

Isaiah 47

Those who think they are God

- Babylon is not just a city it is a world view and that is why we will read about Babylon in the book of Revelation.
- Revelation 17-18 portrays Babylon as a wicked woman and tempter of humanity.
- Revelation 18:7-8 mirror Isaiah 47:7-9

1. Will One Day Be Humiliated

Matthew 8:11-12

- The Great Babylon who is high and mighty is called to sit down 6 times.
- Sit down is mentioned in Chapter 47 to show humiliation and to show that they are not in control of their own lives.
- A person sitting on the dust of the ground is also a person who is seen as mourning.
- Darkness is a situation of bondage, and grief and separation
- Matthew 25:41 says that Hell was created for Satan and his angels

2. Treat Others Poorly

James 2:13, 2 Timothy 3, Philippians 2:3

- How people treat elderly and the children is a sign of the morality of the nation.

3. Think They Will Not Be Held Accountable

Matthew 25, 1 Peter 4:5, Romans 14:12, Psalm 14:1

4. Declare Themselves Divine

Romans 1:22, Isaiah 14:12-14

- "I Am" is what God called Himself in Exodus 3:14
- Lover of pleasure: Whatever brought them happiness is what they did.
- Sitting in security: a self-confident attitude that their status will not change.

5. Turn To Anything But God

1 John 4:1

- 2 Corinthians 4:4 says that there is a god of this world

6. They Exhaust Themselves With Their Methods

Matthew 11:28-30, Proverbs 21:30

- Stubble was of no use not even for basic things like warming yourself.
- Those who have wearied you are the people who led you away from God.

Closing Points

1. The world will suffer one day if they have not suffered already because one day God is going to hold them accountable.
2. It is up to us to not be lured by the way of the world and to show them the true way which is through Jesus Christ and His saving work.
3. What areas in your life are you trying to be God?
4. What things are you turning to in determining the future?
5. Babylon will fall one day for good and so we need to make sure we do not fall for its ways of living in this world.
6. We are to put our hope and trust in God and although we might be called fools now in the end it will be shown how foolish the ways of the world are.

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John 15:5



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Family Devotions

1. Why do people want to be the rulers of their own lives?
2. What did God accuse Babylon of not showing in verse 6?
3. Why is it important to always be thinking about the day that we will be standing in front of God?
4. What did the people seek instead of seeking God in verse 12?
5. Why are these things wrong ?
6. What does verse 13 say these things did to the people?
7. What promise does Jesus give us in Matthew 11:28-30?