Rev 18:1, "After these things I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was illuminated with his glory.

Rev 18:2, "And he cried mightily with a loud voice, saying, 'Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and has become a dwelling place of demons, a prison for every foul spirit, and a cage for every unclean and hated bird!

Rev 18:3, "For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth have become rich through the abundance of her luxury'." Rev 18:8, "Therefore her plagues will come in one day – death and mourning and famine. And she will be utterly burned with fire, for strong is the Lord God who judges her.

Rev 18:9, "The kings of the earth who committed fornication and lived luxuriously with her will weep and lament for her, when they see the smoke of her burning,"

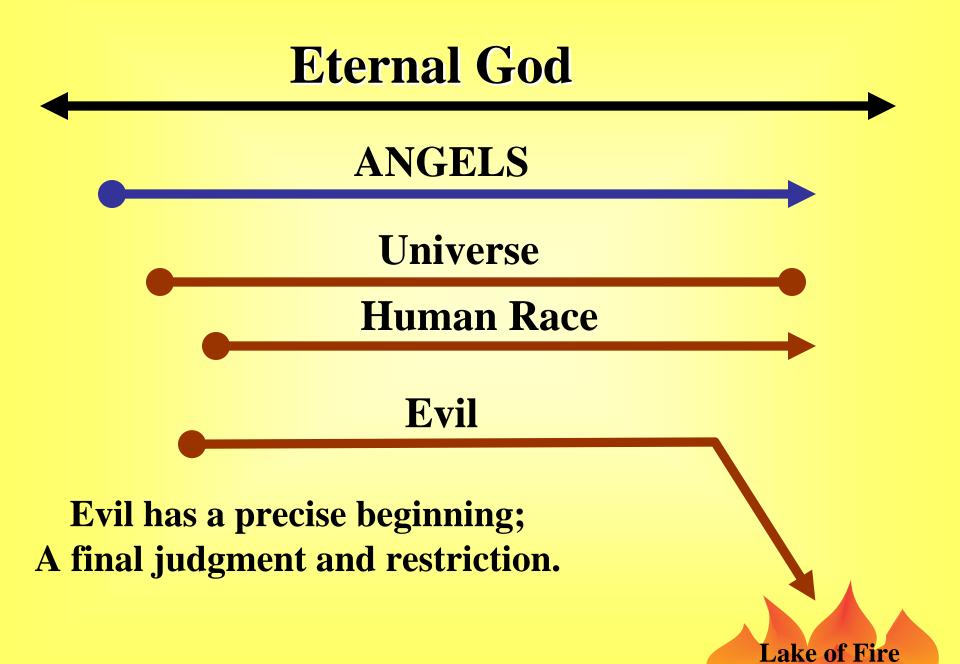
Rev 18:17, "For in one hour such great riches came to nothing.' Every shipmaster, all who travel by ship, sailors, and as many as trade on the sea, stood at a distance

Rev 18:18, "and cried out when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, 'What is like this great city?'"

Rev 18:21, "Then a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone and threw it into the sea, saying, 'Thus with violence the great city Babylon shall be thrown down, and shall not be found anymore'."

Rev 12:7, "And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought," Rev 12:10, "Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, 'Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down."

Rev 12:11, "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death."



The Problem of Evil: Resolved

- 1. Of all religions only Judaism and Christianity have an answer to the origin of evil.
- 2. The problem of evil: sometimes critics of Christianity ask, "How can a loving God allow suffering and evil to occur?"

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Alleged conflict between God's power and His love

If He is all powerful, He must not be loving because of all the suffering that exists.

If He is love, He must not be able to control the evil and suffering that exists.

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- 3. Non-Christians do not have an answer to this. In all non-Christian religions, evil is ultimately eternal and suffering is normal.
- 4. God allows evil because He allows free will.
- God originally created angels with volition, knowing that there would be a rebellion, evil would be introduced into the creation.