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#### A STUDY OF REVELATION

### Rev. 18:21-19:6

<u>Rev. 18:21</u> And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast *it* into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.

22 And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft *he be*, shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee;

23 And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived. 24 And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth. <u>Rev. 19:1</u> And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:

<u>2</u> For true and righteous *are* his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.
<u>3</u> And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever.

<u>4</u> And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia.

5 And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great. 6 And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

#### Scriptural Introduction

<u>Rev. 1:19</u> Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter;

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(c) The Results of the Fall of Babylon, 18:21-19:6

i. The Holocaust on Earth, 18:21-24

[a] The Vastness of Babylon's Fall, 18:21-22

<u>Rev. 18:21</u> And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast *it* into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.

Jer. 51:63 And it shall be, when thou hast made an end of reading this book, *that* thou shalt **bind a stone to it, and cast it into the midst of** Euphrates:

<u>64</u> And thou shalt say, **Thus shall Babylon sink**, and shall not rise from the evil that I will bring, upon her: and they shall be weary. Thus far *are* the words of Jeremiah.

<u>Mt. 18:6</u> But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and *that* he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

Millstones come in pairs. The base or *bedstone* is stationary. Above the bedstone is the turning *runner stone* which actually does the grinding. <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Millstone</u>



#### Weight = 1,629 lb

http://hudsonvalleygeologist.blogspot.com/2014/12/how-much-does-millstone-weigh.html

<u>Rev. 18:22</u> And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and **no craftsman, of whatsoever craft** *he be*, shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee;

Dan. 8:25 And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify *himself* in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.

<u>Dan. 11:43</u> But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians *shall be* at his steps.

Jer. 50:28 The voice of them that flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to declare in Zion the vengeance of the LORD our God, the vengeance of his temple.

#### [b] The Validity of Babylon's Fall, 18:23-24

<u>Rev. 18: 23</u> And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived. <u>24</u> And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

**Original Word:** φαρμακεία **Transliteration:** pharmakeia **Definition:** the use of medicine, drugs or spells **Usage:** magic, sorcery, enchantment.

*pharmakeía* (from *pharmakeuō*, "administer drugs") – properly, drugrelated sorcery, like the practice of magical-arts, etc. (A. T. Robertson). <u>https://biblehub.com/greek/5331.htm</u> <u>Gal. 5:20</u> Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

<u>Rev. 9:21</u> Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.

<u>Rev. 21:8</u> But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and **sorcerers**, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

ii. The Hallelujahs in Heaven, 19:1-6

[a] The Hallelujah for the Salvation of God, 19:1

<u>Rev. 6:15</u> And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains;

<u>6</u> And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: <u>17</u> For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

<u>Rev. 11:15</u> And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

<u>Rev. 14:20</u> And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand *and* six hundred furlongs.

<u>Rev. 19:1</u> And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:

Original Word: Άλληλούϊα Transliteration: hallélouia Definition: hallelujah, alleluia (an adoring exclamation) Usage: Hallelujah, Praise the Lord. https://biblehub.com/greek/239.htm

#### [b] The Hallelujah for the Severity of God, 19:2-3

<u>Rev. 19:2</u> For true and righteous *are* his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

<u>Rom. 11:22</u> Behold therefore **the goodness and severity of God**: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in *his* goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.

<u>Rev. 19:3</u> And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever.

<u>Rev. 14:8</u> And there followed another angel, saying, **Babylon is fallen, is fallen**, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication. <u>11</u> And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

#### [c] The Hallelujah for the Sovereignty of God, 19:4

<u>Rev. 19:4</u> And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia.

[d] The Hallelujah for the Supremacy of God, 19:5-6

<u>Rev. 19:5</u> And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great.

<u>Rev. 19:6</u> And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

#### **Conclusion**

Rev. 19:1 And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God: ... 3 And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever. 4 And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia. ... <u>6</u> And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

Rom 15:9 And that the Gentiles might glorify God for *his* mercy; as it is written, For this cause I will confess to thee among the Gentiles, and sing unto thy name. 10 And again he saith, Rejoice we Gentiles, with his people. 11 And again, Praise the Lord, a ye Gentiles; and laud him, all ye people.