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#64 - Where are You Living: In Babylon or Jerusalem?

Do you remember the book "A Tale of Two Cities"? You will find a similar tale of two cities in the Book of Revelation – Babylon and Jerusalem. Before you attempt to come up with the exact dimensions of the New Jerusalem, would you consider that Babylon and Jerusalem are primarily symbolic literary descriptions of two lifestyles: life without God, and life with God.

There are some amazing parallels between these two cities as you compare and contrast them. As you look at these inspired descriptions, ask yourself where are you experientially living – in Babylon or Jerusalem?

Babylon is shown to John by one of the 7 angels who had the

seven last plagues. In the wilderness.

A whore, harlot

Seated on and supported by the beast, the 2nd member of the pseudo-trinity

Has many lovers – the kings of the earth

Adorned for her many lovers with ornaments of gold

precious stones

pearls

Carries a cup of abominations
All nations have drunk of the wine

of her fornication.
Kings of the earth have
committed fornication with her
No candle shall shine there

No voice of bridegroom or bride is heard

Faces the judgment of the seven last plagues

Jerusalem: Shown by John the one of the 7 angels who had

the seven last plagues. On a high mountain,

A bride

Supported by the Lamb, the 2nd member of the Trinity

Has one lover, the bridegroom, Jesus Christ

Adorned for her husband With streets and walls of gold,

yet like clear glass

foundations and gates of precious stones

and gates of pearl Supplies the water of life

The river of life runs through the city.

Kings bring their glory and honor into the city.

The city has no need of candle,

for the Lord is its light

The voice of the bridegroom is heard:

"Behold, I come quickly."
The voice of the bride is heard:
The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!"

Escapes the judgment of the seven last plagues

To live in 'Babylon' is to build your life trying to fill your cup from fountains that do not satisfy by seeking love in all the wrong places. This is harlotry, a breaking of the 1st commandment by having other gods than our Creator/Redeemer God. Your identity and self-worth are based on your own performance + the opinions of others about you as you seek to impress them.

To live in 'Jerusalem' is to build your life on the joy of knowing that your identity resides in being called by God's name and that you are His. (Isaiah 43:1). Because your identity and self-worth is found in what God thinks and says about you there is no need to impress others. In Jesus Christ you are secure.

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