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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 (Rev 12-14) Israel's flight

Bowls (Rev 16:13-16) Armageddon
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 (Rev 17-18) Babylon falls

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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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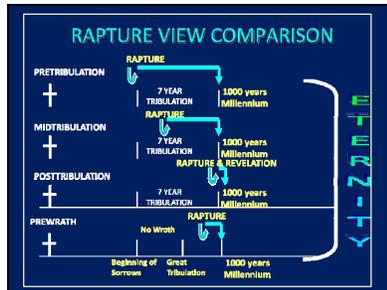
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Revelation 1:19

“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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II. The Description of Babylon's Fall
Revelation 18:21-24

A. Description (21)

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C. Cause (23b-24)

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Same name	50:1	17:5
Persecution of the saints	51:49	17:6; 18:24
Stone sinking into Euphrates	51:63-64	18:21
Sudden destruction	51:8	18:8
Destroyed by fire	51:30	17:16
Final, uninhabitable	50:39	18:21
Deserved	50:29	18:6
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Heaven rejoices	51:48	18:20

Dyer, "The Identity of Babylon in Revelation 17-18 (Part 2)," 441-43.

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Genesis 11:1-4

¹ Now the whole earth used the same language and the same words. ² It came about as they journeyed east, that they found a plain in the land of **Shinar** and settled there. ³ They said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks and burn them thoroughly." And they used brick for stone, and they used tar for mortar. ⁴ They said, "Come, let us build for ourselves a city, and a tower whose top will reach into heaven, and let us make for ourselves a name, otherwise we will be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth."



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Psalm 50:5 (NKJV)
"Gather My saints together to Me,
Those who have made a covenant with
Me by sacrifice."



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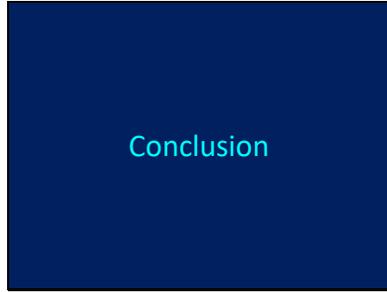
Psalm 149:1 (NKJV)
"Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song,
And His praise in the assembly of saints."



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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.

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.

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

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.”

1 Kgs. 18:21-Elijah came near to all the people and said, "How long will you hesitate between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him." But the people did not answer him a word.

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 1:21-22-²¹ Therefore it is necessary that of the men who have accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us— ²²beginning with the baptism of John until the day that He was taken up from us—one of these *must* become a witness with us of His resurrection.

Eph. 2:20-having been built on **the foundation of the apostles and prophets**, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner *stone*.

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.

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.

Ps. 78:68-But chose the tribe of Judah, **Mount Zion which He loved.**

Ps. 87:2-**The LORD loves the gates of Zion** More than all the *other* dwelling places of Jacob.

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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 **prophesy 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.

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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.’