

"And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that you be not partakers of her sins, and that you receive not of her plagues."

(Rev. 18:4)

THE BABYLON MATRIX

BIBLE PARLANCE

The Bible, like any communication, must be read and interpreted from the mindset of the writers. In other words, readers need to see through the eyes of the authors.

Some folks seem to expect the Bible to read like a novel or a movie script. If that is what they expect ... well, I guess they might as well go to a church where that kind of thinking is acceptable. They won't get the message that God inspired the writers to write.

The Bible was written in spiritual parlance by spiritual writers for spiritual readers. Those whose eyes have been enlightened can get the message (Jn. 3:3). To all others the Bible is a sealed book (i.e., its real message will not be understood).

So let us use our God-given spiritual senses to consider and understand the Bible term, "Babylon The Great."

WHAT IS "BABYLON THE GREAT"?

"Babylon The Great" (Rev. 17:5, 18:2) is a Bible term used to depict an international crime organization that rules the minds of men by deception and delusion - as in the movie "The Matrix."

It is a political/religious system admired and feared (i.e., worshipped) by all who are deceived by it.

Its name is from the ancient city/empire of Babylon that ruled in the area of the "Fertile Crescent" (Mesopotamia) between the two rivers, the Tigris and the Euphrates, north of the Persian Gulf (approximately the same area as Iraq today). In its day, Babylon was the crowning model of <u>man's</u> greatness. It was an advanced and powerful kingdom renown for its architecture, its gardens, and especially its political, religious and financial innovations.

Babylon had achieved prominence approximately a millennium earlier under the ruler Hammurabi. After Hammurabi she weakened and was superceded by Assyria. Then in 620 BC Babylon reclaimed her power and Assyria's power failed. Babylon once again dominated for about 80 years which included the time Nebuchadnezzar was King of Babylon. Then in 539 BC Babylon fell again and the Persian Empire (Medo-Persia) became the dominant empire of the region.

Babylon's most notable and enduring contributions to the world were her systems of religion and economics by which she formed her government. Babylon polished her system into a central religion that modern historians have labeled a "monotheism." The religion claimed as its founder a prophet named Zoroaster (also known as Zarathustra). This mythical character's name meant "seed of the woman." "Zero" is seed. "Astarte" is the mother goddess of Babylon: the "queen of heaven" (Jer. 7:18; 44:18-19). Zoroaster (Zero-Astarte) was the "son of Astarte."

Zoroastrianism was the most significant religion of that era, and it eventually affected and changed world religions.

Historians refer to Zoroastrianism as the first notable "monotheism," although in reality it was not a monotheism but a dualism proclaiming a balance of two gods: a good one and a bad one. It sported a supreme good god whom they called Ahura Mazda. Their supreme bad god was Ahriman or Angra Mainyu. These roles were transferred to Judaism and Judeo Christianity whose dual gods are "God" and "Satan." It foreshadowed the teachings of modern churches in the west. Persia also adopted Zoroastrianism, and it survives today in Iran and other parts of the world.

This religion, of which very few people in the west know by name, shared popularity with a Greek/Roman religion known as Mithraism which flourished in the first through the fourth centuries. It was a form of Sun worship marked by drawings of men with Sun disks ("halos") behind their heads.

Zoroastrianism also contributed to Judaism first referred to as "the tradition of the elders" (of Babylon). Devotees to Zoroaster were called "Parsees." These became "Pharisees" in Judaism ... which explains why Judaism was never the religion of Moses or the Bible.

Today, various combinations of these mixed theologies falsely masquerade as Christianity in churches throughout the west ... the largest and most obvious is the Roman Catholic Church. The church dominations of modern "Christendom" (so-called) are Zoroastrian-tainted daughters of

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Mother Babylon, and thus are fulfilling their part in modernday "Babylon the Great."

These ancient empires eventually fell, but the glory of Babylon was never again achieved by the empires that came afterward.

In the Bible, Babylon was symbolized by the "head of gold" depicted in Nebuchadnezzar' dream of a huge metal statue, and interpreted by Daniel (Dan. 2).

So the term "Babylon" (from which our term "babble" derives) was used by the spiritual writers of the Bible to refer to systems or government and financial powers that would rise to great and glorious heights and would rule centrally over peoples and nations ... as did ancient Babylon.

Today's ruling system is called Babylon because of its centralized rule, its financial powers, and its religious/ philosophic chaos and confusion ("babble").

This description, you may realize by now, applies perfectly to the religious and political systems of men today. Thus, we can say that the kingdoms of the world today are shaped in the pattern of "Babylon."

As such, Babylon the Great reigns over (occupies) the minds of men who believe in its power. These mental delusions then create physical systems (Beast Systems) ... portrayed symbolically in Revelation chapters 12, 13 & 17.

THE BABYLONIAN BEAST SYSTEM

Throughout history, beginning with Adam, all of man's attempts to create his own system of government have resulted in Beast Systems of one flavor or another. This is the case with ALL of man's systems. Any political/religious system of rule dreamed up by the heart of man is, or becomes, a Beast. No exceptions.

THE ONE ALTERNATIVE

There is ONLY ONE alternative for men who do not like Beast Systems. If we want to avoid being mentally enslaved by the Beast System our only alternative is the Bible plan.

Before ancient Babylon's day, God's plan had been revealed through both Adam and Moses. It guided Israel for over one thousand years in the period of the judges.

But in the days of Samuel, the last judge in Israel, the people abandoned God's plan and sought after systems of men: Beast Systems (1 Sam. 8). Thus, Israel went into captivity under Babylonian type rulership. Israel died spiritually because she chose the Beast System over God's System. She died, and her spiritual bones were "dry" and bleaching in the Sun (Ez. 37). Christ's commission was to put life back into those dead, dry bones.

GOD'S PLAN FOR SOCIETY TODAY

Today God's plan is manifest through The Reign of Christ. This plan involves Bible Law along with the spirit of Christ to guide us into an understanding of His plan. The Bible is God's guide for developing a healthy, sound mind. It works every time, all the time.

Man-made constitutions and charters for societies NEVER work ... because they are created by high-ranking devils for the sake of their elite friends. They are the superrich. Charters and constitutions created by them are never for the benefit of the common people. They always work for the enrichment of a few powerful families who rule from the top. Thus, the Great Seal (symbol for "The Matrix" of the U.S.A.) is the symbol of a pyramid ... the top (cap stone) symbolizes the few elite families who possess the minds of the people and rule over the masses. The pyramid is the symbol, along with the Tower of Babel, for all ruling systems of man patterned after the Babylon prototype.

In contrast, New Jerusalem (the city of God) is symbolically represented as a square city ... not ruled by man, but enlightened by the light of God and empowered with life from "living waters." We citizens of New Jerusalem do not seek to be rulers, nor do we seek men to rule over us. We live by light from God that shines through Jesus our King.

NEW JERUSALEM

Thus, two systems coexist at the same time. Its all in the minds of men. 1. God's system, and 2. man's system. God's system is truth and freedom; man's system is deception, confusion and captivity. One benefits mankind, the other benefits the richest 1% of elite bankers and politicians. The Bible calls one system "New Jerusalem" (The Kingship of Christ) and the other is called "Babylon" (the Kingship of Men).

New Jerusalem cannot be mentally perceived by those who are spiritually dead and captured by the Beast System. To be spiritually captured by the Beast System is to have your faith invested into that system ... to believe in it. Those who's faith is in man's system cannot see New Jerusalem. This is according to our Lord's own words in the book of John, chapter 3, verse 3:

3. Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, Except a man be born from above, he cannot perceive the Kingship of God."

Men whose minds are captured by Babylon cannot perceive that Christ is King. Those who cannot see the Kingship (Reign of Christ) condemn themselves to live in fear and dread because they depend upon the rule of man. They have no real hope for truth and happiness. This is their current, daily judgment for idolatry.

On the other hand, God gave Jesus "all authority" to administer over the creation (Mtt. 28:18) ... it is called "the Reign of Christ."

Christ's Reign (Kingship) is also called "New Jerusalem." God's Sovereignty has existed since the very beginning. He was King (Husband) over Israel. He was Adam's King too, until Adam abandoned God and followed the serpent's delusion that man can be his own god.

Under Yahweh's appointed Judges Israel was God's wife. She enjoyed a free and blessed existence ... until she abandoned Him (1 Samuel 8). She broke the covenant, so He put her away and sent her into captivity under systems of men (Beast Systems). This captivity under systems of men continued for the cast-off of Israel until Jesus came to redeem them.

THE NEW AND BETTER LIFE

When Jesus was sent to redeem the minds of Israel and raise them out of spiritual death, she was reborn as his bride (New Jerusalem), and He became her King (Husband; Bridegroom). This was the real Christian movement – not the counterfeit movement of the churches that started about 300 years later.

Now, 2,000 years afterward, Jesus and his Bride still exist. It is the Reign of Christ. We are New Jerusalem. We are still inspired and blessed with his spirit.

Along side us, and unable to mentally perceive or understand us, is the Beast Matrix System (Babylon The Great). The Beast continues doing what it always does ... stealing, murdering, lying, destroying and feeding on deluded minds. It is a system of mental chaos, and its victims are depicted symbolically in scripture as waters tossed with waves and turmoil (Jude 1:13; Rev. 17:15).

Juxtaposed to that world (mentality) is Christ's System (New Jerusalem). It exists simultaneously, depicted as a "sea of glass" (Rev. 4:6) ... no wind, waves or turmoil. This means our spirit within is healthy, secure and sound.

A man's life is more than the sum of things he collects and possesses. Our quality of life depends upon more than that. It depends upon inner spiritual values. People without it cannot perceive Christ's tranquil "sea of glass." Until, or unless, they attain to Jesus' spiritual sight they cannot attain peace, rest and soundness of mind.

4. In whom the god (Beast System) of this world has <u>blinded</u> the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should enlighten them.

2 Cor. 4:4

We, the remnant, as citizens of Christ's Reign (New Jerusalem) are living a different paradigm; a different perspective of the world around us. Various worlds (paradigms) exist in men's minds. Paradigms are how we perceive the world around us every day. It is our "Matrix." God's creation and the world around us can look very different depending upon which paradigm a man may choose to place his faith in. We can go forth with light and reality, or we can stumble through life without light in Babylon's paradigm of delusion.

BABYLON'S ATTRACTION

What attracts men to Babylon's darkness? Indeed, one might ask what attracts some men to harlots? Some men are. But why?

Babylon is depicted in Revelation 16:1-5 as a great whore who, through her "delicacies" appears attractive to a certain class of men (verse 18). The whore is depicted as dressed in purple and scarlet ... the colors of royalty and harlotry. Babylon the Great is a scandalous woman ... the model of what is deemed attractive to twisted minds. She is attractive to men who are mentally twisted, just as "women of the street" attract mentally twisted (spiritually-dead) men.

This symbolically depicts the attraction twisted minds have toward the dark system of death called Babylon.

The survival of the Beast System depends upon masses of minds that lack light. She needs confusion and darkness, ignorance, greed and minds that cannot perceive reality. She possesses the minds of men stuck in the "Matrix" of delusion. These are men who have not the light of Christ.

THE SEA OF GLASS

At issue here is the question of where a man's mind exists. It can exist in darkness, or in light – in a "Matrix" of delusion, or in the light of reality. Christ offers us a world of light, peace and reality. It requires that we reject the Babylonian matrix of delusion ... and that we live in Christ's grace. That is our faith, our security. It is our mental armor against Babylon's delusion. It separates us mentally from the unstable and painful world of confusion. It is where the "good news" resides, and it is how we implement that good news each day. It is our "rest" (Heb. 4:10-11), our wisdom with which we can build our lives base on reality.

Christ inspires (raises to life) men who seek truth and aren't afraid to mentally leave the fake Matrix System. His light gives men the opportunity to react ... to move toward light. If they are ready they will move. It is up to them.

BUT WHY ARE THE BAD GUYS WINNING?

Simple answer ... THEY AREN'T. And if you think they are, then your eyes need to be refocused.

- 2. But as for me, my feet were almost gone; my steps had well nigh slipped.
- 3. For I was envious of the arrogant ones when I saw the prosperity of the ungodly.

(Ps. 73:2-3)

When men admire "the prosperity of the ungodly" it means their minds are out of focus. It may appear to some that the bad guys have it better ... <u>but they don't</u>. People who envy the wicked aren't taking into consideration the anguish and emptiness that the wicked live with every day.

- 16. Yahweh is known by the judgment which he executes: the wicked is snared in the work of his own hands.
- 17. The wicked shall be turned into hell (the grave), and all the nations that forget God.

Ps. 9:16-17

"Hell" is the grave. The ungodly are the walking DEAD! They are not to be admired.

The parable of the prodigal son makes it clear that being separated from God equals death. When the prodigal son repented and returned to his father, the father said:

- 24. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.
- 32. It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this your brother was dead, and is alive again; and

was lost, and is found.

Luke 15: 24, 32

- 11. Likewise reckon you also yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- 13. ... yield yourselves to God, as those that are alive from the dead, ...

Rom. 6:11-13

38. For He is not a God of the dead, but of the living: for all live to him.

Luke 20:38

We walk among dead men. Do you feel like you don't fit in? Rejoice! The living don't fit in with the dead ... and shouldn't want to. The wicked who outwardly appear to be prosperous are inwardly unhappy and dead. In the end their riches cannot save them or buy them love or peace of mind.

"GOOD NEWS" -VS- BAD NEWS

The "good news" ("gospel") is what I've just explained. In short, LIFE is available to us, and we don't have to remain DEAD and lost. This is the good news. This is truth and light. However, you cannot share this "good news" if you can't see it for yourself. If you are distracted by Babylon (the Beast System) all you can see is continual bad news.

There is plenty of bad news out there ... but why let it dominate your thinking? Continual bad news is depressing. It can get you down.

The world of the Beast System is perpetual hopelessness. It is a world of greedy bankers, lying politicians, prostituted news reporters, corrupted and low-life preachers, and the walking-dead who follow and envy them. The eyes and ears of the dead see and hear only the Beast System.

However, when a man's eyes are beginning to open and he is on the edge of recognizing the "good news," all he needs is a nudge in the right direction. He has the opportunity to find his footing; to find his mental path through the gates of New Jerusalem. Then he can begin seeing reality. It has always been there but he wasn't seeing before because he was distracted by the Great Whore. If nudged in the right direction he may be able to perceive "the sea of glass" ... where men's hearts and minds can have rest and gladness.

It's a shame to live one's life in the lost world of Babylon. It is bad news, confusion, depression, depravity, deception, disappointment, etc.. It is the world that exists outside the walls of New Jerusalem. Outside are:

"sodomites, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loves and makes a lie" (Rev. 22:15).

Babylon the Great is a fallen woman ... devoid of morals, without conscience, and full of hate, greed and avarice. She is darkness and corruption, and she occupies the minds of the dead.

2. Babylon is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird." (Rev. 18:2)

Babylon is a world of dead men, living in darkness.

THE GOOD LIFE

The good news is that we don't have to live in darkness. We aren't Babylonians ... even though we reside physically in a land where Babylonian government and Babylonian citizens are all around us. To dwell in a land isn't the same as being a citizen of that land. Abraham dwelt as a "stranger" in the land (Gen.17:8). Jesus and Paul lived in Roman and Jewish lands. We, too, live in a land that is not ours.

Through the soundness and clarity-of-mind that is Christ's we can perceive the creation from a city that is NOT foreign. It is a spiritual City in which Jesus is King. We have "living waters" and "light" that provides "life" as it dispels the darkness and confusion of Babylon.

<u>The Babylon Matrix is a state of mind</u>. It is a world of twisted, tormented minds that have lost grasp of reality. The Beast System is a world of delusion. It is death.

Eonian LIFE is also a state of mind – a sound mind. It enables our minds to see and understand reality. It makes us sane, and life worth living. This light envelops us when we enter through the gates into New Jerusalem; by being reborn in Christ. But remember, we can't "see" New Jerusalem unless we are "born from above" (Jn. 3:3). We must follow the call out of darkness and death.

- Heb. 4:6-7. Seeing therefore it remains that some must enter therein, and they to whom it (the good news) was first preached entered not in because of unbelief: Again, he defines a certain day, saying in David, "Today, after so long a time"; as it is said, "Today if you will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.
- Isa. 29:18. And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness.
- 2Cor. 4:6. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, has shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
- 1Pet. 2:9. But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that you should show forth the praises of him who has called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

Rev. 22:14. Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

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