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| <h1 style="margin: 0;">The Revelation Apocalypse of Jesus Christ</h1> | <p>3 April 2022 (part 6)</p> |
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Questions for reflection & discussion

Summarize the message in your own words.

- What stood out for you?

Read **Revelation 17-19:6**

- What is so awful about this passage?
What sticks to your imagination?
Why do we prefer to skip over passages like this?
- Note the comparison / contrast between Babylon & the New Jerusalem.
What do you think Jesus is trying to show John and us with these contrasts and comparisons?

| Babylon | New Jerusalem |
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| <p>Revelation 17:1</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>And one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and spoke with me, saying "Come up here, I shall show you the judgment of the great harlot who sits on many waters.</i></p> | <p>Revelation 21:9</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>And one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls ... came and spoke with me, saying "Come up here, I shall show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb."</i></p> |
| <p>Revelation 17:3</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness; and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast ... upon her forehead was written a mystery, "Babylon the great, the mother of harlots"</i></p> | <p>Revelation 21:10</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, having the glory of God.</i></p> |

- **Genesis 11:4** "Let us build a name for ourselves." This verse about Babel is connected to Babylon, to building the city without God, yet seeing God's gifts of creativity still at work in the city.

Where do you see some of the marks of Babylon-ness

| Mark | Description | Text | Resist |
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| Autonomy | | | |
| Injustice | | | |
| Sensuality | | | |
| Luxury (for luxury's sake) | | | |
| Violence | | | |
| Deception | | | |
| Slavery | | | |

- In *one hour*: **Revelation 18:10, 16-17, 19**. What happens?