

STUDY II
"THE DOOM OF BABYLON"--"CHRISTENDOM"
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- (1) In what language is the Doom of Babylon pronounced by the Lord through His Prophet Isaiah? (Isa. 13:1-13; 28: 17; compare Rev. 16:14 and Heb. 12:26-29) Page 21
- (2) What evidence is there that the various prophecies of Isaiah, Jeremiah, Daniel, and the Revelator refer to a symbolic City rather than to literal Babylon? Page 22, par. 1
- (3) What is the antitype of ancient Babylon? And what is the meaning of the word? What other symbolic names are Scripturally applied to Christendom? Page 22, par. 2
- (4) How does the Revelator intimate that this mystical City would not be difficult to discover? Page 23, par. 1
- (5) What was the double application of the term "Babylon," as respects the literal city? Describe the manner in which the city was built and protected against invaders? Page 23, par. 2
- (6) To whom were the grandeur and military glory of Babylon chiefly due? For what characteristics was this city noted? Page 24, par. 1
- (7) What was the origin and significance of the name Babylon, and how was this changed by the native etymology? Page 24, par. 2, 3
- (8) During whose reign and under what circumstances was Babylon overthrown? Page 24, par. 4; Page 25, par. 1
- (9) In symbolic prophecy, what does a "city" signify? How is the Church also, and in the same connection, represented? Page 25, par. 2
- (10) How does this same method of interpretation apply to Mystic Babylon? What is the distinction between the terms "harlot" and "Babylon"? What is the more restricted sense in which the term Babylon is applied? Page 25, par. 3
- (11) Is the fact that Christendom does not accept the name, "Babylon," any proof that it is not applicable to her? Page 26, par. 1
- (12) What has been the general claim of Protestantism with respect to the name, "Babylon"? What change from this attitude has recently taken place? Why will neither Protestants nor Papists admit the foregoing, and what position is necessary for all who would get a true view of Babylon, as shown by the Revelator? Page 26, par. 2

(13) What has been the attitude of the Kingdoms of the civilized world toward the great ecclesiastical systems? How are they fulfilling the antitype of the literal Babylon, and what will the judgment of Mystic Babylon mean to the nations of Christendom? Page 27, par. 1, 2

(14) What will be the effect upon the nations outside Christendom? and for what reason? Page 27, par. 3

BABYLON-MOTHER AND DAUGHTERS

(15) What is the true position of Protestantism, as it exists today? In what manner do both Romanists and Protestants "glory in their shame"? Can the true Church of Christ be recognized anywhere as a company from which all the tares have been separated? Page 28, par. 1

(16) What is the significance of "harlotry," as symbolically used in Scripture? Since the "mother" is a religious system, rather than an individual, what should we expect to find in the illustration of the "daughters"? Page 29, par. 1, 2

(17) What circumstances gave birth to these daughter systems? At what time were these systems recognized as "virgins," and when did they become "harlots"? Page 29, par. 3

(18) While the various reform movements did valuable work in "cleansing the sanctuary," which class alone was recognized by the Lord as the true Church? What has been the experience of this "wheat" class, while associated with Babylon? Page 30, par. 1

(19) What is the present experience of these "mourners in Zion"? And what has been the history of the various reform movements instituted by this class in the past? Page 31, par. 1, 2

(20) What disposition in the early Church led to its falling away, and what are the conditions at the present time? What are the proofs that the sects are worthy Daughters of the Mother organization? Page 31, par. 3; Page 32, par. 1

(21) How do some members of Protestant sects boast of their relationship to Rome? Page 32, par. 2, to Page 33, par. 1

(22) What is the attitude of Protestants toward the doctrinal errors of Rome? Page 33, par. 2

(23) What views regarding Apostolic Succession, clerical authority and the right of individual judgment are held by Protestants? Page 33, par. 3; Page 34, par. 1

(24) What language was used by Pope Leo in his encyclical addressed to "The Princes and Peoples of the Earth," and to the Roman Church in America, and in his "Apostolic Letter to the English People"? Page 34, par. 2, to Page 35, par. 1

(25) Describe the Papal "Missions for Protestants," and how Protestantism is being ensnared by this craftiness. Page 35, par. 2, 3

(26) Does the fact that many devout and faithful souls have worshiped God within these systems prove that the name, "Babylon" is not properly applicable? Page 35, par. 4

(27) What is the general accepted application of the term "Christendom"? Page 36, par. 1

(28) Upon what doctrine is the present civil system founded? What similar doctrine has controlled in religious affairs? What has been the Lord's attitude toward both civil and religious systems? Page 36, par. 2

BABYLON'S DOOM

(29) In what language is the destruction of Babylon, Christendom, described by John the Revelator. and the Prophet Daniel? However, what must be her experience immediately preceding her violent overthrow? Page 37, par. 1

(30) What will be the greatness of Babylon's punishment? And who will share in her plagues? Page 37, par. 2

(31) What are Papacy's boastings and threats in regard to her regaining of temporal power? And how will this matter culminate in the great crisis? Page 38, par. 1 to 3

(32) Why will Babylon's plagues come "in one day" and what is the significance of this phrase? Page 39, par. 1

(33) Read and interpret Jer. 51:1-3, 24, 44, 58 and Rev. 19:1, 2. Page 39, par. 2, to Page 40, par. 1

(34) What is the Lord's command to His sanctified ones who recognize Babylon's true condition? Page 40, par. 2, to Page 41, par. 1

(35) With a few individual exceptions, what is the attitude of Christendom, as expressed in Rev. 3:14-22? Page 41, par. 2

(36) Why is the reformation of Christendom impossible, as prophetically stated in Isaiah 47? Page 42, par. 1 to 3

(37) In view of the foregoing, what should be the course of the Lord's people still within Babylon's borders? And what is their only place of refuge? Page 43, par. 1, 2

(38) What is the real significance of the command, "Come out of her, My people"? Page 44, par. 1, 2

(39) What should be our attitude toward the various social and financial bondages of Christendom? Page 44, par. 3; Page 45, par. 1

(40) What should be the general attitude of the Lord's people, as the Time of Trouble approaches? Page 45, par. 2