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The Woman Who Sits on the Beast
17: 1-18

In the book of **Revelation**, the name **the beast** can refer to either the system of one world government, to the person of the antichrist, or even to the false prophet. First, it is a reference to the Fourth Gentile Kingdom (**to see link click Ar – Finally, There will be a Fourth Beast, That Breaks and Smashes Everything**). **John** said: **I will explain to you the mystery of the woman** (one world religion) **and of the beast** (one world government) **she rides, which has seven heads and ten horns (17:7b).**

Secondly, during the Great Tribulation people will desperately seek religion because of the chaos in the world at that time. As **ADONAI's** judgments devastate the earth and terrorize its inhabitants, people will frantically turn to **the beast** as their savior. **He** will lead a worldwide campaign to destroy every last Jew and attempt to replace **God** on the earth. **The beast** (the antichrist) **and the ten horns** (one world government) **you saw will hate the prostitute. They will bring her to ruin and leave her naked (17:16a).**

Thirdly, **John saw another beast** (the false prophet)**, coming out of the earth. He** will deceive people into worshiping the antichrist and establish a worldwide religion. The false prophet will have **two horns like a lamb** (giving the appearance of a true religious leader) **but he** will speak **like a dragon** (Satan)**. He** will exercise **all the authority of the first beast** (the antichrist) **on his behalf, and** will make

the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast (13:11-12). Therefore, context will determine how **the beast** is interpreted. When this is understood, the book is much easier to read and much easier to understand.

In **chapter 17**, we see **the woman (Dd – I Saw a Woman Holding a Golden Cup in Her Hand, Filled with the Filth of Her Adulteries)** riding **the beast** (One World Government) before the Great Tribulation. During the first three-and-a-half years of the Great Tribulation, the false religious system will have the support of the civil government led by the antichrist seen here in **17:1-18**. However, after forty-two months **the beast** (the antichrist) will have consolidated **his** power, and **he** will declare **himself** to be god and turn on the woman, destroying **her** so that the unholy trinity of Satan, **the beast** (the antichrist) and the false prophet will be able to rule without sharing their power with anyone **(Ek – The Beast Will Hate the Prostitute and Bring Her to Ruin)**.

*Dear Almighty **God**, Praise **Your** Almighty power and **Your** great love! Thank **You** for making a home in heaven for all who love and follow **Yeshua** as their **Lord** and **Savior. Do not let your heart be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in Me. In My Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to Myself, so that where I am you may also be(John 14:1-3).** Everyone wants to be loved and to enjoy heaven forever, but will only happen for those who chose to repent from their sins **(John 1:12; Mark 6:12)** love and follow **You**, the **Life Giver**. **And He said to him, "'You shall love Adonai your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' (Matthew 22:37). You** are worthy of all our love! In the holy name of **Your Son** and the power of **His** resurrection. Amen.*