

**COMPANION STUDY GUIDE BOOKLET TO WORLD
WAR III AND THE DESTINY OF AMERICA BOOKLET**
AMERICA THE BABYLON MINI
PROPHECY BIBLE

**SOME SELECETED BIBLE CHAPTERS
PROPHESYING ABOUT, AND IDENTIFYING
AMERICA AS, THE ENDTIME BABYLON
MENTIONED AND REFERENCED IN THE
ACCOMPANYING NEWSLETTER TITLED:
WORLD WAR III AND THE DESTINY OF
AMERICA BY EMMAUS ROAD MINISTRIES.**

**PLEASE NOTICE THE COLOR CODING OF
MAIN TOPICS WHEN READING THE
FOLLOWING PROPHECIES REGARDING
WORLD WAR III AND THE DESTRUCTION OF
ENDTIME BABYLON/THE DAUGHTER OF
BABYLON (AMERICA). ALL CHAPTERS ARE
PRINTED VERBATIM FROM THE NIV STUDY
BIBLE BY ZONDERVAN.**

**SOME KEY TOPICS AND FACTS
PROPHETICALLY REVEALED IN THESE
CHAPTERS**

1) **Babylon (*America*) will be suddenly destroyed**—the time will be before the harvest (Isa 18:5-7); and, is therefore pre-tribulation on the day of the rapture (**see #5 below**). (The harvest is the end of the age see Matt 13:36-43, Rev 14:14-20). (Also read Isa 18:1-7, Isa 19:1-2, Isa 19:18, Isa 21:9; Isa 47:11, Jer 50:44, Jer 51:7-9, Jer 51:10, Jer 51:38-44, Rev 18:19).

2) **Babylon's (*America's*) destruction will come at lightning speed** from a great alliance of (*Communist and Islamic*) nations from the north (Isa 13:17, Jer 50:9-10, Jer 50:41-44, Jer 51:27-33, Rev 18:8-10).

3) **Babylon's (*America's*) destruction will be an all out nuclear attack**—a total ruin—so that it is uninhabitable, e.g., no one can or will live in it (Isa 13:7-10, Isa 13:19-20, Jer 50:1-3, Jer 50:10, Jer 50:12-15, Jer 50:29, Jer 50:39-40, Jer 51:26, Jer 51:37-44, Rev 18:2, Rev 18:17-19).

4) **All survivors of Babylon's (*America's*) destruction will have to flee immediately** and all who stay will be killed (Isa 13: 15, Jer 50:7-8, Jer 51:50).

5) **God calls out and evacuates his people**—truly born again Christians—in a supernatural Rapture the same

day Babylon (*America*) is destroyed by nuclear fire (Luke 17:28-30, Luke 21:34-36, I Thes 5:3, Isa 18:5-7, Isa 24:12-23, Isa 25:2-12, Isa 26:9-21, Isa 33:6-24, Jer 51:45-48, Rev 18:4, etc, etc).

6) **God warns Jews and all Israelites who survive Babylon's (*America's*) destruction to immediately flee to the land of Israel their true home land (Isa 21:9-10, Jer 50:4-8, Jer 50:19-20, Jer 50:28, Jer 51:50-51).**

7) **God prophesies that Babylon (*America*) is a land full of a multitude of foreigners and that the surviving foreigners will each flee to their native land (country). (Isa 13:14-15, 50:3, Jer 50:16, Jer 50:37).**

8) **Babylon's (*America's*) army and all her military divisions will be totally destroyed and/or neutralized. America's participation and dedicated plans to implement and lead the global New World Order will end and be "brought to nothing" (Isa 19:3-4, Isa 33:7-9, Jer 50:30, Jer 50:35-37, Jer 50:46, Jer 51:3-4, Jer 51:30-32, Jer 51:56).**

9) **Babylon's (*America's*) destruction is the vengeance of the Lord because she defied the Lord and her sins are**

piled up as high as the heavens (Isa 13:3-6, Isa 47:3-4, Jer 50:14-15, Jer 50:21-27, Jer 50:29, Jer 50:31, Jer 51:11-14, Jer 51:19-26, Rev 18:3, and 5-6, Rev 18:23-24).

10) **God judges and destroys Babylon (*America*) because of her treatment of the Jewish people (all Jews and Israelites) and her stand on dividing the land of Israel and Jerusalem (Isa 47:6-11, Jer 50:11, Jer 50:33-34, Jer 51:35, Jer 51:49).**

11) **Babylon (*America*) has been dedicated to Lucifer and his fallen rebel demon angels since its childhood (Isa 47:12-15).**

12) **Babylon (*America*) is referred to by God as the Daughter of Babylon, i.e., ancient Babylon built by Nimrod at the time of the Tower of Babel (Isa 47: 1,5; Jer 50:42, Jer 51:33).**

13) **The loosening of the “lynchpin” that will initiate Babylon’s (*America’s*) destruction will be the start of Desert Storm War III against Iran (See Isa 21 especially verse 9). This will also be the “kickoff” to WW III; and, the Gog/Magog Ezek 38/39 War will follow almost immediately (Isa 21:1-2 and 9, Rev 18:2).**

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COLOR CODING KEY FOR MAIN TOPICS

1. **RED:** ANNOUNCES WAR AND DESTRUCTION, WHO THE ATTACKERS WILL BE, GEOGRAPHIC LOCATIONS AND NAMES OF THE ATTACKERS, THE DIRECTION AND PLACES FROM WHICH THE ATTACK WILL COME.

2. **GREEN:** GIVES A GRAPHIC ASSESSMENT OF THE EXTENT OF DESTRUCTION AND THE SWIFTESS OF THE DESTRUCTION; E.G., NO ONE WILL LIVE IN IT; BOTH MEN AND ANIMALS WILL FLEE AWAY, SHE WILL NOT BE INHABITED, GREAT DESTRUCTION, LEAVE HER NO REMNANT, LET NO ONE ESCAPE, ALL OF HER SOLDIERS WILL BE SILENCED IN THAT DAY, I WILL KINDLE A FIRE IN HER TOWNS THAT WILL CONSUME ALL WHO ARE AROUND HER, IT WILL NEVER AGAIN BE INHABITED OR LIVED IN FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION, AS GOD OVERTHREW SODOM AND GOMORRAH, SO NO ONE WILL LIVE THERE; NO MAN WILL DWELL IN IT. AT THE SOUND OF BABYLON'S CAPTURE THE EARTH WILL TREMBLE, ITS CRY WILL RESOUND AMONG THE NATIONS.
3. **BLUE:** DESCRIBES HOW GOD WILL DEAL WITH ISRAEL AND JUDAH INCLUDING (THE ESTIMATED 7.7 MILLION JEWISH/ISRAELITE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN AMERICA, ENDTIME BABYLON, TODAY). IN THOSE DAYS AND AT THAT TIME, A SEARCH WILL BE MADE FOR ISRAEL'S GUILT, BUT THERE WILL BE NONE, AND FOR THE SINS OF JUDAH BUT NONE WILL BE FOUND, FOR I WILL

FORGIVE THE REMNANT THAT I SPARE. **THEY WILL ASK THE WAY TO ZION AND TURN THEIR FACES TOWARD IT.** THEY WILL COME AND BIND THEMSELVES TO THE LORD IN AN EVERLASTING COVENANT THAT WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN. **[LISTEN TO THE FUGITIVES AND REFUGEES FROM BABYLON DECLARING IN ZION HOW THE LORD OUR GOD HAS TAKEN VENGEANCE, VENGEANCE FOR HIS TEMPLE \(JER 50:28\).](#)** **PLEASE GOOGLE “BUSH SCROLL” AND READ WHAT THE NEW JEWISH CONGRESS, THE SANHEDRIN AND THE HOLY TEMPLE AND TEMPLE MOUNT MOVEMENTS WROTE, SIGNED AND PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN THE LAND OF ISRAEL ON JANUARY 9, 2008!**

4. **PURPLE:** THE ALMIGHTY SOVEREIGN LORD HAS MADE DECLARATIONS OF **HOW** HE WILL DESTROY ENDTIME BABYLON AND **WHY** HE WILL UTTERLY DESTROY ENDTIME BABYLON FOR DEFYING THE LORD AND DESECRATING HIS TEMPLE; AND, HE WILL SAVE A REMNANT OF ISRAEL AND JUDAH. **THE LORD HIMSELF HAS SET “A TRAP”, “A SNARE”, AND “AN AMBUSH” FOR ENDTIME BABYLON (JER 50:24, JER 51:12, ISA**

21:2, ISA 24:16,17, ISA 33:1, LUKE 21: 34-36, I THES 5:2). BABYLON MUST FALL BECAUSE OF ISRAEL'S SLAIN. HE WHO IS THE PORTION OF JACOB IS NOT LIKE THESE, FOR HE HIS THE MAKER OF ALL THINGS, INCLUDING THE TRIBE OF HIS INHERITANCE—THE LORD ALMIGHTY IS HIS NAME (JER 51:19). YOU ARE MY WAR CLUB, MY WEAPON FOR BATTLE—WITH YOU I SHATTER NATIONS, WITH YOU I DESTROY KINGDOMS, ...(JER 51:20-23). BEFORE YOUR EYES I WILL REPAY BABYLON AND ALL WHO LIVE IN BABYLONIA FOR ALL THE WRONG THE HAVE DONE IN ZION, DECLARES THE LORD (JER 51:24).

5. ORANGE: DESCRIBES THE ARSENAL OF WEAPONS OF WRATH WHICH THE LORD HAS TAKEN FROM HIS ARSENAL TO COMPLETELY DESTROY THE LAND OF ENDTIME BABYLON. I WILL CHASE BABYLON FROM ITS LAND IN AN INSTANT. I AM AGAINST YOU O DESTROYING MOUNTAIN; I WILL MAKE YOU A BURNED OUT MOUNTAIN. SUMMON ARCHERS AGAINST BABYLON, ALL THOSE WHO DRAW THE BOW, ENCAMP ALL AROUND HER, LET NO ONE ESCAPE. THEIR ARROWS WILL BE LIKE SKILLED WARRIORS WHO DO

NOT RETURN EMPTY-HANDED. SHOOT AT HER, SPARE NO ARROWS. THEY COME FROM FAR AWAY LANDS, FROM THE ENDS OF THE HEAVENS—THE LORD AND THE WEAPONS OF HIS WRATH, TO DESTROY THE WHOLE COUNTRY. THEY WILL LOOK AGHAST AT EACH OTHER, THEIR FACES AFLAME. THEREFORE I WILL MAKE THE HEAVENS TREMBLE AND THE EARTH WILL SHAKE FROM ITS PLACE. THEIR INFANTS WILL BE DASHED TO PIECES BEFORE THEIR EYES. BABYLON, THE JEWEL OF KINGDOMS, THE GLORY OF THE BABYLONIANS PRIDE, WILL BE OVERTHROWN BY GOD LIKE SODOM AND GOMORRAH.

*******ISAIAH CHAPTER 13 (NIV)*******

A Prophecy Against Babylon

¹ An oracle concerning Babylon that Isaiah son of Amoz saw:

**² Raise a banner on a bare hilltop,
shout to them;**

beckon to them to enter the gates of the nobles.

3 I have commanded my holy ones;

I have summoned my warriors to carry out my wrath— those who rejoice in my triumph.

4 Listen, a noise on the mountains, like that of a great multitude!

Listen, an uproar among the kingdoms, like nations massing together!

The LORD Almighty is mustering an army for war.

5 They come from faraway lands,

from the ends of the heavens—
*the LORD and the weapons of
his wrath—*
to destroy the whole country.

6 *Wail, for the day of the LORD
is near;
it will come like destruction
from the Almighty.^a*

7 *Because of this, all hands will go
limp,
every man's heart will melt.*

8 *Terror will seize them,
pain and anguish will grip them;*

^a Hebrew *Shaddai*

they will writhe like a woman in labor.

They will look aghast at each other, their faces aflame.

⁹ See, the day of the LORD is coming—a cruel day, with wrath and fierce anger—

to make the land desolate

and destroy the sinners within it.

¹⁰ The stars of heaven and their constellations

will not show their light.

The rising sun will be darkened

and the moon will not give its light.

11 *I will punish the world for its evil,
the wicked for their sins.*

*I will put an end to the arrogance of the
haughty
and will humble the pride of the ruthless.*

12 *I will make man scarcer than pure gold,
more rare than the gold of Ophir.*

13 *Therefore I will make the
heavens tremble;
and the earth will shake from
its place*

*at the wrath of the LORD Almighty,
in the day of his burning anger.*

14 *Like a hunted gazelle,
like sheep without a shepherd,*

**each will return to his own
people,**

**each will flee to his native
land.**

**15 Whoever is captured will be thrust
through;**

**all who are caught will fall by the
sword.**

**16 Their infants will be dashed to pieces
before their eyes;**

**their houses will be looted and their wives
ravished.**

**17 See, I will stir up against
them the Medes,**

who do not care for silver

and have no delight in gold.

18 Their bows will strike down the young men;

they will have no mercy on infants
nor will they look with compassion on children.

19 *Babylon, the jewel of kingdoms,*
the glory of the Babylonians^b
pride,
will be overthrown by God
like Sodom and Gomorrah.

20 *She will never be inhabited*
or lived in through all generations;
no Arab will pitch his tent there,

^b Or Chaldeans'

no shepherd will rest his flocks there.

²¹ But desert creatures will lie there, jackals will fill her houses; there the owls will dwell, and there the wild goats will leap about.

²² Hyenas will howl in her strongholds, jackals in her luxurious palaces. Her time is at hand, and her days will not be prolonged.

*******ISAIAH CHAPTER 18(NIV)*******

A Prophecy Against Cush *(Cush was the father of Nimrod, Who became a mighty hunter before the Lord, a "Mighty One", a giant, one of the nephilim or gibborim; and, he was the first to build Babylon as a center of his kingdom (Gen 10:8-10). Ocultists believe that Cush or Hermes was the father of this idolatrous Babylonian ruler-god, Nimrod. New age teacher H.P. Blavatsky, founder of Theosophy, identified the Maitreya "Christ" –New Age Messiah to be the same figure as this Cush).*

¹ Woe to the land of whirring wings^a

^a Or of locusts

along the rivers of Cush,^b

² which sends envoys by sea
in papyrus boats over the water.

Go, swift messengers,

to a people tall and smooth-skinned,
to a people feared far and wide,
an aggressive nation of strange speech,
whose land is divided by rivers.

³ All you people of the world,
you who live on the earth,
when a banner is raised on the mountains,
you will see it,
and when a trumpet sounds,
you will hear it.

^b That is, the upper Nile region

4 This is what the LORD says to me:

**“I will remain quiet and will look on
from my dwelling place,**

like shimmering heat in the sunshine,

**like a cloud of dew in the heat of
harvest.”**

**5 For, before the harvest, when the
blossom is gone**

and the flower becomes a ripening grape,

**he will cut off the shoots with
pruning knives,**

**and cut down and take away the
spreading branches.**

**6 They will all be left to the mountain
birds of prey**

and to the wild animals;

the birds will feed on them all

summer,

the wild animals all winter.

**⁷ At that time gifts will be brought
to the LORD Almighty**

**from a people tall and smooth-
skinned,**

**from a people feared far and wide,
an aggressive nation of strange
speech,**

whose land is divided by rivers—

the gifts will be brought to
Mount Zion, the place of the
Name of the LORD Almighty.

*****ISAIAH CHAPTER 19 (NIV)*****

A Prophecy About Egypt

An oracle concerning Egypt:

¹See, the LORD rides on a swift cloud and is coming to Egypt.

The idols of Egypt tremble before him, and the hearts of the Egyptians melt within them.

²"I will stir up Egyptian against Egyptian—

brother will fight against brother,
neighbor against neighbor,
city against city,

kingdom against kingdom. * (see

authors note below—Isa 19:2 I will stir up...kingdom against kingdom.) This implies end-time planet Earth!

**³The Egyptians will lose heart,
and I will bring their plans to nothing;**

they will consult the idols and the spirits of the dead, the mediums and the spiritists.

⁴ I will hand the Egyptians over to the power of a cruel master, and a fierce king will rule over them," declares the Lord, the LORD Almighty.

⁵ The waters of the river will dry up, and the riverbed will be parched and dry.

⁶ The canals will stink; the streams of Egypt will dwindle and dry up. The reeds and rushes will wither,

⁷ also the plants along the Nile, at the mouth of the river.

Every sown field along the Nile will become parched, will blow away and be no more.

⁸ The fishermen will groan and lament, all who cast hooks into the Nile; those who throw nets on the water will pine away.

⁹ Those who work with combed flax will despair, the weavers of fine linen will lose hope.

¹⁰ ***The workers in cloth will be dejected, and all the wage earners will be sick at heart.***

¹¹ The officials of Zoan are nothing but fools;

**the wise counselors of Pharaoh give
senseless advice.**

How can you say to Pharaoh,

**“I am one of the wise men,
a disciple of the ancient kings”?**

12 Where are your wise men now?

**Let them show you and make known
what the LORD Almighty
has planned against Egypt.**

**13 The officials of Zoan have become fools, the leaders
of Memphis^a are deceived;**

the cornerstones of her peoples have led Egypt astray.

14 The LORD has poured into them a spirit of dizziness;

***they make Egypt stagger in all that she does, as a
drunkard staggers around in his vomit.***

**15 *There is nothing Egypt can do— head or tail, palm
branch or reed.***

^a Hebrew *Noph*

16 In that day the Egyptians will be like women. They will shudder with fear at the uplifted hand that the LORD Almighty raises against them. **17** And the land of Judah will bring terror to the Egyptians; everyone to whom Judah is mentioned will be terrified, because of what the LORD Almighty is planning against them.

18 In that day five cities in Egypt will speak the language of Canaan and swear allegiance to the LORD Almighty. *One of them will be called the City of Destruction.*^b

19 In that day *there will be an altar to the LORD in the heart of Egypt, and a monument to the LORD at its border.*²⁰ It will be a sign and witness to the LORD Almighty in the land of Egypt. When they cry out to the LORD because of their oppressors, he will send them a savior and defender, and he will rescue them. ²¹ So the LORD will make himself known to the Egyptians, **and in that day** they will acknowledge the LORD. They

^b Most manuscripts of the Masoretic Text; some manuscripts of the Masoretic Text, Dead Sea Scrolls and Vulgate *City of the Sun* (that is, Heliopolis)

will worship with sacrifices and grain offerings; they will make vows to the LORD and keep them. ²² The LORD will strike Egypt with a plague; he will strike them and heal them. They will turn to the LORD, and he will respond to their pleas and heal them.

²³ **In that day** there will be a highway from Egypt to Assyria. The Assyrians will go to Egypt and the Egyptians to Assyria. The Egyptians and Assyrians will worship together. ²⁴ **In that day** Israel will be the third, along with Egypt and Assyria, a blessing on the earth. ²⁵ The LORD Almighty will bless them, saying, "Blessed be Egypt my people, Assyria my handiwork, and Israel my inheritance."

(Author's Note on Isa 19:2 I will stir up...kingdom against kingdom.)* See New Testament quotes from Jesus Christ when asked by his disciples for "Signs of the End of the Age" Matt Chap 24, Mark Chap 13 and Luke Chap 21 where Jesus repeats the term "kingdom against kingdom". [Mt 24:7 **Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom... Mk 13:8 **Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.** Lk 21:10 Then he said to them: **"Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom."**]

*******ISAIAH CHAPTER 21 (NIV)*******

A Prophecy Against Babylon

An oracle concerning the Desert by the Sea:

¹ Like whirlwinds sweeping through
the southland,

**an invader comes from the
desert,**

from a land of terror.

² A dire vision has been shown to me:

**The traitor betrays, the looter takes
loot.**

Elam, attack! Media, lay siege!

***I will bring to an end all the groaning she
caused.***

³ At this my body is racked with pain,

pangs seize me, like those of a woman in
labor;

I am staggered by what I hear,

I am bewildered by what I see.

**⁴ My heart falters,
fear makes me tremble;
the twilight I longed for
has become a horror to me.**

**⁵ They set the tables,
they spread the rugs,
they eat, they drink!**

**Get up, you officers,
oil the shields!**

**⁶ This is what the Lord says to me:
“Go, post a lookout
and have him report what he sees.**

**⁷ When he sees chariots with teams of
horses, riders on donkeys or riders on
camels, let him be alert, fully alert.”**

⁸ And the lookout ^a shouted, “Day after day, my lord, I stand on the watchtower; every night I stay at my post.

⁹ *Look, here comes a man in a chariot*

with a team of horses.

And he gives back the answer:

‘Babylon has fallen, has fallen!’

All the images of its gods

lie shattered on the ground!”

¹⁰ **O my people, crushed on the threshing floor,**

I tell you what I have heard

from the LORD Almighty,

^a Dead Sea Scrolls and Syriac; Masoretic Text *A lion*

from the God of Israel.

A Prophecy Against Edom

¹¹ An oracle concerning Dumah ^a:

Someone calls to me from Seir,

“Watchman, what is left of the night?

Watchman, what is left of the night?”

¹² The watchman replies,

“Morning is coming, but also the night.

If you would ask, then ask;

and come back yet again.”

A Prophecy Against Arabia

¹³ An oracle concerning Arabia:

You caravans of Dedanites,

who camp in the thickets of Arabia,

¹⁴ bring water for the thirsty;

^a *Dumah* means *silence* or *stillness*, a wordplay on *Edom*.

**you who live in Tema,
bring food for the fugitives.**

**¹⁵ They flee from the sword,
from the drawn sword,**

from the bent bow

and from the heat of battle.

¹⁶ This is what the Lord says to me: "Within one year, as a servant bound by contract would count it, all the pomp of Kedar will come to an end. ¹⁷ The survivors of the bowmen, the warriors of Kedar, will be few." The LORD, the God of Israel, has spoken.

*******ISAIAH CHAPTER 47 (NIV)*******

The Fall of Babylon

¹ "Go down, sit in the dust,

Virgin Daughter of Babylon;

sit on the ground without a throne,

Daughter of the Babylonians.^a

No more will you be called tender or delicate.

² Take millstones and grind flour; take off your veil.

Lift up your skirts, bare your legs, and wade through the streams.

³ Your nakedness will be exposed and your shame uncovered.

I will take vengeance;

I will spare no one.”

⁴ ***Our Redeemer—the LORD Almighty***
is his name—

is the Holy One of Israel.

^a Or *Chaldeans*; also in verse 5

⁵ “Sit in silence, go into darkness,
Daughter of the Babylonians;
no more will you be called queen of
kingdoms.

⁶ *I was angry with my people
and desecrated my inheritance;
I gave them into your hand,
and you showed them No mercy.*

Even on the aged you laid a very heavy
yoke.

⁷ You said, ‘I will continue forever—
the eternal queen!’

But you did not consider these things
or reflect on what might happen.

⁸ *Now then, listen, you wanton creature,
lounging in your security*

and saying to yourself,

'I am, and there is none besides me.

I will never be a widow

or suffer the loss of children.'

⁹ ***Both of these will overtake***
you

in a moment, on a single day:

loss of children and
widowhood.

They will come upon you in full
measure,

*in spite of your many sorceries
and all your potent spells.*

¹⁰ ***You have trusted in your wickedness***
and have said, 'No one sees me.'

Your wisdom and knowledge mislead you

when you say to yourself,

'I am, and there is none besides me.'

¹¹ *Disaster will come upon you,*

*and you will not know how to conjure it
away.*

A calamity will fall upon you

*that you cannot ward off with
a ransom;*

*a catastrophe you cannot
foresee*

will suddenly come upon you.

¹² “Keep on, then, with your magic spells
and with your many sorceries,
which you have labored at since childhood.

Perhaps you will succeed, perhaps you will
cause terror.

13 All the counsel you have received has only worn you out!

Let your astrologers come forward,
those stargazers who make predictions
month by month,
let them save you from what is coming
upon you.

14 Surely they are like stubble;
the fire will burn them up.

They cannot even save themselves
from the power of the flame.

Here are no coals to warm anyone;
here is no fire to sit by.

15 That is all they can do for you—
these you have labored with
and trafficked with since childhood.

Each of them goes on in his error;

there is not one that can save you.

*****JEREMIAH CHAPTER 50 (NIV)*****

A Message About Babylon

¹ This is the word the LORD spoke through Jeremiah the prophet concerning Babylon and the land of the Babylonians ^a:

² “Announce and proclaim among the nations,

lift up a banner and proclaim it; keep nothing back, but say,

‘Babylon will be captured;

Bel will be put to shame, Marduk filled with terror. Her images will be put to shame and her idols filled with terror.’

³ *A nation from the north will attack her*

^a Or *Chaldeans*; also in verses 8, 25, 35 and 45

and lay waste her land.

No one will live in it;

**both men and animals will flee
away.**

4 "In those days, at that time"

declares the LORD,

**"the people of Israel and the people of Judah
together**

will go in tears to seek the LORD their God.

5 They will ask the way to Zion

and turn their faces toward it.

**They will come and bind themselves to the
LORD**

in an everlasting covenant

that will not be forgotten.

6 "My people have been lost sheep;

their shepherds have led them astray

and caused them to roam on the mountains.

They wandered over mountain and hill and forgot their own resting place.

⁷ *Whoever found them devoured them; their enemies said, 'We are not guilty, for they sinned against the LORD, their true pasture, the LORD, the hope of their fathers.'*

⁸ "Flee out of Babylon; leave the land of the Babylonians, and be like the goats that lead the flock.

⁹ *For I will stir up and bring against Babylon an alliance of great nations from the land of the north.*

They will take up their positions against her,

**and from the north she will be
captured.**

**Their arrows will be like skilled warriors
who do not return empty-handed.**

**10 So Babylonia^b will be plundered;
all who plunder her will have their fill,"**
declares the LORD.

***11 "Because you rejoice and are glad,
you who pillage my inheritance,
because you frolic like a heifer threshing
grain
and neigh like stallions,***

**12 your mother will be greatly ashamed;
she who gave you birth will be disgraced.**

She will be the least of the nations—

^b Or Chaldea

a wilderness, a dry land, a desert.

**13 *Because of the LORD's anger*
she will not be inhabited
but will be completely
*desolate.***

**because of all her wounds. All who pass
Babylon will be horrified and scoff**

**14 "Take up your positions around
Babylon,
all you who draw the bow.
Shoot at her! Spare no arrows,
FOR SHE HAS SINNED AGAINST
*THE LORD.***

15 Shout against her on every side! She surrenders, her towers fall, her walls are torn down.

Since this is the vengeance of the LORD,

take vengeance on her;

do to her as she has done to others.

**16 Cut off from Babylon the sower,
and the reaper with his sickle at
harvest.**

Because of the sword of the oppressor

let everyone return to his own people,

let everyone flee to his own land.

17 "Israel is a scattered flock that lions have chased away.

The first to devour him was the king of Assyria; the last to crush his bones was Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon."

¹⁸ Therefore this is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: "I will punish the king of Babylon and his land as I punished the king of Assyria.

¹⁹ ***But I will bring Israel back to his own pasture***

and he will graze on Carmel and Bashan; his appetite will be satisfied on the hills of Ephraim and Gilead.

²⁰ ***In those days, at that time,"***

declares the LORD,

"Search will be made for Israel's guilt,

But there will be none,

And for the sins of Judah,

but none will be found,

for I will forgive the remnant I spare.

²¹ **"Attack the land of Merathaim**

and those who live in Pekod.

Pursue, kill and completely destroy

***them,"* declares the LORD.**

**Do everything I have commanded
you.**

**22 The noise of battle is in the land, the
noise of great destruction!**

**23 How broken and shattered
is the hammer of the whole earth!**

How desolate is Babylon among the nations!

**24 I set a trap for you, O Babylon,
and you were caught before you
knew it;**

**you were found and captured
because you opposed the LORD.**

**25 The LORD has opened his
arsenal
and brought out the weapons of
his wrath,**

for the Sovereign LORD Almighty has work to do
in the land of the Babylonians.

26 *Come against her from afar.*

Break open her granaries; pile her up like heaps
of grain.

Completely destroy her

and leave her no remnant.

27 *Kill all her young bulls;*

let them go down to the slaughter!

Woe to them! For their day has come, the
time for them to be punished.

**28 *Listen to the fugitives and refugees from
Babylon declaring in Zion how the LORD our
God has taken vengeance, vengeance for his
temple.***

29 *Summon archers against Babylon,*

all those who draw the bow.

**Encamp all around her; let no one
escape.**

**Repay her for her deeds; do to her as
she has done.**

**For she has defied the LORD,
the Holy One of Israel.**

**30 Therefore, her young men will fall in the
streets; all her soldiers will be silenced in
that day," declares the LORD.**

**31 "See, I am against you, O arrogant one,"
declares the Lord, the LORD Almighty,
"for your day has come, the time for you to be
punished.**

**32 The arrogant one will stumble and fall
and no one will help her up;
I will kindle a fire in her towns
that will consume all who are around her."**

33 This is what the LORD Almighty says:

"The people of Israel are oppressed,

and the people of Judah as well.

All their captors hold them fast,

refusing to let them go.

34 Yet their Redeemer is strong;

the LORD Almighty is his name.

He will vigorously defend their cause

so that he may bring rest to their

land,

but unrest to those who live in

Babylon.

35 "A sword against the Babylonians!"

declares the LORD— "against those who live in Babylon and against her officials and wise men!

36 A sword against her false prophets!

They will become fools.

**A sword against her warriors! They will
be filled with terror.**

**37 A sword against her horses and chariots
and all the foreigners in her ranks!**

They will become women.

A sword against her treasures!

They will be plundered.

**38 A drought on ^d her waters! They will dry
up.**

**For it is a land of idols, idols that will go
mad with terror.**

**39 "So desert creatures and hyenas will live there,
and there the owl will dwell.**

It will never again be inhabited

^d Or A sword against

or lived in from generation to generation.

40 As God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah

along with their neighboring towns," declares the LORD,

"so no one will live there;

no man will dwell in it.

41 "Look! An army is coming from the north;

a great nation and many kings

are being stirred up from the ends of the earth.

42 They are armed with bows and spears; they are cruel and without mercy.

They sound like the roaring sea as they ride on their horses;

**they come like men in battle
formation**

**to attack you, O Daughter of
Babylon.**

**43 The king of Babylon has heard reports
about them, and his hands hang limp.
Anguish has gripped him, pain like that of a
woman in labor.**

**44 Like a lion coming up from Jordan's
thickets to a rich pastureland,**

***I will chase Babylon from its land in
an instant.***

***Who is the chosen one I will appoint
for this?***

Who is like me and who can challenge me?

And what shepherd can stand against me?"

**45 Therefore, hear what the LORD has planned
against Babylon, what he has purposed against the
land of the Babylonians:**

*The young of the flock will be
dragged away;*

*he will completely destroy their
pasture because of them.*

*⁴⁶ At the sound of Babylon's capture
the earth will tremble;*

*its cry will resound among the
nations.*

*******JEREMIAH CHAPTER 51 (NIV)*******

A MESSAGE ABOUT BABYLON

¹This is what the LORD says:

**“See, I will stir up the spirit of a destroyer
against Babylon and the people of Leb Kamai.^e”**

² I will send foreigners to Babylon

^e *Leb Kamai* is a cryptogram for Chaldea, that is, Babylonia.

to winnow her and to devastate her land; they will oppose her on every side in the day of her disaster.

³ Let not the archer string his bow, nor let him put on his armor.

Do not spare her young men; completely destroy^f her army.

⁴ They will fall down slain in Babylon,^g fatally wounded in her streets.

⁵ For Israel and Judah have not been forsaken

by their God, the LORD Almighty,

^f The Hebrew term refers to the irrevocable giving over of things or persons to the LORD, often by totally destroying them.

^g Or *Chaldea*

though their land^h is full of guilt
before the Holy One of Israel.

6 "Flee from Babylon! Run for your lives!
Do not be destroyed because of her sins.
It is time for the LORD's vengeance;
he will pay her what she deserves.

7 Babylon was a gold cup in the LORD's hand; she made the whole earth drunk. The nations drank her wine; therefore they have now gone mad.

8 ***Babylon will suddenly fall and be broken.***

Wail over her!

Get balm for her pain; perhaps she can be healed.

^h Or | *and the land of the Babylonians*

9 **"We would have healed Babylon, but she cannot be healed;**

let us leave her and each go to his own land,

**for her judgment reaches to the skies,
it rises as high as the clouds.'**

10 **"The LORD has vindicated us; come, let us tell in Zion what the LORD our God has done.'**

11 **"Sharpen the arrows, take up the shields! The LORD has stirred up the kings of the Medes, because his purpose is to destroy Babylon. The LORD will take vengeance, vengeance for his temple.**

12 **Lift up a banner against the walls of Babylon! Reinforce the guard,**

station the watchmen,

prepare an ambush!

**The LORD will carry out his purpose,
his decree against the people of Babylon.**

**13 You who live by many waters and
are rich in treasures, your end has
come, the time for you to be cut off.**

14 The LORD Almighty has sworn by himself:

**I will surely fill you with men, as with a
swarm of locusts,**

and they will shout in triumph over you.

**15 “He made the earth by his power; he founded
the world by his wisdom and stretched out the
heavens by his understanding.**

**16 When he thunders, the waters in the heavens
roar; he makes clouds rise from the ends of the
earth. He sends lightning with the rain and brings
out the wind from his storehouses.**

**17 “Every man is senseless and without
knowledge;**

**every goldsmith is shamed by his idols. His images
are a fraud; they have no breath in them.**

18 They are worthless, the objects of mockery; when their judgment comes, they will perish.

19 He who is the Portion of Jacob is not like these, for he is the Maker of all things, including the tribe of his inheritance— the LORD Almighty is his name.

20 "You are my war club, my weapon for battle— with you I shatter nations,
with you I destroy kingdoms,

21 with you I shatter horse and rider,
with you I shatter chariot and driver,

22 with you I shatter man and woman,
with you I shatter old man and youth,
with you I shatter young man and maiden,

23 with you I shatter shepherd and flock,
with you I shatter farmer and oxen,

with you I shatter governors and officials.

24 **“Before your eyes *I will repay Babylon and all who live in Babylonia*ⁱ for all the wrong they have done in Zion,” declares the LORD.**

25 **“I am against you, O destroying mountain,
you who destroy the whole earth,”
declares the LORD.**

**“I will stretch out my hand against you,
roll you off the cliffs,
and make you a burned-out mountain.**

26 **No rock will be taken from you for a
cornerstone,
nor any stone for a foundation,**

ⁱ Or *Chaldea*; also in verse 35

for you will be desolate forever,”

declares the LORD.

²⁷ “Lift up a banner in the land!

Blow the trumpet among the nations!

**Prepare the nations for battle
against her;**

**summon against her these
kingdoms:**

Ararat, Minni and Ashkenaz.

Appoint a commander against her;

**send up horses like a swarm of
locusts.**

**²⁸ Prepare the nations for battle
against her— their governors and all
their officials,**

the kings of the Medes,

and all the countries they rule.

**29 The land trembles and writhes,
for the LORD's purposes against
Babylon stand—
to lay waste the land of Babylon
so that no one will live there.**

**30 Babylon's warriors have stopped fighting;
they remain in their strongholds.**

**Their strength is exhausted;
they have become like women.**

**Her dwellings are set on fire;
the bars of her gates are broken.**

**31 One courier follows another
and messenger follows messenger
to announce to the king of Babylon
that his entire city is captured,**

**32 the river crossings seized,
the marshes set on fire,
and the soldiers terrified.”**

**33 This is what the LORD Almighty, the
God of Israel, says:**

**“The Daughter of Babylon is like
threshing floor**

at the time it is trampled;

**the time to harvest her will soon
come.”**

34 “Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon has devoured us,
he has thrown us into confusion, he has made us an
empty jar. Like a serpent he has swallowed us and filled
his stomach with our delicacies, and then has spewed us
out.

**35 May the violence done to our flesh^j be
upon Babylon,” say the inhabitants of Zion.**

^j Or done to us and to our children

**“May our blood be on those who live in
Babylonia,” says Jerusalem.**

36 Therefore, this is what the LORD says:

**“See, I will defend your cause and avenge
you; I will dry up her sea and make her
springs dry.**

**37 Babylon will be a heap of ruins,
a haunt of jackals,
*an object of horror and scorn,
a place where no one lives.***

**38 Her people all roar like young lions,
they growl like lion cubs.**

**39 But while they are aroused,
I will set out a feast for them
and make them drunk,**

**so that they shout with laughter—
then sleep forever and not awake,**
declares the LORD.

**40 “I will bring them down like lambs to
the slaughter, like rams and goats.**

**41 “How Sheshach^k will be captured, the
boast of the whole earth seized!**

**What a horror Babylon will be among
the nations!**

**42 The sea will rise over Babylon; its roaring
waves will cover her.**

**43 Her towns will be desolate, a dry and
desert land,**

**a land where no one lives,
through which no man travels.**

^k *Sheshach* is a cryptogram for Babylon.

44 I will punish Bel in Babylon

**and make him spew out what he has
swallowed.**

***The nations will no longer stream to
him.***

And the wall of Babylon will fall.

45 *"Come out of her, my people!"*

Run for your lives!

***Run from the fierce anger of the
LORD.***

**46 Do not lose heart or be afraid when
rumors are heard in the land;**

**one rumor comes this year, another the
next,**

**rumors of violence in the land and of ruler
against ruler.**

**47 For the time will surely come when I will
punish the idols of Babylon; her whole land**

will be disgraced and her slain will all lie fallen within her.

48 Then heaven and earth and all that is in them

will shout for joy over Babylon,

for out of the north destroyers will attack her," declares the LORD.

49 "Babylon must fall because of Israel's slain,

just as the slain in all the earth

have fallen because of Babylon.

50 You who have escaped the sword, leave and do not linger!

Remember the LORD in a distant land, and think on Jerusalem."

51 "We are disgraced, for we have been insulted and shame covers our faces, because

foreigners have entered the holy places of the LORD's house."

52 "But days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will punish her idols, and throughout her land the wounded will groan.

53 Even if Babylon reaches the sky and fortifies her lofty stronghold, I will send destroyers against her," declares the LORD.

54 "The sound of a cry comes from Babylon, the sound of great destruction from the land of the Babylonians.

55 The LORD will destroy Babylon; he will silence her noisy din.

Waves of enemies will rage like great waters; the roar of their voices will resound.

56 A destroyer will come against Babylon; her warriors will be captured, and their bows will be broken.

For the LORD is a God of retribution; he will repay in full.

57 I will make her officials and wise men drunk,

her governors, officers and warriors as well;

they will sleep forever and not awake.”

declares the King, whose name is the LORD Almighty.

58 This is what the LORD Almighty says:

“Babylon’s thick wall will be leveled and her high gates set on fire;

the peoples exhaust themselves for nothing,

the nations’ labor is only fuel for the flames.”

59 This is the message Jeremiah gave to the staff officer Seraiah son of Neriah, the son of Mahseiah,

when he went to Babylon with Zedekiah king of Judah in the fourth year of his reign. ⁶⁰ Jeremiah had written on a scroll about all the disasters that would come upon Babylon—all that had been recorded concerning Babylon. ⁶¹ He said to Seraiah, “When you get to Babylon, see that you read all these words aloud. ⁶² Then say, ‘O LORD, you have said you will destroy this place, so that neither man nor animal will live in it; it will be desolate forever.’ ⁶³ When you finish reading this scroll, tie a stone to it and throw it into the Euphrates. ⁶⁴ Then say, ‘So will Babylon sink to rise no more because of the disaster I will bring upon her. And her people will fall.’”

The words of Jeremiah end here.

*****REVELATION CHAPTER 18 (NIV)*****

The Fall of Babylon

¹ After this I saw another angel coming down from heaven. *He had great authority, and the earth was illuminated by his splendor.*

² With a mighty voice he shouted:
"Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great!

She has become a home for demons and a haunt for every evil ^a spirit, a haunt for every unclean and detestable bird.

³ **For all the nations have drunk the maddening wine of her adulteries. The kings of the earth committed adultery with her, and the merchants of the earth grew rich from her excessive luxuries."**

⁴ Then I heard another voice from heaven say:
"Come out of her, my people, so that you will not share in her sins, so that you will not receive any of her plagues;

⁵ for her sins are piled up to heaven,

^a Greek *unclean*

and God has remembered her crimes.

**⁶ Give back to her as she has given;
pay her back double for what she
has done.**

**Mix her a double portion from her
own cup.**

**⁷ Give her as much torture and grief
as the glory and luxury she gave
herself. In her heart she boasts, 'I sit
as queen; I am not a widow, and I will
never mourn.'**

**⁸ Therefore in one day her plagues
will overtake her: death, mourning
and famine.**

She will be consumed by fire,

**for mighty is the Lord God who judges
her.**

⁹ “When the kings of the earth who committed adultery with her and shared her luxury see

the smoke of her burning,

they will weep and mourn over her. ¹⁰ Terrified at her torment, they will stand far off and cry:

'Woe! Woe, O great city,

O Babylon, city of power!

In one hour your doom has come!”

¹¹ **“The merchants of the earth will weep and mourn over her because no one buys THEIR CARGOES ANY MORE__**

¹² **cargoes of gold, silver, precious stones and pearls; fine linen, purple, silk and scarlet cloth; every sort of citron wood, and articles of every kind made of ivory, costly wood, bronze, iron and marble; ¹³ cargoes of cinnamon and spice, of incense, myrrh and frankincense, of wine and olive oil, of fine**

flour and wheat; cattle and sheep; horses and carriages; and bodies and souls of men.

¹⁴ “They will say, ‘The fruit you longed for is gone from you. All your riches and splendor have vanished, never to be recovered.’¹⁵ The merchants who sold these things and gained their wealth from her will stand far off, terrified at her torment. They will weep and mourn¹⁶ and cry out:

‘Woe! Woe, O great city, dressed in fine linen, purple and scarlet, and glittering with gold, precious stones and pearls!

¹⁷ **In one hour such great wealth has been brought to ruin!’”**

“Every sea captain, and all who travel by ship, the sailors, and all who earn their living from the sea, will stand far off.¹⁸ When they see the smoke of her burning, they will exclaim, ‘Was there ever a city like this great city?’”

19 They will throw dust on their heads, and with weeping and mourning cry out:

**‘Woe! Woe, O great city,
where all who had ships on the sea
became rich through her wealth!**

**In one hour she has been brought
to ruin!**

20 Rejoice over her, O heaven! Rejoice, saints and apostles and prophets! God has judged her for the way she treated you.”

21 Then a mighty angel picked up a boulder the size of a large millstone and threw it into the sea, and said:

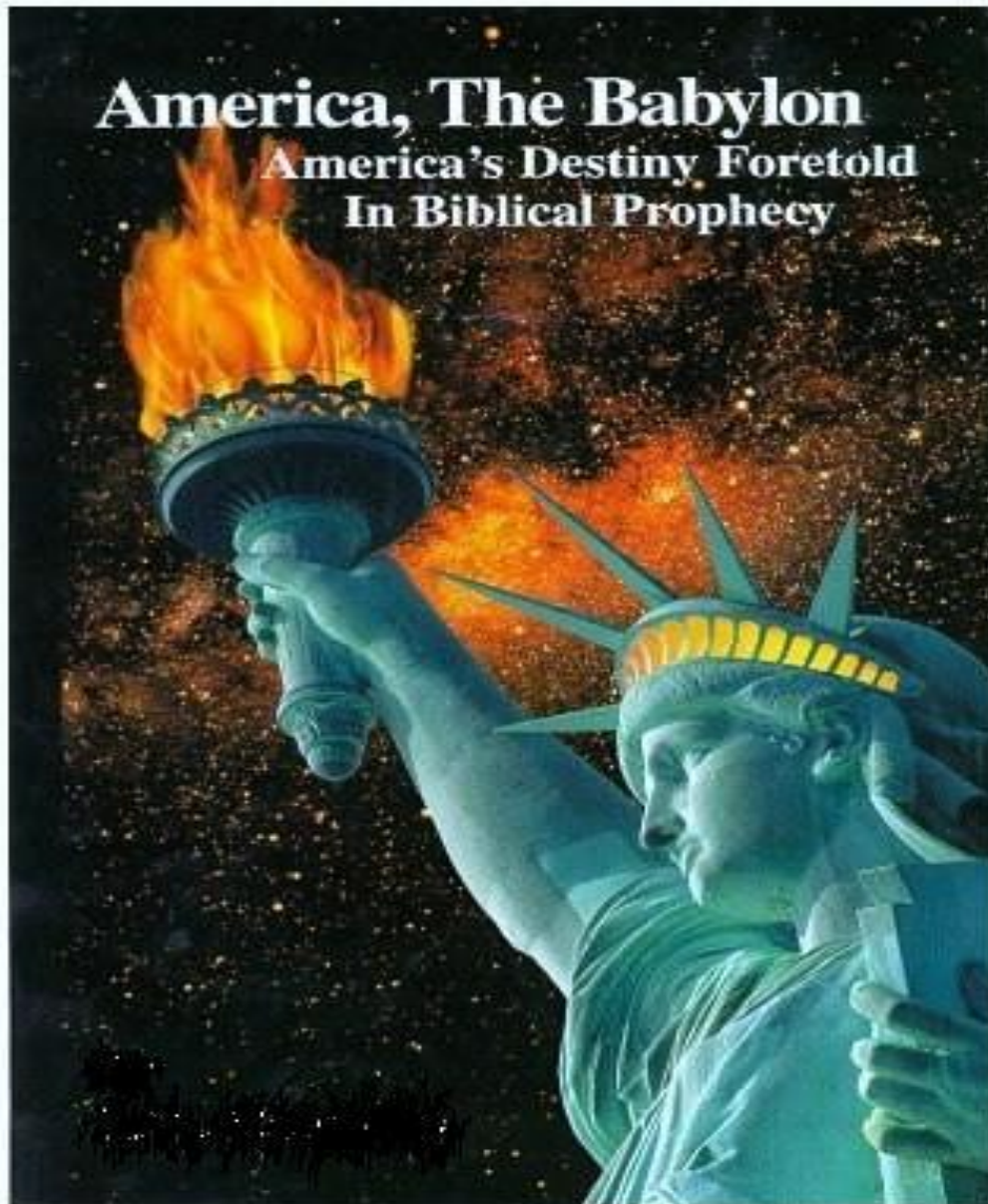
“With such violence the great city of Babylon will be thrown down, never to be found again.

²² **The music of harpists and musicians, flute players and trumpeters, will never be heard in you again. No workman of any trade will ever be found in you again. The sound of a millstone will never be heard in you again.** ²³ **The light of a lamp will never shine in you again. The voice of bridegroom and bride will never be heard in you again.**

Your merchants were the world's great men.

By your magic spell all the nations were led astray.

²⁴ **In her was found the blood of prophets and of the saints, and of all who have been killed on the earth.**"



Revelation 17:1-2 (KJV)

- ¹ And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:**
- ² With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.**