

REVELATION 18 COME OUT OF HER MY PEOPLE!

Facts To Remember

Revelation 18 naturally divides into three parts.

1. Vs. 1-8, Voices from Heaven
2. Vs. 9-19, Lament of the Co-Conspirators
3. Vs. 20-24, Finality of God's judgment upon Babylon!

Chapter 18 sheds further light on chapter 17.

1. Same; powers, conflict, judgment, & result

Revelation 18 points to the time when, as the result of rejecting the threefold warning of Revelation 14:6-12, the church will have fully reached the condition foretold by the second angel, and the people of God still in Babylon will be called upon to separate from her communion. This message is the last that will ever be given to the world; and it will accomplish its work. *The Great Controversy*, P. 390

During the proclamation of the third angel's message, "another angel" is to "come down from heaven, having great power," and the earth is to be "lightened with his glory." The Spirit of the Lord will so graciously bless consecrated human instrumentalities that men, women, and children will open their lips in praise and thanksgiving, filling the earth with the knowledge of God, and with His unsurpassed glory, as the waters cover the sea.

Those who have held the beginning of their confidence firm unto the end will be wide awake during the time that the third angel's message is proclaimed with great power (2

Amid the confusing cries, "Lo, here is Christ! Lo, there is Christ!" will be borne a special testimony, a special message of truth appropriate for this time, which message is to be received, believed, and acted upon. It is the truth, not fanciful ideas, that is efficacious. The eternal truth of the Word will stand forth free from all seductive errors and spiritualistic interpretations, free from all fancifully drawn, alluring pictures. Falsehoods will be urged upon the attention of God's people, but the truth is to stand clothed in its beautiful, pure garments. The Word, precious in its holy, uplifting influence, is not to be degraded to a level with common, ordinary matters. It is always to remain uncontaminated by the fallacies by which Satan seeks to deceive, if possible, the very elect.

The proclamation of the gospel is the only means in which God can employ human beings as His instrumentalities for the salvation of souls. As men, women, and children proclaim the gospel, the Lord will open the eyes of the blind to see His statutes, and will write upon the hearts of the truly penitent His law. The animating Spirit of God, working through human agencies, leads the believers to be of one mind, one soul, unitedly loving God and keeping His commandments--preparing here below for translation

As the members of the body of Christ approach the period of their last conflict, "the time of Jacob's trouble," they will grow up into Christ, and will partake largely of His Spirit. As the third message swells to a loud cry, and as great power and glory attend the closing work, the faithful people of God will partake of that glory. It is the latter rain

which revives and strengthens them to pass through the time of trouble. Their faces will shine with the glory of that light which attends the third angel (RH May 27, 1862). {7BC 984.4}

We must not wait for the latter rain. It is coming upon all who will recognize and appropriate the dew and showers of grace that fall upon us. When we gather up the fragments of light, when we appreciate the sure mercies of God, who loves to have us trust Him, then every promise will be fulfilled. [Isaiah 61:11 quoted.] The whole earth is to be filled with the glory of God.

The time of test is just upon us, for the loud cry of the third angel has already begun in the revelation of the righteousness of Christ, the sin-pardoning Redeemer. This is the beginning of the light of the angel whose glory shall fill the whole earth.

No Time Specified for Outpouring.--I have no specific time of which to speak when the outpouring of the Holy Spirit will take place--when the mighty angel will come down from heaven, and unite with the third angel in closing up the work for this world; my message is that our only safety is in being ready for the heavenly refreshing, having our lamps trimmed and burning. 7 Bible Commentary, p. 984

A. Revelation 18:1-8; VOICES FROM HEAVEN

1. What does this angel have, vs. 1-3?

a. _____

b. _____

c. Whose glory? _____

d. _____

e. Revelation 14:8, _____

f. Effecting who? _____

i. _____

ii. _____

iii. _____

2. Whose is the second voice, vs. 4-5? _____

a. How do you know? _____

b. What does this tell you? _____

c. Why must they come out?

i. _____

ii. _____

3. How serious is this judgment, vs. 6-8?

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

B. Revelation 18 9-19; LAMENT OF CO-CONSPIRATORS!

1. Vs. 9, 10; the Kings of the earth

a. Why the lamenting? _____

b. Where do they stand? _____

c. Why? _____

d. What do they say? _____

e. v. What is lacking here? _____

2. Vs. 11-17, the Merchants of the earth

a. Why the lamenting? _____

b. What two things did they traffic in?

i. _____

ii. _____

c. Where do they stand? _____

d. Why? _____

e. What do they say? _____

f. What is lacking here? _____

3. Vs. 17-19, every Ship master and sailor

- a. Where did they stand? _____
- b. What three things did they do?
 - i. _____
 - ii. _____
 - iii. _____
- c. Why were they lamenting? _____
- d. What is lacking here? _____

C. Vs. 20-24, FINALITY OF GOD'S JUDGMENT

- 1. V. 20, why the joy? _____
Revelation 6:10
- 2. V. 21, what did the angel do? _____
 - a. why? Jeremiah 51:61-64; _____
 - b. What two things happened to Babylon?
 - i. _____
 - ii. _____
 - c. Why is (ii. above) significant? _____
Revelation 13:3, 12, 14; 17:8 (twice), 11; 14:8; 16:19; 17:5; 18:2, 10, 21
 - d. Vs.21-23; "no more" how many times? _____
 - e. V. 23, 24 the Merchants _____
Jer.51:6-8, 13, 36, 45-49
 - f. What is mentioned three times? _____
Isa. 44:27; Jer. 50:38; 51:36
Jer 50:8; 51:6; 51:45 _____

The Woman Babylon of Revelation 17

v. 5. "Babylon the Great"

v.2. With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication

v. 2. drunk with the wine of her fornication

v. 4. the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls

v. 6. drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus

v. 1. I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore

v. 16. shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.

The City Babylon of Revelation 18

Vs. 2, 10, 18, 21. "Babylon the Great"

v. 3. kings of the earth have committed fornication with her

v. 3. drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication

v. 16. that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls

v. 24. in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

v. 8. death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire

v. 9. when they shall see the smoke of her burning