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Revelation 18:1-3 (NIV)

Babylon Has Fallen

After this I saw another angel coming down from heaven. He had great authority, and the earth was illuminated by his splendor. 2 With a mighty voice he shouted:

Revelation 18:1-3 (NIV)

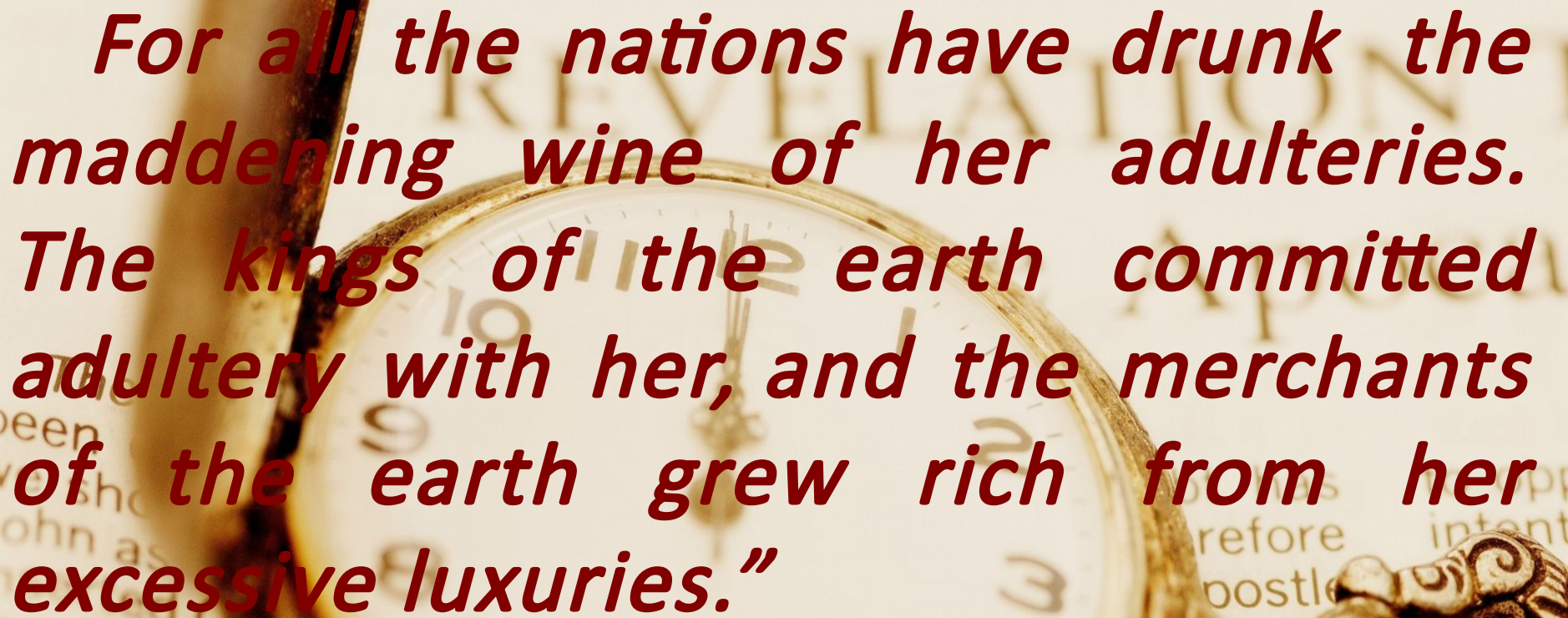
Babylon Has Fallen

“Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great!” She has become a dwelling for demons and a haunt for every impure spirit, a haunt for every unclean bird, a haunt for every unclean and detestable animal.

Revelation 18:1-3 (NIV)

Babylon Has Fallen

For all the nations have drunk the maddening wine of her adulteries. The kings of the earth committed adultery with her, and the merchants of the earth grew rich from her excessive luxuries.”



Revelation 18:4-8 (NIV)

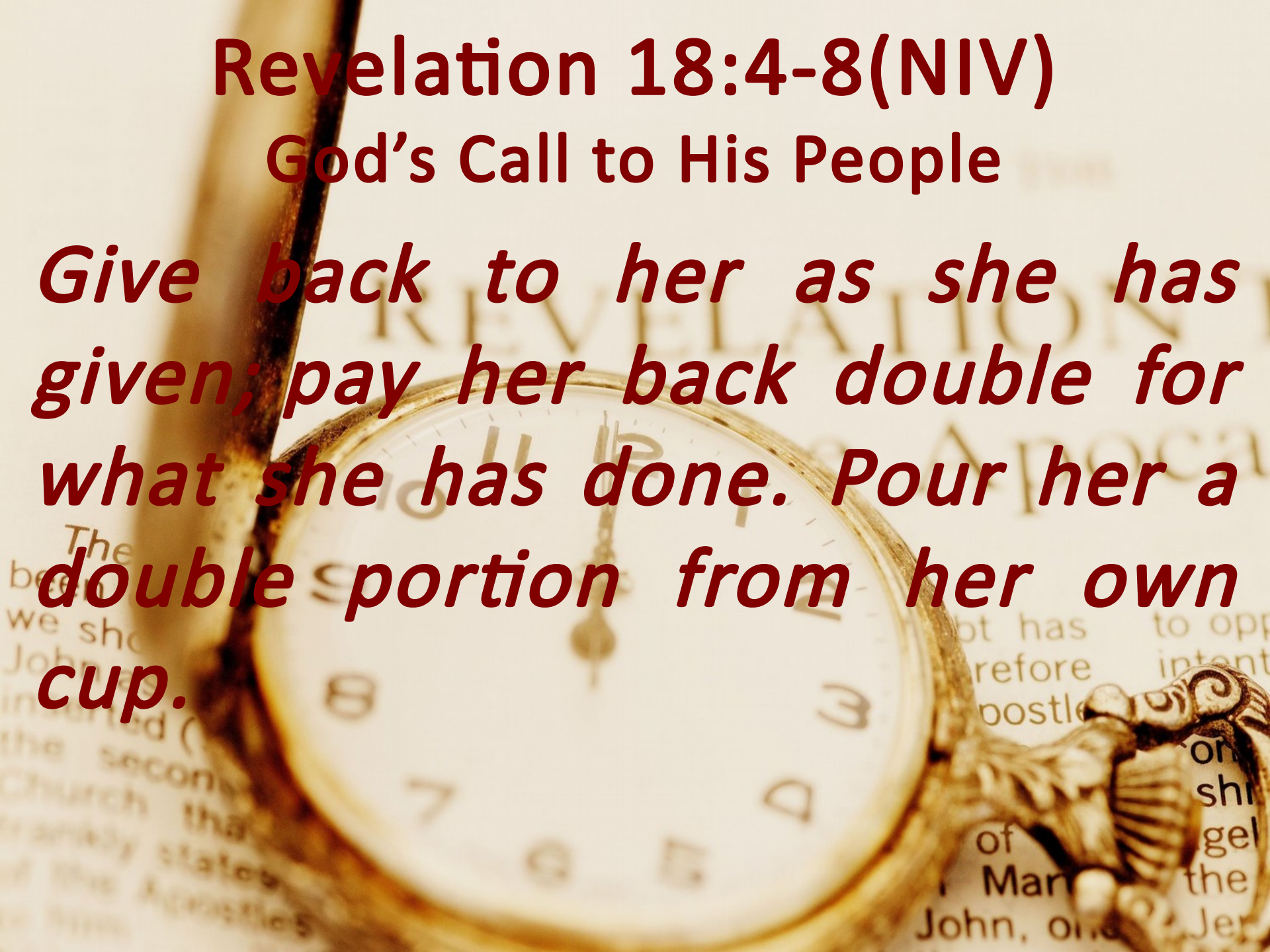
God's Call to His People

Then I heard another voice from heaven say: "Come out of her, my people," so that you will not share in her sins, so that you will not receive any of her plagues; for her sins are piled up to heaven, and God has remembered her crimes.

Revelation 18:4-8(NIV)

God's Call to His People

Give back to her as she has given; pay her back double for what she has done. Pour her a double portion from her own cup.



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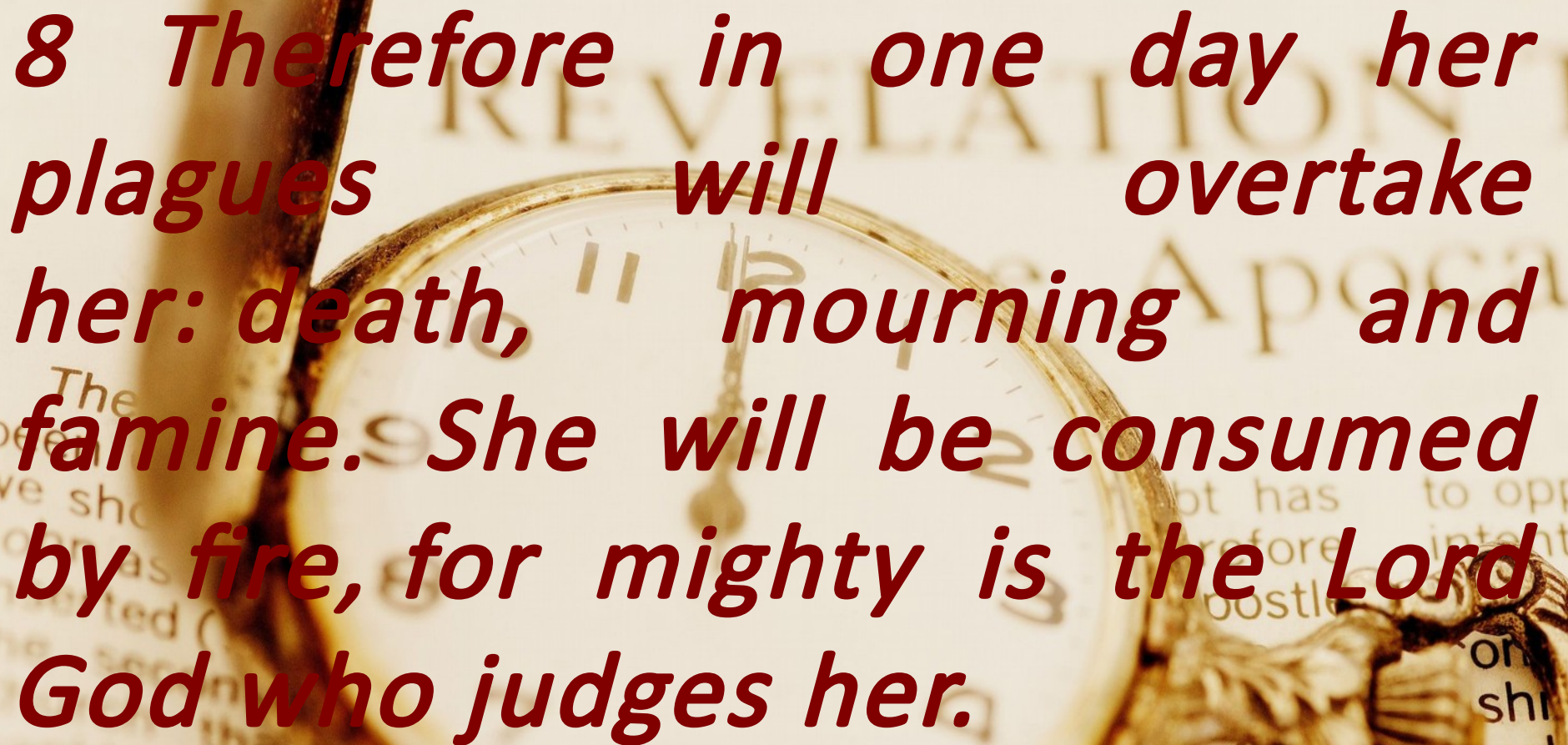
God's Call to His People

7 Give her as much torment and grief as the glory and luxury she gave herself. In her heart she boasts, 'I sit enthroned as queen. I am not a widow; I will never mourn.'

Revelation 18:4-8(NIV)

God's Call to His People

8 Therefore in one day her plagues will overtake her: death, mourning and famine. She will be consumed by fire, for mighty is the Lord God who judges her.



Revelation 18:9-20 (NIV)

The World Laments Babylon's Fall

10 "Woe! Woe to you, great city, you mighty city of Babylon! In one hour your doom has come!

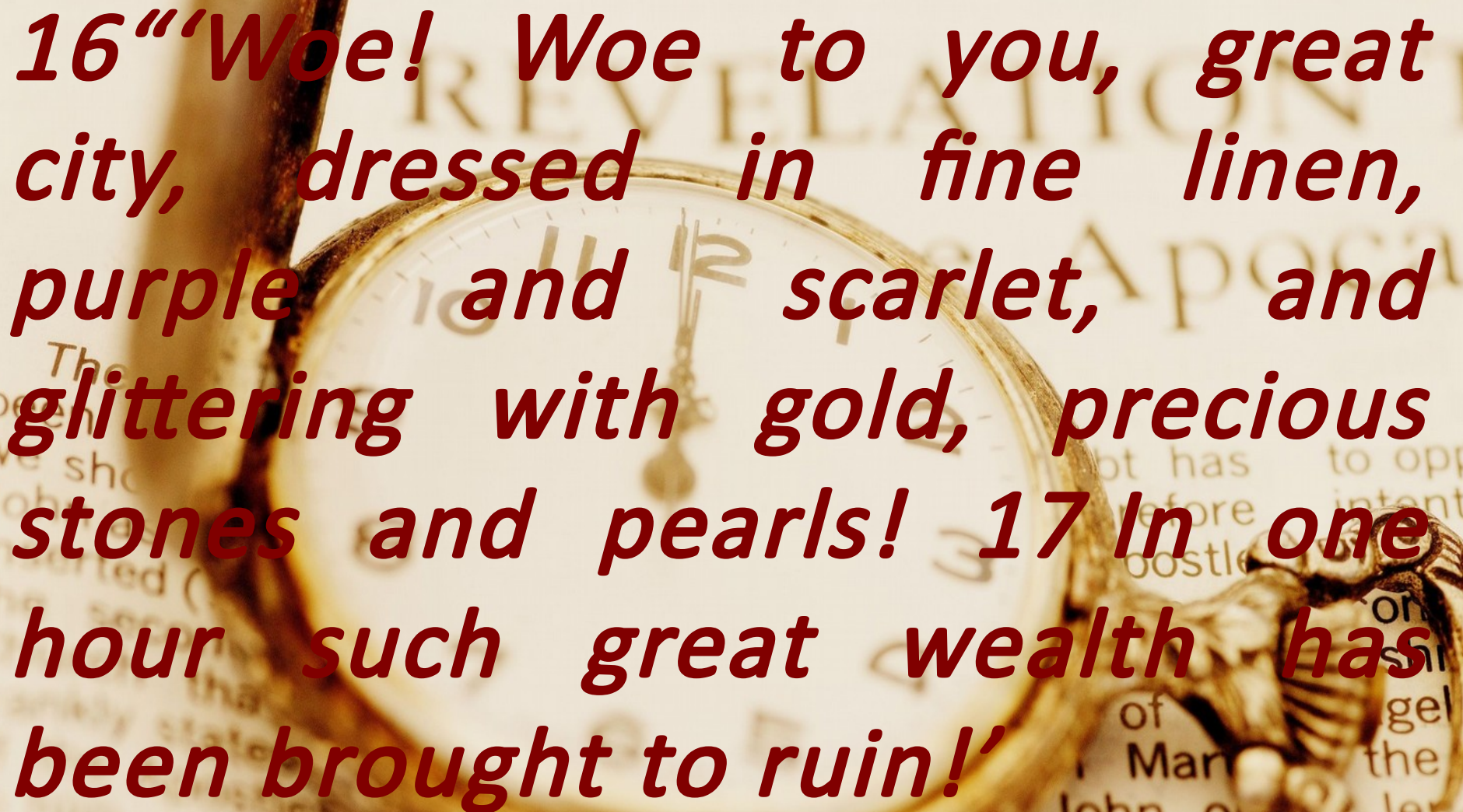
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16“Woe! Woe to you, great city, dressed in fine linen, purple and scarlet, and glittering with gold, precious stones and pearls! *17* In one hour such great wealth has been brought to ruin!



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19“*Woe! Woe to you, great city, where all who had ships on the sea became rich through her wealth! In one hour she has been brought to ruin!*”



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Why the lament...

11 "The merchants of the earth will weep and mourn over her because no one buys their cargoes anymore—

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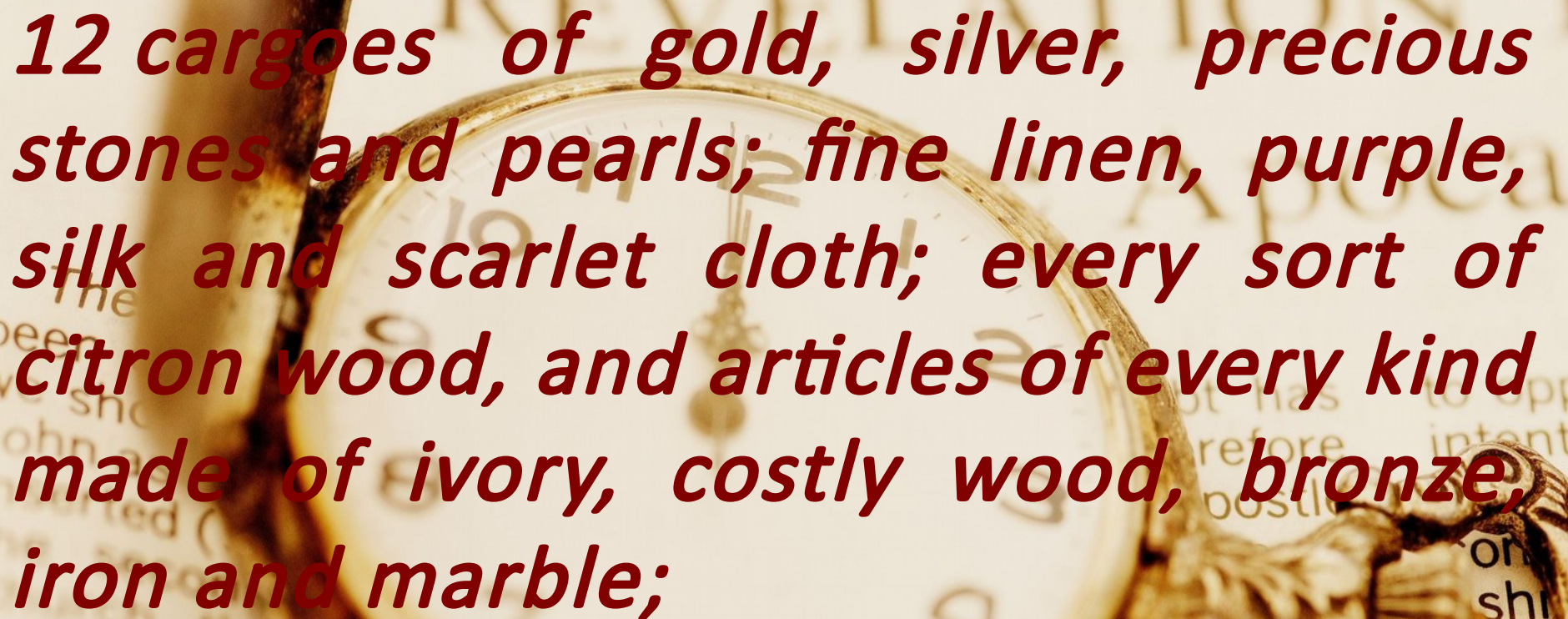
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Why the lament...

12 cargoes of gold, silver, precious stones and pearls; fine linen, purple, silk and scarlet cloth; every sort of citron wood, and articles of every kind made of ivory, costly wood, bronze, iron and marble;



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Why the lament...

13 cargoes of cinnamon and spice, of incense, myrrh, and frankincense, of wine and olive oil, of fine flour and wheat; cattle and sheep; horses and carriages; and human beings sold as slaves.

Revelation 18 Demonstrates The Importance of Investing in What is Eternal

Adapted from Mark Hitchcock, Iran & Israel

Eternal Life – 2 Corinthians 5:16-18(NIV)

So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer.

17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! 18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.

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Holy Living – 2 Corinthians 4:6-7 (NIV)

For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.⁷ But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us.

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God's Domestic Policy – 1 Timothy 2:1-2
(NIV)

*I urge, then, first of all, that
petitions, prayers, intercession and
thanksgiving be made for all people—
2 for kings and all those in authority,
that we may live peaceful and quiet
lives in all godliness and holiness.*

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God's Global Policy— Romans 10:14-15 (NIV)

How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? 15 And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Where Are Your Investments?

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