

## **The Woman on the Beast: the Face of Evil**

1. Coalition of immorality (vs.2)
2. Blasphemy (vs. 3)
3. The mirage of beauty (vs. 4)
4. Murder of God's people (vs. 6)
5. Sensual, subtle, and surprising (vs. 8)

### **Hope in the Face of Evil**

They will wage war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will triumph over them because he is Lord of lords and King of kings—and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers.” (vs. 14)

6. Composed of humanity that rejects God (vs. 15)
7. Turn on each other because there is no conscience (vs. 16)

### **The name written on her forehead was a mystery:**

BABYLON THE GREAT  
THE MOTHER OF PROSTITUTES  
AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH

### **The wrong question to ask:**

Who is Mystery Babylon?

### **The subtle marks of a Babylon/Rome mindset:**

1. Compromise is the norm
2. Excess is supreme
3. Money and power are the ultimate goal
4. Ungodly partnerships lead to ruin

## **Practical wisdom for dealing with today's system:**

1. People are more important than products
2. Pride will kill programs, plans and successes
3. Profit will never justify compromise
4. Godly decisions will keep you from mourning ungodly results

Love of the world pushes out love for God.

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### **God's call in the face of compromise:**

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..."  
– Revelation 18:4

## **Next Step**

Read Revelation 19

## **Small Group Questions**

- 1) What do you consider beautiful? Why?
- 2) What does evil look like to you? What do you do when you encounter evil?
- 3) Do you see any of the Roman mindset in our world today? How can you protect yourself from the subtle draw of excess and compromise?
- 4) How does the hope of Jesus' return encourage you in the reality of today's world?
- 5) As you read Revelation 17 and 18, where is Jesus? Where is the hope?
- 6) What do you need prayer for today?

## **OUR MISSION**

To create an authentic Christian community that effectively reaches out to unchurched people in love, acceptance and forgiveness so that they may experience the joy of salvation and a purposeful life of discipleship.