

JUDAISM IS BABYLON THE GREAT

By Rev. Ted Pike
15 Feb 2012

Judaism Is Babylon the Great not the Roman Catholic Church System.

For nearly 2,000 years the best minds of Christianity pondered the true identity of the mysterious scarlet woman of wickedness in Revelation 17 and 18. They didn't discover it for a simple reason: it seemed that the Papacy, resplendent in wealth and power, and guilty for the blood of many Christians, perfectly satisfied Revelation's description of the great Harlot.

As such, it seemed quite unnecessary and even mean-spirited to consider that Jews, and recently the state of Israel, might also be a logical candidate. Particularly with the rise of pro-Zionist evangelicalism the Jews were considered too favored as the "apple of God's eye" to either conceive of, or perform great evil.

For nearly 2,000 years supposedly Bible-believing Christians could not come to the obvious conclusion that Judaism is Babylon the Great.

With the destruction of Babylon the Great in Revelation chapter 18 come the end of Zionism and soon the end of Anti-Christ, as he is thrown into the lake of fire along with his false prophet.

The last four chapters of Revelation detail an amazing fact: All who would have trusted Jesus to the moment of death will not only be lifted into the skies to meet Him at His coming to judge the earth, but souls already in heaven, coming with Him, shall be united with their reconstituted bodies. Both the dead and the living in Christ will come "with Jesus" as He terribly judges and purges the earth in preparation for His 1,000-year rule.

Revelation is clear that Christ sets up thrones upon earth, and His faithful also rule "with a rod of iron" over the nations, enforcing peace and righteousness. Satan and the wicked are allowed one last moment of rebellion after the 1,000 years are over. After that, they are destroyed and the kingly and priestly status of the saints continues within the New Jerusalem. This is a divinely constructed city only for God's saints, 1,500 miles square. It is situated on a new earth surrounded by new heavens.

"Mother of Harlots" – In the Old Testament and New

One of the most remarkable blindness's that has ever obscured the vision of the church concerns the true identity of Babylon the Great, the great system of world control described in Revelation 17. The Old Testament clearly says in hundreds of passages that apostate Israel is the archetypical spiritual whore, the "mother" of spiritual whoredom. Yet this testimony remains hidden from the church.

The Great City

What has happened to that rejected unfaithful wife today?

Revelation 17 confronts us with the specter of a city “which reigns over the kings of the earth.” It has physical power—more wealth and importance than any other city—but also spiritual power, embodying the full potentiality of human degeneracy. “What city is like this great city?” the merchants of the earth will wail. This city is so commercially important that when she falls, world trade also comes crashing down. The title “the great city” is exclusive. There will doubtless be other powerful cities in the end time but John witnesses “*the great city*,” an unequaled center of trade, political power, culture and human bondage.

And to whom does that term refer? In Revelation, “the great city” (*hey polis megaley* in Greek) is used to clearly refer to Jerusalem, capitol of the Jewish people! When the two witnesses are killed, their dead bodies lie in the streets of “the great city (*hey polis megaley*)” “Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified” Revelation 11:8. This unmistakably implies that powerful, corrupt Babylon and the great city “Sodom and Egypt, where our Lord was crucified,” are *the same city*... Jerusalem.

The apostle Peter, bishop of Jerusalem, also calls Jerusalem “Babylon.” He sends greetings from the church in Jerusalem saying, “She who is in Babylon...sends you greetings” 1 Peter 5:13. Peter never visited Babylon. He is clearly identifying the moral cesspool of antiquity, Babylon, with the city where Christ was killed.

There are other reasons to believe “Babylon the Great” means the Jewish city. When she is destroyed, Revelation describes the fall of this city as different from that of “Gentile” (*ethnos*) cities. “And the great city was divided into three parts and the cities of the nations (Gentiles) fell...” Rev. 16:19 a city which is not Gentile must, of course, be *Jewish*.

Also, Rev. 18:24 says that the great city is guilty for having shed the blood of the Hebrew prophets and the righteous from the beginning of history. Jesus said the same concerning the rulers of Jerusalem, the Pharisees: “that upon you may fall the guilt of all the righteous blood shed on the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah the son of Berechiah, whom you murdered between the temple and the altar” Matt. 23:35.

Yet even from earliest post-apostolic times, Christians have misread Revelation’s prophecy. They thought Babylon the Great meant Rome, which has traditionally been described as sitting on seven hills. Yet the city of Rome encompasses many more than seven hills. This is *not* true of Jerusalem. Ernest L. Martin, Ph.D. points out:

The City of Jerusalem as it existed in the time of Christ Jesus was also reckoned to be a 'City of Seven Hills.' This fact was well recognized in Jewish circles. In the Pirke de-Rabbi Eliezer, an 8th century A.D. midrashic [Talmudic] narrative (Section 10), the writer mentioned without commentary (showing that the understanding was well known and required no defense) that, “Jerusalem is situated on seven hills.” (“The Seven Hills of Jerusalem” <http://www.askelm.com/prophecy/p000201.htm>)

Armenian Christians, living for centuries in Palestine, taught their schoolchildren that the seven hills are: Mt. of Olives, Mt. Scopus, Mt. Zion, Mt. Moriah (the Temple mount), Golgotha, Hill of Moses, and Mt. Herzl.

Scripture also describes only *one* city as center of world rule in the last days, and that is Jerusalem. Paul states clearly that the anti-Christ will declare his one-world authority from the temple at Jerusalem, where he proclaims he is God. 2 Thess. 2:4. When the two witnesses resist him, they do not battle a papal anti-Christ but “the wicked profane prince of Israel” in Jerusalem. Ezek. 21:25. These Scriptures point to Jerusalem as the epicenter of one-world rebellion against God; Jerusalem and Babylon are one!

Modern Judaism is Babylonian

There is more depth to the metaphor. Judaism literally *is* Babylonian, more than nearly any other religion or culture. Most of its religious laws and traditions, including the Babylonian Talmud and Zohar (Kabbalah), come from nearly 1,600 years Jews spent on the fertile plains of Shinar. Few religions have a deeper tradition of occult. Revelation describes Babylon the Great deceiving the world through her “sorceries” and the Jewish encyclopedias tell us it was *Judaism* which carried Babylon’s black arts, demonology and astrology to the West.

This is as true today as ever. Jewish supremacism today is not only erecting a political, financial, commercial world empire but spewing filth on the nations through their movie and TV media. (See [*Jews Confirm Big Media is Jewish*](#)) They spearhead freedom-destroying, pro-homosexual hate crimes laws worldwide and abet all forms of left-wing and anti-Christ radicalism through their “civil liberties” fronts such as ADL, ACLU and the Southern Poverty Law Center.

And just as “Babylon the Great” will deceive the world, so Jewish leaders today present a whitewashed façade to Christians and the world – an illusion of goodness that has never been more convincing or scrupulously maintained. The Jewish lobby deceived Christians into unquestioning support of Israel’s ambitions and atrocities in the Mideast; this is awesome evidence of the manipulative influence Jewry will enjoy as we draw even closer to the end. When Christ warned that the delusions of the end time would be so irresistible that “even the very elect” could be deceived, He was speaking of our day!

In our day we witness the continuing and monstrous complications of that great divorce of Christ from his chosen bride millennia ago. We are not simply approaching the foothills of anti-Christ. We are in them. Through intrigue and deception, the control and commercialism of “Babylon the Great” has come to surround us. Yet we have not perceived it. We have, in fact, assisted it.

Babylon is now.

How should Christians respond to the fact that Israel and Babylon are one? Jesus tells us the answer. "Come out of her, my people, that you may not participate in her sins, and that you may not receive of her plagues, for her sins have piled up as high as heaven..." Rev. 18:4-5