

Babylon is Fallen

The Announcement (1-3)

The Angel

Great authority (Genesis 19:13 / Daniel 10:13)

Glorious light (Luke 24:4)

Gargantuan voice (I Thessalonians 4:16)

The Announcement – “Babylon is Fallen” (Jeremiah 51:62-64)

The attributes of this city

Home for demons (Luke 11:24-26)

Haunt for evil (James 3:14-16)

Harlots and adultery abound (II Peter 2:14)

Having excess luxuries (James 5:1-5)

The Appeal (4-8)

Come out of her (Jeremiah 51:45)

Do not share in her sins (Ephesians 5:6-7)

Do not receive her plagues, flee (I Tim. 6:11/II Tim. 2:22/I Cor. 6:18)

Coming back on her head (Matthew 18:7-9)

Sins that are piled up to heaven (Jeremiah 51:9)

She deserves a double portion of what she did (Isaiah 40:2 / Jeremiah 51:58)

Consumed by fire

Overtaken in a single day

Our Lord God is a Might Judge! (Psalm 2:9-12)

The Anguish (9-19) (Luke 12:18-21; 18:23-25)

Of kings – who shared in her luxuries and are terrified at her torment

Of merchants – no longer able to sell her wares (including the souls of men)

Of sea captains – who had become rich through transporting her goods

The Acclaim (20-24) – remember those under the altar (Revelation 6:9-10)

Rejoicing in heaven – judged for the way she treated the saints (Jer. 51:47-48)

Recognizing her end – never able to recover (Jeremiah 50:39-40/Isaiah 13:19-20)

Repaid for the blood she had shed – all who had been killed on the earth

(Genesis 9:6 / II Kings 21:16; 29:3-4 / Jeremiah 15:4; 19:4)

Discussion questions for Revelation 18

What authority do angels hold over men? (Luke 1:19-20/Hebrews 2:2; 1:4/Corinthians 6:3)

What allows evil to infiltrate our lives? (Deuteronomy 7:6; 12:29-31 / Romans 12:2 / II Timothy 4:3-4)

Why are we sometimes encouraged to stand and other times to flee? (Ephesians 6:10-13 / I Corinthians 10:12-13 / I Timothy 6:11 / II Timothy 2:22 / I Corinthians 6:18)

Why is it foolish to hoard the things of this world? (II Corinthians 4:18 / Matthew 6:19-21 / Luke 16:25 / I Timothy 6:17-19 / James 5:1-5)

Babylon is repaid for her actions. Read the following verses: Matthew 12:36-37; I Corinthians 3:11-15; II Corinthians 5:10; Galatians 6:7-8; Hebrews 4:13. How should we respond?