I am living, in the Spirit.

Vs 10 'Standing afar off for the fear' the word 'for' is the Greek word 'dia' and it means through. They are standing far off through fear, they are afraid to get next to her because her judgment has come. They are getting away from her. 'Through the fear of her, the soul's, torment; and that word torment is 'touchstone' through her testing. It's not torment, that's King James language; she is being tested to prove to her what her problems are. Do you understand that? Testing is for one thing, it **is not** to show you how stupid you are; a test is given to you, to show you how much you have comprehended and learned. The test isn't to make you look stupid, or show how little you know; it is to show how much you do know. It's not a negative thing, although our society has made it negative. It is to show you how much you have grown, that's what the tests are for. 'And they cry out, the merchant men; the kings of the earth, they cry out and say, 'alas, alas; literally its woe, woe. The language says woe, w-o-e. The word woe means pain, grief, and suffering. And the flesh is going through all kinds of pain, grief and suffering because of what this woman is doing. And this is what it is. The kings of the earth are the pimps and they are pimping her, and when they see her going down, they're saying, 'Woe, woe, woe; pain, grief, and suffering, 'that great city Babylon, the Babylonian whore, the mighty city! Because in one hour is your judgment; the word judgment is 'crisis' in the Greek and it means justice. Her justice appeared in one hour. It's not speaking of sixty minutes; it's speaking about it being quickly. If a day is a thousand years, then what is an hour? It's nothing in God's time. An hour is nothing in God's time; it's just a blip.

Vs 11 'And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buys their merchandise any more.' Now look at this, 'the merchants of the earth' this is the dealers that live in the dust and the sand, the first two covenants. Now the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her, the soul. Why? Because no man, or no person that has come past the dust and the sand is going to buy that (dust and sand) any longer. Once you know there is a spiritual truth that will change my life, and I don't have to wallow in self pity any longer, guess what? You could say it another way, 'it's just going to be exposed; she is going to be stripped naked. Your woman is going to be stripped; she can't hide under the guise of religion any longer in your life, she is stripped. These merchants are going to be sad. And the people out there, if you want to go back to the church realm, they are going to be real sad when they find out that what they are selling isn't going to be bought any more. The people that are hearing the truth that I am

speaking to you and what God is speaking today, you can't go back and live in that stuff any more; you can't buy that stuff anymore. Because you are going to get married to the man that has got everything. How many people here would like to buy a big truckload of sand or dust? What good is it? Very little, there are some things you can use sand for, but what is the value of it? Not very much, it's just temporary. But no one buys their stuff anymore and when you or I come to a truth in the Spirit, about what God is really dealing with, you're no longer going to buy what they are selling to you. And my woman has been selling me a whole lot of crap, and that is just what it is, a whole bunch of crap. And everyone drank from it; everybody drank from her cup, so no one is exempt from this, nobody can say 'Oh I never did that, I never believed it.' This book says that everyone drank from it, everyone. Everyone has drunk from this stuff.

Vs 12 'The merchandise of gold and silver' you see, they merchandised the gospel, which is what this is about; I am not going to break all of this down. The gold and the silver: Gold...God, silver...redemption, precious stone is pearls.... suffering, and fine linen...righteousness, and purple and silk... righteousness again, and scarlet and all thyine wood, what is this wood? It's a good wood; it's a good humanity, all the good humanity. And vessels of ivory.... beauty; and all manner vessels of the most precious wood, which is the first-fruit, the most precious, the first-fruit; and of brass, that is the strength and endurance; and iron speaks of inflexible rule, no compromise. Didn't He say that His people would rule with a rod of iron? It's not that they are going to beat everyone up, but He is going to break the vessels of clay. Clay is flesh. He is not going to destroy people, but He is going to destroy the flesh so the spirit can rise up out of it. Everything in this mind of clay, which has come out of this flesh thinking, is going to be destroyed. It's internal. And marble speaks of their kingdom beauty.

Vs 13 'And cinnamon, that is a fragrance; and odors is incense; and ointments are myrrh for suffering; and frankincense, that is the incense tree; and wine, the revealing teaching; and oil and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and the souls of men.' All of these things are what they dealt in. But see they were not dealing with the spiritual truths of these things. They were making merchandise of spiritual things that God gave us, and they were selling them. (Freely we receive and freely we should give.)

Vs 14 'And the fruits that the soul lusted after are departed from you, and all things which were dainty and goodly, literally sumptuous and magnificent, are departed from you; and you find them no more at all.' The soul lost all of her dainties. Do you know why? Because the one is dead. The man is dead and whenever this woman is revealed then she is no longer married to that man. When you find out that you are no longer married to that man in you, you're woman is not married to Adam any longer. Who is she married to? Christ. When you find that out, you will start loving your husband and you'll find out all this other stuff will just pass away, because your obedience is to your husband. I'm not speaking about the natural; I am speaking about the spiritual.

Vs 15 'And the merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, the soul, shall stand afar off, through the fear of her torment, that is her testing again, and weeping and wailing, or grieving'. Now, why did they stand afar off? These people that want to live in the soul realm, why did they want to stand off? Why did they want to get way far away from her? Now at one time they wanted to sleep with her. They wanted to be intimate with her because she was paying off. They were doing a real good pimp job with her, but guess what? They know what they deserve; they have guilt and condemnation all over them. That is where the fear comes from. How can I be afraid of God if I have done nothing wrong? I know I stand before God as a righteous man, or a righteous woman; why would I be afraid of my Father? I bought into her lies; I've been playing with my woman; my woman has been playing with the wrong man.

Vs 16 'And saying, Alas, alas; there it is (woe, woe) again; pain, grief, and suffering; that great city, Babylon, and do you know what? The reason they call it the great city, was because Babylon was a very great city; this is the analogy. It was a walled city; it had a high wall about 50-60 feet built around it, a great, huge, impenetrable wall. Nearly impenetrable, just like our minds. Our minds build up that wall in Babylon and it's nearly impenetrable; you think that's a coincidence? Why do you think He used that city? People of that day thought that city would never perish because it had such an armament built around it. There were so many miles built around that city, it was probably as big as Columbus, or bigger. The river ran right through it, and they thought 'We've got water, we can grow all the crops inside; anybody can attack us all they want from the outside that wants to and nobody can get to us, except the Christ. And we can build up that

Babylonian wall as high as we want to between our ears, and Christ can take it down in how long? 'In one hour her judgment is come' in a very short time. That ought to make you happy. 'That was clothed in fine linen'; that's in the righteousness. In Isaiah 4 it says, 'In that day there will be seven women that take hold of one man'. If they only let us wear our own apparel and eat our own bread, so they can take away our reproach. You see, they don't want God's righteousness, and they don't want God's word; all they want is 'Just call me a Christian, how about that, that will make me feel good'. And there's the woman talking to you. 'That was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet; (that is the sin that is still there.) See she was robed in linen, the righteousness; in purple, the royalty; and she had scarlet, guess what? She was decked in gold, in precious stone, in kingship and pearls, all formed in suffering; all these things going on, but there was one thing that woman was decked with, that soul, that shouldn't be? What was it? Sin. Sin.

Vs 17 'Because in one hour so great riches is come to naught'. You know how long it takes for you to realize that all the riches that this woman inside of you can give you is nothing? All you have to do is have that great light that I spoke of in the first verse, and He's the light that lights **every** man that comes into the world. That ought to make people happy. But as soon as that light is come down from the heavenly realm to the earthly realm, and lights up this earth, right there...all the things she has to offer has come to naught, that quickly. All it takes is a revealing of the Christ in you and no longer do the things of this world mean anything. We have a song that we sing here, 'Everything grows dim, in the light of you.' I like to sing it this way, 'Everything grows dim in the light of Him.' Christ takes care of it all. You can't see anything because He is so bright, that the other things just start fading away, and all of a sudden you can't see, there is nothing else in your life. You don't even have a choice in this matter. He put the light there and you don't have any choice, it is mesmerizing. When you see Him, the beauty of the light, you can't get away from it. There is no way to get away from it; it just draws you in. It's like the bug zapper that they put up that draws the bugs in and they can't get away. They know they're going to die; whoosh and they're in there. I don't care as I'm in Him, I don't care; I just don't care. 'And every shipmaster, and all the company of ships', what is a ship? It's a vessel, it's made out of wood; it's humanity. It's a human vessel that is traveling in the sea, in the water, which is humanity. So all these ships that are traveling in the sea, and even the ones that think they are shipmasters;

hear what I said...'think they're shipmasters, they think they are masters' and all the company and ships and sailors, as many as trade by the sea, or literally they are trading humanity, they are buying and selling; they are in slave trade today, the church is still doing it. It's slave trade. They buy and sell humanity. That is what the woman does; she buys and sells you, and everybody that gets hooked up with her does the same thing; they're a bunch of pimps. And know when I say that what I just said; most of the churches are a bunch of pimps. I'm sorry if I might offend someone, but it's true. I'm not pointing to a certain church and saying that, I'm saying that the religious system that has been built into us by this religious system that man has created, has created a bunch of pimps; a prostitute and a bunch of Babylonian whores. Does that offend anybody?

Vs 18 'And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning saying, what city is like unto this great city!' Do you know what? Always when you lose the worldly drawing, it's hard. Do you think it is easy to walk away from the world with all it has to offer? With all the finance and all the riches and the wealth, and how much you can minister to your flesh and your soul, do you think it's easy; that anyone can say, 'Well I'll just walk away and just go over here and serve God.' No, it's going to draw on you. Don't you even think that it is not going to draw on you. There are two things that cause any man or woman to every fall in the scriptures; what is it? Sex and money; things of this world; sex and money. Every prophet or prophetess that ever failed in this book, the history book shows, it shows it in historical form, every one of them fell for wealth and riches, or sex. That's it, that's all it is; every one of them went for that reason. So don't think for a minute that that world doesn't have a draw on you. The Bible even says that sin is pleasure for a season. Ask the homosexual once he has aids if that was cool; it won't be so cool when they're dying of aids. All these things that the world draws, sure they're tough; but if it were easy, wouldn't everyone be there? God is looking for first-fruit and that means that we are going to give up something. What do I have in my life that is worth more to me that God? That is the question that you have to ask. And you have to answer it, not me. It's not my place to judge anyone, but I will tell you what you have to say, you don't have to say anything; but if there is anything in your life that means more to you than God and what He is doing in your life, then you need to re-evaluate it.

Vs 19 'And they cast dust upon their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing, saying, woe, woe that great city, wherein we were made rich all

that had ships in the sea of humanity by reason of her 'magnificence' because in one hour she is made desolate.' They are still weeping about what they lost. But do you know what? That shows me a heart that is not really after God, because when I lose what my woman has to offer me, all that confusion, what should I be seeing? The only opposite of light is darkness; the only opposite of darkness is light, so when the darkness went out and my woman was exposed and now I realize that the man I'm after is the Christ, I'm not after this woman who is trying to lead me astray to another man, the only thing I can see is Christ. Do you know a lot of people don't even want that? It is hard to imagine that, but they don't. All they are worried about is what they lost. Well do you know what? I don't think we lost anything. Because if I lost that worldly thing, Christ is more precious than gold and silver and diamonds and jewels and sheep and whatever else, all the things were important to the natural man. That is all this stuff is. But He is worth more than all of that, but all they can do is sit around and complain that they lost all of it. Doesn't that sound familiar? Murmur and complain.

Vs 20 'Rejoice over her, you heavens, and you holy apostles and prophets'. What did He say to do? He called you heaven didn't He? God dwells in heaven, that's where you are, that's where He is, you're heaven. He said, Rejoice over her; and you apostles and prophets; because God has avenged...this word 'has avenged' has got three words in it, 'krino, ho, kreema; three Greek words. Literally it says, because God has chosen the decision, rejoice because God has chosen that decision. The language tells you a lot of things. Because God has chosen the decision, it says 'avenged you on her' but literally it should say, 'God has chosen the decision from her'. Literally He has chosen you and the decision isn't going against you, it's going against her.

Vs 21 'And a mighty angel took up' literally not a, but "one" mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, or a big millstone; 'and he threw it into the sea (humanity) saying, in this way, with violence, shall the great city Babylon be thrown down.' Now if you took a big millstone that stands many feet high, a big rolling stone, and if you threw it in the water, how much of a big violent splash would it make? What does that tell me? How quick did that go down? How quick did that big stone hit the water? Whoosh, it was violent, it was quick; it doesn't mean that there was a whole lot of damage, it's speaking of it being really quick, with great violence or

with great speed, a great, violent impulse. "That great city Babylon, or the confusion of the soul, will be thrown down and shall be found no more." In Matthew 16:24-26 it says this, 'Then Jesus said unto his disciples, if any man will come after me let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me, because whosoever shall save his life 'literally the language should say soul' whosoever shall save his soul shall loose it, and whosever will loose his soul for my sake, shall find it. Because what is a man or 'humanity' (anthropos) profited if it shall gain the whole world 'cosmos' and lose his own 'soul'? And in this the word "soul" is translated life there in verse 25; it's the same word, 'psuche' (psoo-khay'). So he said if you gain the whole world, 'the whole cosmos' the orderly arrangement in things; if you gained everything the world has to offer and you lose your soul, what have you lost? Everything. Well what shall a man give in exchange for his own soul? Mark 8:36 is another passage to parallel that.

Now back to verse 21. And it says, 'The great city Babylon shall be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.' All this confusion is going to be done away with; the woman is going to be redeemed. It is just as Adam, did for her, Christ has done for the church.

Vs 22 'And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in you'. Guess what? There's no more worship. Now he is not speaking about in God, he is speaking about in the woman; it was in the soul realm, in the "Babylon." 'And no craftsman, and all craftsman of whatsoever craft he be, shall be found any more in vou'. What are craftsman? It's a people that merchandise things, they are making something out of you to sell: 'Hey you can have a revelation and for \$19.95 plus shipping and handling, you can have that one.' Oh, you're a good singer, let's just merchandise you and sell some CD's'. It's all in merchandising today, which is not what it is about. 'And the sound of the millstone shall be heard no more at all in you.' That means the word, the grain being milled; that's the word of God being milled and it's put out for production, it's not put out to change your life; it's not to give you life, that's why we grind the wheat so we can eat the grain, and sustain life, is it not? Bread was a substance of life for the people in this day. It was their very lively hood, and they're taking it and they are going to make profit on it. I am speaking about things in our heart. We are going to produce what we want to (to make money), and that is not what God wants us to do.

Vs 23 'And the light of the candle shall no more shine in you at all; that's the Christ. You're not going to have the duality in your life anymore. 'And the voice of the bridge groom' who is that? It's the Christ. Literally when he says that there is not going to be any more of that mixture in there, that thing has got to go away. 'The voice of the bridegroom and the bride shall be heard no more at all in you.' It didn't mean the bridegroom was done away with, and it didn't mean the bride was done away with; it means they are not going to be in the soul realm anymore. Once we realize who she is, what can we do? Come on up. The Spirit is always saying what? Come on up here, come on up here; He is enticing you to come to the heavenlies. That is all God is trying to show you; this is about enticing you into the heavens to be one with Him. 'Because the merchants were the great men of the earth' (the dust and sand'). These are the great men of reputation, and whomever you hold in great esteem in this earth, they are men of the earth. The only man you should hold in esteem, or woman is the Christ. As long as we esteem somebody as being the great man, you are missing it. You're looking at the wrong thing. And that is your woman selling you a bill of goods, because it is only the Christ in the men and the women that minister. That's why there are so many problems in the church today, because everybody is looking over at this guy, 'Oh he's a great preacher, I really like him; or this woman she is really a great preacher, I like her, but I don't like this one'. Well the one you don't like is probably the one who is going to tell you the truth, and that is why you don't like them. 'For by thy sorceries, literally by your sorceries, witchcraft, it's the Greek word 'pharmacia' it speaks of and is in connection with idolatry; it's the same word we use for pharmacy, that's where we get our word pharmacy, drugs; changing things in the mind. 'By your sorceries were all nations deceived.' How many nations were deceived? All nations. Anyone on the face of this earth that says they haven't been deceived is lying. We've all been deceived, and we are all deceived by the same one, our woman, our Babylonian whore. It didn't tell us to cast her out did it? It didn't say anything like that; we're exposing this thing. Now look at this next verse.

Vs 24 'And in her, in the soul, was found the blood of what? <u>Prophets, and of saints</u>, and of all that were slain upon the earth.' In the soul realm was found the blood of the prophets, the saints, and all that were slain upon this earth. There is no one that has ever died on this earth that didn't die because of that soulish woman. Everyone that was slain was slain by the woman, the soul; the deception that she gave them.

"May God truly reveal to your Spirit the truth of the Babylonian whore so you can be set free to serve and worship the only true God in Spirit and truth."

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