

**1. The Harlot Babylon**

- a) Revelation 17:1,5 Why does the Bible use such strong language to describe this apostate power? (see also Revelation 18:3)
- b) How much influence does Babylon exert on planet earth? Revelation 17:2, 15
- c) Why is it so easy for the masses to be led astray after drinking the intoxicating wine of Babylon?
- d) What is the significance of the clothing the harlot woman is wearing? Revelation 17:4; Exodus 28:5–6, Exodus 30:9
- e) How does the name on the harlot’s head compare with the name written on the high priest in ancient Israel? Revelation 17:6; Exodus 28:36
- f) What is Babylon’s greatest sin? Revelation 17:6 (See also Luke 17:1–2)
- g) Why did John marvel with great amazement when he witnessed this scene in vision? Revelation 17:6
- h) What is your reaction to this startling revelation?

**2. The Harlot Woman and the Beast**

- a) What is the significance of the harlot woman sitting on a scarlet beast? Revelation 17:3
- b) How does John’s description of the beast in Revelation 17:7–8 compare to Revelation 13:1–8?

- c) What is the meaning of the words “was, is not, and will ascend”?
- d) Revelation 17:9–13 What explanations have you heard regarding this passage?
- e) What should our attitude be if we don’t fully understand every aspect of a prophecy?
- f) What clear message does John give in Revelation 17:14a?
- g) What are some ways the combined forces of darkness make war on the Lamb?
- h) Where has this war on the Lamb been most clearly seen in your own experience?

**3. The fall of Babylon and the victory of the Lamb**

- a) Revelation 17:14 How does the Lamb overcome the combined forces of darkness?
- b) How do the redeemed participate in the Lamb’s victory? Revelation 12:11
- c) How can we have the assurance we will be part of those who are with the Lamb—“called, chosen, and faithful”? Revelation 17:14, Revelation 18:3, Revelation 14:1–4
- d) What are your thoughts about being numbered with those who are “called, chosen, and faithful”?
- e) How can we encourage others to be part of the “called, chosen, and faithful”?

