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Trumpets (Rev 10-11) No Delay; 2 Witnesses
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 (Rev 12-14) Israel's flight

Bowls (Rev 16:13-16) Armageddon
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3. Rev 12-14 – Israel's flight, two beasts, six scenes of hope
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5. Rev 17:1-19:6 – Babylon's fall

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The Woman Rides the Beast
Revelation 17


- I. The Vision Concerning Babylon (1-6a)
- II. The Interpretation Concerning Babylon (6b-18)



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The Great City of Babylon
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- I. The Prediction of Babylon's Fall (18:1-3)
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I. The Prediction of Babylon's Fall
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- A. Proclamation (1-2a)
- B. Reasons (2b-3)
 - 1. Demonic Involvement (2b)
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Spread of the Mother-Child Cult

	Mother	Child
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Phoenicia	Astarte	Baal
Egypt	Isis	Osirus/Horus
Greece	Aphrodite	Eros
Rome	Venus	Cupid
Asia	Cybele	Desius
India	Isi	Aswara
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A. Appeal (4)

B. Reasons (5-8)

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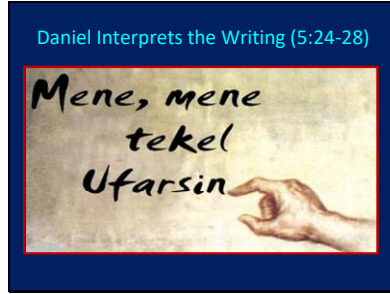
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Jeremiah 50-51

- Sudden destruction (51:8)
- Complete destruction (50:3, 13, 26, 39-40; 51:29, 43, 62)
- No reuse of building materials (51:26)
- Believers flee (50:8; 51:6, 45)
- Israel's regeneration (50:2, 4-5, 20; 51:50)

Dyer, "The Identity of Babylon in Revelation 17-18 (Part 2)," 443-49.

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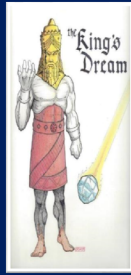
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III. The Reactions Babylon's Fall
Revelation 18:9-20


- A. The Kings (9-10)
- B. **The Merchants (11-16)**
- C. The Sea Merchants (17-19)
- D. Those in Heaven (20)



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Statue & Stone



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Daniel 2:37-38

You, **O king**, are the king of kings, to whom the God of heaven has given **the kingdom**, the power, the strength and the glory; ³⁸ and wherever the sons of men dwell, or the beasts of the field, or the birds of the sky, He has given them into your hand and has caused you to rule over them all. **You are the head of gold.**



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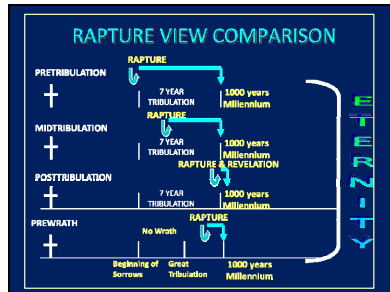
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When Will the Rapture Take Place Relative to the Tribulation Period?

- Pre-tribulation rapture theory
- Mid-tribulation rapture theory
- Post-tribulation rapture theory
- Pre-wrath rapture theory
- Partial rapture theory



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Revelation 1:19

“Therefore write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after these things [*meta tauta*].”



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**John F. Walvoord**
The Nations in Prophecy, 63-64

“As far as the historic fulfillment is concerned, it is obvious from both Scripture and history that these verses have not been literally fulfilled. The city of Babylon continued to flourish after the Medes conquered it, and though its glory dwindled, especially after the control of the Medes and the Persians ended in 323 B.C., the city continued in some form or substance until A.D. 1000 and did not experience a sudden termination such as anticipated in this prophecy.”

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Isaiah 2:2-3


“Now it will come about that in the last days the mountain of the house of the LORD will be established as the chief of the mountains, and will be raised above the hills; and all the nations will stream to it.³ And many peoples will come and say, ‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that He may teach us concerning His ways and that we may walk in His paths.’ For the law will go forth from Zion and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.”




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Zechariah 14:16-18

“Then it will come about that any who are left of all the nations that went against Jerusalem will go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to celebrate the Feast of Booths.¹⁷ And it will be that whichever of the families of the earth does not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, there will be no rain on them.¹⁸ If the family of Egypt does not go up or enter, then no *rain will fall* on them; it will be the plague with which the LORD smites the nations who do not go up to celebrate the Feast of Booths.”



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**Robert Thomas**
Four Views on the Book of Revelation, page 207.



"At the end of the Millennium that city will be Satan's prime objective with his rebel army, because Israel will be a leader among the nations."

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B. Nine Affected Groups (22-23a)

C. Cause (23b-24)

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Assyria	Ishtar	Tammuz
Phoenicia	Astarte	Baal
Egypt	Isis	Osirus/Horus
Greece	Aphrodite	Eros
Rome	Venus	Cupid
Asia	Cybele	Desius
India	Isi	Aswara
Roman Catholicism	Mary	Jesus
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Dan. 4:12-Its foliage *was* beautiful and its fruit abundant, And in it *was* food for all. The beasts of the field found shade under it, And **the birds of the sky dwelt in its branches**, And all living creatures fed themselves from it.

Matt. 13:32-and this is smaller than all *other* seeds, but when it is full grown, it is larger than the garden plants and becomes a tree, so that **THE BIRDS OF THE AIR come and NEST IN ITS BRANCHES.**

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Jer. 51:7-**Babylon** has been a golden cup in the hand of the LORD, **Intoxicating all the earth. The nations have drunk of her wine; Therefore the nations are going mad.**

Jas. 4:4-You **adulteresses**, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

Matt. 6:24-No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

1 Tim. 6:6-10-⁶ But godliness *actually* is a means of great gain when accompanied by contentment. ⁷ For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either. ⁸ If we have food and covering, with these we shall be content. ⁹ But those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a snare and many foolish and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root

of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

1 Tim. 6:17-19-¹⁷ Instruct those who are rich in this present world not to be conceited or to fix their hope on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly supplies us with all things to enjoy. ¹⁸ *Instruct them* to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, ¹⁹ storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is life indeed.

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Jer. 50:8-**Wander away from the midst of Babylon And go forth from the land of the Chaldeans;** Be also like male goats at the head of the flock

Jer. 51:6-**Flee from the midst of Babylon, And each of you save his life! Do not be destroyed in her punishment,** For this is the LORD'S time of vengeance; He is going to render recompense to her.

Jer. 51:45-**Come forth from her midst, My people, And each of you save yourselves** From the fierce anger of the LORD.

Prov. 22:24-25-Do not associate with a man *given* to anger;
Or go with a hot-tempered man, ²⁵ Or you will learn his ways
And find a snare for yourself.

Luke 17:32-Remember Lot's wife.

Gen. 19:26- But his wife, from behind him, looked *back*, and she became a pillar of salt.

1 Cor. 5:9-10-⁹I wrote you in my letter not to associate with immoral people; ¹⁰I *did* not at all *mean* with the immoral people of this world, or with the covetous and swindlers, or with idolaters, for then you would have to go out of the world.

1 Cor. 15:33-Do not be deceived: “Bad company corrupts good morals.”

2 Cor. 6:14-17-¹⁴Do not be bound together with unbelievers; for what partnership have righteousness and lawlessness, or what fellowship has light with darkness? ¹⁵Or what harmony has Christ with Belial, or what has a believer in common with an unbeliever? ¹⁶Or what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; just as God said, “I WILL DWELL IN THEM AND WALK AMONG THEM; AND I WILL BE THEIR GOD, AND THEY SHALL BE MY PEOPLE.

¹⁷“Therefore, COME OUT FROM THEIR MIDST AND BE SEPARATE,” says the Lord. “AND DO NOT TOUCH WHAT IS UNCLEAN; And I will welcome you.

Eph. 5:11-Do not **participate** in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them.

1 John 2:15-17-¹⁵Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world. ¹⁷The world is passing away, and *also* its lusts; but the one who does the will of God lives forever.

Jer. 50:15-Raise your battle cry against her on every side! She has given herself up, her pillars have fallen, Her walls have been torn down. **For this is the vengeance of the LORD: Take vengeance on her; As she has done to others, so do to her.**

Jer. 50:29-Summon many against Babylon, All those who bend the bow: Encamp against her on every side, Let there be no escape. **Repay her according to her work; According to all that she has done, so do to her;** For she has become arrogant against the LORD, Against the Holy One of Israel.

Jer. 16:18-**I will first doubly repay their iniquity and their sin,** because they have polluted My land; they have filled My inheritance with the carcasses of their detestable idols and with their abominations.

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Exod. 1:22- Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, saying, “Every son who is born you are to cast into the Nile, and every daughter you are to keep alive.”

Exod. 4:22-Then you shall say to Pharaoh, ‘Thus says the LORD, “Israel is My son, My firstborn.

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Isa. 42:8- I am the LORD, that is My name; **I will not give My glory to another, Nor My praise to graven images.**

Dan. 4:30-31-³⁰ The king reflected and said, ‘Is this not Babylon the great, which I myself have built as a royal residence by the

might of my power and for the glory of my majesty?’³¹ While the word *was* in the king’s mouth, a voice came from heaven, *saying*, ‘King Nebuchadnezzar, to you it is declared: sovereignty has been removed from you.

1 Tim. 5:6- But she who gives herself to wanton pleasure is dead even while she lives.

Isa. 47:7-9- “Yet you said, ‘**I will be a queen forever.**’ These things you did not consider Nor remember the outcome of them.⁸ “Now, then, hear this, you sensual one, Who dwells securely, Who says in your heart, ‘**I am, and there is no one besides me. I will not sit as a widow, Nor know loss of children.**’⁹ “**But these two things will come on you suddenly in one day: Loss of children and widowhood.** They will come on you in full measure In spite of your many sorceries, In spite of the great power of your spells.

Luke 12:16-21-¹⁶ And He told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man was very productive. ¹⁷ And he began reasoning to himself, saying, ‘What shall I do, since I have no place to store my crops?’¹⁸ Then he said, ‘This is what I will do: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, “Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years *to come*; take your ease, eat, drink *and* be merry.’”²⁰ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This *very* night your soul is required of you; and *now* who will own what you have prepared?’²¹ So is the man who stores up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.

Dan. 5:30-31-³⁰That **same night** Belshazzar the Chaldean king was slain. ³¹ So Darius the Mede received the kingdom at about the age of sixty-two.

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Dan. 5:16-But I personally have heard about you, that you are able to give interpretations and solve difficult problems. Now if you are able to read the inscription and make its interpretation known to me, you will be **clothed with purple and wear a necklace of gold** around your neck, and you will have authority as the third *ruler* in the kingdom.

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Matt. 2:11- After coming into the house they saw the Child with Mary His mother; and they fell to the ground and worshiped Him. Then, opening their treasures, they presented to Him gifts of gold, **frankincense**, and myrrh.

Jer. 51:13-O you who dwell by many waters, **Abundant in treasures**, Your end has come, The measure of your end.

Rev. 21:21-And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; each one of the gates was a single pearl. And **the street of the city was pure gold**, like transparent glass.

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1 Cor. 7:31- and those who use the world, as though they did not make full use of it; **for the form of this world is passing away.**

1 John 2:17-**The world is passing away, and *also* its lusts;** but the one who does the will of God lives forever.

Matt. 24:35-**Heaven and earth will pass away,** but My words will not pass away.

Eccles. 3:11- He has made everything appropriate in its time. **He has also set eternity in their heart,** yet so that man will not find out the work which God has done from the beginning even to the end.

Isa. 40:8- The grass withers, the flower fades, But the word of our God stands forever.

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Rev. 19:8-It was given to her to clothe herself in **fine linen,** bright *and* clean; for the **fine linen** is the righteous acts of the saints.

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Job 2:12-When they lifted up their eyes at a distance and did not recognize him, they raised their voices and wept. And each of

them tore his robe and **they threw dust over their heads toward the sky.**

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John 15:18-19-¹⁸“If the world hates you, you know that it has hated Me before *it hated* you. ¹⁹ If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you.

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Luke 4:5-7-⁵ And he led Him up and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. ⁶ And the devil said to Him, “I will give You all this domain and its glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I give it to whomever I wish. ⁷ Therefore if You worship before me, it shall all be Yours.”

Jer. 51:49-Indeed Babylon is to fall *for* the slain of Israel, *As* also for Babylon the slain of all the earth have fallen.

Acts 14:4-But the people of the city were divided; and some sided with the Jews, and some with the apostles.

Acts 14:14- But when the apostles **Barnabas** and Paul heard of it, they tore their robes and rushed out into the crowd, crying out

2 Cor 8:23- As for **Titus**, *he is* my partner and fellow worker among you; as for our brethren, *they are* messengers of the churches, a glory to Christ.

Rom 16:7- Greet Andronicus and Junias, my kinsmen and my fellow prisoners, who are outstanding among the apostles, who also were in Christ before me.

Phil 2:25- But I thought it necessary to send to you **Epaphroditus**, my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger and minister to my need.

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Jer. 51:63-64- ⁶³ And as soon as you finish reading this scroll, you will tie a stone to it and throw it into the middle of the Euphrates, ⁶⁴ and say, ‘Just so shall Babylon sink down and not rise again because of the calamity that I am going to bring upon

her; and they will become exhausted.”” Thus far are the words of Jeremiah.

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Matt. 18:6-but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it would be better for him to have a heavy **millstone** hung around his neck, and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

“Millstones in John's day often measured four or five feet in diameter, were one foot thick, and weighed thousands of pounds (cf. Mark 9:42).” Constable’s Notes

Isa. 13:20-22-**It will never be inhabited or lived in from generation to generation; Nor will the Arab pitch his tent there, Nor will shepherds make their flocks lie down there.**

²¹ But desert creatures will lie down there, And their houses will be full of owls; Ostriches also will live there, and shaggy goats will frolic there. ²² Hyenas will howl in their fortified towers And jackals in their luxurious palaces. Her *fateful* time also will soon come And her days will not be prolonged.

Jer. 50:3-For a nation has come up against her out of the north; it will make her land an object of horror, and **there will be no inhabitant in it. Both man and beast have wandered off, they have gone away!**

Jer. 50:13-Because of the indignation of the LORD **she will not be inhabited, But she will be completely desolate;** Everyone

who passes by Babylon will be horrified And will hiss because of all her wounds.

Jer. 50:26- Come to her from the farthest border; Open up her barns, Pile her up like heaps And utterly destroy her, **Let nothing be left to her.**

Jer. 50:39-40-“Therefore the desert creatures will live *there* along with the jackals; The ostriches also will live in it, And **it will never again be inhabited Or dwelt in from generation to generation.** ⁴⁰ **“As when God overthrew Sodom And Gomorrah with its neighbors,” declares the LORD, “No man will live there, Nor will *any* son of man reside in it.**

Jer. 51:29-So the land quakes and writhes, For the purposes of the LORD against Babylon stand, **To make the land of Babylon A desolation without inhabitants.**

Jer. 51:43- Her cities have become an object of horror, **A parched land and a desert, A land in which no man lives And through which no son of man passes.**

Jer. 51:62-and say, ‘You, O LORD, have promised concerning this place to cut it off, so that **there will be nothing dwelling in it, whether man or beast, but it will be a perpetual desolation.**’

Rev. 20:9-And they came up on the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and **the beloved city**, and fire came down from heaven and devoured them.

Luke 17:27-they were eating, they were drinking, they were marrying, they were being given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.

Isa. 47:9-13- “But these two things will come on you suddenly in one day: Loss of children and widowhood. They will come on you in full measure In spite of your many **sorceries**, In spite of the great power of your **spells**. ¹⁰ “You felt secure in your wickedness and said, ‘No one sees me,’ Your wisdom and your knowledge, they have deluded you; For you have said in your heart, ‘I am, and there is no one besides me.’ ¹¹ “But evil will come on you Which you will not know how to **charm** away; And disaster will fall on you For which you cannot atone; And destruction about which you do not know Will come on you suddenly. ¹² “Stand *fast* now in your **spells** And in your many **sorceries** With which you have labored from your youth; Perhaps you will be able to profit, Perhaps you may cause trembling. ¹³ “You are wearied with your many counsels; Let now the **astrologers**, Those who **prophecy by the stars**, Those who predict by the new moons, Stand up and save you from what will come upon you.

Jul 12, 2019. BY: Citizens Count. As of July 2019, a total of ten states, as well as Washington D.C., have legalized marijuana for recreational use:

- Massachusetts
- Maine
- Vermont

- Alaska
- California
- Colorado
- Nevada
- Oregon
- Washington
- Michigan

Most of those states allow both growing marijuana at home and selling it commercially.

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Matt. 23:34-35-³⁴ “Therefore, behold, I am sending you prophets and wise men and scribes; some of them you will kill and crucify, and some of them you will scourge in your synagogues, and persecute from city to city,³⁵ so that upon you may fall *the guilt of* all the righteous blood shed on earth, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, whom you murdered between the temple and the altar.

Jer. 51:49-Indeed Babylon is to fall *for* the slain of Israel, *As* also for Babylon the slain of all the earth have fallen.

Conclusion

Num. 6:24-26-The LORD bless you, and keep you;²⁵ The LORD make His face shine on you, And be gracious

to you; ²⁶ The LORD lift up His countenance on you, And give
you peace.'