

Mystery Babylon the Great is not America

This lesson will be showing scripturally why MYSTERY BABYLON THE GREAT **cannot be America.**

The first focal point of this discussion is to show that there **are not two Babylons** in reference in the book of Revelation but **only one.** To show this we will be looking at three passages of scriptures that shows **that this is the same Babylon in reference** and there is **only one Babylon that is fallen.**

Revelation 14:6-8

6 And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,
7 Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; **for the hour of his judgment is come:** and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.
8 And there followed another angel, saying, **Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.**

A couple of points to make here. Verse 7 says “for the hour of his judgment is come”. The second point is another angel said, “Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city” and the final point is that same angel said, “because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.”

Revelation 18:8-10

8 Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her.
9 And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, **when they shall see the smoke of her burning,**
10 Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.

In this passage of scriptures we see that “her plagues come in one day”, “she shall be utterly burned with fire”, “for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her.” So we learn that this hour of judgment concerning Babylon will come in one day and she will be utterly burned with fire for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her. Verse 9 then says **the kings of the earth committed fornication and lived deliciously with her.** Revelation 14:8 above said, “**she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication**”. Revelation 18:10 goes on to say that the kings of the earth “Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, **that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.**” Notice here that they say “for in one hour is thy judgment come.” This is what the angel of chapter 14 above said, “with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; **for the hour of his judgment is come:** and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters. And there followed another angel, saying, **Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.**”

So it is easy to see here that this Babylon is the same Babylon in reference. Now let us look at the Babylon referenced in chapter 17 of Revelation.

Revelation 17:14-18

14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are **called**, and **chosen**, and **faithful**.

15 And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, **where the whore sitteth**, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

16 And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, **these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.**

17 For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, **and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.**

18 And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

Here we see that we are given the understanding of the waters of which the whore sits upon are actually peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues. Verse 18 identifies her as “the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.” In all three chapters 14, 17, and 18 this Babylon is referred to as “**that great city**”. Chapter 18 said, “**she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her.**” And here in chapter 17 we see how God fulfills it, “And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, **these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire. For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.**” **So this Babylon was destroyed by God with fire by using “the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.”**

It is clear from these passages of scriptures from chapters 14, 17, and 18 of Revelation that this Babylon is one in the same Babylon and is not two different Babylons as some have claimed.

So is this Babylon in reference America? The answer is no. To help with seeing this answer we need to take a closer examination of the beast **of which the woman is riding upon.**

Revelation 17:7-13

7 And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.

8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, **whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world**, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

9 And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads **are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.**

10 And there are seven kings: five are fallen, **and one is**, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.

11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.

12 And **the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings**, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings **one hour with the beast**.

13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.

We must remember that this beast that is being described as having “seven heads and ten horns” that the woman is riding upon is the fourth kingdom that is spoken of in the book of Daniel in two different chapters. Also here in Revelation we are told, “The beast that thou sawest was, and is not”. “The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.” **This describes to us the location of the woman and it isn’t America.** “And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.” This part of the answer concerning the seven kings we are told that five are fallen **and one is.** When the Apostle John was given this vision by Jesus Christ he was told that **the sixth king was living in his life time** “and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.” **These verses of scripture are revealing to us the identity of the beast and where the woman is sitting and it isn’t America.**

Let us turn our focus once again to Revelation chapter 14.

Revelation 14:6-11

6 And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,

7 Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; **for the hour of his judgment is come:** and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

8 And there followed another angel, saying, **Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.**

9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; **and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone** in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

Notice what we learn from the third angel who followed the angel saying, “Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication”. This third angel tells us of an event that is happening **almost concurrently** with the fall of Babylon . He warns “saying with a loud voice, **If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God,** which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb”.

To better see this as events happening almost concurrently we need to look at Revelation chapter 16.

Revelation 16:1-21

1 And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.

2 And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.

Remember the warning of the third angel who followed the angel saying, “Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication”? He said, “If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb”.

3 And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea.

4 And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood.

5 And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus.

6 For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.

This is an important point that must not be overlooked. This angel said, “For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.” This is also what is spoken of concerning Babylon in Revelation chapter 17:4-6 “And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus; and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.” **Is America’s colors purple and scarlet? That answer is no. Is America responsible for the blood of the saints, and the blood of the martyrs of Jesus,** as is spoken of in both Revelation 17:6 and Revelation 16:6 as we just read above? **That answer is no. We also see here that Babylon is still standing.**

7 And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments.

8 And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.

9 And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory.

10 And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,

11 And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.

Take notice here of these next two vials and what is spoken.

12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

17 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, **It is done.**

18 And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.

19 And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.

Look here at verse 19, “and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.”

Remember the warning of the third angel who followed the angel saying, “Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication”? He said, “If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb”.

This is showing us a timing of events. Here you can see that the destruction of Babylon as well as the battle of Armageddon **are almost concurrent** events as the “the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath” is to be given to her to drink

20 And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

This took place because of the great earthquake mentioned in verses 18 and 19 “and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.”

21 And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

Let’s look at the same event taking place from the book of Ezekiel.

Ezekiel 38:18-23

18 And it shall come to pass at the same time **when Gog shall come against the land of Israel,** saith the Lord GOD, that my fury shall come up in my face.

19 **For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken,** Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel;

20 **So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth,** and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.

21 **And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains,** saith the Lord GOD: every man's sword shall be against his brother.

22 And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.

23 Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the Lord.

Notice that what we have read here is the same events from Revelation 16:18-21 above “a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great”, “the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath”, “every island fled away, and the mountains were not found”, “And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.”

But also take notice of Ezekiel verse 21, “I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord GOD: every man's sword shall be against his brother.”

Revelation 19:11-21

11 And I saw heaven opened, **and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True,** and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

12 His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; **and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.**

13 **And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood:** and his name is called The Word of God.

14 **And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.**

15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

16 **And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.**

17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, **saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;**

18 That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great.

19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.

20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

21 And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

So we can see that Ezekiel 38:14-23, Revelation 14:6-20, 16:1-21, 17:12-18, 18:1-24, and 19:11-21 are all events that are happening almost concurrently.

Revelation 14:17-20

17 And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

18 And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.

19 And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

20 And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs.

Let us now take a closer look at **the beast of which the Harlot is riding upon** from the book of Daniel as he gives the interpretation of King Nebuchadnezzar's dream.

Daniel 2:39-45

39 And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and another third kingdom of brass, **which shall bear rule over all the earth.**

40 And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.

41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, **the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron,** forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.

42 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, **so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.**

43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, **they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another,** even as iron is not mixed with clay.

44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed; **and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.**

45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

In this vision of Daniel we have **a more descriptive image of this beast that is being spoken of that the woman is riding upon** from the book of Revelation chapter 17.

Daniel 7:1-12

1 In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel had a dream and visions of his head upon his bed: then he wrote the dream, and told the sum of the matters.

2 Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea.

3 **And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.**

4 **The first** was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it.

5 **And behold another beast, a second**, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and it had three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, **Arise, devour much flesh.**

6 After this I beheld, **and lo another, like a leopard**, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it.

7 After this I saw in the night visions, **and behold a fourth beast**, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

8 I considered the horns, and, behold, **there came up among them another little horn**, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, **and a mouth speaking great things.**

9 I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire.

10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: **thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.**

11 **I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.**

12 **As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time.**

We see this same beast spoken of in Revelation 13. **A composite beast** having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

Revelation 13:1-8

1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

2 **And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.**

3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: **and all the world wondered after the beast.**

4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, **Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?**

5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.

6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.

7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Now hear the interpretation of the vision revealed to the Prophet Daniel.

Daniel 7:15-28

15 I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me.

16 I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.

17 These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth.

18 But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.

19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet;

20 And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows.

21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;

22 Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

23 Thus he said, **The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.**

24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.

25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

27 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

28 Hitherto is the end of the matter. As for me Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart.

Therefore Mystery Babylon the Great is not America as America's colors are not purple and scarlet, America is not responsible for the blood of the saints, and the blood of the martyrs of Jesus, as is spoken of in both Revelation 17:6 and Revelation 16:6, and America is not seven mountains, on which the woman sits.