INTRODUCTION

In Revelation chapter 17, John writes of a fearful vision of a woman who reigned over the kings of the earth; he described her this way in verse 6: "And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus." In verse 5 she is given a name: "Mystery, Babylon the Great" What John saw was a great anti-Christian, world-ruling system, which would control all nations and which would bring such death and destruction upon the followers of Jesus Christ that John said she was "drunken with their blood."

Many today are prophesying the end of world freedom. Some speak of an antiChrist or an antiChrist system which will rule all the world and bring great tribulation upon the earth's people. Some have even begun to identify that system with such existing organizations as the U.N., the Council on Foreign Relations, and, in recent years, the Trilateral Commission headed up by Rockefeller. While the people of one nation are being killed by the people of another nation in wars waged sometimes on several continents at the same time; the ruling classes of each nation continue to travel safely between nations, lending money and selling food and the weapons of war to both sides of the conflict.

The Bible prophesies in Revelation chapters 17 and 18, that a mysterious power would control all governments at the end of this age; that it would plan and bring about wars, famines, and great distress upon the nations; that it would, then, be revealed to the people and its power broken by the direct intervention of God Almighty. Is it possible that the mysterious world-controlling power and the tribulation, which so many preach is yet

in the future, is already here in the earth and has just not been recognized?

In Revelation chapter 17, we read of a woman dressed in scarlet and riding a red beast. Since the woman is riding the red beast she would be the controller of the red beast, or the controller of red. Can that scarlet woman of Revelation chapter 17, called Mystery, Babylon the Great, and the red beast be identified in the world today? The answer is YES, as I will, also, prove in this study, God willing.

The Red Bolsheviks have stated for over one hundred years that their goal is the conquest of the world and the eradication of Christianity from the earth. They have over half of Europe, three-quarters of Asia, a large part of Africa, and are now taking over Latin America. They have slaughtered hundreds of millions of human beings in their bloody march to world rule. Was none of this known to God Almighty or written in His Word?

World Communism has claimed for itself the color "red." In Revelation an entity, called "Mystery, Babylon," is prophesied to almost conquer the earth before it is destroyed. Mystery Babylon is described as "red" and riding a red-colored Beast. Could Mystery Babylon be connected with Red Communism and did God know about Red Communism?

In Revelation chapter 17, and Jeremiah chapter 50, Bible symbols given to this prophetic Babylon are the color red, the hammer, and the sickle. Quite obviously the Bible is describing what we know as Communism. If so, why do most ministers tell us that the antiChrist rule is off in the future when we can see it happening now?

There is a whole body of preaching today about a future seven-year tribulation, which is supposed to surpass anything the world has yet seen. People living in America may believe this to be true, but I wonder how far a rapture-evangelist would get in Cambodia today, or in Vietnam, or in Cuba? Would he preach his rapture doctrine to those who are starying, who have lost most of their relatives to murdering Communists; or who, themselves, are in the slave camps of the Soviet Union or China? Would they ask, "Mr. Preacher, when will your rapture come? When the Reds reach Paris, or London, or Mexico? How about when they reach Raleigh, North Carolina or Columbus, Ohio?" The Red world power has already brought tribulation and death to tens of millions of Christians in the last two generations. The great tribulation is not future; it is already here.

One of the first truths which will emerge from this study is that the Christians are to be on the earth during the rule of that antiChrist system called, Mystery Babylon. It is also quite clear that the Bible prophesies a total, anti-Christian, world dictatorship at the end of this age. However, most radio and TV evangelists insist that no Christians will be killed by that dictatorship and that, instead, they will be "raptured" off the earth into heaven. However, I will prove this to be a false doctrine and a deception of Mystery Babylon herself!

When nation after nation can fall to the rule of brutal Red Communism without a "rapture," could that mean the antiChrist rule is already here? Yes, there is much preaching today that an antiChrist world government will come upon the earth, only after all Christians are snatched off to heaven by Jesus. However, according to 2nd John 7, anyone who does not confess that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is an antiChrist. Since none of the rulers of the nations are Christians, then antiChrists already rule the earth, do they not?

Millions of Americans are beginning to realize that many people in positions of power in America are doing everything they can to demoralize, degrade, and weaken Christianity, both in America and in other nations. This highly-successful and, almost, secret war being waged against America is resulting in the corruption of all Christian morality. Some believe that the many anti-Christian decrees, rulings and activities of the Federal Government are proof that the antiChrists already rule the nation. Is what we see happening to Christian America all by chance? Or is it prophesied in the Bible? How and by whom is this war being brought against Christian America?

U.S. President Woodrow Wilson, realizing he did not really rule America, once said, "There is a power somewhere so organized, so subtle, so watchful, so complete that they better not speak above their breath when they speak in condemnation of it" Is there a secret ruling power over our nation which can cause depressions, unemployment and bankruptcies? Can they plan wars, and control the laws and government ruling over the people, without the knowledge of most of the citizens of the nation? Could that power referred to by President Wilson be the one called in Revelation 17:5, "Mystery, **Babylon the Great"** and in verse 18, the power that "ruleth over the kings of the earth."? The final answer on this must be found in God's Word! Stay Tuned.