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Review and Continuing with Our Text Before Us

Revelation 17:1-18

Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and talked with me, saying to me, "Come, I will show you the judgment of the great harlot who sits on many waters, :2 with whom the kings of the earth committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with the wine of her fornication." :3 So he carried me away in the Spirit into the wilderness. And I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast *which was* full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.:4 The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the filthiness of her fornication. :5 And on her forehead a name was written: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. :6 I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. And when I saw her, I marveled with great amazement. :7 But the angel said to me, "Why did you marvel? 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...

:8 The beast that you saw was, and is not, and will ascend out of the bottomless pit and go to perdition. And those who dwell on the earth will marvel, whose names are not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, when they see the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. :9 "Here *is* the mind which has wisdom: The seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits. :10 There are also seven kings. Five have fallen, one is, *and* the other has not yet come. And when he comes, he must continue a short time. :11 The beast that was, and is not, is himself also the eighth, and is of the seven, and is going to perdition. :12 "The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast. :13 These are of one mind, and they will give their power and authority to the beast. :14

These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those *who are* with Him *are* called, chosen, and faithful." :15 Then he said to me, "The waters which you saw, where the harlot sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues. :16

And the ten horns which you saw on the beast, these will hate the harlot, make her desolate and naked, eat her flesh and burn her with fire. :17 For God has put it into their hearts to fulfill His purpose, to be of one mind, and to give their kingdom to the beast, until the words of God are fulfilled.

:18 And the woman whom you saw is that great city which reigns over the kings of the earth."

***That This Mystery, This Babylon
is a system of vast religious tentacles that reach far and deep***

Originating with the Man Nimrod

Genesis 10:8-9

Cush begot Nimrod; he began to be a mighty one on the earth. :9 He was a mighty hunter before the LORD; therefore it is said, "Like Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD." :10 And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, Erech, Accad, and Cal'neh, in the land of **Shinar** (Ancient Babylon = Modern Iraq).

Establishing a Worship System - That Went Global!

Jeremiah 44:15-7

Then all the women present and all the men who knew that their wives had burned incense to idols—a great crowd of all the Judeans living in Pathros, the southern region of Egypt—answered Jeremiah, :16 "We will not listen to your messages from the LORD! :17 **We will do whatever we want. We will burn incense to the Queen of Heaven and sacrifice to her just as much as we like—just as we and our ancestors did before us, and as our kings and princes have always done in the towns of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem.**

Ezekiel 8:12-14

:13 Again, he said, "You will see them doing things that are even more detestable." :14 Then he brought me to the entrance to the north gate of the house of the LORD, (Jerusalem) and I saw women sitting there, **mourning for Tammuz.**

To Learn More About This Mystery Babylon and It's Spiritual Whoredom (Alternative Roads of Worship)

You Must Venture Out Into a Vast Array of Books and Studies
A Great Shortcut

**Alexander Hislop's Book
*The Two Babylons***

**Dave Hunts Book
*The Woman Rides The Beast***

And There are Literally Hundreds of Websites...

(I have Bumped into more than a few of you around Town...) Thank You and Yes, I Know I Haven't Revealed All That Is About Mystery Babylon and Its Practices of Today.

IDENTIFYING THE ROAD TO BABYLON

I.) *It's a System having "Global" Powers*

1st Her Identity is Clear

v.18

2nd Her Location is Clear

3rd Her Attire is Clear

4th Her Influence is Clear

v.15

Then he said to me, "The waters which you saw, where the harlot sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues.

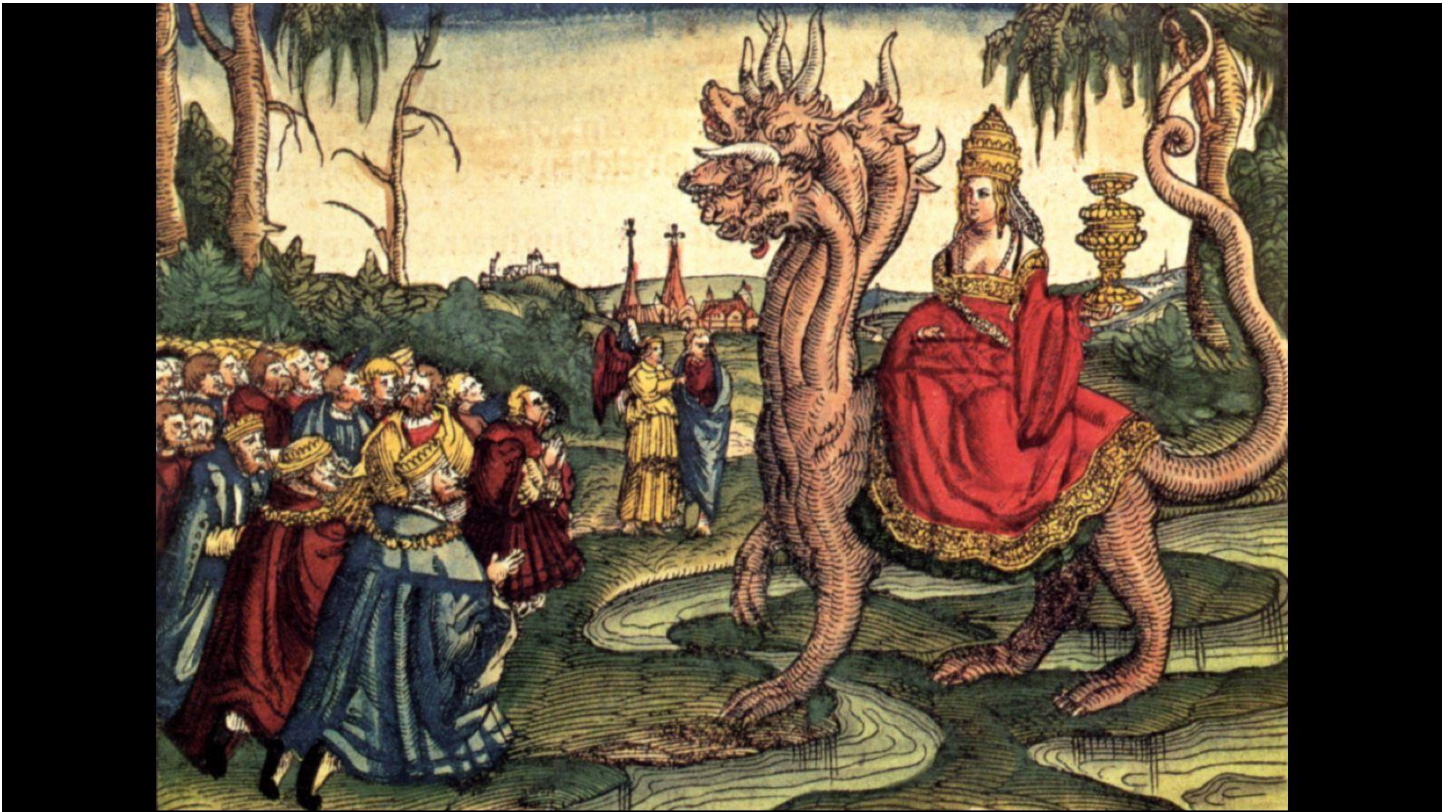
IDENTIFYING THE WORSHIP OF BABYLON

II.) It's a system having a "Glorious" Position

1st She will be granted swift access to the world

v.3

So he (John) carried me away in the Spirit into the wilderness (earth during the great tribulation period). And I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast *which* was full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads **and ten horns**.



2nd She will dominate the world's religions

v.3

III.) It's a system having "Grand" Prosperity

1st Unlimited Wealth

v.4

The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup

2nd So Watch for a Dominant European Currency

The Mystery Babylon Will Be Part "Membership Economy"

Revelation 13:16-18

He (The Coming World Leader) will cause all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads, :17 and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. :18 Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man: His number is 666.



Jack, What's The Connection?

"A Woman Rides The Beast"

-- Then and Now --

3rd Its wealth will elevate its status

v.4

IDENTIFYING THE ROAD TO BABYLON

IV.) It's a system having "Gross" Passions

1st She is a great spiritual harlot

v.4b

The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, **having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the filthiness of her fornication.**

Pornea: Spiritual Pornography - If You Will

2nd She is unholy to God

v.2

She has Been, and Will be..... With whom the kings of the earth (political leaders and representatives) have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

3rd She is Indulgent

v.5

And upon her forehead was a name written, **MYSTERY**, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE **MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH**

An Unholy Marriage Between The Babylonian Worship System
to
What Was Called The Christian Church

Under Pontiff Maximus Constantine in the Early 300's A.D.

When a Carnal, Apostate Church United with The State
"When the Emperor Worship of the Roman Empire Intercourse with the
Church, Together They Produced The Holy Roman Church"

IDENTIFYING THE ROAD TO BABYLON

V.) *It's a system having "Given" Persecutions*

v.6-7a

And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration. :7 And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel?

1st *She has historically martyred Christians*

v.6

the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus:

There has Been No Other Institution on Earth That Has Killed More Bible Believing Christians Throughout History - Than The Holy Roman Church.

2nd *She will repeat her historic actions*

v.6

It's a system having "Given" Persecutions

3rd *Her actions are shocking to John*

John Never Imagined That Something Called a Church
Could Consume Others

These Events That God Showed John Are Yet Future
They, Like Us, Reside Along a Biblical Timeline
Let's Bring This to Our Attention Now
(current events)

What Does The Bible Teach Us?

A European Union of (10)

Daniel 7:24

The ten horns *are* ten kings *Who* shall arise from this kingdom.

Revelation 17:12

"The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast.

List of 28 Delegations	
10 Member States (modified Brussels Treaty – 1954) (also members of the EU and NATO)	
Belgium	Luxembourg
France	Netherlands
Germany	Portugal (1990)
Greece (1995)	Spain (1990)
Italy	United Kingdom
6 Associate Members (Rome – 1992) (also members of NATO)	
Czech Republic (1999)	Norway
Hungary (1999)	Poland (1999)
Iceland	Turkey
5 Observers (Rome – 1992) (also members of the EU)	
Austria (1995)	Ireland
Denmark (1995)	Sweden (1995)
Finland (1995)	
7 Associate Partners (Kirchberg – 1994) (all signatories of a Europe Agreement with the EU)	
Bulgaria	Romania
Estonia	Slovakia
Latvia	Slovenia (1996)
Lithuania	



European Leaders Sign EU Constitution in Rome

Roma, Italy
European leaders on Friday signed the EU's first constitution, a diplomatic triumph they hope will give the union a sharper international profile and speed up decision-making in a club now embracing 25 nations. Silvio Berlusconi, the Italian premier, said in a speech earlier. "Never in history have we seen an example of nations voluntarily deciding to exercise their sovereign powers jointly in the exclusive interests of their peoples, thus overcoming age-old impulses of rivalry and distrust by becoming one."

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Revelation 13:1

And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and **ten horns**,

Revelation 17:3-4

So he carried me away in the Spirit into the wilderness. And I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast *which* was full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and **ten horns**. :4 The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet,

Daniel 7:7-8

"After this I saw in the night visions, and behold, a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, exceedingly strong. It had huge iron teeth; it was devouring, breaking in pieces, and trampling the residue with its feet. It was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns. :8 I was considering the horns, and there was another horn, a little one, coming up among them, before whom three of the first horns were plucked out by the roots. And there, in this horn, were eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking pompous words.

Revelation 17:12-13

"The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast. :13 These are of one mind, and they will give their power and authority to the beast.

Daniel 9:24-27

tells us of a coming man representing the world, who will come to the nation of Israel and offer a peace plan, a road map to peace, a UN resolution.





Mideast Summit

Mr. Sharon also invited Mr. Abbas to his farm in Israel for a working visit.

(Photo: Ruth Fremson/The New York Times)

Israel and Palestinians Announce Ceasefire

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SHARM EL-SHEIKH, Egypt, Feb 8 (MASNET & News Agencies) - Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and Palestinian leader Mahmud Abbas announced a ceasefire, calling for a halt to four years of violence and bloodshed, allowing for peace talks to get back on track.



Palestinian President Mahmud Abbas and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon shake hands at summit in Egypt where they announced a ceasefire between the two sides.

Meeting face-to-face at a landmark summit in Egypt following a new U.S. peace push in the region, both leaders said it was time to end the cycle of bloodshed which has claimed some 4,700 lives, reports Agence France-Presse (AFP).



Mideast Summit

President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt, right, hosted the highest level meeting between Israelis and Palestinians in four years.

(Photo: Lefferis Pitarakis/Associated Press)

Israel and Palestine declare end to violence

The gestures on both sides reflect a dramatic brightening of prospects for Middle East peacemaking since the death of Yasser Arafat and the advent of Mahmoud Abbas.



Israel Prime Minister Ariel Sharon (L) shakes hands with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas during their meeting at Sharm el-Sheikh.

Israeli and Palestinian leaders declared a cease-fire on Tuesday at a summit in Egypt aimed at ending more than four years of bloodshed and reviving long-stalled peace talks. Militants waging an uprising since 2000, who are observing a de facto truce, said they were not bound by the agreement hailed by Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon as a new chance for the Middle East.

"The calm which will prevail in our lands starting from today is the beginning of a new era," said Abbas at the Red Sea resort of Sharm el-Sheikh where Israeli and Palestinian flags flew side by side. Sharon said: "We must all declare here today that violence will not prevail, violence will not be allowed to murder hope ... For the first time in a long time there is hope in our region for a better future for us and our grandchildren."

Daniel 9:27

He will confirm a covenant with many for one 'seven.' In the middle of the 'seven' he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on a wing [of the temple] he will set up an abomination that causes desolation,

2 Thessalonians 2:3-12

Let no one deceive you by any means; for *that Day will not come* unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition, :4 who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God. :5 ¶ Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? :6 And now you know what is restraining, that he may be revealed in his own time. :7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains *will do so* until He is taken out of the way. :8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming. :9 The coming of the *lawless one* is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, :10 and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. :11 And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, :12 that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL EUROPE

Central Banks Boost Holdings in Euros

Trend Comes at Expense Of Weak Dollar, May Have Policy Implications for U.S.

By KATHY MARTIN Dow Jones Newswires More than two-thirds of the world's central banks have boosted their euro holdings in their currency reserves over the past two years, largely at the dollar's expense, according to a survey to be published today. Reserve managers overwhelmingly agree that they will continue to build reserves over the coming years, but note of

ing from central banks, which are among the world's biggest holders of foreign-currency assets. "The dollar weakness will cause many central banks to reduce the proportion of their reserves held in dollars," the report says, adding that this has taken many reserve holders by surprise. "This represents a marked change from November 2002," it said, when the previous report was published. None of the central banks is identified individually, but between them, they control \$1.7 trillion (€1.2 trillion) in reserves—around half of the global total. Their reserve growth expectations point to a global total of \$5 trillion by 2008. The report shows signs that the world's





Here's Some Great News

Daniel 2:44

And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.

Revelation 19:11-20

Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. :12 His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. :13 He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. :14 And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. :15 Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. :16 And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS. :17 Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great God, :18 that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great." :19 And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. :20 Then the beast was captured...

...and all God's people said; AMEN !

End of Study