

Judgment Of Babylon The Great

(Revelation 18:1-24)

Intro: As noted last Sunday, Revelation 17 and 18 present a final parenthesis () detailing the judgments that God will release upon Satan's religious and political systems during the Tribulation. Chapter 17 details the judgment of religious Babylon—the false religious system headed up by the false prophet; and chapter 18 describes the judgment of the great city, commercial Babylon, which will serve as the seat of Antichrist's worldwide empire.

I. The Announcement Of Babylon's Judgment (18:1-3)

A. The angel's announcement of judgment (vv. 1-2)

B. The reason for Babylon's judgment (v. 3-8)

1. The reason stated (v. 3)

2. An appeal for believers to reject Babylonism (v. 4)

3. Three reasons for Babylon's judgment (vv. 5-8)

First, Babylon's sins remembered (v. 5)

Second, Babylon will experience God's retribution (v. 6)

Third, Babylon will experience God's retaliation (vv. 7-8)

II. The Reaction To Babylon's Judgment (18:9-19)

First, kings (vv. 9-10)

Second, merchants (vv. 11-17a)

Third, mariners (vv. 17b-19)

III. The Destruction Of Babylon (18:21-24)