

Isaiah 13

King James Version (KJV)

(This is God's warning to Babylon back then; and to antichrist's one-world system in the future)

13 The burden of Babylon, which Isaiah the son of Amoz did see.
(burden = an oracle of warning to Babylon – bad translation)

² Lift ye up a banner upon the high mountain, exalt the voice unto them, shake the hand, that they may go into the gates of the nobles.
(Warn them all. Make them aware)

(The banner we raise is the Word of God. Jesus is the Living Word)
John-1:1

³ I have commanded my sanctified ones, I have also called my mighty ones for mine anger, even them that rejoice in my highness. (This could be Nebuchadnezzar first. He took Judah captive, because of their trespasses against God)

(Later, this could be Cyrus- the Median king who freed Israel from Babylon, after a 70 year captivity)

⁴ The noise of a multitude in the mountains, like as of a great people; a tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together: the LORD of hosts mustereth the host of the battle. (This concerns when all nations will rise up against God and His Elect, just before the Lord's Day. God will overcome them all)

(Babylon <babble = confusion> will fall) see Revelation-13

⁵ They come from a far country, from the end of heaven, even the LORD, and the weapons of his indignation, to destroy the whole land. (Jesus will return as Messiah, with great power and glory. He will reign forever as King of kings, Lord of lords)

⁶ Howl ye; for the day of the LORD is at hand; it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty. (Almighty= El Shaadah- God the Protector)

⁷ Therefore shall all hands be faint, and every man's heart shall melt: (This is for those who oppose God. They will be both ashamed and overwhelmed, by the glory and power of Almighty God)

⁸ And they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them; they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall be amazed one at another; their faces shall be as flames. (flames - ashamed, embarrassed - for having been deceived by antichrist. They thought that they were good Christians, but they let antichrist deceive them)

⁹ Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it. (cruel = stern – better translation)

(These sinners are the evil ones who refuse to change. They will still try to oppose God – to their own demise. Good riddance)

¹⁰ For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine. (This is just before The Lord's Day. The world will be in the spiritual darkness of antichrist's lies and deception. They will worship him, thinking that he is Jesus Christ)

(When Jesus returns at the 7th trump, His power and glory will be brighter than the sun, the moon and all the stars) Mark-13:23-26

¹¹ And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible. (Judgment – the evil will be corrected; the proud will be abased; the good will be rewarded)

¹² I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir. (God values a faithful servant and follower of Christ to be more precious than the finest gold)

¹³ Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of the LORD of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger. Hebrews-12:25-29

¹⁴ And it shall be as the chased roe, and as a sheep that no man taketh up: they shall every man turn to his own people, and flee every one into his own land. (They will flee out of Babylon <out of confusion>. They will wake up and see the truth. They will all know that there is a God in Heaven. His name is Yahoveh)

¹⁵ Every one that is found shall be thrust through; and every one that is joined unto them shall fall by the sword. (Those who choose Babylon

<the ways of this world> over Messiah <The ways that God teaches in His Word >)

¹⁶ Their children also shall be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their houses shall be spoiled, and their wives ravished. (Spiritually speaking – false doctrine will destroy those who refuse to wake up and choose God)

¹⁷ Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and as for gold, they shall not delight in it. (They cannot be bribed. This is Cyrus of Media Persia. He conquered Babylon and freed Judah; so that they could return to their land)

¹⁸ Their bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eyes shall not spare children. (The Medes destroyed Babylon)

(In the end days, Satan's deception will take everyone; and they will love it. They will be completely seduced by him)

(Jesus will return as Messiah and destroy Satan's one world system forever)

¹⁹ And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees' excellency, shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah. (Babylon will amount to nothing, just like Sodom and Gomorrah)

²⁰ It shall never be inhabited, neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation: neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there; neither shall the shepherds make their fold there. (Once confusion is destroyed, it will never return. God will rule forever. All people will finally know the truth)

²¹ But wild beasts of the desert shall lie there; and their houses shall be full of doleful creatures; and owls shall dwell there, and satyrs shall dance there. (satyrs = demons) (doleful = unhappy, depressed, mournful, dejected, forlorn) (owls = scavengers)

(This is a figure of speech – Babylon will not be fit for human habitation)

²² And the wild beasts of the islands shall cry in their desolate houses, and dragons in their pleasant palaces: and her time is near to come, and her days shall not be prolonged. (The rich & corrupt; who got

wealthy by pushing false doctrine and confusion. They won't be there any more)

(This was a warning from God to the Babylonians – the authors of confusion – those who choose the ways of the world over the blessings of Almighty God)