



## **Message Reflections**

July 24, 2022

**Revelation 18** gives us a clear picture of the future of Babylon—the future of everything that is against Christ—and it is scheduled for complete destruction. Over the last weeks, we have been reminded of the coming judgement, and Chapter 18 marks the moment that the rest of the world will also recognize the reality of God’s plan—how He will deal with sin.

As a reminder, the Apostle John is writing to the church as a trusted pastor. He encourages the churches of his day (and now ours as well) to stay strong, hold steady, and follow Christ boldly. Although the world seems to be thriving, it is on borrowed time. There will be a moment, that comes suddenly and quickly, in which all the luxuries and sins of the world will come to an end.

Until then, as Christians, we are called to flee from these sins and live lives that are set aside for Christ. After listening to the message this week, take some time to answer the questions given at the end of the sermon.

### **1. How tied are you to this world?** (Where is your “wagon hitched?”)

- Where are you “in Christ?” (Celebrate and give God glory for the areas where you have experienced growth and movement.)
- Where are you “of the world?” (Be honest with God about the things of the world that you are still holding too tightly. Repent from this, receive His grace, and respond in new life.)

### **2. What are some “catalyst events” that can happen (or are happening) in your life?** (Things like retreats, mission/service trips, grief/struggles, and mentors that allow us to see our lives in new light.)

As always, if there is anything that you would like to discuss in more detail, then please feel free to call or email me.

Blessings,  
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