



Revelation 18 The Fall of Economic Babylon Speaker: Jeff Thompson

Revelation 18 details God's judgment of _____
Babylon, the world's _____ system.

As best we can tell, God will accomplish this by
destroying the literal city of Babylon.

This chapter appears to unfold around the same time as the 7th
and final bowl judgment (Cf. Revelation 16:17-19).

V.2: In this context, "bird" is an additional figurative term for
demons and foul spirits.

Babylon in Daniel 5 parallels Babylon in Revelation 18.

*"They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify
them by Your truth. Your word is truth."* - John 17:16-17

Also see Romans 12:2; 2 Corinthians 6:14-17; James 1:27, 4:4;
1 John 2:15.

V.4: _____ illuminates a way to
live in Babylon without becoming part of Babylon.

V.8: Economic Babylon will burn to the ground in a
_____.

*...Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldeans'
pride, will be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah. It will
never be inhabited, nor will it be settled from generation to
generation; nor will the Arabian pitch tents there, nor will the
shepherds make their sheepfolds there. - Isaiah 13:19-20*

V.13: "bodies" = slaves (*sāma*)
"souls" = life, mind, heart (*psychē*)
Together, they likely refer to sex trafficking

V.23: Babylon will be destroyed in an age where
"the great men of the earth" are
" _____ " (I.E. businessmen).

See Ephesians 6:12 & 1 John 5:19

*"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be
hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on
a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. - Matthew 5:14-15*

Contrast Revelation 18 with Luke 12:16-21, James 5:1-8, and
Laodicea in Revelation 3:17-22.

*...what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his
own soul? - Mark 8:36*

Also see Matthew 6:19-20

*Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. See
how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, waiting
patiently for it until it receives the early and latter rain. You also be
patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.
- James 5:7-8*

Christians view everything they have as _____
to the Lord.

And Christians want God to use everything they have
for _____.