

The Beast in Babylon Discussion Questions

Revelation 17:1-18

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1. What do you know about Babylon?
2. How did the bowl judgments affect “the great prostitute?” What will the destruction from the bowl judgments cause people to do? Do you think there will be a lot of crime and violence during this time? Why or why not?
3. How will this false religion confuse and deceive people? What have the false religions of the past involved in their worship?
4. How does the world try to seduce us with its values and attractions? How can we remain faithful to Christ?
5. How does sin affect us physically, emotionally, relationally, and spiritually?
6. Give examples of how sin appears attractive and enticing, but once caught is toxic? How can we recognize this danger?
7. Which is more valuable to you: the things the world has to offer or eternal life that Christ offers? Why?
8. What temptations are you dealing with today? What would be the best thing to do to avoid falling into the temptation? What temptations have you fallen prey to that you need to confess, repent, and seek forgiveness from?
9. How do we guard ourselves from the corruption of the world?
10. How does being a joyful giver battle against the seduction of the world? Why does this work?
11. How could the reference to the beast as “was, and is not, and is about to rise,” be another counterfeit of the title of God in Revelation 1:8: “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”
12. What view do you have of the seven mountains and seven kings: Rome, rulers, or world powers? Why?
13. Compare and contrast this part of the passage with the image in Daniel 2. Is this talking about the same thing? Why or why not?
14. How is God able to work in the hearts of His enemies to bring about His purposes? Will God’s purposes always win out? Why or why not?
15. With whom does your allegiance lie: Yourself or with God? How can you tell where your allegiance is?
16. Do you trust God as sovereign to do what is best in your life even if that brings more pain and suffering? Why or why not? What struggles do you have with doing this?
17. How does having a high view of God lead to less sin? How does having a high opinion of ourselves lead to more sin?
18. Are you willing to die to self, to deny your desires, take up your cross and follow Him? What does this mean in your life?