



# FINAL CONQUEST

A VERSE-BY-VERSE STUDY OF REVELATION

## RELIGION GONE WRONG

REVELATION 17:1-18

### Review of Revelation

**Theme of Revelation:** Jesus Christ is returning to earth to reward the righteous and punish the unrighteous.

In Revelation 1:19 Jesus instructed John to, “Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after these things.”

### Outline of Revelation

1. “The Things You Have Seen”  
Chapter 1: The Glorified Christ
2. “The Things Which Are”  
Chapters 2-3: The Messages to the Church
3. “The Things Which Shall Take Place”  
Chapters 4-22

### I. The Centrality Of “Babylon” In Revelation

### II. An Invitation To Witness The Judgment Of The Harlot (Revelation 17:1-2)

Revelation 17:1-2 <sup>1</sup> “Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and spoke with me, saying, ‘Come here, I will show you the judgment of the great harlot who sits on many waters, <sup>2</sup> with whom the kings of the earth committed acts of immorality, and those who dwell on the earth were made drunk with the wine of her immorality.’”



**III. A Vision Of The Scarlet Harlot** (Revelation 17:3-6)

Revelation 17:3-6 <sup>3</sup> “And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness; and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast, full of blasphemous names, having seven heads and ten horns.

<sup>4</sup> The woman was clothed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a gold cup full of abominations and of the unclean things of her immorality, <sup>5</sup> and on her forehead a name was written, a mystery, “BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.” <sup>6</sup> And I saw the woman drunk with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the witnesses of Jesus.”

**A. The Image of the Harlot**

**B. The Name of the Harlot**

**IV. The Judgment Of The Beast** (Revelation 17:7-14)

Revelation 17:7-14 <sup>7</sup> “And the angel said to me, ‘Why do you wonder? I will tell you the mystery of the woman and of the beast that carries her, which has the seven heads and the ten horns.

<sup>8</sup> The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to come up out of the abyss and go to destruction. And those who dwell on the earth, whose name has not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, will wonder when they see the beast, that he was and is not and will come. <sup>9</sup> Here is the mind which has wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits, <sup>10</sup> and they are seven kings; five have fallen, one is, the other has not yet come; and when he comes, he must remain a little while. <sup>11</sup> The beast which

was and is not, is himself also an eighth and is one of the seven, and he goes to destruction. <sup>12</sup> The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom, but they receive authority as kings with the beast for one hour. <sup>13</sup> These have one purpose, and they give their power and authority to the beast. <sup>14</sup> These will wage war against the Lamb and the Lamb will overcome them, because He is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those who are with Him are the called and chosen and faithful.”



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### A. The Seven Heads of the Beast

#### The Trinity of Terror

- The beast out of the abyss—Satan
- The beast out of the sea—Antichrist
- The beast out of the earth—False Prophet

### B. The Ten Horns of the Beast

### C. The Defeat of the Beast

### V. The Judgment Of The Harlot (Revelation 17:15-18)

Revelation 17:15-18 <sup>15</sup> “And he said to me, ‘The waters which you saw where the harlot sits, are peoples and multitudes and nations and tongues. <sup>16</sup> And the ten horns which you saw, and the beast, these will hate the harlot and will make her desolate and naked, and will eat her flesh and will burn her up with fire. <sup>17</sup> For God has put it in their hearts to execute His purpose by having a common purpose, and by giving their kingdom to the beast, until the words of God will be fulfilled. <sup>18</sup> The woman whom you saw is the great city, which reigns over the kings of the earth.’”

### VI. Three Tests For Any Religion

1 John 4:1 “Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.”



**Questions To Ask To Evaluate Any Religion**

**A. What Does It Teach About Jesus?** (1 John 4:2-3)

1 John 4:2-3 <sup>2</sup> “By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God; <sup>3</sup> and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God; this is the spirit of the Antichrist [the spirit of Babylon], of which you have heard that it is coming, and now it is already in the world.”

**B. What Does It Believe About Salvation?** (Galatians 1:8)

Galatians 1:8 “Even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to what we have preached to you [of the death and resurrection of Christ and the need to trust in Him alone for salvation], he is to be accursed!”

**C. What Results Does It Produce?** (2 Timothy 3:5)

2 Timothy 3:5 “Holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power; avoid such men as these.”

Conclusion