



Synod of the Diocese of West Malaysia

St Mary's Cathedral

Making disciples of Jesus Christ

Fallen! (Revelation 18)

Review Revelation 14:8, 16:19 and 17:1-6,18.

1. What does Babylon represent in John's day? In ours?

Read Revelation 18:1-8

2. How is the fall of Babylon announced?
3. How is the fallen Babylon described?
4. What reasons are given for her destruction?

Read Revelation 18:9-19

5. Who are we told mourns the end of Babylon?
6. What is it about her that they lament?
7. Why do you think they are all described as standing far off (v10, 15, 17)?
8. What is conveyed by the phrase 'in a single hour' (v10, 17, 19)?

Read Revelation 18:20-24

9. There have been many 'Babylons', great and wicked cities, through the ages. What assurance is given by the actions and words of this mighty angel?

10. What are God's people called to do and why (v4,20)?

11. How do you think John's original readers would have responded to this vision?

12. What does it mean for you in practice to come out of Babylon?

Bonus extra:

Similar language was used to speak of historical Babylon in Isaiah 13 and Jeremiah 51, of Nineveh in Nahum, of Tyre in Ezekiel 26-28, and even of Israel in Amos. What is different about this word of judgement in Revelation 17-18?