

## **Revelation 17 Outline**

### **1A** The invitation to a judgment, vv.1-2:

**1B** The identity of the one inviting, 1a: Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came, and spoke with me, saying,

### **2B** The invitation, 1b-2:

**1C** The nature of the spectacle, 1b: "Come, I will show you the judgment

**2C** The identity of the one judged, 1c: of the great prostitute, the one sitting upon the many waters;

**3C** The reason for the judgment, 2: with whom the kings of the earth fornicate, and those dwelling on the earth were made drunk from the wine of her fornication.

### **2A** Journey to the wilderness, 3a: And he carried me away in spirit to the wilderness;

### **3A** The appearance of the great prostitute, vv.3b-5:

**1B** Her mount, 3b: and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast, laden with names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

**2B** The clothing and jewelry of the woman, 4a: And the woman had been decked out in purple and scarlet, and adorned in gold and precious stones and pearls,

**3B** Her terrible cup, 4b: holding a golden cup in her right hand, laden with abominations and the impurity of her fornication,

**4B** Her forehead, 5: and on her forehead had been written a name, "Mystery, Babylon the Great, The Mother of the Fornications and Abominations of the Earth."

### **4A** The state of the great prostitute, 6a: And I saw the woman drunk from the blood of saints, from the blood of the martyrs of Jesus.

### **5A** John's response, 6b: And I marveled, after I saw her, I marveled greatly.

### **6A** The question and promise of explanation from the angel, 7: And the angel said to me, "Why do you marvel? I will tell you the mystery of the woman, and of the beast which bears her, the one who has the seven heads and ten horns.

### **7A** The beast, vv.8-14:

**1B** The doom of the beast, 8 The beast, which you saw, was, and is not, and is about to ascend from the abyss, and to go to destruction. And those who dwell upon the earth will marvel, whose names are not written upon the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, seeing the beast that was, and is not, and will be present.

### **2B** The heads of the beast, vv.9-11:

**1C** The heads as mountains, 9: Here is the mind having wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits.

**2C** The heads as kings, 10: There are also seven kings; The five fell, one is, the other did not yet come, but it is necessary for him to remain briefly.

- 3C The eighth head, 11: And the beast that was, and is not, and he is the eighth, and is from the seven, and goes to destruction.
- 3B The horns of the beast, vv.12-14:
  - 1C The horns as kings, and their future authority, 12: And the ten horns, which you saw, are ten kings, who have not yet received a kingdom, but they will receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast.
  - 2C The unity of their thinking and direction of their efforts, 13: These have one mind, and they will give their power and authority to the beast.
  - 3C Their doom, and the reason, 14: These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, because He is the Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with Him, called and chosen and faithful.
- 8A The identity of the waters, 15: And he says to me, "The waters which you saw, where the prostitute sits, are peoples and crowds, and nations and tongues.
- 9A The devastation of the prostitute, vv.16-17:
  - 1B The turning of the kings on the prostitute, and her devastation, 16: And the ten horns, which you saw, even the beast, these will hate the prostitute, and they will make her destitute and they will make her naked, and they will eat her flesh, and they will immolate her with fire.
  - 2B God as the director, 17: For God had given into their hearts to do His thinking, and to make one mind, and to give their kingdom to the beast, until the words of God are complete.
- 10A The identity of the prostitute, 18: And the woman, whom you saw, is the great city, the one holding dominion over the kings of the earth.