


Revelation 17:3-14
 The Overthrow of Religious Babylon (Pt. 2)
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Babylon the Great

Revelation 17:3-5 And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness; and I saw a woman sitting on a **scarlet beast**, full of blasphemous names, **having seven heads and ten horns.** **4** **The woman was clothed in purple and scarlet**, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a gold cup full of abominations and of the unclean things of her immorality, **5** and on her forehead a name was written, a mystery, **BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH."**

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The Harlot Rides the Beast

Revelation 17:6-8 And I saw the woman drunk with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the witnesses of Jesus. When I saw her, I wondered greatly. **7** And the angel said to me, "Why do you wonder? I will tell you the mystery of the woman and of the beast that carries her, which has the seven heads and the ten horns. **8** **The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to come up out of the abyss and go to destruction.** And **those who dwell on the earth**, whose name has not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, will wonder when they see the beast, that **he was and is not and will come.**

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The Interpretation of the Beast

Revelation 17:9-12 **Here is the mind which has wisdom.** The seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits, 10 and they are seven kings; five have fallen, one is, the other has not yet come; and when he comes, he must remain a little while. 11 The beast which was and is not, is himself also an eighth and is one of the seven, and he goes to destruction. 12 The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom, but they receive authority as kings with the beast for one hour.

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The King/Kingdom Relationship

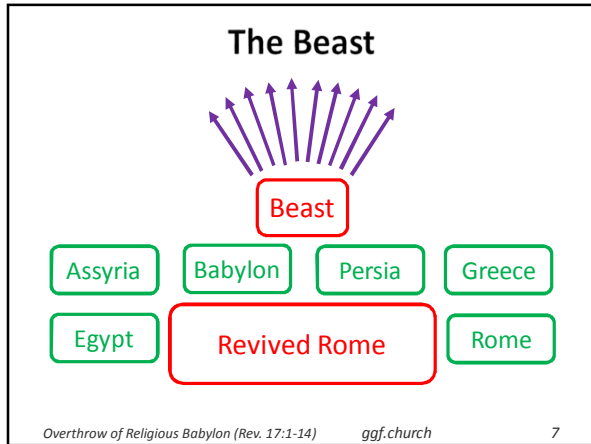
Daniel 7:17, 23 These great beasts, which are four in number, **are four kings** who will arise from the earth... 23 "Thus he said: 'The fourth beast will be a **fourth kingdom** on the earth, which will be different from all the **other kingdoms** and will devour the whole earth and tread it down and crush it.'

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The Nature of the Beast

- Gen. 11:4 “Make a name for ourselves”
- Dan. 7:25 “He will wear down the saints”
- Dan. 7:25; 9:27 “He will alter the law...stops sacrifice”
- Dan. 11:37 “He will have no regard for the god of his fathers...magnify himself above them all.”
- 2 Thess. 2:4 “Displays himself as God”
- 2 Thess. 2:9-10 “Activity of Satan...with all deception”

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The Lamb Overcomes the Beast’s Kingdom

Revelation 17:13-14 *These have one purpose, and they give their power and authority to the beast. 14* These will wage war against the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, because He is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those who are with Him are the called and chosen and faithful.

Revelation 19:14 And the armies which are in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, were following Him on white horses.

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