

Today's Theme

“Babylon Gets Destroyed 2”

Series Title

“The Future - From Jesus”

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1. What Babylon had *as a lifestyle*.

- (1) They *welcomed* evil into their lives/homes.
- (2) Love for *immorality & things* became normal.

2. God speaks *truth* & throws them a rope.

- (1) *Refuse* to get caught up in *wrong* things.
- (2) Lost sense of *right & wrong* things get worse.

3. What Babylon will *receive* from God.

- (1) They end up suffering *double* pain.
- (2) Babylon will be totally *destroyed*.

4. Babylon's reaction as life is *wrecked*.

- (1) The kings *mourn* over all the destruction.
- (2) Business's placed *hope* in the wrong place.
- (3) Captains of ships faced financial *ruin*.

Refuse to get wrapped up in what you own!

5. Why are God's people told to rejoice?

- (1) Because of the *persecution* they had faced.
Rev 18:20 “Rejoice over her, you heavens! Rejoice, you people of God! Rejoice, apostles and prophets!

- (2) They refused to *listen* to truth - Now they *pay*.
Rev 18:20 For God has judged her with the judgment she imposed on you.

Rom 12:17 Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone.
18 If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

Rom 12:19 Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” says the Lord.
20 On the contrary: “If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head.”
21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

6. What God *will do* to Babylon.

- (1) Babylon will be *overthrown violently*.

Rev 18:21 Then a mighty angel picked up a boulder the size of a large millstone and threw it into the sea, and said: “With such violence the great city of Babylon will be thrown down, never to be found again.

- (2) They will be *snuffed out - Annihilated*.

Rev 18:22 The music of harpists and musicians, pipers and trumpeters, will never be heard in you again. No worker of any trade will ever be found in you again. The sound of a millstone will never be heard in you again.
23 The light of a lamp will never shine in you again. The voice of bridegroom and bride will never be heard in you again. . . .

7. Why God's judgment came to Babylon.

- (1) They are people: “Of this *world*”.

Rev 18:23 . . . Your merchants were the world's important people.

- (2) They are people: “Who dabbled in the *occult*”.

Rev 18:23 . . . By your magic spell all the nations were led astray.

- (3) They are people: “That *killed God's people*”.

Rev 18:24 In her was found the blood of prophets and of God's holy people, of all who have been slaughtered on the earth.”