Preparation for the End Time

Lesson #12 Babylon and Armageddon Memory Verse Get Scriptures to read

Revelation 17:5 (NKJV) And on her forehead a name was written: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

Pictures Of Israel

The Bible is a tale of two cities, Jerusalem and Babylon.

"The Wine of Her Wrath"

Matthew 1:17 (NKJV) So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations, from David until the captivity in Babylon are fourteen generations, and from the captivity in Babylon until the Christ are fourteen generations.

Matthew 1:11–12 (NKJV) Josiah begot Jeconiah and his brothers about the time they were carried away to Babylon. And after they were brought to Babylon, Jeconiah begot Shealtiel, and Shealtiel begot Zerubbabel. Matthew 1:17 (NKJV) So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations, from David until the captivity in Babylon are fourteen generations, and from the captivity in Babylon until the Christ are fourteen generations. Matthew begins with listing 3 groups of seven. 1 Peter 5:13 (NKJV) She who is in Babylon, elect together with you, greets you; and so does Mark my son.

Babylon Is Fallen

Revelation 14:8 (NKJV) And another angel followed, saying, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she has made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication."

Read Psalm 137:1-9

*Isaiah 13:1 The burden against Babylon which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw.

Isaiah 13:16 (*NKJV*) Their children also will be dashed to pieces before their eyes; Their houses will be plundered And their wives ravished. "Dashing little ones" really means wiping out the name and seed of enemy. Bringing your enemy to a full and final end.

Revelation 16:19 (NKJV) Now the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell. And great Babylon was remembered before God, to give her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.

Revelation 18:1–2 After these things I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was illuminated with his glory. ² And he cried mightily with a loud voice, saying, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and has become a dwelling place of demons, a prison for every foul spirit, and a cage for every unclean and hated bird!

2 Thessalonians 2:9–10 The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, ¹⁰ and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

*Revelation 18:10 (NKJV) standing at a distance for fear of her torment, saying, 'Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! For in one hour your judgment has come.'

Revelation 18:17 (NKJV) For in one hour such great riches came to nothing.'

Revelation 18:19 (NKJV) For in one hour she is made desolate.' **Revelation 9:15** (NKJV) So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released to kill a third of mankind.

- 1. Political Collapses =15 days
- 2. Economic Collapses =15 days
- 3. Physical Collapses =15 days

360 Divided by 24 = 15 X 3 = 45

Armageddon

Revelation 16:12–16 (NKJV) Then the sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up, so that the way of the kings from the east might be prepared. ¹³ And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs coming out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. ¹⁴ For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. "Behold, I am coming as a thief. Blessed is he who watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame." ¹⁶ And they gathered them together to the place called in Hebrew, Armageddon.

One version has a 200 million-man army from Asia sweeping into Northern Israel for the final military battle of Armageddon in the area of Megiddo or a corner of modern-day Iraq. Armageddon is a worldwide conflict between the forces of Christ and Satan.

Armageddon and Mount Carmel: Part 1

Mount Carmel was located in the vicinity of Megiddo, and scholars have seen the phrase *Mountain of Megiddo* as a reference to Mount Carmel. The second beast performs supernatural acts, even making "fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men" (*Rev. 13:13*). These events then lead to the direct confrontation between God and Satan, the beast and image (*Rev. 13:14*). A dispute between true and false worship. **2 Kings 9:22** (*NKJV*) ... So he answered, "What peace, as long as the harlotries of your mother Jezebel and her sorceries are so many?" *Revelation 18:23–24 (*NKJV*) ... For your merchants were the great men of the earth, for by your sorcery all the nations were deceived. ²⁴ And in her was found the blood of prophets and saints, and of all who were slain on the earth."

2 Chronicles 21:13 (NKJV) but have walked in the way of the kings of Israel, and have made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to play the harlot like the harlotry of the house of Ahab...

- Jezebel is not just a harlot she is a mother of harlots. She has a wicked daughter named Athaliah that persecutes God's children.
- Herodias had a daughter that helped persecute John the Baptist during a 3 ½ year. Of Jesus ministry.

1 Kings 18:21 And Elijah came to all the people, and said, "How long will you falter between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him." But the people answered him not a word.

Armageddon and Mount Carmel: Part 2

Elijah has a showdown after a 3 ½ year time in wilderness.

He is miraculously fed.

Prophets are persecuted

Luke 21:12 (NKJV) But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and rulers for My name's sake.

2 Thessalonians 2:9 (NKJV) The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders,

Revelation 16:14 (NKJV) For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

Revelation 19:20 (NKJV) Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.

Psalm 137:1–9 By the rivers of Babylon, There we sat down, yea, we wept When we remembered Zion. ² We hung our harps Upon the willows in the midst of it. ³ For there those who carried us away captive asked of us a song, And those who plundered us requested mirth, Saying, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!" ⁴ How shall we sing the LORD's song In a foreign land? ⁵ If I forget you, O Jerusalem, Let my right hand forget its skill! ⁶ If I do not remember you, Let my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth— If I do not exalt Jerusalem Above my chief joy. ⁷ Remember, O LORD, against the sons of Edom The day of Jerusalem, Who said, "Raze it, raze it, To its very foundation!" ⁸ O daughter of Babylon, who are to be destroyed, Happy the one who repays you as you have served us! ⁹ Happy the one who takes and dashes Your little ones against the rock!

Isaiah 13:17–22 (NKJV) "Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, Who will not regard silver; And as for gold, they will not delight in it. ¹⁸ Also their bows will dash the young men to pieces, And they will have no pity on the fruit of the womb; Their eye will not spare children. ¹⁹ And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, The beauty of the Chaldeans' pride, Will be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah. ²⁰It will never be inhabited, Nor will it be settled from generation to generation; Nor will the Arabian pitch tents there, Nor will the shepherds make their sheepfolds there. ²¹ But wild beasts of the desert will lie there, And their houses will be full of owls; Ostriches will dwell there, And wild goats will caper there. ²² The hyenas will howl in their citadels, And jackals in their pleasant palaces. Her time is near to come, And her days will not be prolonged."