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## NOTES FOR REVELATION 17:1-7

CF. EZEKIEL 23

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### VERSE 1

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Nahum 3:4 Because of the multitude of harlotries of the seductive harlot,  
The mistress of sorceries,  
Who sells nations through her harlotries,  
And families through her sorceries.

Isaiah 1:21 How the faithful city has become a harlot!  
It was full of justice;  
Righteousness lodged in it,  
But now murderers,

Jeremiah 2:20 “For of old I have broken your yoke and burst your bonds;  
And you said, ‘I will not transgress,’  
When on every high hill and under every green tree  
You lay down, playing the harlot.

cf. verse 15

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### VERSE 2

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Jeremiah 51:7 Babylon was a golden cup in the Lord’s hand,  
That made all the earth drunk  
The nations drank her wine;  
Therefore the nations are deranged.

*cf. Book of Hosea; 1 Kings 11:1-11*

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### VERSE 3

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Proverbs 7:16-17 I have spread my bed with tapestry,  
Colored coverings of Egyptian linen.

<sup>17</sup> I have perfumed my bed  
With myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.

Ezekiel 3:12, 14 Then the Spirit lifted me up, and I heard behind me a great thunderous voice:

“Blessed is the glory of the LORD from His place!” ...

<sup>14</sup> So the Spirit lifted me up and took me away, and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.

Genesis 3:23-24 therefore the Lord God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken. <sup>24</sup> So He drove out the man; and He placed cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden, and a

flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.

Matthew 4:1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

Luke 4:1 Then Jesus, being filled with the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness

Daniel 7:7 “After this I saw in the night visions, and behold, a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, exceedingly strong. It had huge iron teeth; it was devouring, breaking in pieces, and trampling the residue with its feet. It was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns.

*cf. Revelation 1:10; 4:2; 12:3; 13:1; 21:10*

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### VERSE 4

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Matthew 23:25 “Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you cleanse the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of extortion and self-indulgence.

2 Timothy 3:2-5 For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, dishonoring, <sup>3</sup>unholy, <sup>3</sup>unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, <sup>4</sup>traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, <sup>5</sup>having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!

Jeremiah 51:6-8 Flee from the midst of Babylon, And every one save his life!

Do not be cut off in her iniquity,  
For this is the time of the LORD’s vengeance;  
He shall recompense her.

<sup>7</sup> Babylon was a golden cup in the LORD’s hand,  
That made all the earth drunk.

The nations drank her wine;  
Therefore the nations are deranged.

<sup>8</sup> Babylon has suddenly fallen and been destroyed.  
Wail for her!

Take balm for her pain;  
Perhaps she may be healed.

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**VERSE 5**

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Isaiah 47:6-7, 12-13 I was angry with My people;  
I have profaned My inheritance,  
And given them into your hand.

You showed them no mercy;  
On the elderly you laid your yoke very heavily.  
<sup>7</sup>And you said, 'I shall be a lady forever,'  
So that you did not take these *things* to heart,  
Nor remember the latter end of them.

<sup>12</sup>"Stand now with your enchantments  
And the multitude of your sorceries,  
In which you have labored from your youth—  
Perhaps you will be able to profit,  
Perhaps you will prevail.

<sup>13</sup>You are wearied in the multitude of your counsels;  
Let now the astrologers, the stargazers,  
*And* the monthly prognosticators  
Stand up and save you  
From what shall come upon you.

Jeremiah 50:38 A drought *is* against her waters, and  
they will be dried up.

For it *is* the land of carved images,  
And they are insane with *their* idols.

*cf. Revelation 15:6, 10*