

Wickedness and the Savior's power

NEW TESTAMENT SEMINARY MANUAL

Think of some examples of wickedness in the world and how it affects us.

- If you had to think of something to represent the wickedness of the world, what would it be? Why?
- If you had to think of a reverent symbol or title to represent the Savior and how He can help us overcome this wickedness, what would it be? Why?

Divide a page of your journal in half. Read Revelation 17:3–7 and 14, visualizing the symbols John used in these verses. On one side of the divided page in your journal write down key words or phrases used to describe wickedness. On the other side, write the symbols that represent Jesus Christ and the righteous. The following word helps may be useful:

Fornication (Revelation 17:4): immoral sexual acts. It could also be “a symbol for apostasy” (Guide to the Scriptures, “Fornication,” scriptures.ChurchofJesusChrist.org)

Babylon (Revelation 17:5): the name of a city known for its wickedness, used as a symbol for wickedness and worldliness

Harlot (Revelation 17:5): someone who commits immoral sexual acts for money or trade

Admiration (Revelation 17:6): astonishment, wonder (see verse 6, footnote *c*)

- What did you learn from the symbols you read about?
- What do the titles for Jesus Christ in verse 14 help you understand about Him?
- What do you know about the way that the Lamb, or Jesus Christ, overcame all wickedness? (See Guide to the Scriptures, “Lamb of God,” scriptures.ChurchofJesusChrist.org.) What does this mean to you?