

# Book of Revelation

## Lesson Eight -- The Delusions of Luxury

### Revelation Chapter 18

5/14/17

*As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. (Matt. 13:22)*

*. . . but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. . . (Matt. 6:20) World view: the one with the most of the marbles wins,*

I. What is Jesus trying to help mankind see in terms of the deceitfulness of riches and its affect on one's life and those around them? What negative outcomes can result?

*Earth (temporary): what is seen; wears out; about selfishness & your life*

*Heaven (permanent): what is unseen; wears on; unselfishness & others lives*

II. What excesses of lifestyle did "Babylon" in Revelation chapter 18 engage and what were the outcomes of this lifestyle?

*Home for demons & evil spirits; promotes adultery(physical & spiritual);excessive luxuries (beyond what is customary & proper)*

*Outcomes: plagues, torture, grief, death, famine, fire. "Merchants" face great depression*

III. Is it right to rejoice in the misfortunes/destruction of others? See Rev. 18:20-24

*Who are the kings and merchants? God has judged, not man.*

deceitful -- intended to mislead; fraud;untruth

delusion -- false belief or opinion; mislead the mind

satan -- "the deceiver" Rev 20:10

VI. What questions do you have???????