

“When Evil Meets Its Match, Part 1”

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Revelation 17:1-18

BIG IDEA: Someday (maybe soon) evil will meet its match. .

*“This is the judgment:
The light has come into the world,
and people loved darkness rather than the light
because their deeds were evil.”
1 John 3:19 (CSB)*



A Word of Invitation (v1-2)

- Continued Revelation.
- Spiritual Prostitution.
- Insatiable Intoxication.



A Word of Description (v3-6)

- A woman described.
- A beast described.
- A mystery described.



A Word of Explanation (v7-18\)

- The beast explained.
- The seven heads & mountains explained.
- The seven kings explained.

- The ten horns explained.
- The waters explained.
- The woman explained.



Observations.

- God has eternal purposes.
- God remains sovereign over evil.
- Trust biblical prophecy.
- Be sure you are called, chosen, and faithful.

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READ: Revelation 17:1-18

THINK: Contemplate the demise of “Babylon, the Great”, and then ask yourself the following questions: *Who is the central figure of chapter 17? In what sense is she influential? Evil? Attractive? Repulsive? Who is she? What is her ultimate sin? Why? Why is John invited to witness her demise? How do the description and explanation of the “main characters” of this “drama” fit together (17:3-6; 17:7-18)? How similar do you think the “religious” world is today in comparison to what you read in chapter 17?*

DO: How does this chapter affect your lifestyle today?