

**THE FALSE CHURCH OF THE SCARLET HARLOT
(Revelation 17:1-7)**

- What is the great Babylon? (Revelation 14:8, 16:19, 17:5, 18:2, 10, & 21)

I. GOD'S DECLARATION ABOUT THIS SCARLET HARLOT (17:1-2)

A. Her Predicted Condemnation (17:1)

1. Her *destiny*... "Come, I will show you the _____ ..."

- What is the theme of this chapter?

2. Her *depiction*... "of the great _____ who sits on many waters..."

- Why is the phrase "the great harlot" utilized here?
- What does "sits on many waters" depict? (17:15)

B. Her Political/Religious Connection (17:2)

1. Her *political domination*... "with whom the _____ of the earth committed fornication"

- Why is a political connection necessary?

2. Her *religious deception*... "and the inhabitants of the earth were made _____ with the wine of her fornication"

- Can we expect great religious deception in the future?
- What does this tell us about her influence?
- What are some *basics* about Babylon we should know?

II. THE DESCRIPTION OF THE SCARLET HARLOT (17:3-7)

A. What John Stated (17:3-5)

“ I saw a woman...”

1. Her *authority*... “she was _____ *a scarlet beast*”

- What does this tell us about her authority & support?

2. Her *apostasy*... she was “*full of names of* _____”

- * What does this say about her fidelity to truth?

3. Her *alliances*... she had “*___ heads and ___ horns*”

- What does this tell us about her political alliance?

4. Her *apparel*... she is “*arrayed in* _____ *and* _____”

- What does this tell us about her splendor?

5. Her *adornment*... she is “*adorned with* _____ *and* _____ *and* _____”

- What does this tell us about her wealth?

6. Her *abominations*... she had “*in her hand a* _____ *full of the abominations and the filthiness of her fornication*”

- What does this tell us of *God’s view* of her *religious practices*?

7. Her *appellation*... “*MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH*”

- Two things are clear from this title:

a. She is a “ _____ ” What does this mean?

b. She is a “ _____ ” Of what?

- * What are true believers commanded to do regarding her? (18:4-5)