## THE DISAPPOINTMENTS OF MATERIALISM PART 1

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Disappointment results when materialism is destroyed, because of the 7 things destroyed with materialism:

## 1. NO MORE GOVERNMENT CONTROL

And the kings of the earth, who committed sexual immorality and lived in luxury with her, will weep and wail over her when they see the smoke of her burning. They will stand far off, in fear of her torment, and say, "Alas! You great city, you mighty city, Babylon! For in a single hour your judgment has come." Rev. 18:9-10

...A right government rewards <u>GOOD</u> and punishes <u>EVIL</u> while evil government <u>TAXES</u> its people for selfish reasons and will be destroyed with materialism.

## 2. NO MORE COMMERCE

And the merchants of the earth weep and mourn for her, since no one buys their cargo anymore, cargo of gold, silver, jewels, pearls, fine linen, purple cloth, silk, scarlet cloth, all kinds of scented wood, all kinds of articles of ivory, all kinds of articles of costly wood, bronze, iron and marble, cinnamon, spice, incense, myrrh, frankincense, wine, oil, fine flour, wheat, cattle and sheep, horses and chariots, and slaves, that is, human souls. The fruit for which your soul longed has gone from you, and all your delicacies and your splendors are lost to you, never to be found again! Alas, alas, for the great city that was clothed in fine linen, in purple and scarlet, adorned with gold, with jewels, and with pearls! For in a single hour all this wealth has been laid waste. And all shipmasters and seafaring men, sailors and all whose trade is on the sea, stood far off and cried out as they saw the smoke of her burning, "What city was like the great city?" And they threw dust on their heads as they wept and mourned, crying out, "Alas, alas, for the great city where all who had ships at sea grew rich by her wealth! For in a single hour she has been laid waste." Rev. 18:11-19

...Two aspects of <u>COMMERCE</u> will be destroyed with materialism:

A. Individual <u>COMMERCE</u> (vs. 11-16)
Sell your soul for things and you will eventually experience a
bankrupt <u>SYSTEM</u> and a bankrupt <u>SOUL</u> that
ultimately results in the LOSS of EVERYTHING
B. International <u>COMMERCE</u> (vs. 17-19)
The entire system of <u>COMMERCIAL</u> <u>EXCHANGE</u>
will collapse.
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