A STUDY OF REVELATION

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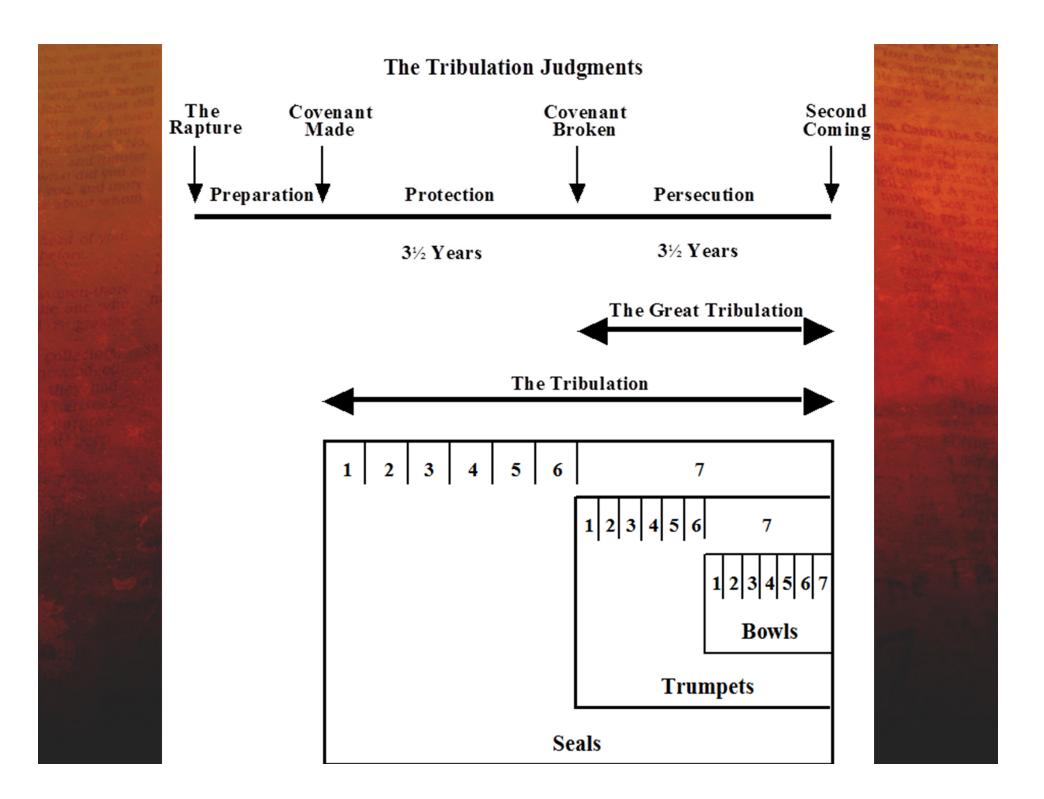
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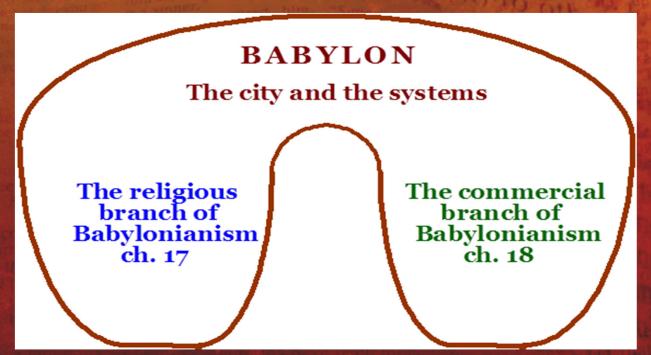
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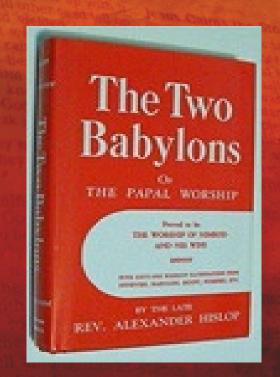
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### Tonight, we begin in Chapter 17. Think of Babylon as a yoke having two parts.





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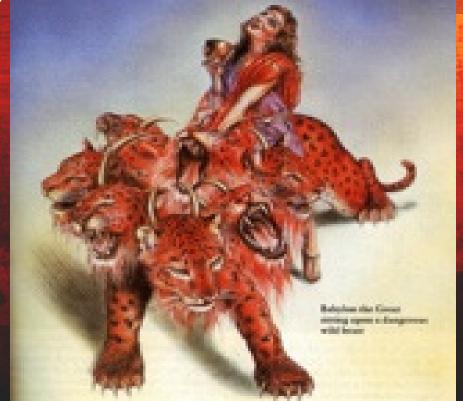
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Jn. 17:12 While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled.

Jn. 6:70 Jesus answered them, Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil?

<u>2 Thess. 2:3</u> Let no man deceive you by any means: for *that day shall not come*, except there come a falling away first, and **that man of sin** be revealed, the son of perdition;

Rev. 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, 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.

Dan. 7:7 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.

- The dragon plus the two beasts mentioned in chapters 12 and 13 are a counterfeit "trinity" of the divine Trinity.
  - The dragon = Satan (seeks worship that belongs only to God.)
  - The first beast = Antichrist (seeks to rule the world, which is Jesus Christ's prerogative.)
  - The second beast = the false prophet (glorifies the first beast, which is a counterfeit of the Holy Spirit's ministry of glorifying Christ.)
- Chapters 12 and 13 paint a picture of the Great Tribulation in which there finally exists:
  - one government
  - one religion
  - o one economic system for the whole world.

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<u>Dan. 7:23</u> Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

Rev. 17:10 And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.

### Seven kings prominent in the Scriptures are as follows:

- 1. Nimrod, King of Babylon
- 2. Pharaoh, King of Egypt
- 3. Sennacherib, King of Assyria
- 4. Nebuchadnezzar, King of Babylon
- 5. Cyrus, King of Persia.
- 6. Alexander, the Great, King of Greece
- 7. Caesar, King of Rome

### "...five are fallen..."

- 1. Kingdom of Babylon, (Nimrod and Nebuchadnezzar) is fallen.
- 2. Kingdom of Egypt, Pharaoh, is fallen.
- 3. Kingdom of Assyria, Sennacherib, is fallen.
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### "...and one is..."

1. Kingdom of Rome - Caesar

"...and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space."

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### **Conclusion**

Rev. 19:11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

- 12 His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.
- 13 And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.
- 14 And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.
- 15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.
- 16 And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

Rev. 5:8 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.

9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.