

Chapter Eighteen

Doom Song of Babylon

- Synthesis of Old Testament doom songs from the prophets:
 - Jeremiah
 - Ezekiel
 - Isaiah
 - Zechariah

Babylon and Rome

- Major world empire
- Named for capital city
- Emperor is arrogant military conqueror
- Persecutes those who will not worship imperial gods
- Put three-year siege around Jerusalem
- Destroyed city on 9th of Av

Babylon and Rome

Tisha B'Av means "the ninth (day) of Av." usually occurs in the English Calendar during July or August. The Fast of the Ninth of Av, is a day of mourning to commemorate the many tragedies that have befallen the Jewish people, many of which coincidentally have occurred on this ninth of Av. The worst of Jewish tragedies occurred on the 9th of Av. Most notably the destruction of both Temples. (the first by the Babylonians in 586 B.C.E.; the second by the Romans in 70 C.E.).

Depart from Her...

- “Depart from the city of Babylon physically so that her destruction does not include you...” (like Lot in Sodom)
- “Do not continue to live according to the secular culture so that you do not perish with it in the final judgment...”

Kings, Merchants Sailors

- Will weep and mourn for their own selfish loss of:
 - Power
 - Markets
- Will keep their distance
- Will say, “Alas, alas great city...”
- Judgment will come “in one hour”

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Alleluia

- Hallelu = Praise
- Yah = Yahweh

Found in Old Testament mainly in the Psalms

Found in New Testament only in Revelation

Chapter 19:1,3,4,6

Horse Rider's Names

- Faithful and True (v 11)
- A name that no one knows except him (v 12)
- The Word of God (v13)
- King of kings and Lord of Lords (v 16)

