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**Egypt  
and what it  
Symbolises**

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## Egypt and what it Symbolises.

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- Various things Egypt symbolises.
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- Egypt as a symbol of the world.
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### VARIOUS THINGS EGYPT SYMBOLISES

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Following is a list of various things Egypt symbolises:

- Power, authority, control, materialism, luxury, and influence.
- A system of control by powerful leaders that that are supported by the masses they have authority over.
- A powerful international economy that is also full of false religions, spiritualism, and the practices of worshiping various gods believed to have power, and the worship of nature and of angels.
- An empire which inspires sexual immorality and widespread perversion and sin.

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Egypt and Sodom both depict a pagan nation with economical and spiritual power, and God's destructive judgment upon both clearly shows that they are nations that bring upon themselves God's disfavour.

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### PAGAN GOD'S EGYPT AND SODOM WORSHIPPED

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#### **In Egypt, the people worshiped:**

- The host of heaven (i.e., sun, moon heavenly planets and stars).
- Osiris, Isis, and Baal.

#### **In Sodom the people worshiped:**

- Belial and practiced rape and sexual abuse.

Spiritually the city in Revelation that is called "Egypt and Sodom" is a city that embraces false gods, false religions, and false worship. Today these can be found in:

- Islam, Jehovah Witnesses, Mormonism, Hinduism, and atheism.
- Zodiac and Greek myths, Roman myths, and witchcraft.

- Masonic teachings, Catholicism, Buddhism and Scientology.
- New Age philosophies and all other ungodly false teaching including worldly materialism, etc.

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## THE TOWER OF BABEL AND THE GREAT CITY

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Nimrod, the first man on earth to be a mighty man (Gen. 10:8 1) (Chron. 1:10) never finished the city and the tower of Babel, in contrast to this, the Great city in Revelation is the finished Babel, also known as spiritual Egypt and Sodom, where its inhabitants can do all that they please and imagine and desire to do. Egypt, Sodom, and Babylon are antichristian nations, and though the religions within them proclaim Jesus, they proclaim their own version of him and the Scriptures, rather the Bibles view. Jesus himself said:

- False christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. (Matt. 24:24) (Mark 13:22).

Every false teacher who teachers the Scriptures proclaims their own version of Jesus and a distorted and twisted account of the Gospel that appeals to pride and ego. Though the city of Jerusalem is the city of the great King and the city of God and in this sense, could be called a great city, not because it was a great city compared to other cities, but because God put His Name on it, and is, 'The City of God' and the City of Israel's Messiah the Lord Jesus Christ.

Though this is all true, when Jerusalem is compared in a worldly sense to Rome and Babylon it cannot be viewed as a great city and for this reason it is far more likely that the great city that symbolically is called Sodom and Egypt (Rev. 11:8) is not Jerusalem, but refers to the great city of Rome, and embraces the whole dominion Rome, and the entire empire of the Romish antichrist.

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## SINS OF THE INHABITANTS OF SODOM

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The city is called Sodom because the inhabitants of the city:

- Had a fulness of bread, which carries the idea, they had an abundance of food, great prosperity, luxuries, and worldly riches.
- Where not generous toward the poor and less fortunate.
- Were full of pride and idleness.
- Priests and religious rulers held to false doctrines and embraced pagan religions contrary to Gods word and the Christian faith.
- Were sexually corrupt and full of violence.

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## EGYPT AS A SYMBOL OF THE WORLD

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Egypt was the place where the Israelites were held in physical captivity before they were physically liberated by their deliverer. Today the entire world is in a spiritual Egypt, in that its unbelieving citizens are all in captivity to the god of this world, the prince of the power of the air, called

the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world (Rev. 12:9) and outwardly manifested by selfishness, ego, pride, lust for power, wealth and profit, etc.

- In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. (2 Corinthians 4:4).
- You were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup>in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup>among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. (Ephes. 2:1-3).

God's people (ancient Israel) in the literal empire of Egypt required Moses, God's deliver to set them free from the slavery and bondage of Egypt's task masters and lead them out of the city of Egypt. Likewise, God's people in the world today need a deliver to deliver them out of the world, and set them free from the bondage of sin, the condemnation of the law, and death. The apostle Paul wrote:

- I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? <sup>25</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin. (Rom. 7:23-25).

According to Scriptural prophecy Jerusalem will be the prime focus of the world when at God's appointed time, the Lord Jesus Christ is ruling from God's City as King of kings and Lord of lords. The anti-Christian ten horned beast nations will send their armies against Christ in a failed attempt to conquer him.

- **Revelation 17:13-14:** These are of one mind and hand over their power and authority to the beast. <sup>14</sup>They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with him are called and chosen and faithful. (Rev. 17:13-14).

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## SCRIPTURES COMPARING ISRAEL, JUDAH AND JERUSALEM TO SODOM AND GOMORRAH

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Following are Scriptures that compare Israel, Judah and Jerusalem to Sodom and Gomorrah:

- **Deuteronomy 29:23:** The whole land (of Israel) burned out with brimstone and salt, nothing sown and nothing growing, where no plant can sprout, an overthrow like that of Sodom and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboiim, which the LORD overthrew in his anger and wrath.

The reason Israel in this is verse compared to Sodom and Gomorrah, is because they abandoned the covenant of the LORD and served and worshipped other gods (Deut. 29:24-27), and God judged them and laid their land waste and destroyed the city of Jerusalem as He did with Sodom and Gomorrah. God used Babylon as His servant to bring about this judgement, Babylon's fierce armies destroyed Jerusalem, the temple, laid the land of Judah waste, and took the people of Israel into captivity for seventy years). In the book of Isaiah, it is written:

- **Isaiah 1:9-10:** If the LORD of hosts had not left us (Jerusalem and Judah) (v1) a few survivors, we should have been like Sodom, and become like Gomorrah. <sup>10</sup>Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom! Give ear to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah!

The reason Jerusalem and Judah is in this verse compared to Sodom and Gomorrah, is because they had become a sinful nation of evildoers, that had forsaken the LORD and despised the Holy One of Israel so that the faithful city had become a whore and abomination to the LORD (Isaiah 1:4, 13, 21).

Again, Isaiah wrote:

- **Isaiah 3:8-9:** Jerusalem has stumbled, and Judah has fallen, because their speech and their deeds are against the LORD, defying his glorious presence. <sup>9</sup>For the look on their faces bears witness against them; they proclaim their sin like Sodom; they do not hide it. Woe to them! For they have brought evil on themselves.

The reason Jerusalem and Judah is compared to Sodom and Gomorrah in this verse, is because they disobeyed, rebelled, and resisted the will of the LORD and His ways and by their evil ways they brought evil upon themselves.

The prophet Jeremiah said:

- **Jeremiah 23:14:** In the prophets of Jerusalem, I have seen a horrible thing: they commit adultery and walk in lies; they strengthen the hands of evildoers, so that no one turns from his evil; all of them have become like Sodom to me, and its inhabitants like Gomorrah."

In one of Ezekiel prophecies, it is written:

- **Ezekiel 16:46-51:** Your (Jerusalem) elder sister is Samaria (ten tribes of Israel), who lived with her daughters to the north of you; and your younger sister (Judah), who lived to the south of you, is Sodom with her daughters. <sup>47</sup>Not only did you (inhabitants of Jerusalem) walk in their (Israel and Judah's), ways and do according to their abominations; within a very little time you were more corrupt than they (Israel and Judah), in all your ways. <sup>48</sup>As I live, declares the Lord GOD, your (Jerusalem's) sister Sodom (Israel and Judah) and her daughters have not done as you (the inhabitants of Jerusalem) and your daughters have done. <sup>49</sup>Behold, this was the guilt of your sister Sodom (Israel and Judah): she and her daughters had pride, excess of food, and prosperous ease, but did not aid the poor and needy. <sup>50</sup>They were haughty and did an abomination before me. So I removed them, when I saw it (by the armies of Assyria and Babylon). <sup>51</sup>Samaria has not committed half your (Jerusalem's) sins. You have committed more abominations than they, and have made your sisters (Israel and Judah) appear righteous by all the abominations that you have committed.

In the earlier portion of this chapter, we are told that the inhabitants of Jerusalem are not only referred to as a prostitute that had played the whore, but has also taken their own sons and daughters who they bore to the LORD and slaughtered and sacrificed them to be devoured as an offering by fire to abominable idols. By these abominations they brought God's judgment and wrath upon themselves.

Later Ezekiel goes on to say God will restore the fortunes, of Sodom (i.e., Israel and Judah) and the fortunes of Jerusalem and that Jerusalem's sister Sodom will return to their former state and Jerusalem to her former state. (Ezek. 16:52-56).

In the book of Amos, we read:

- **Amos 4:11:** I overthrew some of you (people of Israel), as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, and you were as a brand plucked out of the burning; yet you did not return to me, declares the LORD.

The author of Lamentations wrote:

- **Lamentations 4:6:** The chastisement of the daughter of my people (the inhabitants of Jerusalem) has been greater than the punishment of Sodom, which was overthrown in a moment, and no hands were wrung for her.

Scriptural comparisons of Jerusalem being compared to Egypt are rare, but the following verses show that they do occur:

- **Deuteronomy 28:27:** The LORD will strike you (Israel) with the boils of Egypt, and with tumors and scabs and itch, of which you cannot be healed.
- **Deuteronomy 28:60:** He (Israel) will bring upon you again all the diseases of Egypt, of which you were afraid, and they shall cling to you.

The entire chapter of Deuteronomy twenty-eight details the rewards and penalties of Israel's covenant with God in the event of their disobedience to the covenant. It is very likely that Jerusalem is spiritually likened to Egypt, because it was full of idolatries as Egypt was and its inhabitants had turned their hearts diamond hard against the LORD as the Pharaoh of Egypt did. In the same way that Egypt was deserving of the judgments God brought upon them, likewise, prideful, stubborn, disobedient, and rebellious Israel was deserving of the judgments God brought upon them.

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