

Knowing & Defeating the Babylonian System

God always gives us warfare strategy to defeat the enemies of the Kingdom of God.

We know as we read Revelation how this all ends as King Jesus/Yeshua comes to reign His eternal kingdom.

Yet we are currently experiencing battles towards that final victory.

As scripture tells us in Eph 6:12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.

- satan is described as: 2Cor 4:4 whose minds **the god of this age has blinded**, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.
Eph 2:2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, **according to the prince of the power of the air**, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

This warfare is against systems of this world – one of which is the Babylon System.

Many believers today are suffering from burnout, technological & news information overload. – Dan. 7:25 he [enemy] shall speak *pompous* words against the Most High, shall **persecute/wear down** the saints of the Most High, and shall intend to change times and law...: altering standards, constant warfare, distractions.

Some Believers don't realize we are in a spiritual war, a prophetic war where the enemy is attempting to infiltrate the church and the nations to thwart God's will and plans for humankind.

- You may say, "I didn't sign up for this when I accepted Jesus as Savior and Lord. I just want salvation and to go to heaven!"
- This is why Jesus said to count the cost before you begin to build the house to make sure you have sufficient to finish!

Many of you feel exhausted, defeated, weary of the battles, stresses and strain of life.

You wonder why you're being demonically attacked for no apparent reason.

The answer: You've chosen Jesus as Lord, the Kingdom of God as your government and Holy Spirit lives in you.
You're called apart and a citizen of heaven.

Realize this: Hell doesn't target the lukewarm – it targets those who are walking in the power and identity of Jesus Christ



**Because Holy Spirit lives in you,
you are at war with the Babylon spirit who is
operating in this world!**

Realize this: You're already in it!!

The only question is: Will you fight or will you blend it?

1. **Babylon is more than a city – it's a system:**

Scripture refers to Babylon not just as an ancient empire, but a spiritual system that is completely opposed to the Kingdom of God and His purposes.

Isa. 45-47 is a prophetic word of how God identifies, confronts and ultimately destroys this system.

- Babylon is a counterfeit kingdom mimicking Gods authority while rejecting His truth.
- It promises freedom but delivers bondage, it promotes self, sensuality and sorcery while attempting to silence righteousness and mocks holiness.
- It has crept into every sphere of modern-day life:
 - Governmental agendas pushing God out and perversion in.
 - Education systems that indoctrinate rather than educate.
 - Financial systems that enslave with debt and greed.
 - Media that glorifies darkness and celebrating rebellion.
 - Churches that tolerate false doctrine in the name of inclusion.

Babylon is alive today & in its systematic way has become dangerous and subtle.

- It disguises itself as cultural causes and equal rights and the moral thing to do. Babylon from scripture always represents the counter-kingdom.

- It stands against everything that is true of the Kingdom of God.
- If we are not cautious, we end up identifying with it and participating in it and defending it without realizing we have compromised the truth for a lie.

2. Characteristics of Babylon:

1. Pride and Self- Exaltation- Isa 47:10 “For you have trusted in your wickedness; You have said, ‘No one sees me’; Your wisdom and your knowledge have warped you; and you have said in your heart, “*I am, and there is no one else besides me.*”

It says:

- “I know what’s best, I’ll define my own truth, I don’t need anyone telling me how to live.”

Same spirit that got Lucifer cast out of heaven.

Isa 14: 13-15 For you have said in your heart: ‘**I will ascend** into heaven, **I will exalt** my throne above the stars of God; **I will also sit** on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; ¹⁴ **I will ascend** above the heights of the clouds, **I will be like** the Most High.’ ¹⁵ Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, to the lowest depths of the Pit.

The prophet Isaiah and apostle John both spoke of Babylon as a symbol of corruption and pride. Revelation describes the city's fall as happening in one hour, signifying sudden and total destruction.

The Bible records Babylon's fall not just as a historical event, but as a **moral** and **spiritual** lesson. The desecration of the sacred vessels and the arrogance of Babylon’s rulers were seen as affronts to the God of Israel.

- Pride is dangerous because it blinds us to our need for God,
Babylon thrives where humility dies.
 - Result of pride is rejection by God – James 4:6-7 But He gives more grace. Therefore, He says: “God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.”
2. Idolatry and the Worship of Pleasure – Isa 47:8 Therefore hear this now, *you who are given to pleasures, Who dwell securely, Who say in your heart, ‘I am, and there is no one else besides me; I shall not sit as a widow, Nor shall I know the loss of children’*
- Babylon replaces God with idols: brands, celebrities, bank accounts, platforms, influencers, friends, feelings, likes on social media platforms.
 - Anything or one who loves, serves, trusts more than God has become an idol.

- Babylon uses idolatry to allure and lead people astray from serving God.
 - It declares that “I am untouchable, I’ve built my own security, I don’t need God.”
3. Sexual Immorality and Seduction – Rev 17 calls Babylon “The Great Harlot” full of seduction, impurity, and fornication.
- This is not just physical acts, it’s about a spirit that seduces people away from God’s design for normal sex, marriage, gender and family

Sexual immorality and seduction in the Babylon culture is rife with:

- Normalizing pornography.
- Hook-up culture – casual sex.
- Redefining marriage.
- Sexualizing children.
- Gender confusion.

Babylon doesn’t just tolerate sin – it markets it for profit and teaches others to benefit from it.

4. Sorcery and the Occult – Isa 47:12-13 Stand now with your enchantments And the multitude of your sorceries, in which you have labored from your youth— Perhaps you will be able to profit, Perhaps you will prevail. ¹³You are wearied in the multitude of your counsels; Let now the astrologers, the stargazers, *and* the monthly prognosticators stand up and save you from what shall come upon you.

- Babylon always has ties to witchcraft , enchantments, manipulation through spiritual forces.
- Sorcery and occult through:

- Astrology

Duet 18:9-14 “When you come into the land which the Lord your God is giving you, you shall not learn to follow the abominations of those nations. ¹⁰There shall not be found among you *anyone* who makes his son or his daughter pass through the fire, *or one* who practices witchcraft, *or* a soothsayer, or one who interprets omens, or a sorcerer, ¹¹ or one who conjures spells, or a medium, or a spiritist, or one who calls up the dead. ¹²For all who do these things *are* an abomination to the Lord, and because of these abominations the Lord your God drives them out from before you. ¹³You shall be blameless before the Lord your God. ¹⁴For these nations which you will dispossess listened to soothsayers and diviners; but as for you, the Lord your God has not appointed such for you.

- Tarot card reading, tea leaves.

- Manifestation practices – Through manifestation practices, you shift your thoughts and energy to align with your desires. Instead of seeing ourselves as inherently separate from the universe, manifestation connects us with the energy and vibrations of it.
- The concept of manifestation has seen a relatively recent boom in popularity in Western culture, its roots are in the concepts of ancient Hindu spiritual texts.
- New Age spirituality
- Good witches – no such thing, it's all evil and contrary to God's Holy Spirit

Things we excuse as entertainment [horror movies, dark fantasy, crystals] desensitize us to this sin of seeking and relying on something or someone other than the Lord Jesus Christ and the plan our Heavenly Father and Creator has designed for us.

5. Luxury, Excess, Greed –

Narcissism - a personality trait characterized by an excessive focus on oneself, often at the expense of others, and a need for admiration and special treatment.

- Babylon is poor, it's rich, loves comfort.
- Rev 18 portrays Babylon as a city dripping with wealth, luxury and indulgence.
- Yet, that wealth is corrupt, unjust and is gained at the expense of the vulnerable turning people into products.
- It celebrates greed instead of generosity – sin of Covetousness

Today it's:

- Materialism
- Debt culture
- Chasing status over purpose
- Valuing money over purity

6. Deception and False Teaching – 2Tim 4:3-4 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, *because* they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; ⁴ and they will turn *their* ears away from the truth and be turned aside to fables.

- Babylon is smooth talking and convincing offering spiritual language but no spiritual truth. “A form of religion with no power.”

Babylon has flooded the church with:

- Messages that tickle ears but don't confront sin.
- Prophets and preachers who never preach repentance – but practice immorality and extravagant lifestyles themselves.
- Platforms focused more on influence and power than on intimacy.

- A gospel of comfort instead of a gospel of the Cross.

7. Control – Fear – Manipulation – Rev 13:17 and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

Today it's:

- Cancel Culture
- Social influencing through media
- Fear – based politics
- Surveillance under the pretense of safety and security.
- Systems demanding compliance over conscience.

It always starts slow and innocent sounding in the guise of what's best for everyone and leads to the system of conforming or getting crushed.

3. **Prophetic Warfare Tactics Against The Babylon Spirit**

The difference: Babylon's idols burden you – the God of Israel carries you!

- Babylon drains emotionally, spiritually and financially requiring constant upkeep.
- Lures you with pleasure, power, fame, approval of men, but never satisfies.

Everything that is playing out in the world right now is spiritual – a massive end-time battle of the rise of the Anti-Christ spirit.

A final showdown is approaching - that is what everyone is feeling in the atmosphere.

The Church of the Lord is swimming upstream, but we are not powerless; Holy Spirit is equipping and empowering His church.

We may be a remnant but we're not without His plan to overcome.

Our Spiritual Weapons – the Church must return to its spiritual weapons:

1. Truth – Babylon runs on lies; truth is our most powerful offense.
2. Holiness – Babylon is seductive, purity is our protest.
3. Prayer – Babylon manipulates, intercession calls down Heaven.
4. The Word – Babylon speaks with smooth words, we must answer with Eternal words.
5. Holy Spirit – Babylon imitates power, we need real fire.
6. Discernment – Babylon is subtle, we need spiritual eyes.
7. Joy – Babylon wants to steal our strength; we choose to rejoice.
8. Obedience – Babylon rewards rebellion, we honor the Lord in every step.

We cannot be ones who sit comfortably in compromise – God is calling us out of Babylon”

We must be:

- Informed, so we are not deceived.
- Equipped, so we are not powerless.
- Discerning, so we not misled.
- Joyful, so we are not bitter.
- Holy, so we are not corrupted.
- United in the Spirit, so we are not divided by the flesh.

Babylon will Fall – Isa 47:13-14 You are wearied in the multitude of your counsels; Let now the astrologers, the stargazers, *and* the monthly prognosticators stand up and save you from what shall come upon you. ¹⁴Behold, they shall be as stubble, The fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame; *it shall not be* a coal to be warmed by, *nor* a fire to sit before!

Babylon’s sorceries won’t save her – her pride won’t protect her systems; her idols will fall.

Rev 18:2 Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen.

**The question is: Will you fall with her?
Or will you come out from among her?**

The Gospel Transforms - Romans 12:2 Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

This is the call to every believer now, the world is conforming people at a breakneck speed, shaping their values, habits, language and theology.

But The Gospel Of Jesus Christ Still Transforms, Sanctifies, Renews!

We must choose daily which voice we will listen to: the voice of the spirit of the age or the voice of Holy Spirit

We must decide whether we will echo the culture or proclaim the Cross!

- One leads to comfort now and destruction later, the other leads to crucifixion now and glory forever!
- The spirit of the age is loud but not lasting!
- The systems of this world are temporary, but the Kingdom of God is eternal!

- So, we are not to bow – or seek to blend in or bend under pressure – But Stand Strong!

We art to Stand – Speak Up – Shine as Lights in the darkness.

- Not in anger, but with authority!
- Not with outrage, but with obedience!
- Not with panic, but with His presence!

For greater is He who is in us than he that is in the world!

1 John 4:4