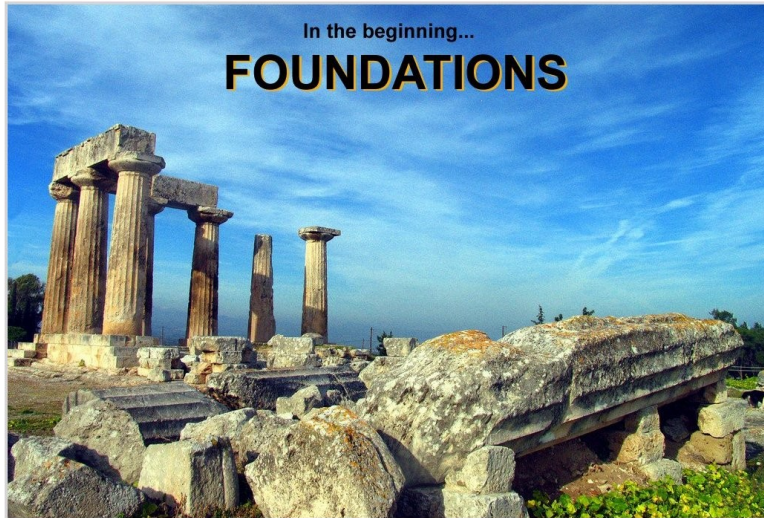




Psalms 78:2-4

I will open my mouth in a parable, I will utter dark sayings of old... We will not conceal them.

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Psalms 11:3

If the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do?

**Laying a firm foundation for understanding
the beginnings of creation.**

Joseph Herrin

This edition of Parables Bookshelf continues the book *Foundations*. This is the longest book I have written to date and there will be one more chapter before the end. We pick up here where we left off in our study of Babel as we see how the influence of Babel spread throughout the world.

Scripture Memory

Jeremiah 51:7

Babylon has been a golden cup in the hand of Yahweh, intoxicating all the earth. The nations have drunk of her wine; Therefore the nations are going mad.

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Beyond Babel



Tower of Babel/EU Parliament Building

I want to once again comment on the value of giving significant attention and time to an event that God allotted no more than ten verses to in the book of Genesis. Why trouble ourselves to understand what took place at Babel? What is the value for the Christian today?

Christians greatly err by relegating Babel to little more than a historic footnote in the history of man. Babel serves as a prototype for the evil men are capable of when they join together to fulfill Luciferian plans. There is a principle of first mention in the Bible, whereby great significance is embodied in the first occurrence of actions, places, or things in the Scriptures. Oftentimes the spiritual significance of a thing can be discerned by looking at its first mention in the Bible. For example, the very first occurrence of the number 13, a number of ill omen throughout the history of man, is found in the following verse.

Genesis 14:4

Twelve years they had served Chedorlaomer, but the **thirteenth** year they rebelled.

E.W. Bullinger shares the following insight into this number.

As to the significance of thirteen, all are aware that it

has come down to us as a number of ill-omen. Many superstitions cluster around it, and various explanations are current concerning them.

*Unfortunately, those who go backwards to find a reason seldom go back far enough. The popular explanations do not, so far as we are aware, go further back than the Apostles. But we must go back to the **first occurrence** of the number **thirteen** in order to discover the key to its significance. It occurs first in Gen 14:4, where we read "**Twelve** years they served Chedorlaomer, and the **thirteenth** year they REBELLED."*

*Hence every occurrence of the number **thirteen**, and likewise of **every multiple of it**, stamps that with which it stands in connection with **rebellion, apostasy, defection, corruption, disintegration, revolution, or some kindred idea.***

[Source: *Number in Scripture*, E.W. Bullinger]

There are many such instances in the Bible where the first mention of something reveals its spiritual significance, meaning, or identity. Babel holds numerous firsts. It is the first city built by man that is mentioned in the Bible. It is the beginning of the first kingdom of man. It is the site of the first tower to be built. It is also the location where God first divided humanity in tongues, and tribes, and nations.

Babel symbolizes the works of man performed **independently** of God, and, in many instances, in direct defiance of Yahweh. Regarding the building of Babel and its tower, we read:

Genesis 11:6

And Yahweh said, "Behold, they are one people, and they all have the same language. And this is what they began to do, and now nothing which they purpose to do will be impossible for them."

There is nothing wrong with unity among mankind. It is no sin to be of the same mind and purpose with others.

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Christ prayed that His disciples might be one, even as He and the Father are one. Unity of purpose becomes an evil thing when men band together to accomplish things that are not God's will, especially things that are done in defiance of God. Notice the words of Yahweh above. He says, "This is what THEY began to do..." This is NOT man working in harmony or agreement with God. It is man acting independently of God, in defiance of God. This is the legacy of Babel.

God did not judge the people at Babel because they were of one mind and purpose. He judged them because they banded together to accomplish works of rebellion. Babel is the site of the first coordinated effort of man to ascend to a position God had not ordained for them. Satan's plan was (and is) to lead all humanity to manifest the same rebellious spirit against Yahweh that he has embraced. He wants to unite both men and angels in a defiant overthrow of Yahweh's rule. The principle of Satan is self-rule. Satan was not content to fulfill the high call of God for his life. He desired to ascend higher, to determine his own way. The prophet Isaiah provides the following insight into the rebellion of this covering cherub.

Isaiah 14:12-14

How you have fallen from heaven, O star of the morning, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, you who have weakened the nations! But you said in your heart, "I will ascend to heaven;

I will raise my throne above the stars of God, and I will sit on the mount of assembly in the recesses of the north. I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High."

Satan seeks to infect all humanity with this same spirit of defiance toward the rule of God. He wants men to declare their independence of God. The devil wants mankind to seek to ascend to the heavens, behaving as if they were gods themselves, following his own example. Is this not what we see occurring at Babel? It is the location of the first kingdom of man. In establishing their own kingdom, man was rejecting Yahweh's rule. They were determined to pursue their own will and plans, to make a name for themselves, seeking their own glory

rather than that of the Creator.

Yahweh brought confusion to the speech of man to hinder him in his rebellious purpose. By confusing the language of men, Yahweh effectively thwarted the unity that existed in their pursuit of evil. Men would still pursue evil after they dispersed from Babel, but the Luciferian goal of uniting all men under a single ruler in defiance of Yahweh was stymied. No longer were the various families of man able to cooperate freely in their renegade schemes. Rebellion and pride still existed in the hearts of men, but the power of man to accomplish his purpose was diffused as divisions arose and man was separated by tongues, by tribes, by culture, and by geography.

The Bible informs us that upon the confusion of man's speech at Babel, the people left off building the city and tower. This was not the end of Babel, however. Babel is more than a city. It is a spiritual principle. Babel signifies mankind united in purposes that contradict the will of his Creator. Babel is a symbol of humanity seeking to ascend to be like God, choosing self-rule over Divine rule.

Though the people left off building the city and dispersed throughout the earth, Babel was not completely abandoned. Neither did men forsake the prideful act of building towers. Babel became Babylon. The city reached its zenith seventeen centuries after the original city and tower were abandoned. Nabopolassar and his son Nebuchadnezzar II raised up on this site one of the greatest cities the world has ever known. It was referred to as "Babylon the Great." It was vast in expanse, surrounded by multiple layers of walls and fortifications. Babylon was renowned for its hanging gardens, considered one of the seven wonders of the ancient world. The city and region were also marked by towers, a form that is referred to today as the ziggurat. The term ziggurat comes from an Akkadian word that means "to build upon a raised area."

The building of towers was not rediscovered in the days of Nebuchadnezzar. The people of Mesopotamia never forsook the building of ziggurats. Many ancient ziggurats

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rats pre-dating the time of Nebuchadnezzar by centuries were constructed. Nebuchadnezzar rebuilt some of the ancient towers, and he constructed new ones as well. Nebuchadnezzar, like the people of Babel before him, was infected with that spirit of humanistic pride that boasted in what man could accomplish independently of God. The Bible informs us of the spirit of those first tower builders.

Genesis 11:4

And they said, “Come, let us build for ourselves a city, and a tower whose top will reach into heaven, **and let us make for ourselves a name**; lest we be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth.”

In the phrase “let us make for ourselves a name,” there is great pride manifested. The people wanted fame. They desired to be a people of great renown. They desired to obtain glory on earth, a glory that would raise its head toward the heavens and arrogantly declare to God, “Look what we have built by the might of our own power.”

This spirit has always infected Babylon. After having completed Etemenanki, Birs Nimrud, and other massive building projects in the city of Babylon, King Nebuchadnezzar manifested the pride that drove him and the people to such works.

Daniel 4:29-32

[Nebuchadnezzar] was walking on the roof of the royal palace of Babylon. The king reflected and said, “**Is this not Babylon the great, which I myself have built as a royal residence by the might of my power and for the glory of my majesty?**” While the word was in the king’s mouth, a voice came from heaven, saying, “King Nebuchadnezzar, to you it is declared: sovereignty has been removed from you, and you will be driven away from mankind, and your dwelling place will be with the beasts of the field. You will be given grass to eat like cattle, and seven periods of time will pass over you, until you recognize that the Most High is ruler over the realm of mankind, and bestows it on whomever He wishes.”



Despite the many judgments Yahweh has brought upon mankind to humble them, Satan is ever able to turn men back again to pride, rebellion, and wickedness. Whenever men have gathered together in large numbers they have built towers. The great cities of the nations are marked by their “sky scrapers,” their immense high-rise towers that are constructed to create a name for the builders, the occupants, and the cities in which the towers reside.

I have made mention of Macon, Georgia, the Masonic city that I lived in for some time. The Freemasons who laid out the city plan intentionally modeled it after Babylon. More than a century after Macon’s founding the influence of Freemasonry, the guardians of the Babylonian mystery religion, continued to be felt in the city as one its tallest buildings up until that time was constructed. This tower today holds offices for the city of Macon. Approaching this building, I was often captivated by its resemblance to a ziggurat. Significantly, there are thirteen floors, or levels, to this building.

It should not strike any person as incredible that more than four thousand years after the construction of the Tower of Babel that Satan is inspiring men to build similar structures today. The spirit of Babylon has spread outward from that ancient city.

Genesis 11:8-9

So Yahweh scattered them abroad from there over the face of the whole earth; and they stopped building the city. Therefore its name was called Babel, because there Yahweh confused the language of the whole earth; and

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from there Yahweh scattered them abroad over the face of the whole earth.



Macon Municipal Building in Foreground

At the time of this scattering, the entire landmass of the earth was one giant continent. It was after the flood of Noah that the earth was divided. The book of Genesis tells us that this occurred in the days of Peleg, whose name means “to divide asunder.”

Genesis 10:25

And two sons were born to Eber; the name of the one was Peleg, for in his days the earth was divided.

Some have assumed that what is referred to here is nothing more than the tribes and families of mankind spreading out from Mesopotamia to the land Yahweh apportioned to them. I am convinced that something much more remarkable is indicated. What the author of Genesis is telling us is that the dry land was formerly one contiguous mass. There was only one continent. This is a view that science itself agrees with, though scientific theory varies greatly from the Biblical account in its estimation of when this super-continent existed and the length of time it took for it to drift apart. Geologists re-

fer to the original super-continent as Pangea, or Pangaea. Its separation into the present continents of the earth is referred to as “continental drift theory.”



Pangaea

It is a simple matter to examine the outlines of the continents and envision how they may have once fit together. There is some diversity in the portraits of what the ancient single landmass looked like, but similarities exist in most of the depictions. The above image shows one possibility. A close-up of the central portion of this landmass is shown below.



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There is sound Biblical reason to believe that the world was one single continent from the time of Adam until some time after the flood of Noah. One of the most persuasive arguments is that there had to be some way for the animals that Noah carried on the ark to spread to all of today's present continents and islands. If all flesh perished in the flood except that which was kept safe in the ark, how do we explain the presence of kangaroos and koalas in Australia, or llamas and alpacas in South America? These animals certainly did not swim across oceans to arrive there. Some attempt to get around this problem by suggesting that the flood of Noah's day was local. The Bible does not allow for such a possibility, however.

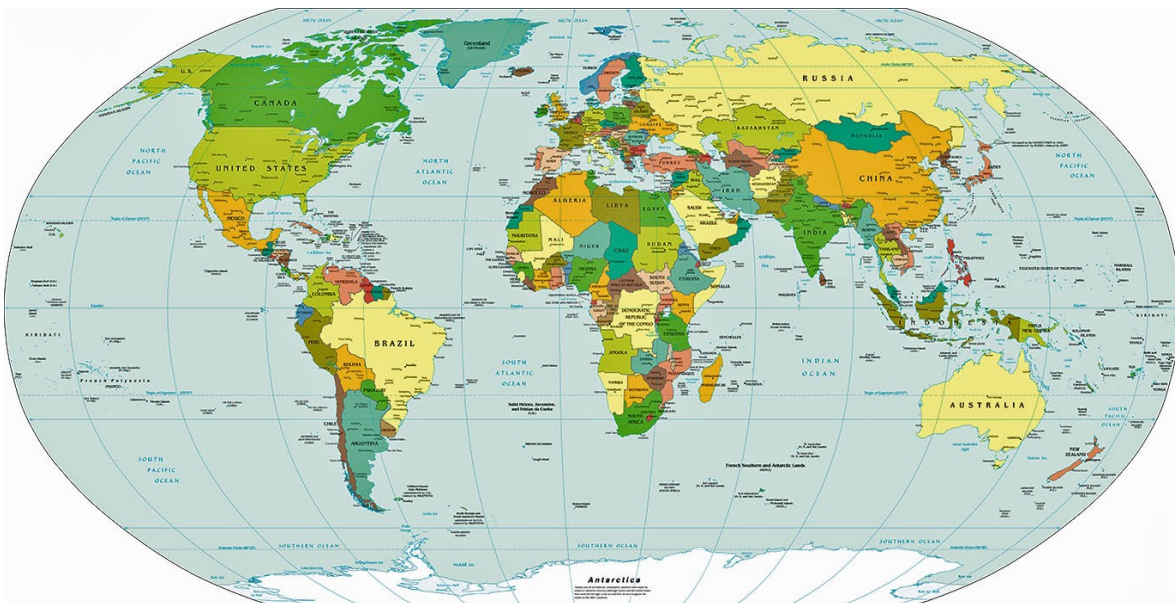
Genesis 7:21-24

And all flesh that moved on the earth perished, birds and cattle and beasts and every swarming thing that swarms upon the earth, and all mankind; of all that was on the dry land, all in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, died. Thus He blotted out every living thing that was upon the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky, and they were blotted out from the earth; and only Noah was left, together

with those that were with him in the ark. And the water prevailed upon the earth one hundred and fifty days.

If you locate Turkey on the map above, at the upper right corner of that nation is where Bible historians believe Noah's ark came to rest after the flood. If you travel south and east from there to the nations of Iraq and Iran, you will come to the plains of Shinar in ancient Mesopotamia. This is where Noah's descendants traveled to, and where they founded the city of Babel. A question that must be answered is, "How did the animals taken aboard the ark to repopulate the earth travel to distant continents such as Australia, South America, and North America?"

Some have suggested that an ancient land bridge existed between Eastern Russia and Alaska, providing a path for animals and men to travel to North and South America. This is a possibility, but it fails to explain how animals that could not swim or fly arrived at Australia, New Zealand, New Guinea, Japan, Malaysia, Madagascar, Iceland, or many of the other terrestrial areas that are separated from the EurAsian continent. We need not guess, however,



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for the Bible tells us that the earth was not divided into continents until after the flood in the days of Peleg. In the book *Astrology: The Ancient Conspiracy*, the author writes the following concerning Peleg and the division of the earth.

The word Peleg, which is not itself a proper name, means “a division”; but, as we shall see, a division of a particular kind. This verse is usually explained as meaning that, at some time during Peleg’s lifetime, God divided the land among the people; that is, He apportioned the various tracts of country to the various companies of people - nations, as they afterwards became - which were to inhabit them. That is quite right as far as it goes, but it does not go far enough.

There are thirteen verbs translated “divide,” each with a slightly different shade of meaning. We need here to consider only two - “chalak” and “palag.”

Chalak means “to divide” in the sense of “to share” or “to apportion.” It is the verb generally used when we read of a victorious nation dividing the spoil: -

“... divide the spoil of your enemies with your brethren” (Joshua xxii. 8).

“As men rejoice when they divide the spoil” (Isa. Ix. 3).

It is worthy to note that when land has to be divided, in the sense of being shared or apportioned, this verb is used.

“Joshua divided the land unto the children of Israel...” (Joshua xviii. 10)

“... Thou and Ziba divide the land” (2 Sam. Xix. 29).

Palag means “to divide” by bringing pressure or force to bear on an object to be divided.

“Who hath divided a watercourse [a channel] for the overflowing of waters...” (Job xxxviii. 25).

That is, who has parted or cleaved the ground asunder, so as to make a channel, such as a river-bed, or the channel of a stream to carry of the overflowing water.

The noun peleg occurs in Psalm xlvi. 4, and is translated “streams.”

“There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the City of God...”

The translation “streams,” which is represented in the Hebrew by Peleg in the plural, with the third person singular pronominal suffix, is an example of the figure of metonymy, by which the things contained (“streams,”) are put for the containers (the divisions or clefts in the ground, through which streams run). There is another example of the same figure in the next clause - “gladden the City of God,” where city (the container) is put for the things contained (i.e., the population of the City). It is obvious that the force of the word “peleg” in this verse harmonizes with the meaning that the verb “palag” has in Job xxxviii. 25, quoted above.

The above examples, I think, show clearly the difference in meaning between the two verbs. What the reader should note is that if the popular explanation of Genesis x. 25 were correct (i.e., if the

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verse meant merely that in Peleg's days God apportioned the land to the various companies of people who were to inhabit it) then we should have had in the text the verb "chalak," "to divide" by sharing; but instead we have "palag," "to divide" by cleavage.

"He called his name Peleg [a cleft or division], because in his days was the earth "niphlagah" [i.e., divided by cleavage]..."

What these verses in Genesis xi. tell us is that God first separated the people by confounding their language, thus causing them to group themselves according to their respective tongues; He then separated the land - dividing it by cleavage.

No doubt, those who are unbelievers in the God of the Bible will scoff at this account of the division of the earth into continents. It is taught by many geologists that the division of the surface of the earth began some 200 million years ago, and it occurred over the course of millions of years. Of course, these same men would scoff at the idea that the earth we presently inhabit, with all of its plant and animal life, was formed in six days. They would also decry the suggestion that the various languages of man all arose in a single moment of time as the Bible declares to have occurred at Babel. Linguists would argue that the languages of man developed over thousands, perhaps tens of thousands, of years.

Man is quite imperfect in his knowledge. Man's attempts at reconstructing past events has led to such absurdities as the theory of evolution that would have all life arising without the aid of an intelligent designer through the all powerful combination of time and chance. Statistical probability refutes any possibility of such complex organisms as exist today arising through a random combina-

tion of elements. Believing Yahweh to be the all-wise and omnipotent Creator of the universe with all it contains, I do not find it inconsistent, nor incredible, to accept that Yahweh divided the earth into continents in the days of Peleg's life.

In Genesis chapter 11 we are given the genealogy of Shem, one of the three sons of Noah. In this genealogy we are told that Peleg was born 101 years after the flood and he lived to the age of 239. Sometime during the nearly two and one half centuries of Peleg's life, the continents drifted apart. As they did, the tribes of man found themselves separated by vast distances of oceans and seas. This geographic separation, along with the confusion of man's language, served to keep humanity from cooperating too much in their pursuit of evil and rebellion against God. Satan's plan to quickly bring about a single world government that would unite all humanity in defiance of Yahweh was consequently dashed. The Bible reveals that a one world government under the rule of Satan's appointed man will arise at the very end of the age. That hour is now at hand. This is all the more reason why Christians should understand the history and significance of Babel. The political/religious/economic/military union of all mankind in the last days is referred to as Babylon. From Genesis to Revelation this city has stood as a symbol of opposition to Yahweh and all that is righteous and holy. The wicked spiritual principles of Babel will come to maturity in these last days.

The apostle Paul wrote the following words.

I Corinthians 8:5-6

For even if there are so-called gods whether in heaven or on earth, as indeed there are many gods and many lords, yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom are all things, and we exist for Him; and one Lord, Yahshua Christ, by whom are all things, and we exist through Him.

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To depart from the worship of Yahweh and His Son Yahshua is idolatry and rebellion. The very first of the Ten Commandments states:

Exodus 20:3-5

You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image - any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God...

All of the idolatrous religions of the world are traceable back to Babylon. The prophet Jeremiah recorded Yahweh's words of judgment upon Babylon due to its pronounced idolatry.

Jeremiah 50:35-38

"A sword against the Chaldeans," declares Yahweh, "And against the inhabitants of Babylon, and against her officials and her wise men!... For it is a land of idols, and they are mad over fearsome idols."

The worship of the heavenly bodies, and the beings they represented, was a feature of Babylonian religion. When mankind spread out from Babylon, they took the idolatry of Babylon with them. One of the places Babel came to rest was in Egypt. There the people gave themselves over to the worship of the sun, the moon, and stars, and a host of deities in the image of man and beast. There too they built towers to rival the great tower at Babel.



Pyramids of Egypt

On the plains of Shinar man had only mud with which to make bricks. In Egypt there was stone to be quarried. The limestone pyramids of Egypt, though slightly more recent than the most ancient ziggurats of Mesopotamia, have been preserved in a much better state. This is partly due to the stone construction, but also due to the dryer climate of Egypt. The pyramid is a modified Mesopotamian ziggurat. This fact is most clearly observed in the "stepped pyramids" of Egypt.



Step Pyramid of King Djoser at Saqqara

138 pyramids have been discovered in Egypt to

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date. The Pyramid of King Djoser at Saqqara, Egypt is believed by many historians and archaeologists to be the oldest of the pyramids. The date of this pyramid places it historically close in proximity to the dispersion from Babel. The following reconstruction of this pyramid shows the similarity of design to that of the Babylonian towers.



Saqqara Pyramid Reconstruction

The evolution of the ziggurat, or step pyramid, into the smooth sided pyramid is observed in the Meidum Pyramid. It was originally constructed as a step pyramid. Subsequently the steps were filled in and an outer casing added. In its finished form it was of similar dimensions as the Great Pyramid of Giza, but it has not withstood the ravages of time as well. This is likely due to the fact that the pyramid was modified to be a smooth pyramid, rather than being constructed as one in its original form.



Pyramid at Meidum

The Meidum Pyramid suffered several collapses in ancient and medieval times. Arabs of medieval times, described it as having seven levels, but only three survive today. The seven levels would correspond identically to the number of levels of Birs Nimrud, the ziggurat constructed by Nebuchadnezzar.

History has preserved very well the fact that the Egyptians not only shared the tower building propensities of Babel, but they shared their idolatry as well. The Egyptians corrupted the zodiac into an idolatrous religion and worshiped deities in the form of humans and beasts, and mixtures of the two. After Yahweh brought Israel out of Egyptian bondage 3,500 years ago, He spoke the following words to the people through Moses.

Deuteronomy 4:15-20

“So watch yourselves carefully, since you did not see any form on the day Yahweh spoke to you at Horeb from the midst of the fire, lest you act corruptly and make a graven image for yourselves in the form of any figure, the likeness of male or female, the likeness of any animal that is on the earth, the likeness of any winged bird that flies in the sky, the likeness of anything that creeps on the ground, the likeness of any fish that is in the water below the earth. And beware, lest you lift up your eyes to heaven and see the sun and the moon and the stars, all the host of heaven, and be drawn away and worship them and serve them, those which Yahweh your God has allotted to all the peoples under the whole heaven.”

The spirit of Babel was present in Egypt. It was a spirit of pride and rebellion. It was a spirit of idolatry, a worship of man and false gods. Babel is a turning away from God to a vain worship of that which is not God. In Egypt, as in Babel, man “exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Crea-

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tor, who is blessed forever” (Romans 1:25).

When God came down and confused the language of man at Babel, man scattered as if they had been struck. They spread out across the land. Then Yahweh divided the land itself into continents, placing great distances of ocean between the peoples of the earth. Yet, everywhere man went, he carried Babel with him. Those who journeyed east from Mesopotamia carried the spirit of Babel with them. The following image is of an ancient stepped pyramid in China near the North Korean border.



More than one hundred pyramids have been identified in Xian, China, some of immense size.



Some of the Xian Pyramids

The mound below is referred to by locals as the Maoling Mausoleum. It is the burial site of Emperor Wudi of the Western Han Dynasty (206 BC – 24 AD).



Maoling Mausoleum

Traveling south and east of China, to the islands of Indonesia, we find that Babel spread to this part of the globe as well. Following is an image of the temple at Candi Sukuh. It resembles closely a ziggurat, or stepped pyramid.



Candi Sukuh

Anyone who has seen images of the Mesoamerican pyramids of Mexico, and Central and South America, will note a similarity between them and the structure above.

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Mayan Ruins at Tikal in Guatemala



Pyramid of the Moon at Teotihuacan, Mexico

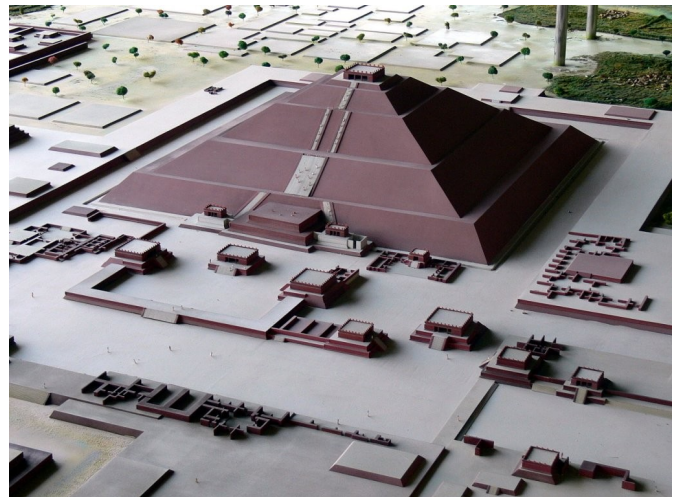


Pyramid of the Magician at ancient Mayan City of Uxmal, Mexico

Throughout Mesoamerica there are numerous Pre-Columbian (before the appearance of Europeans) cities that feature pyramids. The Wikipedia entry for “Mesoamerican Pyramids” states, “These structures were usually step pyramids with temples on top - more akin to the ziggurats of Mesopotamia than to the pyramids of Ancient Egypt.” As previously mentioned, the Mississippians of North America built large mounds with flat tops. On the tops were located temples to their gods. This was also the design of the ziggurats of Babylonia.

It is not difficult to observe the influence of Babylonia in these structures from the Americas. One can also see a great similarity to the pyramids of Egypt.

The image above shows the Pyramid of the Moon. Also at Teotihuacan, Mexico was the even larger Pyramid of the Sun. These names were given to these structures by the Aztecs who came upon the ruins centuries after they were abandoned. What the original inhabitants called these structures is unknown. Following is a model reproduction of the Temple of the Sun at Teotihuacan.



Pyramid of the Sun

The largest of the Mesoamerican pyramids by volume is the Great Pyramid of Cholula, in the Mexican state of Puebla. It is estimated that construction of the Pyramid at Cholula began in the 3rd century B.C. and continued until the 9th century A.D. as the

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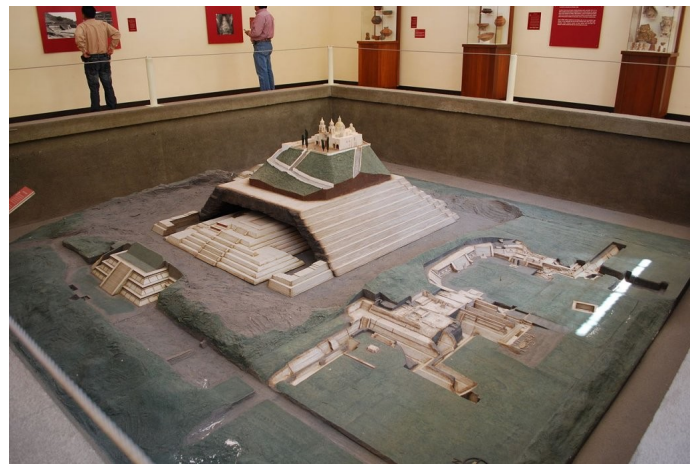
pyramid was expanded. Today, this enormous pyramid looks like a hill with a Roman Catholic Church built on its top.



When one understands the connection between the Roman Catholic Church and Babylon, they will recognize the poignancy of this image. The Babylonians would build temples to their idols atop the flat plateau of the ziggurat. How fitting that a Roman Catholic church should be placed at the top of this largest pyramid in the Americas. Rome has kept alive the worship of the sun, moon, and stars. The Roman Mary is merely the Babylonian Queen of Heaven masquerading as the mother of Christ. Inside the church pictured above is found the following shrine to Mary, the Queen of Heaven.



More than four thousand years after the Babylonians ascended their ziggurats to worship Semiramis as the Queen of Heaven, we find that people in Mexico are doing the same. Ascending the largest ziggurat in Mesoamerica, they enter this Roman Catholic church to pray before an image of the Queen of Heaven. The church is called “Church of Our Lady of Remedies,” being built by the Spanish in 1594. Could anyone other than Satan have inspired such a work? Satan has perpetuated the idolatry of Babylon throughout all the ages of man, and across every continent.



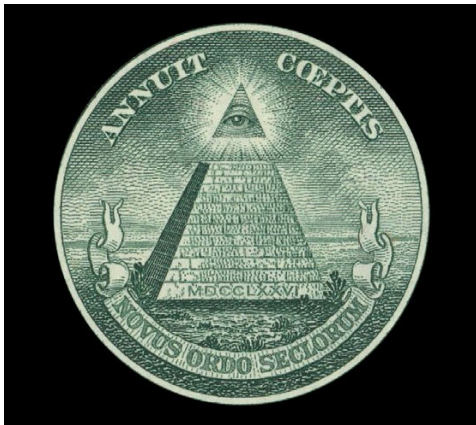
Great Pyramid of Cholula with Cutaway Showing Structure Beneath the Roman Church

Through the agency of the Roman Catholic Church, the Freemasons, the Illuminati, and numerous other organizations, Satan has kept alive the rebellion and idolatry of Babylon. The tower builders of Babylon are still with us today. So too are the esoteric teachings of Babylon present to this very hour. Satan has always placed men into positions of power and influence who would keep alive the dream of building Babylon upon the earth once more. The common phrase used in this day to refer to Babylon reborn is the New World Order. In fact, it is a very old world order. The goal of the New World Order is to institute a single world government, a single currency, and a single world religion that are all under the aegis of Satan. Lucifer is the

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architect and power behind the New World Order even as he was the inspiration for Babel. It was he who inspired men to build a tower in defiance of Yahweh. It was he who stirred up the pride in fallen humanity, tempting them to choose their own rule and authority, casting off the rule of Yahweh.

The current rulers of this world system present an appearance of being modern thinkers who have cast aside the backward beliefs of stone age religion. They declare themselves to be “scientific” in their approach to the world, and in their ideas for creating a new secular order (Novus Ordo Seclorum). This is mere facade. It is a masquerade. Beneath the thin veneer of their pretentiousness, those whom Satan has chosen to be captains of industry and rulers of nations are adepts in the oldest of humanity’s idolatrous religions. They have embraced the rebellion of Satan, and worship the dark lord as the bringer of light. They have adopted the symbols and beliefs of ancient Babel.



Great Seal of the United States as it appears on U.S. Currency

It is interesting to note that the top is missing from the Great Pyramid of Giza, and it is missing in the image of the pyramid on the Great Seal. This gives the pyramid a flat top like that of a ziggurat. It would be here that the temple for the idol would be found. There are thirteen courses of stones forming

the pyramid on the Great Seal, thirteen being the number of rebellion in the Scriptures. Also, we find the number 1776 in Roman numerals written across the lowest course of stones. This being the foundation level, the number corresponds to the year in which the foundation for Babel was laid.

Most students of what are described as “conspiracy theories” understand that the number 1776 on the Great Seal has a dual meaning. It is the year in which the Declaration of Independence was signed by America’s founding fathers. It is also the year in which the Bavarian Illuminati was established by Adam Weishaupt. These events occurring in the same year are hardly coincidental. Satan is able to guide the events of human history, and he very evidently chose for both of these key events in the resurrection of Babylon among the nations to occur in the same year. A question I have pondered is “Why did Satan choose for this work to be accomplished in the year 1776?”

Reflection upon this matter led me to consider whether there was a connection to the founding of the original city of Babel and its tower. Although the Bible does not tell us the year in which the people located to the plain of Shinar and began the construction of Babel and its tower, we can look at the genealogies found in Genesis and see that it is quite possible that the foundation of that first tower could have been laid 1,776 years from Adam’s creation. Following is what can be deduced from the Bible. The data is taken from Genesis chapters 5 and 11.

Year 0: Adam is created.

Year 130: Seth is born, son of Adam.

Year 235: Enosh is born, son of Seth.

Year 325: Kenan is born, son of Enosh.

Year 395: Mahalalel is born, son of Kenan.

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Year 460: Jared is born, son of Mahalalel.

Year 622: Enoch is born, son of Jared.

Year 687: Methuselah is born, son of Enoch.

Year 874: Lamech is born, son of Methuselah.

Year 1056: Noah is born, son of Lamech.

Year 1559: Shem is born, son of Noah.

Year 1656: Flood of Noah.

Year 1659: Arphaxad is born, son of Shem.

Year 1694: Shelah is born, son of Arphaxad.

Year 1724: Eber is born, son of Shelah.

Year 1758: Peleg is born, son of Eber.

The Bible tells us that during Peleg's days the earth was divided. It is quite possible that during Peleg's lifetime both the Tower of Babel incident occurred with the division of man's language, and the earth was divided forming the continents and placing a physical division among the families of man.

The year 1776 from the creation of Adam would occur 18 years after the birth of Peleg; (6+6+6) years. The Bible only gives us the ages of the lineage of Shem, the son of Noah who is the father of the Semitic (Shemitic) people from whom descended Abraham and the Israelites. Nimrod, the founder of Babel was of the lineage of Ham, the brother of Shem. We are not told the ages of the descendants of Ham, or when their sons were born. However, Peleg was the 4th generation after Shem, and Nimrod was the 2nd generation from Ham. This would allow time for Nimrod to mature, begin to establish himself as a ruler over the people, and to found the city of Babel. By the year 1776 after Adam's creation, the people could well have been laying the foundation for the tower of Babel.

We need not suppose that the people's language was confused during this same year. Years may

have been spent in building up the city and the tower before Yahweh came down to observe and interrupt the work. Because the Great Seal has the number 1776 on the foundation level of the pyramid (a type of the Tower of Babel), we would need only assume that the building of the tower began in that year. Similarly, the Declaration of Independence was signed on July 4th, 1776, but it was not until 1789 (13 years later) that America seated her first government with George Washington as her first president. This period of time can be compared to the building of the tower. The year 1776 represents merely the initial act, the symbolic laying of the cornerstone.

That the foundation of the Tower of Babel was laid in the year 1776 from Adam's creation can only be presented as a hypothesis. The Bible does not tell us the exact year. We can determine from Scripture that Noah's flood occurred in the year 1656 from Adam, and that Peleg was born in the year 1758 from Adam. Peleg lived 239 years, and we are told the earth was divided during his life. We can say conclusively that the scriptures *allow* for the Tower of Babel to have been founded in the year 1776. We cannot confidently assert that the Tower of Babel *was* founded in that year. Certain evidence, however, does point to this year for the founding of Babel's tower.

Man's lifespan is such that no man living can claim to have firsthand knowledge of when the Tower of Babel was constructed. Neither do we have any extant historical record of the date of this event. The Bible gets us very close to the date, but it does not establish the date. Satan, however, can lay claim to having been present to observe the laying of the first stones of that tower. It was surely a day of celebration among the fallen angels who rebelled against God. For on this date all mankind united as one in defiance of Yahweh to build that which stood as a sign of their independence from the rule of God.

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Is it not a remarkable parallel that 1,776 years from the date of the Second Adam, who is Christ, that mankind united once more to declare their independence and their right to rule themselves? The new nation that was inaugurated on that day would come to bear the name UNITED States. What God had divided, man chose to bring back into ONE union. It is significant that the Great Seal with the pyramid is found only on the ONE dollar bill. The message on this instrument of world currency is that of the rebuilding of Babel, bringing all mankind into ONE cohesive unit.



The number 1 appears no less than ten times on the reverse side of the one dollar bill. The largest writing on any denomination of America's printed money is the large word "ONE" in the center of the image above. At Babel the men were all of ONE language and intent on ONE purpose. They were UNITED in defiance of Yahweh. On this bill there are THIRTEEN courses of stones on the pyramid. There are THIRTEEN stars above the eagle's head. There are THIRTEEN arrows in the eagle's talons. There are THIRTEEN leaves on the branch grasped by the eagle. There are THIRTEEN letters in the words ANNUIT COEPTIS (interpreted as "God favors our undertaking"). It should be obvious that the "GOD" referenced on this unit of monetary exchange is NOT Jesus Christ/Yahshua the Messiah, nor is it Yahweh His Father. The "GOD" referenced by all of this Babylonian imagery is Satan.

II Corinthians 4:4

The god of this world (Satan) has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the im-

age of God.

The United States plays a central role in Satan's schemes to resurrect Babel upon this earth. The UNITED States is the reversing of Yahweh's judgment at Babel. A people scattered across the world are drawn back into one place, into the great melting pot where the diverse tongues, tribes, and nations of men are amalgamated into ONE. The United States would become the location for the next union of man, the UNITED Nations. The U.N. was formed in October of 1945. This was 156 years after the first U.S. government was seated in the year 1789. 156 is (12 x 13). In the Scriptures the number 12 denotes government, and the number 13 denotes rebellion. Not coincidentally, the United States began as the union of 13 states, and to this date there are 13 stripes on the U.S. flag. America was born in an act of rebellion, declaring her independence. For a truly Biblical view of America's founding as a nation, see the book *Dragon Flood*.

http://www.heart4god.ws/index_html_files/Dragon%20Flood.pdf

What I am seeking to emphasize is that Satan has never abandoned his plan to establish Babel upon the earth. He desires to establish a one world government that defies God. It will be a government that follows Satan's example of rebellion toward divine authority.

Revelation 13:3-6

And the whole earth was amazed and followed after the beast; and they worshiped the dragon, because he gave his authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?" And there was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies; and authority to act for forty-two months was given to him. And he opened his

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mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, that is, those who dwell in heaven.

In imitation of God, Satan does all his works according to design. He has certain numbers and symbols that permeate his wicked plans. He has never conceded defeat, and has not altered his plans. These plans to unite all humanity under his rule, a rule that is rebellious to Yahweh, was first observed after the flood at Babel. Babel remains central to the plans of Satan today. I would suggest the possibility that the foundation of the original Tower of Babel was laid in the year 1776 from Adam's creation. I would further posit that the foundations for the second Babylon were laid in the year 1776 from the Second Adam, who is Christ (I Corinthians 15:45). Symbolically, Satan chose a man named Adam to play an instrumental role in laying the groundwork for the New World Order in the year 1776 A.D.. This man was Adam Weishaupt. Symbolically, in Satan's twisted thinking, this man was the third Adam, and the perfected man, for he gave himself wholly to accomplishing the will of Satan and bringing forth a one world rule upon the earth.

On September 11th, 2001 the World Trade Towers in New York City were destroyed. The media and government presented a deceptive account suggesting that they were brought down by two planes commandeered by men who used box cutters to hijack the airplanes. In truth, the towers were brought down by the shadow government of this fallen world system. It was a planned destruction, on a date specifically chosen, to usher in the final stages of Satan's plan to create a New World Order (aka Babylon). On May 10, 2013 the replacement tower reached its full height of 1,776 feet as the final piece of the spire atop the building was put in place. The building is schedule to open this year, 2014, thirteen years after the previous towers were destroyed.



One World Trade Center Viewed from the Hudson River

Not surprisingly, the design of this Babylonian tower is pyramidal. There are alternating pyramids on the face of the tower, some pointing up, and some pointing down. From street level, the appearance of a pyramid is very obvious.



One World Trade Center - Street Level View

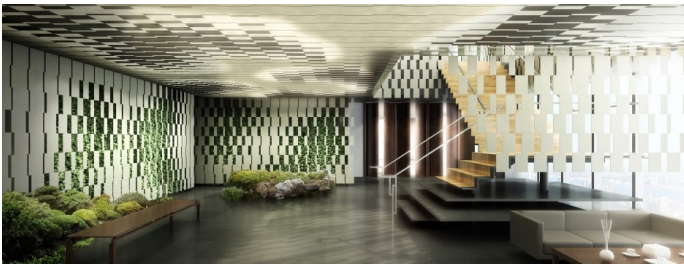
Of course, Babylon would not be complete without hanging gardens. The very first commercial tenant of One World Trade Center to occupy space will be

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China Center. They have leased 200,000 square feet on the 64th through the 69th floors. This space is to feature a garden.

The design, called “Folding Garden,” includes green walls bursting with native Asian plants lining the building’s winding hallways. The walls are meant to make visitors feel as though they’re meandering through nature, rather than walking through one of the most secure office buildings in the world.

[Source:
<http://www.newprocontainers.com/blog/folding-garden-china-center/>]



A Section of the Folding Garden in the New Tower of Babel

It bodes very ill for Christians that Satan’s plans are reaching their apex as we approach the end of this age. In the book of Daniel we read of the persecution of the saints of Yahweh who were carried as captives into Babylon. The three friends of Daniel; Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego (Hebrew names Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah), were commanded to bow down and worship the idolatrous image constructed by King Nebuchadnezzar. When they refused, they were cast into a fiery furnace. Similarly, when a law was enacted that forbid anyone in the kingdom of Babylon to pray to anyone other than the king, Daniel was arrested, charged with illegal actions, and cast into a den of lions. These things are recorded as types revealing the experiences that will befall the saints of God in this last hour as Babylon encompasses the entire earth.

For those who have eyes to see, it is impossible to miss the very evident signs of Babylon’s growing ascendancy. In 1993 the Maastricht Treaty formed the European UNION which now consists of 28 member states. The legislative body for the European Union convenes at the EU Parliament building in Strasbourg, France. This building was designed to resemble the painting of the Tower of Babel created by Pieter Brueghel in 1563.



The relationship between the formation of the European Union and Satan’s plan to complete the building of Babel that was begun four millennia ago, is observed in a poster published by the European Union.



EU Poster

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There are a number of things to note in this poster. First, observe the modern crane that is erected on the tower. It symbolizes a renewal of the building of the Tower of Babel. Then note the odd shape of the stars that are above the tower. They are aligned upside down from what typically appears in flags and other symbols that display a five pointed star. The five pointed star is an occult symbol. When it appears in this orientation it is a symbol for Satan worship.



Notice also that all of the people are square shaped. This signifies all humanity being molded into the same image. As we observe the New World Order arising at this time, we are observing a removal of personal liberty and freedom of expression. Only words and thoughts that are in compliance with the Luciferian philosophy are tolerated. All other voices are suppressed. To accomplish this societal uniformity a surveillance culture has arisen where every word and action of mankind is catalogued and flagged for non-compliance. Those who stand for righteousness, and who walk in the fear of God, are regarded as threats to the emerging global system.

The slogan on the poster above is “MANY TONGUES, ONE VOICE.” Is this not a blatant attempt to reverse the judgment of Yahweh upon mankind at Babel? The expression “ONE VOICE” announces that men will once again

be united in ONE purpose, acting in concert with ONE mind.

Men have occasionally given themselves to reflection to what it would have been like to live during a specific period of history. One might muse over what it may have been like to be alive during the time when man was all of one language, gathered on the plains of Shinar, focused on building the city of Babel and its great tower. We live at an even more momentous time. We are witnessing the completion of that which was begun more than four thousand years ago. Babel is being completed. The divided nations, tongues, and tribes of man are being gathered together under one rule. They are beginning to speak with one voice. They are calling for freedom from all moral restraint. They want to be loosed from the rule of Yahweh. Certainly the psalmist had this present hour in mind when he wrote the following words.

Psalms 2:1-3

Why do the nations assemble with commotion [uproar and confusion of voices], and why do the people imagine (meditate upon and devise) an empty scheme? The kings of the earth take their places; the rulers take counsel together against the Lord and His Anointed one (the Messiah, the Christ). They say, “Let us break Their bands [of restraint] asunder and cast Their cords [of control] from us.”

[Amplified Bible]

We live at a troubling hour. The whole world lies in the power of the evil one, the great deceiver who deceives the entire world. Men,

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having failed to learn from the errors of the past are repeating behaviors that elicited the judgment of God. Babel, that wicked city, adversary of all that is righteous and good, is once more raising its head toward the heavens. Unable to touch the Creator, humanity under the inspiration of Satan will turn their wrath upon the saints of God. Daniel foresaw this day and recorded the following words.

Daniel 12:7-11

And I heard the man dressed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, as he raised his right hand and his left toward heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever that it would be for a time, times, and half a time; and as soon as they finish shattering the power of the holy people (the saints), all these events will be completed. As for me, I heard but could not understand; so I said, "My lord, what will be the outcome of these events?" And he said, "Go your way, Daniel, for these words are concealed and sealed up until the end time. Many will be purged, purified and refined; but the wicked will act wickedly, and none of the wicked will understand, but those who have insight will understand."

Do you have understanding? Do you perceive what is happening at this hour? Do you see that the tyrant Nimrod will rise again in the person of Satan's appointed antichrist? Oppression will increase. An hour is near when the righteous will no longer be able to work and speak openly. Nevertheless, Satan will not have the last word. At the time appointed by the Father Christ will stand up and avenge His holy ones.

Isaiah 26:20-21

Come, my people, enter into your rooms, and close your doors behind you; Hide for a little while, until indignation runs its course. For behold, Yahweh is about to come out from His place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity; and the earth will reveal her bloodshed, and will no longer cover her slain.

Revelation 18:4-10, 20

And I heard another voice from heaven saying, "Come out of [Babylon], my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues. For her sins have reached to heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities. Render to her just as she rendered to you, and repay her double according to her works; in the cup which she has mixed, mix double for her. In the measure that she glorified herself and lived luxuriously, in the same measure give her torment and sorrow; for she says in her heart, 'I sit as queen, and am no widow, and will not see sorrow.' Therefore her plagues will come in one day - death and mourning and famine. And she will be utterly burned with fire, for strong is the Lord God who judges her. The kings of the earth who committed fornication and lived luxuriously with her will weep and lament for her, when they see the smoke of her burning, standing at a distance for fear of her torment, saying, 'Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! For in one hour your judgment has come.' Rejoice over her, O heaven, and you holy apostles and prophets, for God has avenged you on her!"

Babylon is rising. Oppression of the disciples of Christ will increase. Many will overcome as they love not their lives, even unto death. At

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the appointed time Babylon will be thoroughly judged. She will be destroyed, never to arise again. Satan's schemes that have stood in defiance of Yahweh for millennia will be ended as the serpent's head is crushed beneath the feet of the Savior.

About the Author



Recumbent Trike and Trailer

Because I live in a motorhome and pull a trailer, it is not possible for me to take along a car as well. For this reason, and to keep life simple, inexpensive, and to get a fair amount of exercise, I have chosen to use a recumbent trike for all of my local transportation.

The trike has an electric motor which makes pedaling much easier, giving me a range of approximately 30 miles. It is a 30 mile round trip to either of the two towns I am located between. One of the towns (Montezuma) is where my P.O. Box is at. I try to get there once a

week to collect my mail, and to do my grocery shopping at the local Harvey's store.

If I need to do other types of shopping, there is a Walmart in Perry, GA that is also about a 30 mile round trip from my rural location. I usually plan on about a 3-4 hour trip when I need to go to town. Consequently, I don't go very often. In some ways this is beneficial for I am not tempted to run to town for sudden urges, like a desire to eat at a restaurant. This saves me money and teaches me contentment.

I have everything I need in my converted bus. It has a full bathroom, with plumbing and sewage connections. It has a fully equipped kitchen with propane stove and oven, as well as a microwave oven and toaster. The roof air conditioner keeps me cool in the summer months, and I have an electric heater and a wood stove to keep me warm in the winter.

I have a battery powered lawn mower and battery powered weed-eater to keep the yard in shape. I avoid gasoline driven tools as they require trips to town to get gas. I have solar panels and a battery bank in my bus to keep everything powered if an outside electrical connection is not available. I try to be as self-sustaining as possible. My recumbent trike goes right by all of the gas stations, never needing a fill-up, and I can recharge the battery at no cost using solar power.

There is a blessedness in keeping expenses to a minimum. The less stuff we have, the freer we are to live unencumbered by cares.

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is a number connected with Antichrist. An important part of his career is to last for 42 months (Rev 11:2, 13:5), and thus this number is fixed upon him. Another number of Antichrist is 1260, and this is 30×42 .

Its factors are six and seven

($6 \times 7 = 42$), and this shows a connection between man and the Spirit of God, and between Christ and Antichrist:

Forty-two stages of Israel's wanderings mark their conflict with the will of God.

Forty-two young men mocked the ascension of Elijah to Elisha, 2 Kings 2:23, 24.

Being a multiple of seven, it might be supposed that it would be connected with spiritual perfection. But it is the product of six times seven. Six, therefore, being

the number of Man, and man's opposition to God, forty-two becomes significant of the working out of man's opposition to God.

There may be something more in the common phrase about things being all "sixes and sevens." They are so, indeed, when man is mixed up with the things of God, and when religious "flesh" engages in spiritual things.

[Source: E.W. Bullinger, *Number in Scripture*]