



Session 4

Which Glass of Wine?

Discerning the Choice We All Face.

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 **For Prayer & Study with the Holy Spirit...**

Come Lord Jesus!

As we breathe in & out...give us Wisdom...to Discern all in PEACE.

I. The first glass we are offered: The Poison Wine



The Scarlet Woman and the Beast

Revelation 17: 1 Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and talked with me, saying to me, "Come, I will show you the judgment of the great harlot who sits on many waters, **2** with whom the kings of the earth committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with **the wine of her fornication.**" (*pharmakeia* in Greek)

3 So he carried me away in the Spirit into the wilderness. And I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast which was full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. **4** The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the filthiness of her fornication. **5** And on her forehead a name was written:

MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT,
THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS
AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS
OF THE EARTH.

6 I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. And when I saw her, I marveled with great amazement.

The Poison Wine of Fornication:

Pharmakeia in Greek: denotes evil, sorcery, witchcraft. Same root as *pharmaceutical*.

The wine of the false systems of the World, the Flesh, the Devil.

Fruits are Fear, Anxiety, & ultimately Death. Rooted in Pride. Sin.

Alienation from God. Ultimate DESOLATION.

The bad fruit of this wine poison to our souls, minds, bodies. A "strong delusion."

The Whore: The seduction of the world by powerful political, economic, & media forces that seduce mankind into false ideologies and beliefs.

The Beast: The Antichrist, a political figure and system who will demand worship and control over every aspect of human life. (see Catholic Catechism 675, 677.)

This struggle parallels the apocalyptic combat described in Revelation. Death battles against Life: a “culture of death” seeks to impose itself on our desire to live, and live to the full...Vast sectors of society are confused about what is right and what is wrong, and are at the mercy of those with the power to “create” opinion and impose it on others. —POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II, Cherry Creek State Park Homily, Denver, Colorado, 1993

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(Further Scriptures: Matthew Chapter 24. 2 Thessalonians 2:1-17. Revelation Chapters 17-22.)



2. The second glass we are offered: **The New Wine**

They are filled with New Wine. -Acts 2:13

Book: The Sober Intoxication of the Spirit. -Fr Raniero CantaleMESSA, preacher to Papal Household

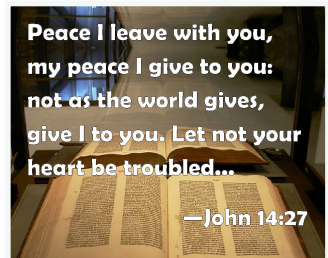
The New Wine of the Spirit leads to Fruits of the Spirit. (Gal 5:22)
Leads to Consolation, Spiritual Growth, Heaven. **CONSOLATION.**

The daily drinking of this Wine of the Spirit leads to SUPERNATURAL PEACE...the SHALOM of Eternal Life which governs all who live under the reign of Jesus.

Shalom: A Hebrew word that includes wholeness, peace, healing, safety, salvation, deliverance, fullness, rest, harmony. This supernatural peace is the abundance of life promised by Jesus.

Jesus is the Prince of Peace...the "Sar Shalom" in Hebrew meaning the One who commands and has absolute control of peace.

Drink... Drink.. Drink... the New Wine of the Spirit...the Shalom of Peace Jesus offers us daily. Let us experience the Sober Intoxication of the Spirit.



This **Shalom** of the Spirit of Jesus is meant to govern our lives, guide our decisions, and rule every aspect of our lives. His Shalom is the New Wine our spirit longs for.

Jesus the Sar Shalom (Prince of Peace) in action...

Mark 4: 35 On the same day, when evening had come, He said to them, "Let us cross over to the other side." 36 Now when they had left the multitude, they took Him along in the boat as He was. And other little boats were also with Him. 37 And a great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that it was already filling. 38 But He was in the stern, asleep on a pillow. And they awoke Him and said to Him, "Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?"

39 Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, [g] be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm. 40 But He said to them, "Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?" 41 And they feared exceedingly, and said to one another, "Who can this be, that even the wind and the sea obey Him!"



Daily Practice:

Come Lord Jesus!

breathing in & breathing out

Shalom...Shalom...Shalom.

Pray the Coming of Supernatural Peace in us, in our family, our Church, our world, as the Holy Spirit leads. Trust. Believe. Praise.



The Spirit & the Bride say Come! -Revelation 22:17



ADDITIONAL QUOTES FOR PRAYER & STUDY:

We are now standing in the face of the greatest historical confrontation humanity has gone through... We are now facing the final confrontation between the Church and the anti-Church, of the Gospel and the anti-Gospel, of Christ and the anti-christ. This confrontation lies within the plans of divine providence. It is a trial which the whole Church... must take up... a test of 2,000 years of culture and Christian civilization, with all of its consequences for human dignity, individual rights, human rights and the rights of nations. -ST. JOHN PAUL II, (Cardinal Karol Wojtyla) from a 1976 speech to the American Bishops in Philadelphia at the Eucharistic Conference

But what is Babel? (Babylon) It is the description of a kingdom in which people have concentrated so much power they think they no longer need depend on a God who is far away. They believe they are so powerful they can build their own way to heaven in order to open the gates and put themselves in God's place... While trying to be like God, they run the risk of not even being human – because they've lost an essential element of being human: the ability to agree, to understand one another and to work together... Progress and science have given us the power to dominate the forces of nature, to manipulate the elements, to reproduce living things, almost to the point of manufacturing humans themselves. In this situation, praying to God appears outmoded, pointless, because we can build and create whatever we want. We don't realize we are reliving the same experience as Babel. —POPE BENEDICT XVI, Pentecost Homily, May 27th, 2012

Catholic Catechism 675 Before Christ's second coming the Church must pass through a final trial that will shake the faith of many believers. The persecution that accompanies her pilgrimage on earth will unveil the "mystery of iniquity" in the form of a religious deception offering men an apparent solution to their problems at the price of apostasy from the truth. The supreme religious deception is that of the Antichrist, a pseudo-messianism by which man glorifies himself in place of God and of his Messiah come in the flesh.

THOSE WHO TRUST IN THE LORD
ARE LIKE MOUNT ZION, WHICH
CANNOT BE SHAKEN BUT
ENDURES FOREVER.

PSALM 125:1

Catholic Catechism 677 The Church will enter the glory of the kingdom only through this final Passover, when she will follow her Lord in his death and Resurrection. The kingdom will be fulfilled, then, not by a historic triumph of the Church through a progressive ascendancy, but only by God's victory over the final unleashing of evil, which will cause his Bride to come down from heaven. God's triumph over the revolt of evil will take the form of the Last Judgment after the final cosmic upheaval of this passing world.

Because I love you, I want to show you what I am doing in the world today. I want to prepare you for what is to come. Days of darkness are coming on the world, days of tribulation... Buildings that are now standing will not be standing. Supports that are there for my people now will not be there. I want you to be prepared, my people, to know only me and to cleave to me and to have me in a way deeper than ever before. I will lead you into the desert... I will strip you of everything that you are depending on now, so you depend just on me. A time of darkness is coming on the world, but a time of glory is coming for my Church, a time of glory is coming for my people. I will pour out on you all the gifts of my Spirit. I will prepare you for spiritual combat; I will prepare you for a time of evangelism that the world has never seen.... And when you have nothing but me, you will have everything: land, fields, homes, and brothers and sisters and love and joy and peace more than ever before. Be ready, my people, I want to prepare you...—Our Lord Jesus to Ralph Martin, St. Peter's Square, Rome, Pentecost Monday of May, 1975 Known as the Rome Prophecies.

"The Church will be reduced in its dimensions, it will be necessary to start again. However, from this test a Church would emerge that will have been strengthened by the process of simplification it experienced, by its renewed capacity to look within itself... the Church will be numerically reduced."

—Cardinal Ratzinger (POPE BENEDICT XVI), *God and the World*, 2001; interview with Peter Seewald

When we have cast ourselves upon the world and depend for protection upon it, and have given up our independence and our strength, then [Antichrist] will burst upon us in fury as far as God allows him. —St. John Henry Newman, *Sermon IV: The Persecution of Antichrist*

On just the same ground I dread government in the name of science. That is how tyrannies come in. In every age the men who want us under their thumb, if they have any sense, will put forward the particular pretension which the hopes and fears of that age render most potent. They 'cash in'. -CS Lewis 1958

One of the signs that John of the Cross and Teresa of Avila give that we're growing in holiness is that we're becoming less and less afraid. We're becoming more and more free. We're becoming less afraid of suffering, less afraid of death, less afraid of failure, and less afraid of what other people think. We are becoming more confident and joyful in the Father's Love. We are more able to love, worship, and serve. —RALPH MARTIN from *Transformation in Christ*

Our call is to form our conscience in truth and make good choices. These links need to be copied in your web browser...

Following the Science? Documentary for consideration.
<https://rumble.com/vitcgn-following-the-science.html>

Colorado Bishops on Formation of Conscience...
<https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/736432/>



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We are all facing a profound choice. Will we choose daily the New Wine of the Spirit of Jesus... or the Poison Wine offered to us by this corrupt world? The time is here. Gods call to holiness is within every heart. He will transform His People.
Come Lord Jesus! Every Breath We Take.