

Babylon teaches us some important Lessons about morality

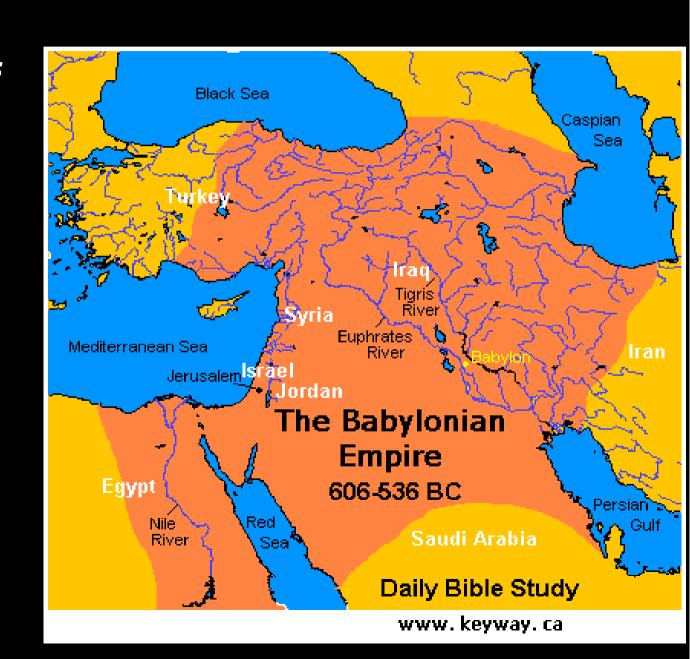
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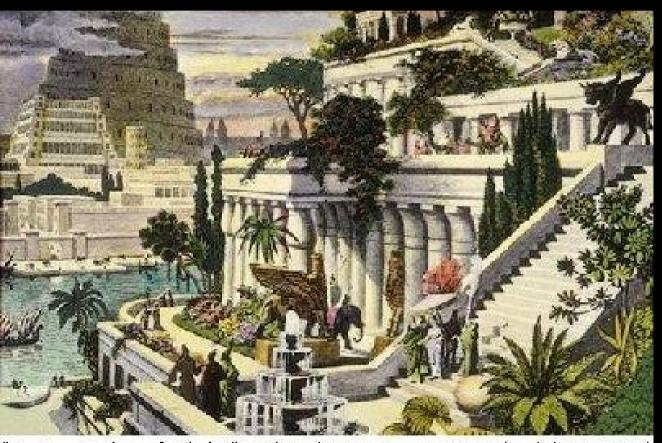
- Noah Ham Cush Nimrod
- Genesis 10:8-10 8 Cush begot Nimrod; he began to be a mighty one on the earth. 9 He was a mighty hunter before the Lord; therefore it is said, "Like Nimrod the mighty hunter before the Lord." 10 And the beginning of his kingdom was <u>Babel</u>, Erech, Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar.

- Started by Nimrod
- Genesis 11:8-9 8 So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they ceased building the city. 9 Therefore its name is called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

- Started by Nimrod
- Violated God's instructions
- Babel in Hebrew is pronounced Baw-bale.
- Babel 2 times; Babylon 260 times
- Both words are the same Hebrew word.
- The LORD gave "Babel" the meaning of confusion (the English word "babble" and "baby" are derived from that word).

- At the time of Daniel and Ezekiel, the empire of Babylon was powerful and extensive.
- Judah spent 70 years in captivity in Babylon.





"Hanging Gardens of Babylon" attributed to Maarten van Heemskerck (1498- 1574)

- Babylon was a wealthy city. It was famous for its "Hanging Gardens"
- Was built on the remains of the tower of Babel.

- Babylon was an invincible city almost.
- Because of greed and pride the city and the empire fell in one night with out any war.
- The emperor was having a drunken party.
- The city walls were thick but there were water ways under the wall.
- The Medes and Persians took the city without a fight.

- Revelation 17 & 18 talk about Babylon
- Ungodly government
- The height of immorality, abomination
- Revelation 17:5 And on her forehead a name was written:

MYSTERY,
BABYLON THE GREAT,
THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS
AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS
OF THE EARTH.

- The mother of false religion
- The source of false doctrine
- The seat of immorality
- The location of all that is unrighteous
- The root of persecution
- Revelation 17:14 These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those who are with Him are called, chosen, and faithful."

The End of Babylon

The whole world will attempt to make war against Him (Christ) because the whole world today is "Babylon."

Revelation 17:15 Then he said to me, "The waters which you saw, where the harlot sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues.

Revelation 18:21-22

 21 Then a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone and threw it into the sea, saying, "Thus with violence the great city Babylon shall be thrown down, and shall not be found anymore. 22 The sound of harpists, musicians, flutists, and trumpeters shall not be heard in you anymore. No craftsman of any craft shall be found in you anymore, and the sound of a millstone shall not be heard in you anymore.

Revelation 18:23-24

 23 The light of a lamp shall not shine in you anymore, and the voice of bridegroom and bride shall not be heard in you anymore. For your merchants were the great men of the earth, for by your sorcery all the nations were deceived. 24 And in her was found the blood of prophets and saints, and of all who were slain on the earth."

Where is Babylon today?

- Babylon is where there is - -
- Immoral government
- Persecution against Christians
- All kinds of immorality allowed and supported
- False doctrine and false religion
- All types of unrighteous behavior
- Control over people, nations, languages

Revelation 18:1-3

 1 After these things I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was illuminated with his glory. 2 And he cried mightily with a loud voice, saying, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and has become a dwelling place of demons, a prison for every foul spirit, and a cage for every unclean and hated bird! 3 For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth have become rich through the abundance of her

Babylon will fall

- God caused Babylon #1 (Babel) to fail
- God caused Babylon #2 to be conquered
- God will take down Babylon #3
- WARNING: Do not be a part of the modern day Babylon.