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# The Queen of Babylon

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# PART ONE:

## The book of Revelation identifies the ultimate enemy of the Kingdom of Heaven

## The Bride of Christ

vs

## The Great Prostitute

## The New Jerusalem

**Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying,**

**"Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb."**

**And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem…**

(Rev. 21:9-10)

## Babylon the Great

**Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and said to me,**

**"Come, I will show you the judgment of the great prostitute…"**

**And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness, and I saw a woman… *Babylon the Great, Mother of Prostitutes and of Earth's Abominations***

(Rev. 17:1-5)

# The Bride of Christ

# vs

# The Bride of the Antichrist

**The Antichrist is the**

***King of Babylon***

(Isaiah 14)

**The Bride of the Antichrist is the**

***Queen of Babylon***

(Revelation 18)

## Jesus Christ loves His Bride…

## The Antichrist hates his bride…

### …and one day he will attack and subdue her.

**And the ten horns that you saw, they and the beast will hate the prostitute. They will make her desolate and naked, and devour her flesh and burn her up with fire. (Rev 17:16, ESV)**

## Jesus is the new Adam:

**(1 Corinthians 15:45-47)**

## If the Church is the Bride of Jesus, then…

## The Church is the new Eve:

**“For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ. But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.” (2 Corinthians 11:2-3)**

# If the Church is the new Eve, then who is the Great Prostitute?

## Eve in the book of Genesis:

**"And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat…" (Gen 3:6)**

## Eve in the book of Revelation:

**"And the fruits that thy soul *lusted* after are departed from thee, and all things which were *liparos* and *lampros* are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all." (Rev 18:14)**

**“For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened…**

**…if they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance…”**

**(Hebrews 6:4-6)**

**The Apostle Paul explains in 1 Timothy 2:13-14 that Eve was the Mother of Original Sin:**

**"For Adam was first formed, then Eve. And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression." (1 Timothy 2:13-14)**

**Jesus, as the second Adam, does for His Bride, the Church, what Adam should have done for his bride the very moment that she committed the world's first sin:**

***Rebuke the temptation and then offer to take the punishment in her place!***

**“…but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.”**
**(1 Timothy 2:14)**

**“…the corruption that is in the world through lust.”**
**(2 Peter 1:4)**

## All sin is NOT the same.

## There are degrees of punishment in Hell, just as there are are levels of reward in Heaven.

# As the Mother of Original Sin
# Eve's identity is confirmed as…

## THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS
## AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH

**"And in her was found the blood of prophets,
and of saints, and of <u>all that were slain upon the earth</u>."
(Rev 18:24)**

**END OF PART ONE**

# PART TWO:

## The Theology of Babylon:

***Thou shalt love the world with all thy heart, and yourself more than anybody else.***

**"Love not the world, neither the <u>things</u> that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him…"**
(1 John 2:15)

**"…friendship of the world is enmity with God… whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God."**
(James 4:4)

# The World's three sources of temptation:

**Lust of the flesh**
**Lust of the eyes**
**Pride of life**

(1 John 2:16)

**- Eve in the Garden**

**- Jesus in the wilderness**

**- Eve as the Great Prostitute**

**Babylon the Great, the Mother of Prostitutes, represents the culmination of wickedness upon the earth because she and the people within her are completely given over to their own flesh and to the things of this world.**

…and were by nature the **children of wrath** (Eph 2:3)

…for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the **children of disobedience**. (Eph 5:5-6)

# When the time comes for God to judge the world there will only be two types of people on the face of the earth:

**Every individual will either be…**

**a part of the Bride of Christ or**

**a part of the Great Prostitute.**

**The Bride…**

**"It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints."** (Rev 19:7-9)

**The Whore…**

**"and Babylon the Great came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath."** (Rev 16:19)

**"And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth." (Rev 17:18)**

## How did Babylon gain her power over the earth?

**"…the great whore… with whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication…" (17:1-2)**

**"…for thy merchants were the great men of the earth;**

**for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived." (18:23)**

# Babylon the Great…

**…<u>seduces</u> the kings of the earth**

**…<u>owns</u> the great merchants of the earth**

**…<u>deceives</u> the nations of the earth**

# The Whore of Babylon…

**…must plot and scheme to seduce kings and to deceive the nations…**

**but she simply owns the great merchants of the world.**

**They are a natural part of her.**

**"And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God."** (Matt 19:24)

**"But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition."** (1 Timothy 6:9)

# Enemies of the Cross of Christ

**"For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears,**

***many live as enemies of the cross of Christ*.**

**Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. <u>Their mind is set on earthly things</u>. But our citizenship is in heaven…"**

Philippians 3:17-20

# *Forbes Magazine*, March 2012

## "Annual List of the World's Billionaires"

- **These billionaires are all global merchants involved in speculating, trading, investing, buying and selling.**

- **They are the 1,226 wealthiest capitalists in the world who are the masters of the global marketplace.**

# Billionaires by country…

**10. Canada – 25 billionaires**

**9. Turkey – 34**

**8. Brazil – 36**

**7. United Kingdom – 37**

**6. Hong Kong – 38**

**5. India – 48**

**4. Germany – 55**

*Forbes Magazine*, March 2012

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3. China – 95

2. Russia – 96

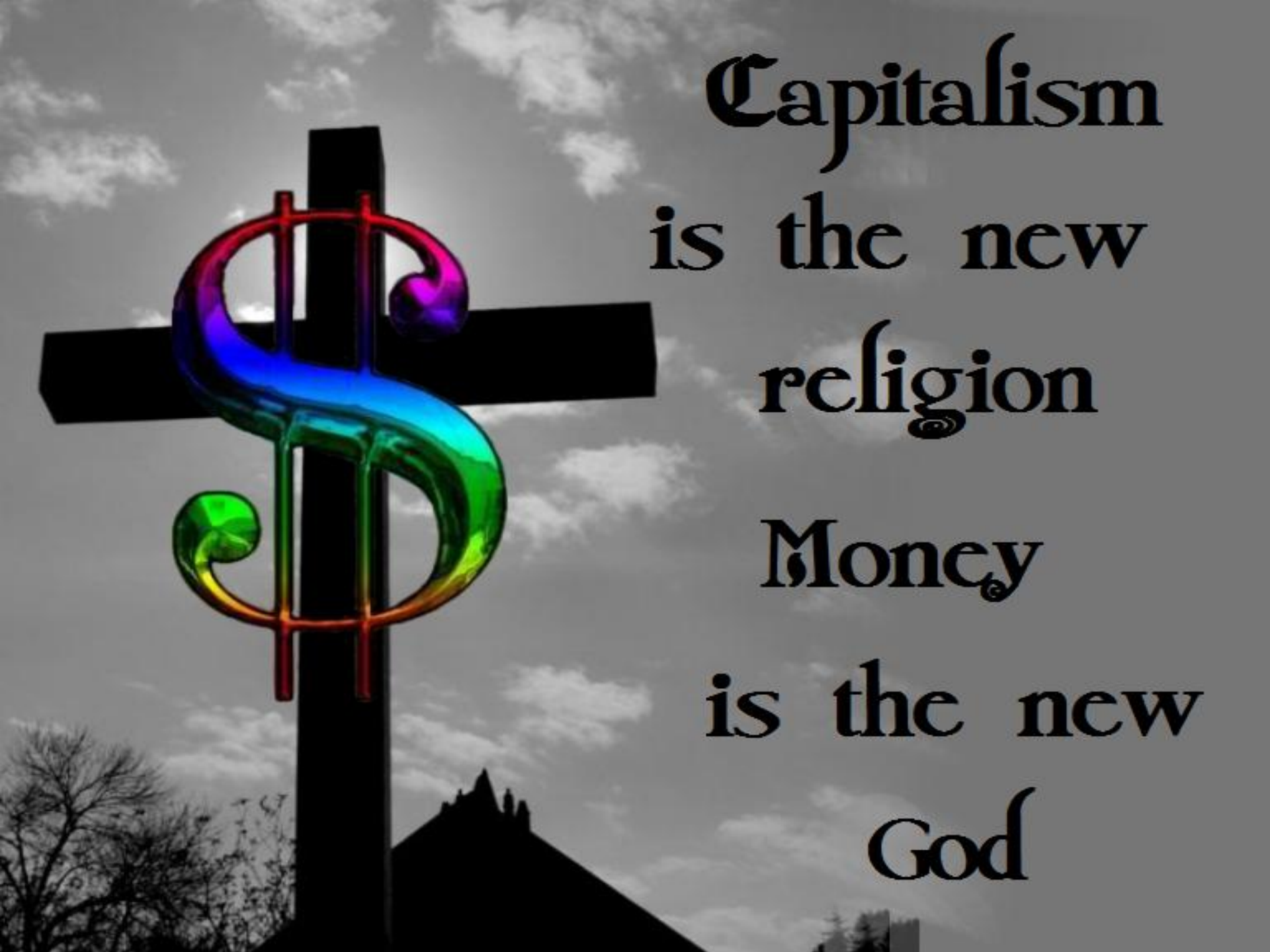
**<u>1. USA – 425</u>** (34.6% of the world's total)

**Babylon the Great is the ultimate enemy of the true Gospel, as well as the perpetrator of a counterfeit gospel that penetrates into all nations.**

**“Your merchants were the world's great men.**
**By your magic spell all the nations were led astray.”**
**Rev. 18:23**

**But if she preaches**
**a false Gospel,**

**then what is her religion?**


Capitalism
is the new
religion
Money
is the new
God

# What kind of *religion* actually promotes

**the lust of the flesh,**

**the lust of the eyes,**

**and the pride of life?**

**These are the "core values" of Babylon, whose principles are directly opposed to the values of the Kingdom of Heaven**

**END OF PART TWO**

# PART THREE:

## Temptation at the End of the Age

**And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more… of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble, And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men. And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee…**

**Revelation 18:11-14**

**"And the *opora* that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee…"** **Rev. 11:14**

**The word *opora* (Strong's 3703) refers specifically to the ripe fruits of trees that are harvested in autumn**

**"And the autumn fruits of the desire of your soul are departed from you…"** (Apostolic Bible Interlinear)

# “…and all things which were *liparos* and *lampros* are departed from thee…”

**The word *liparos* (Strong's 3045) comes from the root word *lipos*, meaning "grease," and is defined by Strong's as "things which pertain to a sumptuous and delicate style of living.“ - Juicy, succulent -**

**The word *lampros* (Strong's 2986) is defined by Strong's as "shining, brilliant, splendid, magnificent.“**
**- Glittering, bling-bling -**

## Eve in the book of Genesis-

**"And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat…"**

## Eve in the book of Revelation-

**"And the ripe fruits that your soul lusted after are gone from you; and all the things that were good for food (liparos) and pleasant to the eyes (lampros) are gone from you, and you shall never find them anymore."**

## The Tempter in the book of Genesis-

**"Now <u>the serpent</u> was more crafty than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made…"**

## The Tempters in the book of Revelation-

**"And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which were *liparos* and *lampros* are departed from thee…**

**…and <u>the merchants of these things</u>, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing…"**

**In Revelation the Forbidden Fruit from the Garden of Eden is transformed into the mass of various commodities consumed by the Whore of Babylon,**

**Whereas the role of the tempting serpent is taken up by the "merchants of the earth" who become rich by marketing these commodities to her!**

**The Whore of Babylon controls governments (kings), but her primary influence is over the realm of COMMERCE.**

**When her system falls she will be mourned by**

**kings,**

**merchants,**

**and *the global shipping industry.***

**“Since 1950 the volume of international trade has increased twenty times over…”**

**…90% of trade goes by sea…”**

**“Every sea captain, and all who travel by ship, the sailors, and all who earn their living from the sea, will stand far off. When they see the smoke of her burning, they will exclaim,**

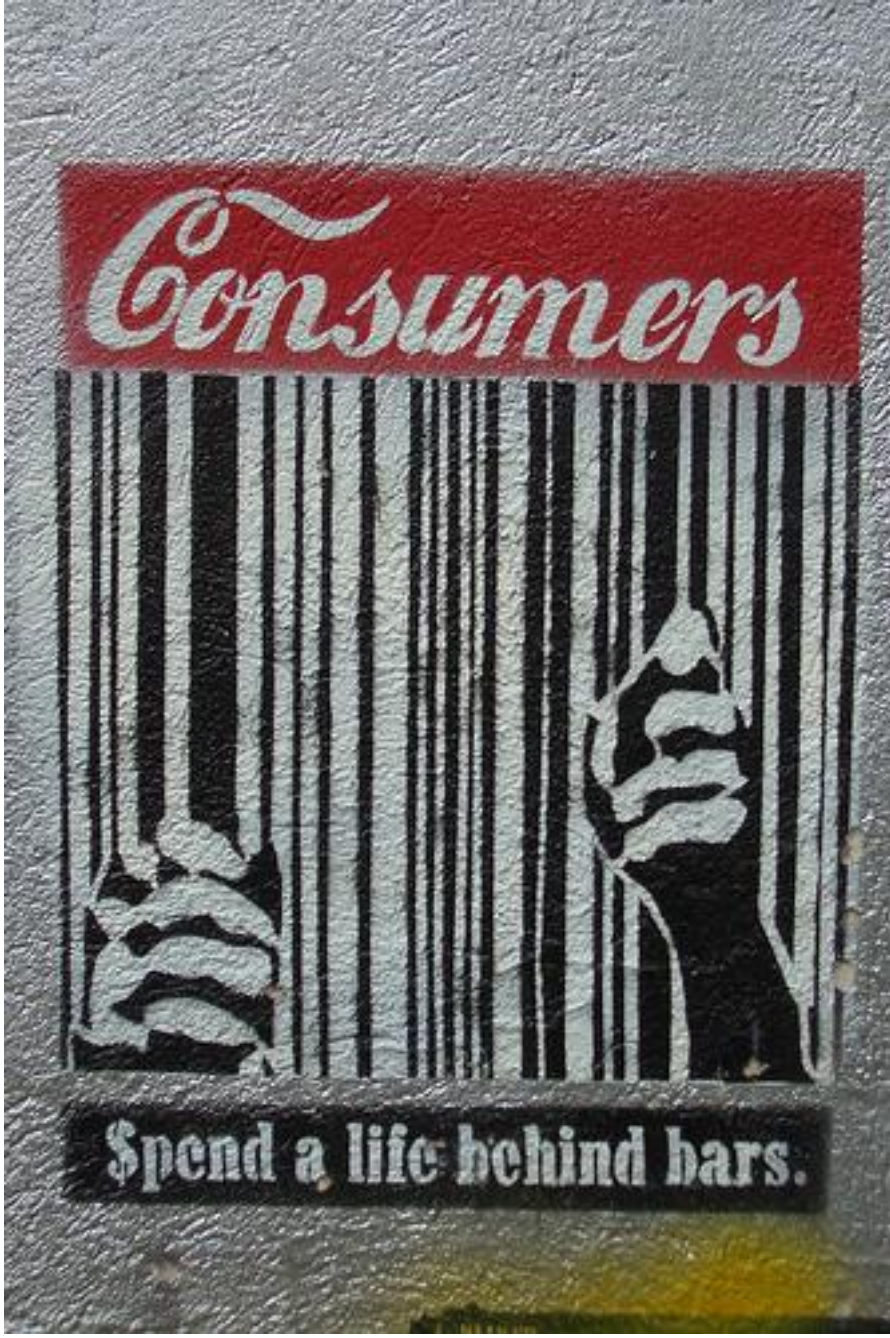
***‘Was there ever a city like this great city?’”***

(Rev. 18:17-18)

**END OF PART THREE**

# PART FOUR:

## The Birth of Babylon's Consumer Culture



—From the book ***Inventing Times Square***, pp.99-100

"Between 1890 and 1929 America moved decisively into the corporate industrial age... **Times Square —perhaps the most brilliant symbol of this new consumer order—was created.**

As the investment banker Paul Mazur put it in 1928, a ***"staggering machine of desire"*** had been erected. A new cultural climate also appeared to propel and sustain this new economic order…

…Qualities once seen as subversive and immoral and as existing on the margins of American culture gradually moved to the heart of that culture… desiring, dreaming, spending and speculation, theatricality, luxury, and **unmitigated pursuit of personal pleasure and gain.**

These qualities were "consumerist" and are today thought of by many Americans (and by people wanting to come to this country) as the most seductive features of American life and as somehow intrinsic to what it means to be an American.“

—Paul Mazur, Lehman Brothers, circa 1928

"**We must shift America from a “needs” to a “desires” culture.** People must be trained to desire, to want new things even before the old are entirely consumed. We must shape a new mentality in America. **Man’s desires must overshadow his needs.**"

—Economist Victor Lebow, 1955

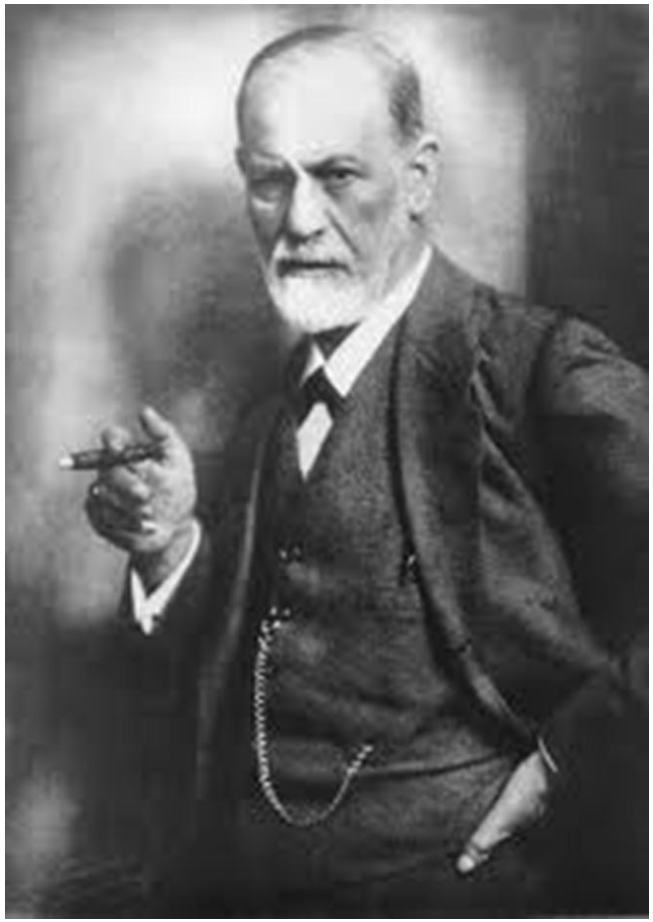
"Our enormously productive economy demands that we make consumption our way of life, **that we convert the buying and use of goods into rituals, that we seek our spiritual satisfactions, our ego satisfactions, in consumption.** The measure of social status, of social acceptance, of prestige, is now to be found in our consumptive patterns….

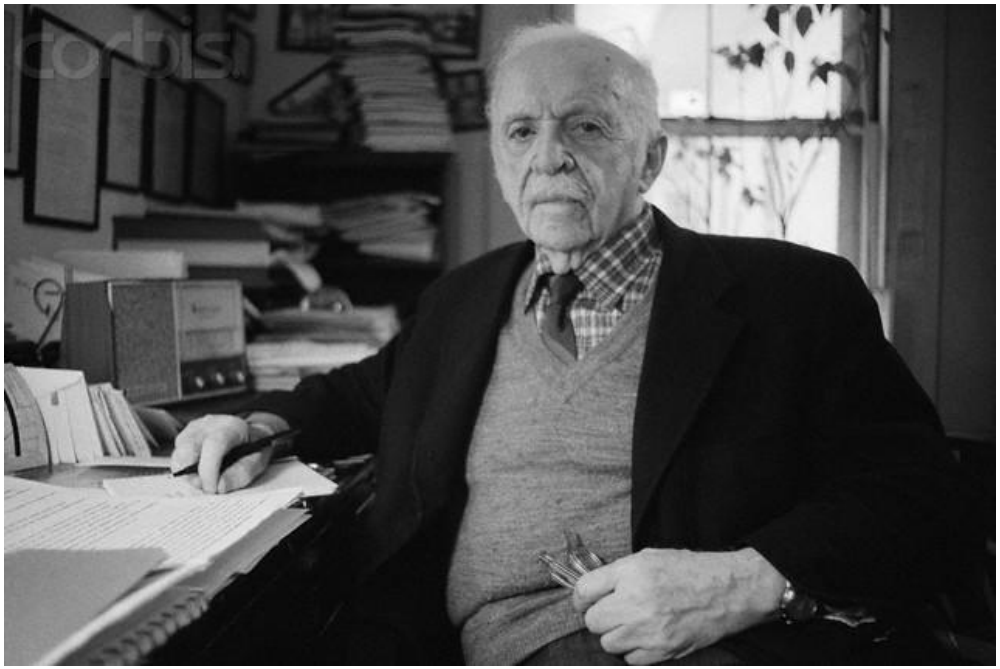
…We need things consumed, burned up, worn out, replaced, and discarded at an ever increasing pace. We need to have people eat, drink, dress, ride, live, with ever more complicated and, therefore, constantly more expensive consumption."

# The Whore of Babylon is a *seducer*, and her system of social control is based on LUST!

**Who do we find behind the very origin of consumer culture as developed in the USA?**

Sigmund Freud (1856-1939)





# Edward Bernays

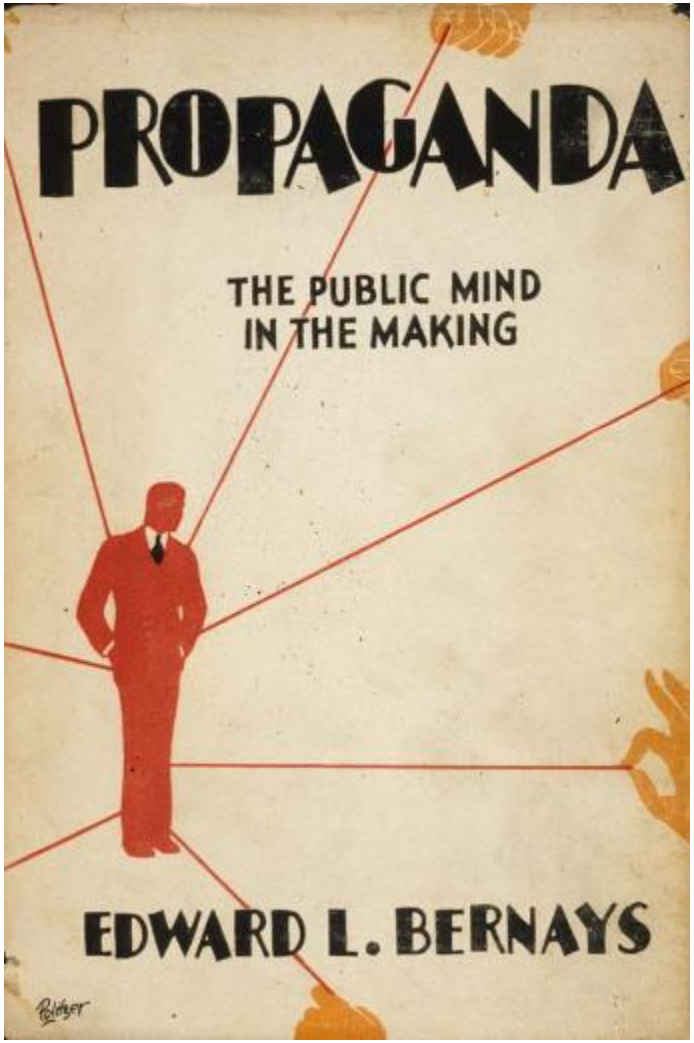
(1891 – 1995)

## The Father of Public Relations

Bernays:

"The conscious and intelligent manipulation of the organized habits and opinions of the masses is an important element in democratic society.

Those who manipulate this unseen mechanism of society constitute an invisible government which is the true ruling power of our country." (page 10, 1928)



**Bernays believed…**

"…entire populations were vulnerable to **unconscious influence** and thus susceptible to **want things that they do not need**…

"In other words, consumer psychologists have already made the choice for people before they buy a certain product. This is achieved **by manipulating desires on an unconscious level.**

"[Bernays] combined the ideas… on crowd psychology with **the psychoanalytical ideas of his uncle, Sigmund Freud**."

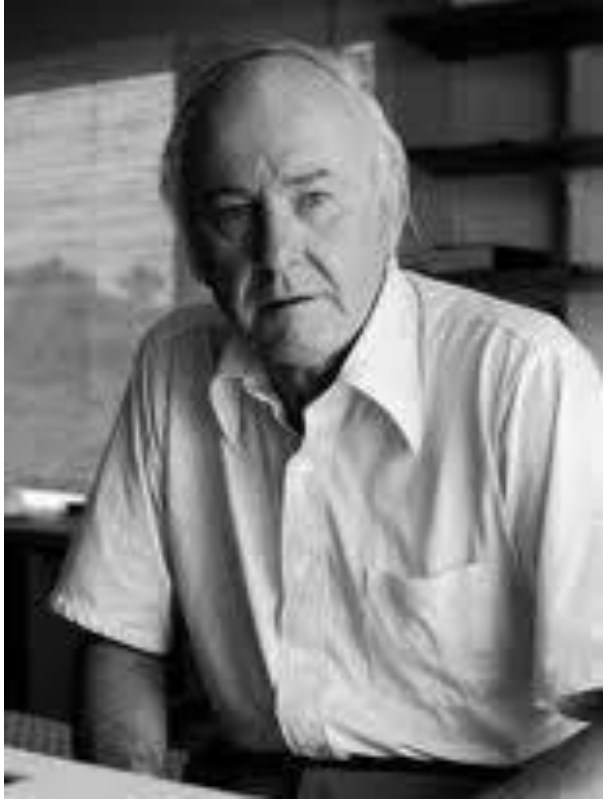
(Wikipedia)

**Ernest Dichter** (1907 –1991)

**The Father of Motivational Research**

Wikipedia:

"Dichter pioneered the application of **Freudian psychoanalytic concepts** and techniques to business — in particular to the study of consumer behavior in the marketplace."



**Vance Packard** (1914-1996)

*The Hidden Persuaders*, 1957

-Vance Packard, *The Hidden Persuaders*, page 237

Here Packard is quoting the words of Dichter:

"We now are confronted with the problem of permitting the average American to feel moral even when he is flirting, even when he is spending, even when he is not saving, even when he is taking two vacations a year and buying a second or third car. One of the basic problems of this prosperity, then, is to give people the sanction and justification to enjoy it and to demonstrate the hedonistic approach to his life is a moral, not an immoral, one. This permission given to the consumer to enjoy his life freely… must be one of the central themes of every advertising display and sales promotion plan."

-Vance Packard, *The Hidden Persuaders*, page 238

Packard:

"On another occasion Dr. Dichter pointed out that the public's shift away from its "puritan complex" was enhancing the power of three major sales appeals: **the desire for comfort, for luxury, and for prestige**."

**(lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes, pride of life)**

In 1960 Ernest Dichter wrote a famous groundbreaking book on ***consumer advertising*** entitled,

## *The Strategy of Desire*

The book is divided into two parts
and it begins with Part One which is entitled,

## *Persuasion Started With Eve*

**END OF PART FOUR**

# PART FIVE:

## The Queen of Babylon rules the world TODAY!

**"And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth." (Rev 17:18)**

**"…for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived." (Rev 18:23)**

**The Queen of Babylon** rules through deception, seduction, and psychological manipulation, pulling people into her commerce-based, hedonistic, self-centered belief-system.

Her system of global capitalism, where the "free market" reigns supreme, seduces kings and deceives the nations. She ***owns*** the great merchants of the earth, whose lives are completely devoted to accumulating profits from marketing **comfort, luxury, and prestige** to the world.

It is a subtle form of deception completely based on **"Freedom of Choice."**

## Peter warns against False Prophets and False Teachers:

"For when they speak great swelling words of vanity, they allure through the lusts of the flesh…

While they promise them **liberty**, they themselves are the servants of **corruption**:

for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in **bondage**." (2 Peter 2:18-19)

**LIBERTY is Babylon's *primary* core value!**

**Advertisers glorify Food…**

**Alcohol and drugs…**

**Sex…**

**And every form of man-made Commodity…**

**The mass media glorifies violence…**

**and wealth, power, and prestige…**

**Quick review:**

**In Revelation 18 the Forbidden Fruit from the Garden of Eden is transformed into the mass of various commodities consumed by the Whore of Babylon…**

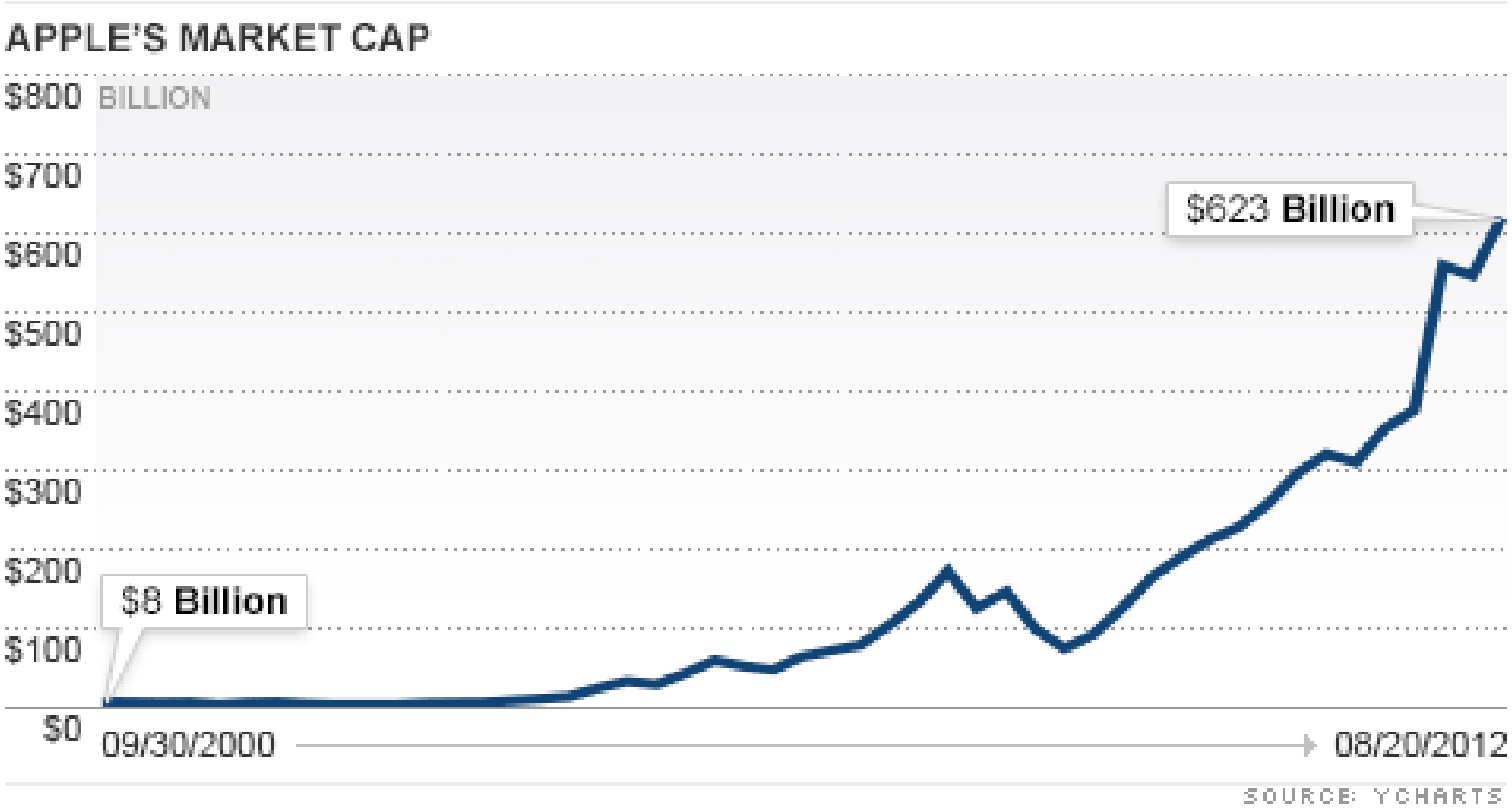
**Whereas the role of the tempting serpent is taken up by the merchants of the earth who become rich by marketing these commodities to her.**

**Introducing…**

# Babylon's Greatest Merchant at the End of the Age

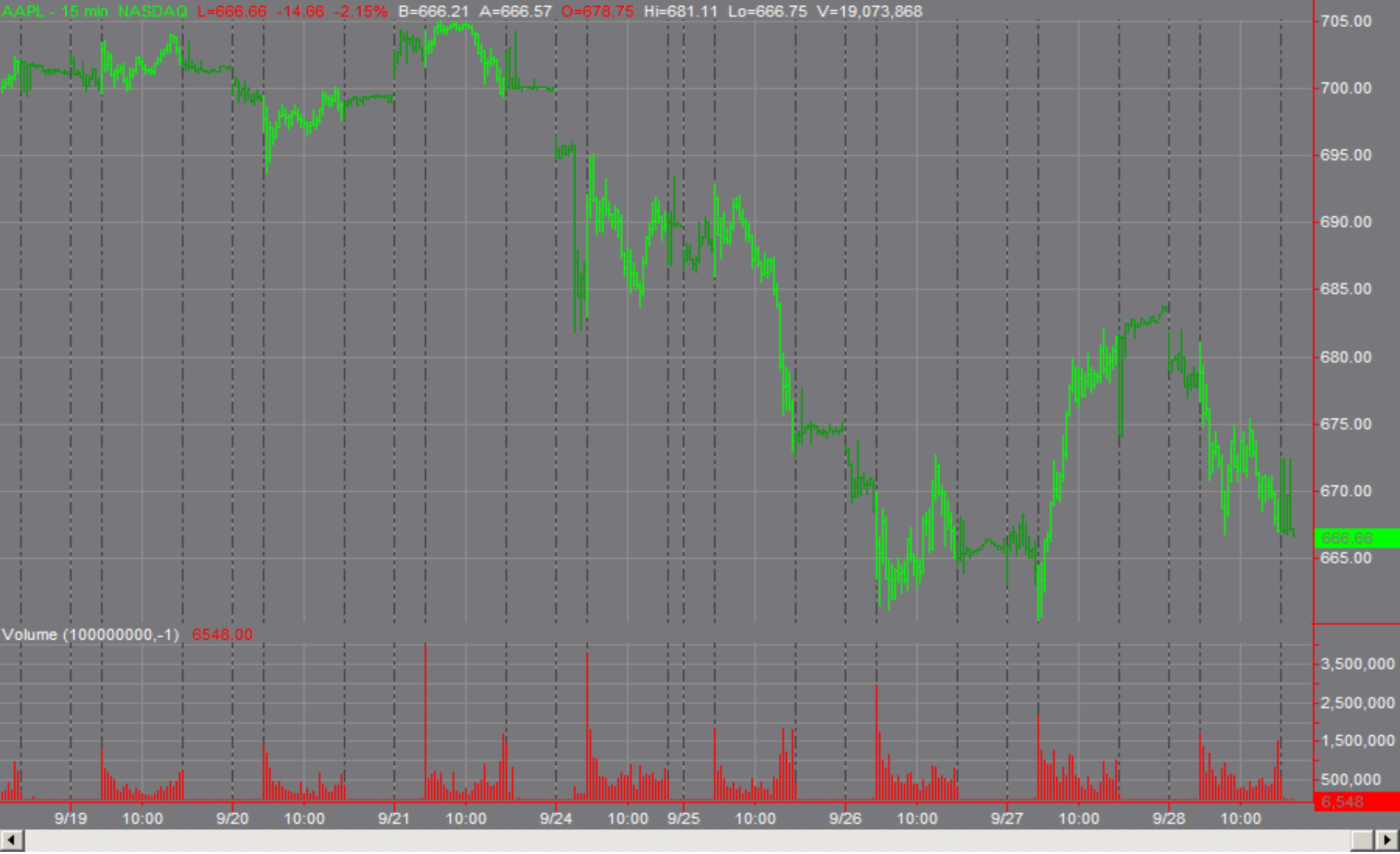
# CNN.com Headline from August 20, 2012:

***Apple is now the most valuable company of all time***



**“And the fruits which thy soul lusted after are gone from thee…”**

Rev. 18:14




**Apple stock price at the end of the fiscal quarter on 9-28-12: $666.66**

**The original Apple computer debuted in 1976 at a retail price of $666.66**

**For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?** (Mark 8:36-37)

## Babylon's system promises the World

**---freedom, prosperity, fame and fulfillment---**

## but delivers bondage…

**And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name… six hundred and sixty-six.** (Rev 13:16-17)

# Revelation 18:1-4

**And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen… For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. And I heard another voice from heaven, saying,**

***Come out of her, my people,***
***that ye be not partakers of her sins,***
***and that ye receive not of her plagues.***

**SYNOPSIS:**

1. **The symbol of disobedient Eve as the Great Prostitute.**
2. **Babylon's Religion: Love of the world and love of self. Deception, seduction, and *commerce*. Kings, billionaires, and the global shipping industry. GLOBAL CAPITALISM.**
3. **In the end times the Forbidden Fruit is transformed into the commodities of the global marketplace and the Serpent's role is played by the merchants of the earth.**
4. **Lust, hedonism and the *sorcery* of the propaganda and advertising that drives Babylon's consumer culture.**
5. **Life in Babylon today at the End of the Age, amidst the great end-times Maximum Temptation Delivery System, where *"the love of most has grown cold."***

***"Come out of her, my people."***

**THE END**