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4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:

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

6 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? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.

## **“Ready or Not! Here He Comes, Part 3” One World Government and Religion**

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- The Bible teaches that there will be a One World Govt & a One World Religious system that will be in place immediately before the Second Coming of the Lord.
- And I'm going to talk about religion tonight ... and anytime you start talking about people's religion ... it can get very personal ...
- There's much imagery that the Bible uses to describe the one world government and the one world religious system ...
- The one world government will be ruled by the Anti-christ ... and the one world religious system will be ruled by the false-prophet ...
- The false prophet will persuade people to follow the anti-christ ...

(Let me say that again ... the false prophet will persuade people to follow the anti-christ)

(religion will play a key role in getting people to worship the anti-christ ...)

- Let me prove it to you ...

### **Revelation 13:11-13 (KJV)**

11 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

12 And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

13 And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

- And even though there is much imagery that is used to describe these systems ... the Bible gives us meaning for these imageries

- Let's read:

### **Daniel 7:15-17 (KJV) (Rios)**

15 I was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body & the visions of my head troubled me

16 I came near unto one of them that stood by ... & asked him the truth of all this. So he told

me & made me know the interpretation of the things

17 These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth.

- But now let's go back up & read what he saw

**Daniel 7:3-8 (KJV) (Cole)**

3 And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.

4 The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it.

5 And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and it had three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh.

6 After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it.

7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

- Notice that there are four separate & different beasts in Daniel 7 ... and they are govts ...
- And these animals represent nations ...

1.Lion—Great Britain

2.Eagle's Wings that are plucked from the Lion. This is no doubt the United States. Where did the United States come from? Great Britain. What is the national symbol of America? Eagle

3. Bear—Russia

4. Leopard with Four Heads—This is Germany, 4 heads equal the times that this kingdom will rise and fall. Germany has experienced their first rieht, second rieht, Hitler's third rieht, and now their fourth rieht is now rising.

5. 4<sup>th</sup> beast was different from all the other beast. It had ten horns and it was out of this beast that the "little" horn which is the Anitchrist will arise.

- These are separate and distinct beasts—how can these beasts, or these nations, be one kingdom when it says that they are different.
- Now let's turn to ...

**Revelation 13:1-2 (KJV) (Dickerson)**

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, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

- I want you to notice ... there are the same symbols here as in Dan 7
- We have ... the Ten Horns with Ten crowns; Leopard; Bear; Lion
- However, in this prophecy these are not four separate beasts—these merge to become one beast.
- And this one beast has the body of the leopard ... the feet of the bear ... and the mouth of the lion.
- So what this tells us is that Great Britain, Germany, Russia is going to make an alliance with a ten nation kingdom of the Anti-Christ.

- And out of this union, out of this one world government, a little horn (which is the Anti-Christ) will arise & take control over this govt
- John, in the book of Revelation, said that this one beast has seven heads.
- If you will look back in Daniel 7 and count the heads of the beast there you will find 7 heads
- Lion had a head. Bear has a head. The 4th beast had a head. So that's 3 heads & then the leopard had 4 heads equaling 7 heads.
- So these separate nations in Daniel 7 merge to produce the one world government that will eventually be led by the Anti-Christ.
- You need to also notice that in Daniel 7 there were eagle's wings that were plucked from the lion. There are no wings in Revelation 13.
- It could mean, and we hope it does, that America is not part of the one world system.



## **Revelation 12:13-14 (KJV) (Rios)**

13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.

14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

- I hope and pray that this is America. America has always stood for and defended Israel. I pray we never stop doing that.
- And if our new president happens to be listening ... I'm begging you stand with Israel ... because whoever blesses Israel God blesses and whoever curses Israel ... God curses ...
- Israel is still God's people and we don't want to fight against God. He has never lost a fight as of yet, and the Book says He is not going to lose this one.

- There is coming a one world government but all that is going to do is pave the way for the Kingdom of God.

### **Daniel 2:44 (KJV) (Dickerson)**

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

- This is the one world government. This is the political side. But there is also a spiritual side
- And there will rise out of this global govt a leader or a dictator that we already know as the Anti-Christ.

### **Revelation 19:20 (KJV)**

And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that

worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

- Here we see the political leader and the spiritual leader that deceived the world receiving their judgment.
- But before their judgment in Revelation 19—we see their marriage in Revelation 17.

**Revelation 17:3 (KJV) (Cole)**

So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

- Now remember a beast represents a kingdom or a nation. We know that this beast is the last “world” government because it has seven heads and ten horns.
- This beast here is the same beast we studied about last week that is the culmination of all the beasts in Daniel 7.

- And now there is a woman sitting on this beast ... and she is mystery Babylon ...
- The first time we hear of Babylon in Scripture is at the tower of Babel. This was shortly after the flood. The idea behind building the tower which would reach high into the heavens was that if another flood came, the people could save themselves by going up into the tower rather than depending on God to save them.
- Thus, Babylon became the origin of a man-made religion ... and now this woman is called mystery Babylon ... again ... a man made religion ...
- In other words, there was a woman or system working hand and hand with this beast or kingdom or government ...
- The beast is headed up by the Antichrist and is the one world government.
- The woman is headed up by False Prophet and is the one world religious system.

- Now ... this is easy to grasp ... the church has always been represented by a woman ... and not just any woman but a woman that was a virgin.

## **2 Corinthians 11:2 (KJV) (Dickerson)**

For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

- So if the true church is represented as a virgin then it only makes sense for the false church to also be represented by a woman but this one is a little different.
- Because the Bible refers to her as a whore and as the mother of harlots.
- Now before we take a look at this woman it is of extreme importance that we understand a couple of key things concerning all religions.
- Jesus, himself, prophesied that there would be deception like never before.

**Matthew 24:5 (KJV) (Rios)**

For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

- I do not believe that this is just claims of men who are proclaiming to be Jesus ... follow me ... there are so many religions that proclaim to proclaim the name of Christ ... they come in under the banner of his name ... and yet they are so far from Biblical truths that it is not even remotely close to a Biblical formula.
- Now Paul was very adamant about this ...

**Galatians 1:8-9 (KJV) (Cole)**

8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.

9 As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

- No other gospel. We need to figure out what the gospel ... which we know is the death,

burial and resurrection ... and we need to obey it ... and the way we do that is to repent, get baptized in Jesus name and receive the Holy Ghost ...

- We should compare all religions to this doctrine ... if they aren't preaching what the Apostle's preached in the Book of Acts—let them be accursed ... why would you join up with them ...
- Why would you support that? Why would you put your kids in their SS classes? Why would you pay your tithes and offerings there ... they are accursed ...
- Do you know what the word accursed means? Thayer's definition from the Greek means this, "something devoted to God without the hope of being redeemed."
- Listen to me, I want you to understand this! These people that are preaching other doctrines they are devoted and dedicated to God, however in their present state they have

no hope of being redeemed because they do not believe they are lost ...

- Thayer's dictionary explains it like this: a person or thing that is doomed for destruction
- A good example of this would be Saul before he became Paul. He thought he was doing God a favor however he would have been damned if he would of stayed on that same path but he was genuinely devoted to God.

(Does that make sense)

- The False church, the Great Whore, that has given birth to daughters that are also prostitutes (because she is the mother of harlots) is doomed for destruction and what is so sad is in their minds ... they are totally devoted to God.
- The purpose of this lesson tonight is to identify this system not so we can point a finger of accusation or hold our noses up high because we are not part of the system but so



that we can instruct people to the truth—and do that in love.

- Because the Bible is very clear in ...

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scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

- I think that it is awesome that God would show John the judgment because w/it being recorded in Scripture then we can take a look & see if we are part of this woman or not
- Question #1—Who is this harlot?
- The search for the answer concerning the identity of the harlot leads to an interesting discovery.
- Every symbol which surrounds this woman is interpreted in plain language in this very same chapter.
- Let's look at Revelation 17:18 and it will tell us who the woman is!

**Revelation 17:18 (KJV) (Dickerson)**

And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

- So we now know that the woman is a CITY!
- According to the Word of God there is a city on the earth right now that God has pronounced judgment on.
- If I lived in this city or was part of this system I would want to know so I could pick up some change of address forms on the way home.
- Verse 1 of Revelation 17 says that she sitteth on many waters.
- Question #2—What are the waters?
- Let's look at Revelation 17:15 ...

**Revelation 17:15 (KJV) (Dickerson)**

And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

- The mystery is not as mysterious now. The woman is a city which rules over peoples, multitudes, nations and tongues.

- Apparently, this city is the headquarters of an international system.
- Verse 3 tells us that the beast in which the woman sits has seven heads.
- Let's read Rev 17:9 to see what the Bible says about the 7 heads.

### **Revelation 17:9 (KJV) (Rios)**

And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.

- The woman is a city which rules over an international organization of some sort & that city is located on seven mountains or hills
- The city of Rome is famous for being “THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS” According to World Book Encyclopedia, 1976, Volume 16, p. 405, Rome is known as the city of 7 hills.

- The next question is, “Is Rome the hdqt’s of a vast international system? Could she be said to “sit upon” peoples, multitudes, nations and tongues?”
- We all know that Rome is the headquarters of the Roman Catholic Church. And Roman Catholicism has 1.2 billion members around the world.
- But what you need to remember is that the book of Revelation was written before there was an international power headquartered in Rome!
- Rev 17:18 says that the woman reigneth over the kings of the earth.
- Rome herself claims to rule over the kings of the earth.
- The Roman Catholic Church believes that she has the right to guide the political thinking of any and all of her members.

- During the Middle Ages, the popes named, removed, and replaced kings in Europe at will
- According to Encyclopedia Americana, Vol 14 ... pg. 313 ... the Roman Catholic Church believes that popes have the right to remove kings and emperors.
- According to the Encyclopedia Britannica, 1971, Volume 22, page 907—when the pope is crowned, he is pronounced, “Father of kings and princes, the pastor of the universe and the vicar of the earth of our Lord Jesus Christ.”
- Vicar means to stand in place of or substitute ... people believe that the Pope is equal to Jesus Christ on the earth ...
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- According to The Criterion, July 1, 1988, Scarlet or red is the official color worn by the cardinals of the Roman Catholic Church— while the non cardianal arch-bishops and bishops were purple.
- The pope's crown in gold, as is his throne. The pope and other members of the hierarchy wear heavy crucifixes which are made of gold.
- The Vatican is decked in gold ... I have been there ... it is decked in gold. It is no doubt one of the most expensive buildings that has ever been erected.
- Pearls are often used by church members in the form of the rosary.
- The Bible also says in Revelation 17:6 that the woman was drunk with the blood of the saints & w/the blood of the martyrs of Jesus

- Roman Catholicism stands at the head of the line of the persecutors of the true saints of God. It has been estimated that 68 million Christians have been put to death by the Roman church because they refused to bow to her false doctrines.
- Charles Tyndale, the translator of the Tyndale Bible, was burned at the stake after a church trial. His Crime? He was convicted of translating the Bible into the language of the common man.
- Martin Luther was brought before an ecclesiastical court by the Roman Church at the Diet of Worms held in Worms, Germany.
- He was condemned to death for the crime of heresy.
- He escaped to the Protestant controlled part of Germany; consequently, the sentence was never executed.



- I want you to understand that this woman will ride the red (the color of communism and socialism) ... she will ride this socialistic beast of the endtime and she will participate in imposing the Great Tribulation upon the world.
- And I also want you to understand that the Roman Catholic church has prostituted so many doctrines found in our Bible that the only way to describe it was by calling them something opposite of the virgin bride which would be a mother harlot ...
- The Roman Catholic Church is the architect of the Trinitarian doctrine ...
- In the year 325 A.D, the Nicean Council was called. At this council the mode of baptism was changed from “In the Name of Jesus Christ” to “father, son & HG.” Also it was here the doctrine of the trinity was created
- In the Ency Brittanica, Eleventh Edition, Volume 3, page 365-366:

“The Trinitarian formula and triune immersion were not uniformly used from the beginning, nor did they always go together.”

“Baptism in Jesus name was the normal formula of the NT.”

“In the 3rd Century baptism in the name of Christ was still so widespread that Pope Stephen, in opposition to Cyprian of Carthage declared it to be valid.

From Pope Zechariah we learn that the Celtic missionaries in baptizing omitted one or more persons of the Trinity, and this was one of the reasons why the church of Rome began to ostracize them.

- Interpreter’s Dictionary for the Bible, page 351 & I quote

“The evidence of Acts 2:38; 10:48; 8:16; 19:5 supported by Galatians 3:27 and Romans 6:3 suggests that baptism in early Christianity was

administered, not in the three fold name, but “in the name of Jesus Christ” or “in the name of the Lord Jesus”.

- The next one is from the New Bible Dict, Second Edition, page 122 ... and I quote:

“And we know of no Christian in the NT who had not been baptized, either by John or in the name of Jesus.”

“Unlike John’s baptism, Christian baptism was from the first administered “in the name of Jesus”. Acts 2:38, 8:16, 10:48, 19:5.”

“It is clear then that, from the first, baptism in the name of Jesus functioned as the rite of entry or initiation into the new sect of those who called upon the name of Jesus.”

- Now quoting from The Jerome Biblical Commentary, page 113, “It seems unlikely that the Trinitarian formula of Mat 28:19 was the earliest baptismal formula employed”

- The roman catholic church changed the formula of baptism from Jesus Name to the Father, Son and Holy Ghost ... and almost every Christian religion still baptizes this way ... and this is where it gets really interesting
- Because the great whore is called the mother of harlots ... simply meaning that she has daughter harlots.
- I want you to understand I am thankful for the protests that actually started a movement called the Protestants but if they did not restore all Biblical truths then we still need to take a fresh look at the Word of God.
- Remember, they can't preach any other doctrine except that which is called the Apostle's Doctrine.
- So the next question that we need to entertain is who are the daughters?
- The daughters are the offspring of the mother

- During the reign of Pope John the 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Roman Church proclaimed, “We, the mother church, are opening our arms to all of our daughters to return home.”
- There is a movement that is picking up extreme speed at this moment in our history and it is called “Interfaithism” ... ecumenism
- Many believe that the last thirty years of ecumenism will culminate by reuniting all Christendom under one huge umbrella.
- Another name for a one world government would be a “Universal Government”. The same principle can be true for the a one world religion.
- I think that it is very interesting that the word Catholic literally means, “UNIVERSAL”.
- The one world or UNIVERSAL church.
- People are destroyed for a lack of knowledge

- Why would God tell us all of this—because he knew that so many people would be involved with this system and it is not His will that any should perish but that all should come to everlasting life.
- He put these prophecies in the Bible so we could understand and so we could make sure that we are not part of this system.

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- Jesus said:

### **John 8:32 (KJV)**

And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

- Let's all pray