

CAN AMERICA BE "MYSTERY BABYLON"?

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Revelation 17:5 “And upon her forehead was a name written, **MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.**

17:15 And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.”

Many people try to interpret what John the Beloved Apostle wrote under Holy Spirit direction about who and where is the origin of “Mystery Babylon”. In past messages, I have explored where the beast power and Mystery Babylon will come from and reviewed three possibilities -- Rome and the

Vatican City ruled by the pope and Mecca in Saudi Arabia which is waiting for the 12th Imam to arrive according to Islamic “mythology”.

And finally a third possibility that seems to be growing stronger and stronger as time moves forward. You’ll find each Bible study concerning three possibilities that could be the Beast Power, or a combination of all three on this website, as I dealt with the possibility of an Islamic Anti-Christ, the Roman Catholic Church, as has been the most pervasive since my youth and many believe the Pope will be the AC, and finally the USA being the Beast Power and the POTUS the Anti-Christ. Even though we may wonder and see signs that each of these three candidates have attributes that give us clues who is may actually be, I believe we won’t know this side of the coming of Jesus for His church. The signs may become stronger, but the man will NOT be revealed until the church is removed. Scripture supports this analogy.

I have studied scripture and often wondered, as others have, where in the Bible is the United States of America found, or is she not found in its pages of prophecy? Where is the most powerful nation ever to be formed on this planet and controls most all of the economies of the world through the reserve currency being the dollar and has the most powerful military the world has ever seen? I believe the answer lies with four major prophets, both of the Old and New Testaments. Those being Daniel, Isaiah, Jeremiah in the Old Testament and John the Apostle in the New Testament. Now the clues are scattered about in the Bible, much like a big jigsaw puzzle that one must take a little here and a little there to come to any explanation of what “Mystery Babylon” is or where it is...remember she is called a mystery. Because of this mystery some would wonder, “Does God keep secrets?”. To some it would seem so, but remember what is written in Proverbs 25:2 where we read the enigmatic passage, "It is the glory of God to conceal a matter, but the glory of kings is to search out a matter." Countless individuals throughout history have expressed frustration and bewilderment at this proclivity on the part of our Creator to conceal things or to keep secrets. But does He really?

I believe God has given His Word to teach us and to reveal when the time is right what His plan is for the redemption of mankind and for the end of days when His judgment will be enacted on this evil world. Again, I have asked the question that I have had in studying scripture is “Just where is America, the most powerful country and nation in all of history, found in the pages of your Bible?” I believe it is right in front of our face as we read these four prophets of Ancient Israel. Let us take a journey down through some of the passages of these men of God to see maybe what God may be trying to tell us.

WHAT DOES THE PROPHECY TEACHERS BELIEVE?

First, if you are a follower of any of the prophecy teachers who are trying to identify “Mystery Babylon”, you will quickly find they take scripture quite literally and believe that the ancient city of Babylon will be rebuilt and will be the center of all commerce, trade, and the most powerful city on earth. I don’t see us having that kind of time for the years to go by and Ancient Babylon being rebuilt and becoming a power house of economic and military

might. They literally believe that modern Iraq, where Babylon was located, with its backward living conditions, civil war, and terrorism killing innocent men, women and children, will actually rise out of the ashes like a Phoenix and become what Jeremiah called the “Hammer of the Earth” and the center of all commerce. Jer. 50:

50:22 “A sound of battle is in the land, and of great destruction.

50:23 How is the hammer of the whole earth cut asunder and broken! how is Babylon become a desolation among the nations!

50:24 I have laid a snare for thee, and thou art also taken, O Babylon, and thou wast not aware: thou art found, and also caught, because thou hast striven against the LORD.”

No other nation has been the policeman of the world, as has the USA. Some will call us colonialist, or aggressors, but we have fought endless wars to promote human rights and democracy into all nations that we have fought wars in. I think of WW1 and WW2, the Vietnam War, the Gulf Wars, the invasion of Iraq, and Afghanistan to rid ourselves of communism and terrorism after 9/11 and the destruction of the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Each and every time, world conditions and evil men have drawn America into fighting in foreign lands. Some will argue for no good reason and illusions of WMD’s and money to be made from military hardware, but the point of the passage is that no other nation on earth can be called the hammer of the whole earth, like the USA has been and still is...but notice verse 24? A snare has been laid and our destruction is sure.

Now some will say, that this passage deals with ancient Babylon, but remember, scripture reveals what happened in the past, will happen in the future, as a duality of prophecy. I believe this is one such passage, but there is much more. Let’s have scripture paint you a picture and see if you think that the land of Iraq can become the Hammer of the whole earth in the near future and fulfill even part of what scripture describes as “Mystery Babylon”. Also notice in the opening verses, in Revelation 17, “The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.” What other nation do you know that has a melting pot of every nationality upon the earth and diverse languages other than English, than does one country, the USA?

GREED OF A NATION and IDOLATRY

Revelation 18:3 “For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.”

There is no nation on earth that has had the economic might that America has had, especially after WW2, when the dollar became the standard currency of trade. Why was this so? Because we had each green- back covered in hard currency, GOLD. But no more. Since the Nixon Administration when the gold standard was abolished, we have been printing money out of thin air, and the nations have been deceived with this charade and have grown rich because of her wealth and trading with America. Thus, the Federal Reserve Board has most assuredly stolen from every nation, even as she has mounted up debt to the tune of 18 trillion dollars and growing through welfare, entitlements to the lazy, quantitative easing 1-4 and manipulation of the world markets through hedge funds, endless wars, and bank bailouts. We have robbed Peter to pay Paul and our economic shenanigans are bound to catch up with us...I believe sooner than later.

Now let us touch on what America is most famous for in other countries and has corrupted their lives...and that is pornography. The hairs of my head stand up as I’m telling you this. There is a symbol of our idolatry standing in New York harbor. I have always thought the statue that graces Staten Island stood only for freedom and liberty. But what does the “Statue of Liberty” represent and why did the French give it to us? Yes, we’ve all heard that it was a gift to celebrate our call to other nations to “send us your huddled masses” searching for freedom. What if I told you that it is a symbol of idolatry and the “mother of harlots” Are you shocked? I was when I studied what is behind its symbolism. Do a search for “statue of liberty, mother of harlots” and you will find something like this:

“You probably didn't realize it but America is steeped in Idols! Yes and the Statue of Liberty is actually a replica of the Babylonian goddess Ishtar the Mother of Harlots and the goddess of Freedom/Liberty. This "artwork" was created by a Freemason who wanted to honor a Masonic doctrine that dates back to before Nimrod! The Statue of

Liberty is another Brotherhood symbol highlighting the lighted torch. The Statue of Liberty is actually the Statue of Liberties - the liberties perpetrated on the American people by the Brotherhood. There she stands on her island in New York Harbor holding her torch of freedom and Americans believe she is the symbol of their liberty in the Land of the Free. Nothing could be further from the truth. The Statue of Liberty was given to New York by French Freemasons and her mirror image stands on an island in the River Seine in Paris. These statues of liberty are representations of Ishtar and Isis et al, with the rays of the Sun around her head. The ancients symbolized the Sun in this way. And they are not holding the torch of liberty, but the torch of the illuminated ones, the reptilian Elite. The Statue of Liberty is a Brotherhood symbol which says: We control this country and we are telling you so, but you are too blind to see it!"

And eerily, to top it off, the city that is just outside of New York Harbor is called "New Babylon". Hence we have a symbol in the heart of the economic center of our culture that depicts our debauchery and how we began to slip into depravity soon after this statue was erected. But it is a even more of a symbol of our sexual sins that are displayed to the world and shapes the mind of the world through the display of lust of the flesh through the wholesale of unending pornography.

Yes, America produces 65% of all the adult entertainment movies, books, and magazines that have flooded the entire world. The industry is a multi-billion dollar cash cow sold to the sexually promiscuous and deviates of the world through several generations. Our movie industry in Hollywood churns out ever more revealing and in the gutter movies depicting anything and everything evil...and the sad part of all that is most of Hollywood is owned by American Jews that came to this country and started producing movies that at first, had a patriotic theme, or a romantic theme, or maybe comedy that made a person forget their troubles for awhile, but no more. Whatever deviation of the natural scheme of men and women united in monogamous relationships, a place where you can see men cavorting with men, women with women doing what the bible calls an abomination. People having sex with animals, homosexuality being glorified, God being blasphemed at every turn, blood, sweat and gore, that is the American "entertainment" industry. No such thing as PG anymore, or if the rating is given, it's not really PG..it's just not as graphic as most, but I wouldn't let my kids see any of it. All this has done is breed violence, bloodshed, civil unrest, and sinful lifestyles that are being lifted up as normal and if you speak out against any of it, its hate speech. But Jesus warned that it would be as in the days of Noah or Sodom and Gomorrah when God destroyed one by water, and the other by fire and brimstone.

SCRIPTURES TO DESCRIBE AMERICA IN THE LAST DAYS

Jeremiah 51:53 "Though Babylon should mount up to heaven, and though she should fortify the height of her strength, yet from me shall spoilers come unto her, saith the LORD."

Here is what I believe Jeremiah is saying, that modern day Babylon would reach the heavens and her strength would be the exploration of space, or during the turn of the 20th century, the rapid growth of air travel by planes and jets. And to fortify our strength in the heavens, we have laser guided weapons floating about in space above our atmosphere. How would Jeremiah know that we would mount up into heaven as airplanes had not even been invented yet or how it would be defended? It was the only way it could be explained in his time. America has been the leader of air travel and space exploration in the past, and plans are on the drawing board for expeditions to ...wait for it...Mars and beyond. Like we can really afford such an endeavor, but hey, we're already in debt, what a little more on top of it?

Jeremiah 51:13 "O thou that dwellest upon many waters, abundant in treasures, thine end is come, and the measure of thy covetousness."

What other nation has been blessed with so many natural resources as this nation has? We are abundant in water and every sort of resource that a man can think of...you say "what about oil?" America is now the leading producer of shale oil and fracing for natural gas. We lead the world. But that train is about to come to a screeching halt. Read the news about the drought in California where half of all our food is grown, or how about the floods that covering the Midwest for the grain belt for corn and wheat? We have polluted the land to such an extreme, that cancer cases are growing by leaps and bounds in all ages.

Jeremiah 51:12 "Set up the standard upon the walls of Babylon, make the watch strong, set up the watchmen,

prepare the ambushes: for the LORD hath both devised and done that which he spake against the inhabitants of Babylon.”

God has warned us. Those who dwell in this land will meet some perilous times coming right over the horizon. I have written about economic collapse that is bound to happen, as the NYSE cannot ride on this 18,000+ bubble indefinitely. When this crash comes, and IT WILL COME, then your dollars will be worthless paper that are not worth what they are printed upon. I wrote of the “Year of the Shemitah, Economic Collapse?” and I await its fulfillment. You can read about it on the website, if you so choose and see what I mean.

Isaiah 18:1 “Woe to the land shadowing with wings, which is beyond the rivers of Ethiopia:

18:2 That sendeth ambassadors by the sea, even in vessels of bulrushes upon the waters, saying, Go, ye swift messengers, to a nation scattered and peeled, to a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden down, whose land the rivers have spoiled!”

If ever a passage spoke of what the USA is, this passage does. In Isaiah’s time, no one knew there was a North American continent, so God had him write about land beyond the rivers of Ethiopia. To him, it was the ends of the earth. It speaks of a land shadowed with wings. What is our national symbol? Yes, the bald Eagle. On our money, on our national seals, the shadow of the wings of the great predatory bird, the bald Eagle is found with wings outstretched. We have brought messengers to the head of our government housed in one city. The United Nations is centered in New York and we have sent messengers of this end time body of nations that may be the source and power of a one world government to the ends of the earth. As you read the verse above, it describes the USA to a tee. What country is divided by natural boundaries and man-made borders of states that collectively are called the USA nation? Take a plane across this land and see how this nation was “meted out and trodden down” and whose rivers and lakes we have polluted to where the very survival of local residents are in jeopardy.

NATIONAL PRIDE BECOMES ARROGANCE AND WILL BE ABASED

Revelation 18:7 “How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow.

18:8 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.”

In times past, the harlot of Revelation has been identified with the Roman Catholic Church, and yes, she has done some horrible things to countless individuals and saints down through the ages. I further believe that there will be a “unholy trinity” of the Beast power as a blending of the Harlot Woman of Revelation, the false prophet embodied by the Catholic Church and the spokesman being possibly this current “pooba” and finally, satan himself incarnate entering into the Anti-Christ. How arrogant we have become in our idolatry and pagan worship of the earth and everything that is an abomination to the God of Heaven.

Isaiah 47:10 “For thou hast trusted in thy wickedness: thou hast said, None seeth me. Thy wisdom and thy knowledge, it hath perverted thee; and thou hast said in thine heart, I am, and none else beside me.

47:11 Therefore shall evil come upon thee; thou shalt not know from whence it riseth: and mischief shall fall upon thee; thou shalt not be able to put it off: and desolation shall come upon thee suddenly, which thou shalt not know.”

We can blame it on our leaders housed in the oval office and many do blame him and the legislature in Congress for being wolves in sheep’s clothing, but if you point a finger at them, four come back to point at yourself. This nation elected all of them, either knowingly or covertly. Face it folks, the black man in the oval office is nothing but the face of our national character in the majority and its depravity. We should have kicked the bum out long ago by impeachment, but there he sits like he’s an “American Pharaoh” and we just idly sit by and let him get away with it. Well, this party is about over and the piper must be paid...and the payment none of the citizens of these here United States are gonna like it...believe you me.

You see all the evil and debauchery every night on your TV to the point, I don't even watch the news anymore, as it's worse every day. People killing one another with guns, knives, and whatever is handy. Race riots in the larger cities and some lunatic trying to start a race war by shooting up a church full of black worshippers. How nuts is that? But Paul put it into words that "God is not mocked". Galatians chapter 6:

6:7 "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

6:8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting."

I don't see much sowing to the spirit, but only to the flesh. Judgment is coming and it will begin at the house of God.

SPOILERS INTO THE LAND TO DESTROY

In every case, when you see a nation that goes the way America has gone, God either by divine intervention through natural disasters, or by using other nations enacts judgment, just as Israel was overthrown by Ancient Babylon, so America COULD be seeing the same happen to her. When I say overthrown, I mean our way of life we have known, the freedoms we have enjoyed, and the prosperity we have been blessed with. It could happen from without by an invading army, or from within by a dictatorship coming to power. By what I have written in the past, about the USA possibly being the Beast power of Revelation, and New York City being Babylon, then I am a proponent of the cancellation of our Constitution and the Bill of Rights replaced by Marshal Law and a police state. Don't think for one minute, that if Obama has the chance, or a "manufactured" chance to institute a dictatorship, he wouldn't bat an eye before it would be done for he is a puppet of the One World Government proponents.

Now some have written me and have postulated that the tribulation will start November 11, 2015 and used numerology to support their theory and that Obama is the Anti-Christ. Some say that Jerusalem will be overthrown this July 4th on the Jewish 9th of Av, which has always been a date of Israeli persecution in the past, but I can't and won't make predictions of when what I have laid out may happen. Only the God of Heaven knows, and He hasn't told me directly. Only by His Word can we interpret what I have written here. But know this one thing, we may see some terrible things come to pass in the near future, but the only thing that is holding back the Tribulation is the children of God, as the Church is still here. I am a avid proponent that the only thing that is holding back anyone, either Obama, Putin, the 12th Imam, or any other Anti-Christ,(I mean THE genuine AC in the flesh), is the Holy Spirit residing in every truly born again Christian who lives in this country we call the US of A. Remember what is holding it back? II Thessalonians chapter 2:

2:7 "For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. (interpreted as the Holy Spirit)

2:8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

2:9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,

2:10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved."

You see, Obama, or whoever will fill that seat of the "man of sin" cannot do anything until God allows him to do so. They may take runs at it, they may try to usurp our freedoms of speech, assembly, gun ownership, or freedom of the press, but until God gives them the go ahead, they are beating a dead horse. That horse will stay dead until God says satan has full sway over evil men that are left after the church is gone. I mean gone, because if the Holy Spirit is withdrawn to Pre-Pentecostal times, God will not leave His chosen without comfort. He will be withdrawn, but instantaneously, in the twinkling of an eye, so shall His saints be removed as well.

In closing, I don't see the end of days rulership coming from Iraq, because it would take a long time for the earth dwellers to become rich over a center of trade found in Ancient Babylon rebuilt. I don't believe we have that kind of time. Jesus is close, I know it, you know it, and the world senses something big...will the Tribulation start this November? I can only pray and hope, as that would mean that the church is out of here this fall...say, around the Feast of Trumpets??? So come Lord Jesus.

ARE YOU READY?

So does any of this make any sense to you, dear reader? I could have gone much, much deeper, as I didn't even hit on Daniel...but space won't allow me. I did a study on the "Coming Beast Power" that is located on my website that began this look into is America the coming Beast power and is New York the New Babylon. Review it and say to yourself, "is America the coming Beast Power and Mystery Babylon?" It's a choice that has to be considered, as Iraq and ancient Babylon does not fit, no matter how hard the "prophecy buffs" try to stuff that round peg into a square hole.

So my question to you, my friend: are you ready? If this all comes to pass, and soon, will you be mocking and scoffing, or will your mouth fall on your chest in horror as the scream escapes your throat? Or will you be joining millions of others who have made Jesus Christ the Lord of their life, by faith believing who He said He was? If you have not made that decision for Jesus Christ, don't you think it's about time to quit fence sitting and gazing over at the other side of eternity wondering if this is all true? When it happens, then it will be too late for you not to experience all the horror that is THE TRIBULATION in earnest and God's righteous wrath and indignation. If you want to get a real taste of what the Tribulation will be like, read Revelation chapter 6 slowly and let the horror of that hour sink in. But there is a remedy for what you may feel as trepidation enters your mind and you are wondering these questions "will there be a Beast power and a Mystery Babylon spoken of in the Bible? Will God's wrath really fall on this earth" Yes, it's true, as the bible has been 100% correct to this day of our time, and as the Living God has said:

Isaiah 46:9 "Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me,

46:10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:"

God has said it, it WILL be done, making the earth ready for the coming Kingdom of God, but not before He erases all trace of sin and rebellion from this earth in wrath and billions dies in the wake of His wrath. How do you not die in the Tribulation or face enduring God's Holy wrath of judgment? I spoke of a remedy, but really it's a gift of mercy and grace. Grab it with both hands while you can, by faith. Some scoff and call it our "escape hatch", but I call it "VICTORY in JESUS."

The Holy Spirit will draw all who He will to the subject of the whole Word of the Holy Bible by using these words:

John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him, should not perish, but have everlasting life.

17: God did not send His Son to condemn the world, but the world through Him, might be saved."

This is Pastor Mike Taylor, praying for you to come to Jesus Christ as your Savior.

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Time is growing short, so make that decision for Christ right now...God bless you all, till we meet at Jesus feet.