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In our last podcast we discussed the lamentation of the Professionals the Passengers and those who make their living on the sea in the economy of the Harlot. We also discussed the three lamentations and the three times the Spirit spoke about her One Hour of judgment, and we touched again on the sixth command which is to be caused to rejoice over her destruction. This forces a believer to come to grips with a new reality, that which exists in the realm of Christianity. Let’s pick back up as we finish *Revelation 18* and the judgement of the Harlot.

## EP156 Revelation 18 verses 21-24

### *Destroyed and Abandoned*

#### ***Revelation 18:21-24***

Then a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone and threw it into the sea, **now** saying, “So will Babylon, the great city, be in the **future** be caused to be thrown down with violence and may not be found any longer. And the sound of harpists and musicians and flute-players and trumpeters may no longer be caused to be heard in you; and no craftsman of any craft may be caused to be found in you any longer; and the sound of a mill may be caused to not be heard in you any longer; and the light of a lamp may not shine in you any longer; and the voice of the bridegroom and bride may be caused to not be heard in you any longer; for your merchants were the great ones of the earth, because all the nations were caused to be deceived by your sorcery. And in her was caused to be found the blood of prophets and of holy ones and of all who have been caused to being slain on the earth.

Have you noticed that there does not seem to be many weak or scrawny angels in heaven, they seem to all be strong or mighty.

### **Thrown Down**

Regardless, this mighty angel is acting prophetically as he throws a stone, like a great millstone, into the sea of humanity and is even now saying that this is what will in the **future** happen to Babylon, to the woman who is now sitting on the seven heads of the Beast. The great city of religious apostasy will be picked up and hurled down with violence into the very sea upon which she sat.

This picture seems to play off the imagery given to us in the **Codex** which says: “*When you have finished*

*reading the scroll, tie it to a stone and throw it into the Euphrates River. Then say, 'In this same way Babylon and her people will sink, never again to rise, because of the disasters I will bring upon her.'*"<sup>1</sup>

It also parallels Jesus' warning, "...whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it would be better for him to have a heavy millstone hung around his neck, and to be drowned in the depth of the sea."<sup>2</sup>

A great millstone is used as a symbol for Babylon because this woman has crushed everyone. She has rolled over all the masses of people of every nation and language and crushed them under her burden of religious duty and legalism. Her various forms of legalism (no matter how small or subtle) have been devastating. No one who has immoral relations with her escapes the crushing nature of her ways.

A man once said that a little legalism never hurt anyone. He was dead wrong in every way! The weight of her rules, guilt, shame, condemnation, judgment, division, and so on is too much for anyone to bear. How can mere men ever expect to keep the Law? They cannot, which is why the law is fulfilled in-and-on-behalf of those who are **now** abiding in Christ.<sup>3</sup> The **Codex** does not say that the law is fulfilled in those who have been born again or in those who are faithfully serving God. But the law is fulfilled on behalf of those who are **now** abiding in Christ.

This image also communicates the suddenness and definitiveness of her ultimate demise. Yes, she is being judged even now and she will continually be judged until this time of her ultimate destruction. But when that time comes, it will come suddenly and swiftly, and she will be thrown down with violence. And like a great millstone that is thrown in the bottom of the ocean, she will not be retrieved.

After all, the Beast and the 10 Horns, those demonic kings, secretly despise this woman and when the time is right, they will strip her naked, eat her flesh, and burn her remains with fire. For God has put a plan into their minds, a plan that will carry out His purposes.<sup>4</sup> And she will not recover.

## Stripped of Everything

This woman will be stripped of everything. She will have no more impact in this world. There will be no more worship. The musicians who used to populate her houses will no longer be heard. The artisans and craftsman which made her houses beautiful will not be found. The sound of the mill, the sound of her crushing people under the weight of her legalistic burden (which is endemic to spiritual humanism founded on the ethic of personal goodness) will no longer be heard.

Even the artificial light which she brought to people to convince them they were in fact serving God and doing things right will be snuffed out—no light will be found in her. She will not be able to deceive any more. Even the joy that would normally come from her bringing people together to be bound in her form of religious matrimony, which binds people in her religious system, will be heard no more.

## 3 Reasons for Her Destruction

It is for three major infractions that this woman is destroyed and abandoned. "... *for your merchants*

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<sup>1</sup> *Jeremiah 51:63-64*

<sup>2</sup> *Matthew 18:6*

<sup>3</sup> *Romans 8:1-4*

<sup>4</sup> *Revelation 17:16-17*

were the great ones of the earth, because all the nations were caused to be deceived by your sorcery. And in her was caused to be found the blood of prophets and of holy ones and of all who have been caused to being slain on the earth.”

### **Reason 1: Merchants of the Earth Were the Great Ones**

The Merchants of the Earth, those who are the wholesalers of religion, “**were the great ones of the earth.**” This is a very interesting and precise statement, as it is rendered in the *imperfect active indicative* instead of the generic past tense phrasing, such as the *aorist active indicative*. As we have studied, the *imperfect* has a very specific reference to time. This seems to indicate that at some very specific time in the past, the Harlot recruited to her service angelic entities that were then deemed to be “**the great ones of the earth**” and they retooled their skills and became the Merchants of the Earth: the wholesalers of religion.

Sadly, many of the Biblical translations translate this as “the great **men** of the earth” but men or man or its equivalent is not in the Greek, and this translation choice leads to a misunderstanding of what the Spirit is communicating. The Greek word for man, “*anthropos*” is not used. The word used is “*megistantes*,” which is a superlative of “*mega*” or great and is therefore deemed to be “super great.” Given the superlative, it could even be translated as the “super-great ones.”

### **The Great Ones**

“... **the great ones of the earth ...**” This phrase is beyond fascinating for it takes us back to **Genesis** chapters **4-6**, to some very dark times, days of spiritual intrigue, a time when **Genesis 4:26** says that mankind first came to blaspheme the name of **Yahweh** or to “call” upon the name of **Yahweh** with contempt.<sup>5</sup> Our translations of **Genesis 4:26** may not give the passage its full due. In the Hebrew, the word translated as “call” comes from a root word which means to encounter someone accidentally or in a hostile manner, through the idea of accosting a person. So, in addition to a traditional understanding of “call,” the Hebrew word also carries with it negative and hostile implications.

Perhaps this explains why shortly thereafter the Spirit told us in **Genesis 6:5-7**, “Then **Yahweh** saw that that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. **Yahweh** was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart.” This was a time when man began to turn his heart and affections away from **Yahweh** and “call” on the name of **Yahweh** in ways that had negative implications.

This was also a time when the line between the supernatural and the natural realms were blurred and even integrated in a way that we do not see across the rest of the **Codex**.

### **Genesis 6:1-4**

Now it came about, when **men** began to multiply on the face of the land, and daughters were born to them, that the sons of God saw that the daughters of **men** were beautiful; and they took wives for themselves, whomever they chose. Then **Yahweh** said, “My Spirit shall not strive with **man** forever, because he also is flesh; nevertheless, his days shall be one hundred and twenty years.”

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<sup>5</sup> **Genesis 4:26**

The Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of **men**, and they bore children to them.

Those were the **mighty men** who were of old, **men** of renown.

There are a lot of opinions about this passage and a lot of unanswered questions. Did angels copulate with women and have half-breed children, half angel and half human? Was this a spiritual and not a physical copulation that resulted in human children who were demon possessed? Was this a purely human interaction between powerful men and women with no involvement of the supernatural? We are not given clear answers, but these verses seem to merge everything such that it is very hard to know if we are being given a spiritual view, a physical view, or both: angelic entities, who are referred to in certain Hebrew manuscripts of the **Codex** as “sons of God,” plus their human avatars.<sup>6</sup> Apparently, the translators had a bias toward the natural and tried to answer the questions for us. They chose words that aligned with their bias. But that may not be the full story, there are many connecting points to this text throughout the **Codex** that gives us reason to believe that the Spirit was addressing a blended view.

For our purposes, it is important that we look at the Hebrew, especially of the very last line, and contrast it with the previous lines. This will give us an understanding of the spiritual aspect that is weaved all throughout this passage.

In the four instances of the word “men” or “man” the Hebrew word “*adam*” is used. Since Adam was the first man, “*adam*” is the Hebrew word translated as man. However, in the last line “*adam*” does **NOT** appear, even though twice the translators tried to make us think it does. In the first instance, the word “*gibbowr*” or “*gibbor*” is used and it means mighty one, not mighty men. For instance, in **Isaiah 9:6**, **Yahweh** is referred to as **El Gibbor**, translated as **Mighty God**, not “*Mighty Man God*.”

And in the second instance translated “**men of renown**,” the Hebrew word “*iysh*” is used, which is translated as “man” thousands of times in the **Codex**, but according to multiple Hebrew Lexicons, it is noted that this may also come from an unused root word meaning extant or “*still existing*.” This note about an “unused” root means that this root does not appear in the Bible, but it does in other semitic manuscripts and documents and therefore should be considered and explored to help bring additional insight into the characteristics of these mighty ones. In the footnotes of this manuscript, which you can download at “[threshermediagroup.com](http://threshermediagroup.com),” I have included a list of Hebrew references that address this issue giving weight to the idea of “*still existing*.”<sup>7</sup>

One can ignore this idea and stick only with the translation of “*man*,” but the fact that after using the word “*adam*” four times the Spirit switches to another word should, at a minimum, raise an eyebrow or inspire some level of curiosity. Perhaps the Spirit was making a point, which the translators missed or

<sup>6</sup> See **Job 1:6, 38:7**; and **Deuteronomy 32:8** where the phrase “sons of God” refers to or implies angelic entities.

<sup>7</sup> The notation of “*iysh*” coming from an unused root meaning “*extant*” or “*still existing*” is mentioned in the following Resources: Strongs Hebrew Concordance and Interlinear (based on the Masoretic Text), Gesenius Hebrew Chaldea Lexicon, William Holiday Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon, Brown-Driver-Briggs and Theological Workbook of the Old Testament (TWOT) make its connection to “strong and mighty.” In addition to the use of AI to search all Semitic texts where “*iysh*” is used to refer to something as “*extant*,” these sources utilize multiple committees of experts, and multiple layers of approval before including a notation with such profound implications.

chose to ignore, and was blending the concepts of the natural with the supernatural.

The last sentence could possibly be translated, “Those were the mighty ones who were of old, still existing, renown” or “Those were the mighty ones who were of old, men of renown.” And perhaps the Spirit is giving us a layered phrase that is addressing both.

If so, this would fit in perfectly with **Revelation 18:23** which explains that the Merchants of the Earth, which we have established are spiritual entities with human avatars, “*were* (rendered in the *imperfect*) *the great ones of the earth.*” And this issue is such a big deal that it is **one** of only **three** reasons that Babylon deserves to be judged. This possible blending of humanity with the angelic is a big deal and it has many implications, which we have covered before regarding the angelic attempt at obtaining redemption, i.e., if such a blend was permitted to exist at the time of Jesus’ death and resurrection, He would have been dying for the sins of all men, and by implication the sins of the angels.

As such, there is a good possibility that the *great ones of the earth* were the mighty ones who were men of renown or might ones of renown, still existing. This would capture both the physical and spiritual nature of this dynamic of the Merchants of the Earth and the dynamic of **Genesis 6:1-4**, which is undoubtedly a blend of the spiritual and physical.

In addition, the passage in **Genesis 6:1-4** is the only instance in the **Codex** that would fit the context of “mighty ones” or “*the great ones of the earth.*” And with the Spirit raising such an important issue, being one of the three reasons, it is unlikely that God would not have given us some clue as to what He meant by “*were the great ones of the earth,*” especially given the way He has consistently uses the Old Testament as a map to give us the ability to understand so many of the images and phrases He uses in **Revelation**.

Let’s trace the story line through the **Codex**, for it also reveals the real possibility that one out of three reasons for judgment is tied to this attempt at blending the angelic with humanity. We know that the Nephilim were understood to be giants, mighty tyrants. The Hebrew word “*nephil*” comes from a root word “*naphal*” which means to fall, as in the fallen angels. Thus, it is probably safe to assume that, however it happened, the referenced children were literally giants, abnormally large men, who were empowered, possessed, by demonic beings, fallen angels. This copulation, in some way shape or form, blended the spiritual with the physical. And this is the reason that centuries later, when the Israelites entered the Promised Land, God had them commit every community that housed some remnant of the Nephilim to the ban, to complete destruction. He was not going to let these mighty ones continue their integration with humanity (whatever that looked like).

By way of contrast, God did not commit all cultures and communities living in the Promised Land to the ban, in fact, He purposely left some in the land to test Israel. He did not let Joshua and his crew destroy much less conquer those other communities, even though **Yahweh** clearly identifies them as enemies.<sup>8</sup> But those select few communities, God ordered a complete obliteration. Why? What did He have against the giants and the communities that housed them? Why did they need to be obliterated?

We have explored the answer to this in other sections, but in short, according to **Hebrews 2:14-18** the Spirit declares that God does not **now** choose to give help to the angels, they made their choice, and they must live in their choice. In contrast, God does give help to the sons of Abraham, those men and women who abide in faith. Therefore, prior to the Messiah coming, God first obliterated any remnant of whatever

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<sup>8</sup> See **Judges 3:1-6**

happened in **Genesis 6:1-4**, because if Jesus died for all of mankind, if any of these hybrids still existed, His atonement would have applied to them and by implication to the fallen angels at large. But assuredly He does not now choose to give help to angels.

The Nephilim went by many names depending on the culture, including the Sons of Anak or the Anakim, Emim, Rephaim, and the Zamzummim. **Joshua 11:22** tells us that *“There were no Anakim left in the land of the sons of Israel; only in Gaza, in Gath, and in Ashdod some remained.”* Therefore, during the time of Joshua, the people of Israel had for the most part “cleaned” the land of the Nephilim, leaving only some remaining in Philistine territory, in Gaza, Gath, and Ashdod, which were parts of the land that Israel did not occupy. Though Joshua did not destroy all the Nephilim, God was not done, more needed to be done.

Centuries later during the time of David, the rest of these giants were hunted and eventually killed, the most famous being Goliath who was also identified as a *“gibbwr,”* a mighty one, linking him to what is said about the Nephilim being *“gibbwr,”* mighty ones.<sup>9</sup> Most do not realize it, but Goliath had four brothers who too were giants, *“gibbwr.”* Collectively they were referred to as the *“five lords of the Philistines.”*<sup>10</sup> They were all killed by David and his men.<sup>11</sup>

For whatever reason, God was intent on wiping out any remnant of the Nephilim from the Promised Land. As such, He targeted very specific people in very specific communities, but He left many other enemies from those same communities living in the land.

Perhaps this also plays into the story of Nimrod and Semiramis. Like the Nephilim and Goliath, Nimrod was referred to as *“gibbor,”* *“a mighty hunter before (literally in the face of) Yahweh.”* This could be a clue that links the **“sons of God”** who had a hand in creating the Nephilim to Nimrod and down through history to Goliath and his brothers, etc. After all, Nimrod and his wife Semiramis led mankind in the worship of the hosts of heavens, believing they could be the bridge between mankind and the angelic, which was the impetus to “Babylon” being a Biblical picture of a religious system that has gone apostate.

It is likely that many of the *“gibbor”* (mighty) or the *“gibbwr”* (mighty ones) referenced in the **Codex** were men who were either possessed or somehow intertwined to the angelic, i.e., they are those who were practically empowered by the angelic. For instance, David’s mighty men who did super-human feats were likely empowered by the angelic to accomplish their stunning deeds. With that said, there is a good chance that the angelic spirits who superpowered the Nephilim comprise those who would centuries later comprise the Merchants of the Earth who *“were the great ones of the earth”* and who have been responsible for the merchandising or wholesaling religion to the entire earth, accomplishing the original purposes first revealed in Babylon.

### ***Reason 2: Deception by Sorcery***

*“... because all the nations were caused to be deceived by your sorcery.”* We know that all the nations have drunk her wine, and her wine is a magic-potion that has not just deceived the masses but has driven them mad. No one has escaped her potion.

<sup>9</sup> **1 Samuel 17:51**

<sup>10</sup> **Joshua 13:3.** See also **1 Samuel 6:4, 16**

<sup>11</sup> See **2 Samuel 21:18-22**

**Revelation 18:3**

For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her immorality...

**Jeremiah 51:7**

Babylon has been a golden cup in the hand of **Yahweh**, intoxicating all the earth. The nations have drunk of her wine; therefore, the nations are going mad.

The Harlot's success in the earth is tied to her ability to **deceive**. That is why she has the masses even now worshipping so many different Jesus' with every group believing they know the real Jesus and that everyone else is flat out wrong. Yet, the Spirit was very clear in communicating that there is one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God and Father of all who is over all and though all and in all.<sup>12</sup> And since Jesus is **the** truth (not a truth), we know there cannot be many truths, just His.<sup>13</sup> There can only be one. But that is not what we see in the world of Christianity with the 45,000+ various denominations around the world. Given this declaration by the Spirit of God that there is only one Spirit, one Lord, one God and Father and so on, we know that what exists within Christianity must be a result of this woman's deception working in unison with the voice of the image of the Beast.

Her methods of deception involve **sorceries**, which is the Greek word "*pharmakeia*" from where we get our word pharmacy. This word is used only one other place in the **Codex** and it is a word connected to magic or a spell-based potion. In **Galatians 5:20**, it is translated as "**witchcraft**."

Religion is the Queen of this world, and she has deceived everyone, without exception, by her magic or spiritual drug of religious delusion. With that in mind, it is important to consider that the world is not agnostic, and it is by no means atheistic; rather, it is absolutely ruled by religion. Even if your religion is science, or the politics of the day, everyone still puts faith in something that cannot be proven but which is based upon all manner of speculation and belief, and which attracts advocates who are zealous and blind ministers of these false gospels.

For all those who think they are immune from this woman's power, they need to think again. Her power operates in the realm of the unseen, and it is magical. She uses demons and unclean spirits, birds, and beasts to control her customers and she continues to pour out a spell-based potion to convince us that her ways are the truth. She operates behind the scenes and we, as well as all the nations of the world, are subjects of her deception. She works in cooperation with the Kings of the Earth, the Merchants of the Earth, the Professionals and even the Passengers, and their respective human avatars. She has been very successful in her harlotry.

This is the reason why throughout this study we always, always start with what the Spirit personally moved His scribes to write, hence, the maniacal focus on the forms of the words such as tense, mood, voice, case and so on. This information often cuts against our presuppositions and much of what we have

<sup>12</sup> **Ephesians 4:4-6**; see also **1 Corinthians 8:6**

<sup>13</sup> **John 14:6**



been taught within Christianity, but it is crucial to our attempt to understand the precise meaning and function of each word within a sentence. From there we analyze across the **Codex** to see how the Spirit dealt with the same or similar content in other places.

In addition, the Spirit said that His prophetic word of Scripture is not a matter of personal interpretation, for no prophecy of Scripture was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.<sup>14</sup> This means that they wrote exactly what He said in the manner in which He said it. Therefore, by starting with how things were said and sticking to the **Code**, we hope to reduce our natural tendency to make the Scriptures a matter of private interpretation and just let the words spoke from God be what they are, and not try to fit them into any predetermined bias. With all the **Code** changes in the text, and for example, the mismatch of tenses, this is difficult and confusing. But hopefully we have seen how beautifully consistent everything He crafted is when we just let it be. It truly is one big message spread out across all 66 books.

And if you think that all the confusion is unnecessary, it has a purpose, and it is connected to the ways of the Harlot.

### ***Isaiah 28:13***

So, the word of **Yahweh** to them will be, "Order on order, order on order, line on line, line on line, a little here, a little there," that they may go and stumble backward, be broken, snared and taken captive.

The Spirit's approach operates as a threshing instrument which divides and separates those amongst His own people: those who stumble backwards, are broken, snared, and taken captive by the Harlot from those to whom it has been granted to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven. As Jesus said,

### ***Matthew 13:11-14***

To you it has been caused to be granted to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been caused to be granted. For whoever **now** has, to him more shall in the **future** be caused to be given, and he will in the **future** be caused to have an abundance; but whoever does not **now** have, even what he **now** has shall in the **future** be caused to be taken away from him. Therefore, I **now** speak to them in parables; because while **now** seeing they are not **now** caused to see, and while **now** hearing they do not **now** hear, nor do they **now** understand.

And to the learned lawyers, the religious experts, the schooled Professionals of His day who knew the ins-and-outs of the law are themselves a hinderance to people knowing and understanding **the** truth.

### ***Luke 11:52***

Woe to you lawyers! For you have taken away the key of knowledge; you yourselves did not enter, and

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<sup>14</sup> **1 Peter 1:20**



you hindered those who chose to **now** be entering.

### **Luke 8:18**

You are commanded to **now** take care how you **now** listen; for whoever **now** has, to him more shall in the **future** be caused to be given; and whoever does not **now** have, even what he **now** thinks he **now** has shall in the **future** be caused to be taken away from him."

Those are harrowing words of **WARNING** for the people of God!

### **Reason 3: She Spilled Blood**

*"And in her was caused to be found the blood of prophets and of holy ones and of all who have been caused to being slain on the earth."* This is an incredible statement and is in effect a restatement of **Revelation 17:6**, *"And I saw the woman **now** being drunk with the blood of the holy ones, and with the blood of the witnesses of Jesus,"* but it adds so much more to her ledger of red. She is responsible for the blood of the prophets, the holy ones, the witnesses of Jesus, **AND** *"all who have been caused to being slain on the earth."* It is an unfathomable remark.

We know that the generation who have forgone the truth for the words of the Harlot and the image, face a similar condemnation.

### **Matthew 23:34-36**

Therefore, behold, I **now** send to you prophets and wise men and scribes; some of them you will in the **future** kill and crucify, and some of them you will in the **future** scourge in your synagogues, and in the **future** persecute from city to city, so that upon you may fall the guilt of **all** the righteous blood **now** caused to be shedding on 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. "Truly I **now** say to you, all these things will come upon this generation.

The Spirit communicates that beyond the blood of the righteous (whether prophets, holy ones, or from the two witnesses) by the religious community, she is somehow responsible for all those who have been caused to be slain on the earth. Somehow, her magic potions (which all the nations drunk) and demonic assistants have been the impetus for all of it. Whether it is a war between tribes in Africa to the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War, it has all been because of the Harlot, all the time. As such, her judgment is just, it is right, and it is due. God be praised that He will vindicate His loved ones and His justice will reign on the earth.

### **The Mark of Perfection**

In this chapter, there have been a total of three series of threes, **Yahweh's** mark of perfection upon perfection, His monogram so-to-speak. Three Lamentations, three declarations regarding her **one hour** of judgment, and three reasons for her judgment.

This chapter describes God's perfect work in judgment of religious apostasy and the woman who rides upon the waters of humanity and on the seven heads of the Beast.

## Recapitulation: The Woman who rides the Beast

### *Come Out of Her My People*

"You are *commanded*, the people, ***the people***, mine, to come out of her so that you **may** not participate of her the sins and **may** not receive of her plagues; for her sins have been caused to be glued up as high as heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities.

Before we move to **Revelation 19**, it's important that we get a firm grasp of understanding in terms of knowing where this woman lives, what will be necessary to flee from her and come out of her system, and how to escape her deception and sorcery.

As hard as it may be, we must realize and accept that this woman has made her home in our souls. She is not about a building, a certain sect of religion, a certain church, or even about a group of great leaders. She is all the above and so much more. Her power lies in the fact that her spiritual deception (that we can be good like God) has been planted deep within our souls. It is the **Eve Imprint**. Therefore, she is so hard to shake.

This woman is evil, however, since her abominations are wrapped in God talk and all the accoutrements of good religion, it is very difficult for most people to tell the difference between what is false and what is real. Hence, so many "believers" unsuspectingly participate in her sins and suffer under her plagues when all along they were so intent on serving God and worshipping God.

Her special blend of wine is found in spiritual humanism, the belief that there is something we can do to be right with God or to earn His blessings in this life. It is a belief that God needs us to serve Him, obey Him, and so on; therefore, we dedicate our time to please him and make Him happy so on-the-one-hand we will not be punished and on-the-other-hand we will be blessed. This form of spirituality has missed the mark completely in terms of the Biblical **Design Point** and in terms of the fundamental understanding that we have been caused to being saved by grace through faith.

As far as the plagues of her judgment, they come in many forms, but some are easily identified, such as guilt, fear, duty, anxiety, burden, insecurity, hierarchy, condemnation, judgment, shame, and so many other emotional and psychological plagues which sicken both our soul, our mind, and our body.

Therefore, to escape this woman, we must look deep inside and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to us all the areas where we have unwittingly subscribed to her deception. Then we must reject, throw away, and even hate everything in us that desires us to be "good" without the cross, or all that cries out for us to be loyal to her system, and to all those "godly" men and women in our religion. We must become convinced that there is nothing good within us, nothing at all. The only good we can boast of is what Christ has done in us and what He does through us. After all, **Only God is Good** therefore only God can do good.<sup>15</sup> We

<sup>15</sup> See **Romans 3:12; 7:18; Matthew 10:18; Luke 18:19; Psalm 16:2; Isaiah 26:12**

must all bet our lives upon the fact **that the source matters, the source is everything!**

The **Design Point** is based on Christ living in and through our lives through His Spirit. Since there is nothing that we can do for God, the only thing He desires of us is to be **willing** to believe that He alone is our source for all things, that He is our **I AM**. He even helps us with our unbelief!<sup>16</sup> Only then can we let go of all our attempts, via the whisperings of this woman, her demonic hoards, and the image of the Beast to be good for God and for others.

Instead, we can focus on trusting that **Yahweh** loves us, will lead us down the best pathways for our lives, and therefore it is safe to open the door when He knocks and to let Him enter in and conquer every enemy in our soul that stands in opposition to Him being our **I AM**. War is the only way that He will be able to freely live in-and-through us.<sup>17</sup>

In summary, everything must be Him, 100% (which is the very definition of the **GRACE** of God). All He requires from us is to exercise our personal sovereignty such that we are **willing**. It is up to Him to do the rest. This truth has the power to devastate this woman's hold on our lives; therefore, it must become our truth.

If we believe we are this needy for Jesus (in everything all the time), then we will confess our absolute and total dependency upon Him in everything we do. We will relent of our pride, and we will let Him have His way with us. We will trust that He is our Lord God Almighty and affirm that there is no other. We will give Him access to do with us as He may. In fact, the prayer of our heart will be *"not my will be done but your will be done."*

This is not just a spiritual pep talk; this is the pathway to freedom and to all the promises which God said are ours. We must tear this woman from our lives and give her no place to live.

**"YOU ARE COMMANDED, THE PEOPLE, THE PEOPLE, MINE TO COME OUT OF HER!  
FLEE BABYLON!**

Let's stop here and in our next podcast we will start **Revelation 19**.

I am glad you "tuned in" and have been "ready to listen."

<sup>16</sup> **Mark 9:14-29**

<sup>17</sup> See **Philippians 2:12-13; Isaiah 26:12; Jeremiah 32:40; 1 Kings 8:58; Ezra 1:5; 2 Chronicles 30:12; Ezekiel 36:27; John 3:27; 2 Corinthians 3:5-6; James 1:16-17; 4:6; and Hebrews 13:20-21**