**Understanding the Person and Work of the Antichrist in the End Times** A Guide to *The Apocalypse Is Coming: The Rise of the Antichrist, The Restrainer Removed, and Jesus Christ Victorious at Armageddon*  **Answers: Bk Chap 14: Antichrist Destroys Babylon and Battles Jesus Christ: Part 1: pp 337-51**

1. It is not too extreme to say that Rev 17 is the most detailed text about the Antichrist. 337

2. A new revelation of the Antichrist is his identity as a religious power, a woman, a prostitute. 337

Why this identification? Consider the OT and pagan deities

3. The Antichrist bearing the prostitute, Babylon, means that he empowers her, is in league with her. 339

4. Babylon, the great prostitute, represents the world’s kings who join idolatry with great immorality. 339

5. The woman is a prostitute because the OT described Israel’s idolatry as spir/religious prostitution. 340

6. “Mystery Babylon” links to the Tower of Babel where idolatry began after the Flood. 340

7. With Daniel nations of the world become culpable as never before for their idolatry & immorality. 341

8. “Mystery” recalls Daniel’s use of the term (chs 2, 4) for the coming of Christ to destroy Gentile power and leads to a premillennial view of the end times. 342

9. The prostitute, the religions of the world, is fully inebriated with the blood of Jews and Christians. 342

10. As in ch 13, the beast with 7 heads & 10 horns represents 7 empires & 10 future kings. 343, 319

11. The brief history of the beast is that he was, is not, arises from the abyss, and goes to perdition. 343f

12. I speculate that Antichrist dies as a mere man but arises with a resurrected body (see Excursus). 344

13. The Antichrist’s going to perdition points to his final spiritual death and destruction. 344

14. The words of #13 point to the Antichrist’s being a weak imitation, a parody, of God and of Jesus Christ; in contrast Christ lives forever and has the keys of death and Hades (Rev 1:4, 8, 17f). 344

15. The best view of the 7 kngs of 17:19 is that 5 empires have fallen (E,A,B,M-P,G), 1 is (=Rome), 1 is coming. 346

16. That the Antichrist is also an 8th (v 11) probably means his future recovery from his death blow. 347

17. Antichrist and the future 10 kings engage war with the Lamb and his people; it is Satan’s attempt to replace Jesus Christ with the Antichrist. 347-8.

18. Outcome of war betw Antichrist and Jesus Christ is not in doubt; Christ has a record of triumphs. 348

19. The Antichrist’s (with the 10 horns) destruction of the Prostitute fulfills God’s purpose (v 17). 349

20. Rev 20 relates the details of the sudden destruction of Mystery Babylon with 3 dirges. 350-1.

21. Apostles and prophets are invited to rejoice over Babylon’s fall. 351

22. Babylon used “sorcery,” probably hallucinogenic drugs, to deceive all the nations. 351

Which of the points of interpretation above are the most important ones?