



# RESURRECTIONS and JUDGMENTS

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## Chapter 16

### THE RESURRECTIONS

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The Scriptures speak of three kinds of resurrection.

#### I. National.

This refers to Israel. In Hosea 6:1-2 we read,

"Come and let us return unto the Lord for He has torn, and He will heal us; He has smitten, and He will bind us up.

#### After Two Days

will He revive us; in the third day He will raise us up, and we shall live in His sight."

There are several things in this passage worth noting. First, we see from the context that the words of the prophet are addressed exclusively to the Jewish people and to the whole "Twelve Tribes" represented by Ephraim and Judah. Hosea 6:4. And it is the "Whole House of Israel" that says, "Come and let us return unto the lord." It is the cry of repentance of a "nation" that has been torn and smitten by the Lord, and not the cry of people "dead in their graves." The "healing" does not refer to a resurrection from "the dead," and the "binding" means that the whole Twelve Tribes, now scattered, will be, "rebound into one nation" again in their own land.

The expression "Will 'revive' us," does not mean a resurrection from physical death, for the word "revive" simply means what we mean when we speak of a "Revival of Religion," which is a "spiritual" and not a physical resurrection.

The remarkable statement in the passage is the "time" of the Revival. It says, "**after TWO Days.**" It is clear that those "two days" are not literal days of 24 hours, for more than 2 such days have gone by and Israel has not yet been revived. They were spoken by the

prophet about B.C. 780, or 2700 years ago, and therefore must be interpreted on the scale that **one day** is with the Lord as a **Thousand Years**. 2Pet. 3:8. Israel is now well along in the third Thousand Years of her rejection; and it is to be some time in this third Thousand Years, corresponding to the "Third Day" of Hosea, that Israel is to be revived and restored to her own land. For a full account of this "National Resurrection of Israel" see the Chapter on "The Jews."

## II. Spiritual.

Writing to the Ephesians, Paul said, "And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins . . . and hath raised us up together and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus." Eph. 2:1-6.

"Awake you that sleep, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light." Eph. 5:14.

Writing to the Romans Paul says,

"Reckon you also yourselves be dead indeed to sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord." Rom. 6:11.

The Resurrection referred to in these passages is "Spiritual" and is a "present" Resurrection and is going on continually. Every time a soul is "born again" there is a passing from "death" unto "life," a "Spiritual resurrection." John 5:24.

## III. Material.

This is of the dead body. The spirit of man does not die. it goes back to God who gave it. See the Chapter on "The Spirit World." All that goes into the grave is the body, and all that can come out of the grave is the body.

Jesus clearly and distinctly taught a resurrection "from the grave."

Marvel not at this; for the hour is coming in the which all that are **in the graves** shall hear His voice and shall **come forth**; they that have done good unto the '**Resurrection of LIFE**,' and they that have done evil unto the '**Resurrection of DAMNATION**.'" John 5:28-29.

Here Jesus teaches the resurrection of both the "Righteous" and the "Wicked." The Apostle Paul taught the same thing.

"And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be **a resurrection of the Dead**, both of the **just** (justified), and of the **Unjust** (unjustified)." Acts 24:15.

"For as in Adam **all die** (physically), even so in Christ shall **all be made alive** (physically)." 1Cor. 15:22.

That the Apostle means "physical" death, and "physical" resurrection here, is clear, for it is the body, and not the spirit that he is referring to and so the Universalist has no "proof text" here for the doctrine of "Universal Salvation."

These passages clearly teach that there is to be a resurrection of "all the dead," and if we did not look any further, we would be led to believe that the Righteous and the Wicked are not only to rise, but that they are to rise at the "same time." But when we turn to the Book of Revelation, we find that the Righteous are to rise "before" the Wicked, and not simply precede them, but that there is a space of a 1000 years between the two Resurrections. Rev. 20:4-5.

"And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them."

This refers to the saints of the First Resurrection, who, represented by the "Four and Twenty Elders" of Rev. 4:4, are seen seated on thrones surrounding the Throne of God.

"And I saw the **souls** of them that were **beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the Word of God, and which had not worshipped The Beast, neither His Image, neither had received His Mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they LIVED and Reigned with Christ a THOUSAND YEARS.**"

These are the "Tribulation Saints." John first saw them in their "martyred" condition (as souls), then he saw them **rise from the dead** (they **lived again**), and they, with the First Resurrection Saints, reigned with Christ a Thousand Years.

"But the **rest of the dead** (the wicked), lived not again until the 'Thousand Years' **were finished.**"

The rest of the verse, "This is the 'First Resurrection,' " refers not to the "rest of the dead, " but to those in verse 4, who lived and reigned with Christ for 1000 years, for

"Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the **First Resurrection**, on such the Second Death (the doom of the Wicked, Rev. 20:14-15), hath no power, but they shall be **Priests of God and of Christ and shall Reign With Him a THOUSAND YEARS.**" Rev. 20:6. Here we are told of the beginning of the Millennial Reign of Christ and of His Kingdom.

That the Dead are to rise in different bands or cohorts, with an "interval of time" between, is beautifully brought out in 1Cor. 15:22-24.

"For as in Adam all die (physically), even so in Christ shall all be made alive (physically). But every man in his **own order.**"

The word translated "**order**" is a military expression, and means a band, cohort, brigade, or division of an army. Paul then gives the order.

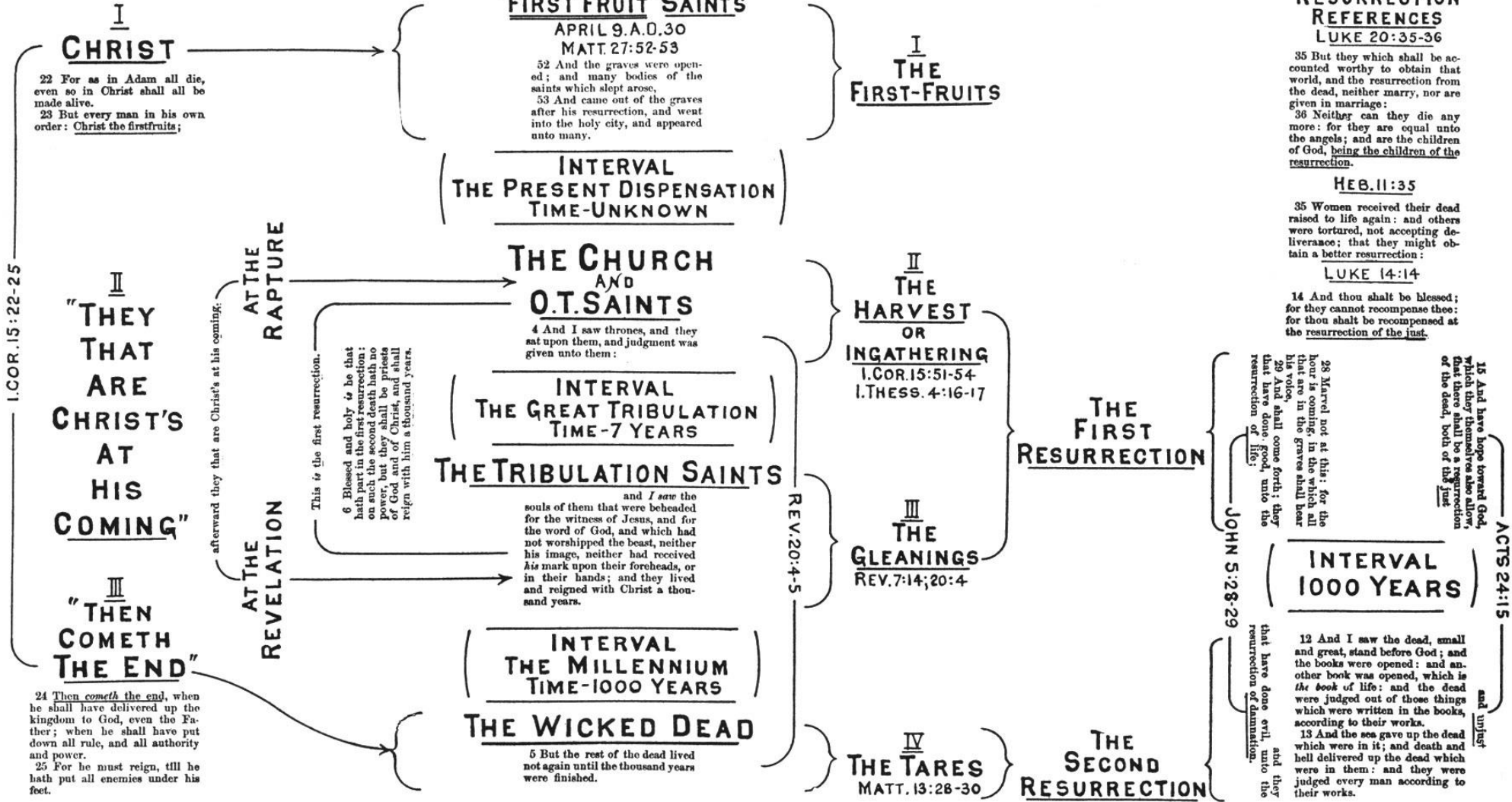
1. "Christ the **First Fruits.**"
2. "Afterward they that **Are Christ's at His Coming.**"
3. "Then cometh **The End.**"

Now we know that between "Christ the First Fruits," and they that "are Christ's at His Coming," there has already been nearly 2000 years, and as we have seen there will be 1000 years between the resurrection of those that "are Christ's at His Coming" and the "Wicked dead," we see that there is not to be a simultaneous resurrection of the Righteous and the Wicked. Reference chart on the Resurrections below.

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# THE RESURRECTIONS

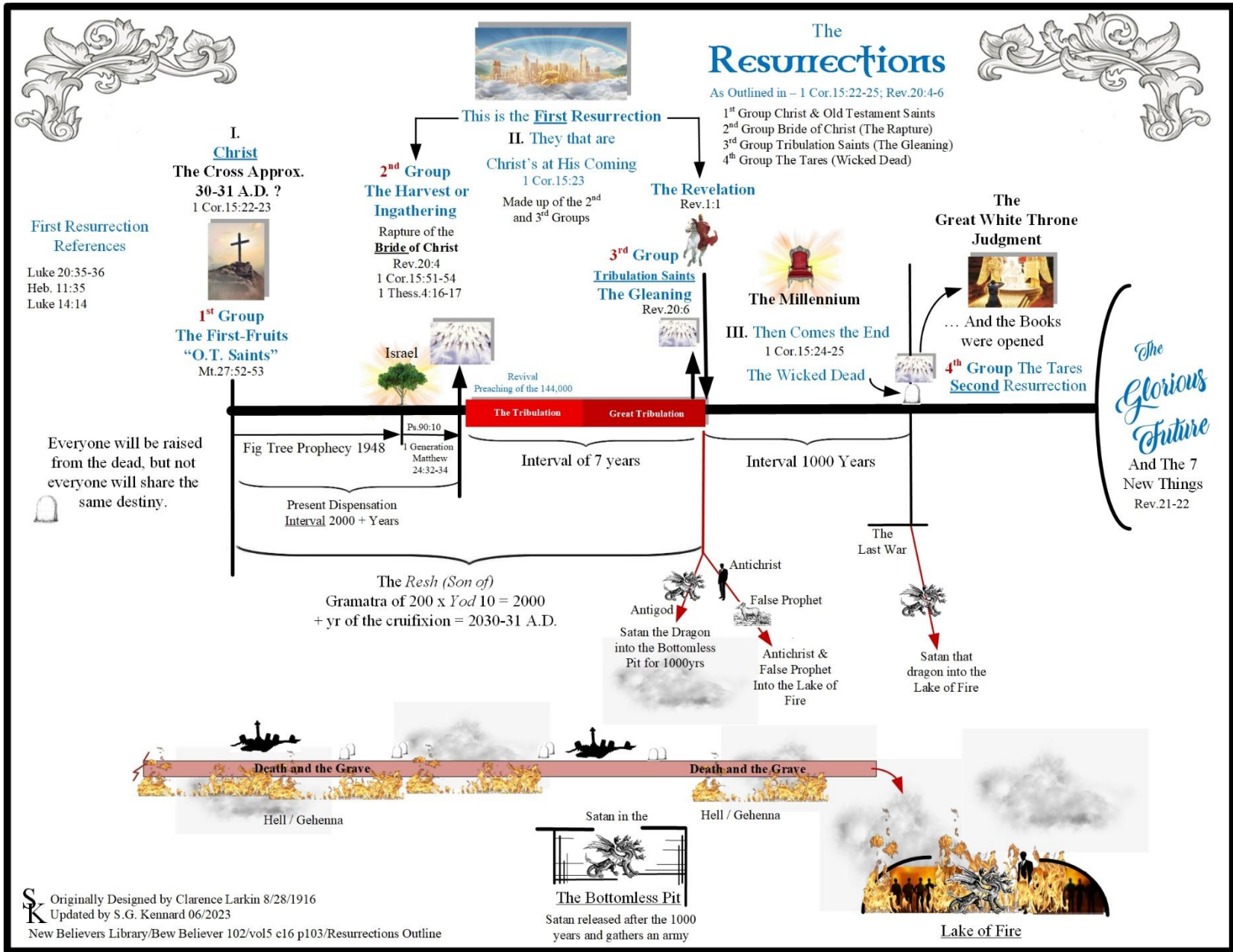
AS OUTLINED IN - I.COR.15:22-25. REV.20:4-6



I.COR.15:22-25

**II "THEY THAT ARE CHRIST'S AT HIS COMING"**  
 afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.

**III "THEN COMETH THE END"**  
 24 Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule, and all authority and power.  
 25 For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.





But someone may say what authority have we for thus dividing up Scripture and locating "intervals of time? " We have the authority of Christ Himself. In Luke 4:16-18 we read that He went into the Synagogue on the Sabbath Day, and they handed Him the Book of Isaiah from which to read, and that He turned to Isa. 61:1-2, and read,

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent me to heal the broken hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord,"

and there He (Jesus) stopped at a "comma, " as we see by referring to Isa. 61:2, and left unsaid the words, "and the 'Day of Vengeance' of our God."

Isa. 61:2, To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn,

Why did Christ stop at that comma? Because the time had not come to declare the "Day of Vengeance." That "comma" has been nearly 19 centuries long and will continue until the "Lord Jesus shall be revealed from Heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking 'vengeance' on them that know not God, and that obey not the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ." 2Thes. 1:7-8.

But it has been objected that the passage in Rev. 20:4-5, is the "only" place in the Bible where a "length of time" is given between the resurrection of the Righteous and the Wicked, and that it is not fair to base such an important fact upon a single statement found in such a symbolic Book. While the Book of Revelation contains many symbols they are explained in the Book, and we must not forget that it is not a mysterious book, for it is the **Revelation of Jesus Christ**, and is the only book in the Bible that promises a blessing to the reader. Rev. 1:1- 3. **The Book is to be taken literally.**

Suppose that Rev. 20:4-6 is the "only" place in the Bible where a "length of time" is given between the resurrection of the Righteous and the Wicked, that is no reason for questioning its truthfulness. The most marvelous fact in the life of our Lord, "The Virgin Birth, " until it was fulfilled at His birth, rested for centuries on a "single" prophecy in the Old Testament. "Behold a 'virgin' shall conceive and bear a son." Isa. 7:14.

But we do not have to depend on Rev. 20:4-6 to prove that there is to be an "out" Resurrection "from among the dead." There are a number of passages referring to the resurrection of the dead that are unexplainable only on the supposition that there is a "time space" between the resurrection of the Righteous and the Wicked.

In the reply that Jesus made to the Sadducees, in answer to their question as to whose wife the woman would be in the next world, who had had seven husbands in this, He said,

"They which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world (Age), and the resurrection from the **dead**, neither marry, nor are given in marriage; neither can they **die any more** (Second Death); for they are equal unto the angels; and are the 'Children of God' being the children of **THE** (out) **Resurrection.**" Luke 20:35-36.

This is a very important statement. The use of the Greek word "Aion, "translated "world, "but which means "Age," shows that Jesus is speaking of a "class of dead" who are to be raised "before" the next or "Millennial Age," and that those thus raised can "die no more, "there is no "**Second Death**" for them. Why? Because they are "**equal unto the angels**" and are the "**Children of God**" having been "**born again**," and are the "**Children of THE Resurrection**, the "**Out FROM AMONG The Dead** or **FIRST RESURRECTION** "for only the "Children" of the "First Resurrection" shall live again "before" the Millennium."

In Luke 14:14 Jesus speaks of a "special" resurrection, that He calls the **Resurrection of the "JUST."** This is an "Out Resurrection" from "among the dead, " and is only for the "Justified, " and must refer to the "First" Resurrection.

The writer to the Hebrews (Heb. 11:35) speaks of a "better" Resurrection, and it is a significant fact that the Apostles preached through Jesus the Resurrection "from the dead." Not the Resurrection "of" the dead, that they always believed, but the Resurrection "from among" the dead, that was a "New Doctrine."

There is no question but what Paul believed in the resurrection "of" the dead, and that he expected to rise "some time, " but in his letter to the Philippians (3:11) he expresses the hope that he might "attain unto 'the' resurrection of the dead." Paul must therefore have had in mind some "special" Resurrection. What Paul meant is clear when we turn to 1Thes. 4:15-17, where he speaks of the resurrection of the "dead in Christ" and "translation of the living saints," at the Second Coming of the Lord, and as Christ is to come back to usher in the

Millennium, then that event must "precede" the Millennium and be an "Out Resurrection from among the dead, " for the "rest of the dead" live not again until the 1000 years "are finished."

But the resurrection of the Righteous and Wicked is not only to be different as to "time" but as to "character." They that have done "good" (the Righteous) shall rise unto the "resurrection of Life," while they that have done "evil" (the Wicked) shall rise unto the "resurrection of Damnation." John 5:28-29. And we read in Rev. 20:12-14, that those who are raised at the Second Resurrection or the "Resurrection of Damnation" must appear at the judgment of the "**Great White Throne**," and that their names shall "not" be found written in the "**Book of Life**," and they shall be cast into the "**Lake of Fire**" which is the "Second Death."

### **The "Manner" of the Resurrection.**

Some claim that the departure of the soul and spirit from the body is what is meant by the resurrection. But that cannot be so, for as we have seen, the dead are to arise from their "graves, " and only that can come out of the grave that went into it, and that is the "body."

Then there is the "Germ Theory, " that in every human body there is a "living germ" that is ... indestructible, " and though the body turns to dust that "living germ" will exist in the grave until at the Resurrection a new body shall spring from it. This theory explains how the body may be eaten by animals, destroyed by quick lime, blown to atoms, or mutilated by the loss of limbs, etc., and still the "life germ" exists from which shall come the resurrection body.

The advocates of this theory claim that Paul teaches it in 1Cor. 15:35-37, where he compares the resurrection of the body with the plant that comes up from the seed. We know that the seed is different from the plant that bore it, just as the acorn is different from the oak tree, but the plant that springs from the seed will be like the plant that bore it, so the body that comes from the indestructible "life germ" should be alike in kind to the body that produced the "germ."

But while the resurrected body shall be alike in kind, it will be different in character and possess different qualities. This Paul declares when he says that "All 'flesh' is not the same flesh; but there is one kind of flesh of 'men,' another flesh of 'beast,' another of 'fishes,' and another of 'birds.' That is, the flesh of God's creatures is adapted to their "environment." "Fish flesh" cannot fly in the air, nor "Bird flesh" swim in the sea. So, there are bodies "terrestrial" and bodies "celestial." The human body as it is now constituted could not exist in Heaven. There must be a change, and this change is brought about by resurrection. This change Paul portrays. He says,

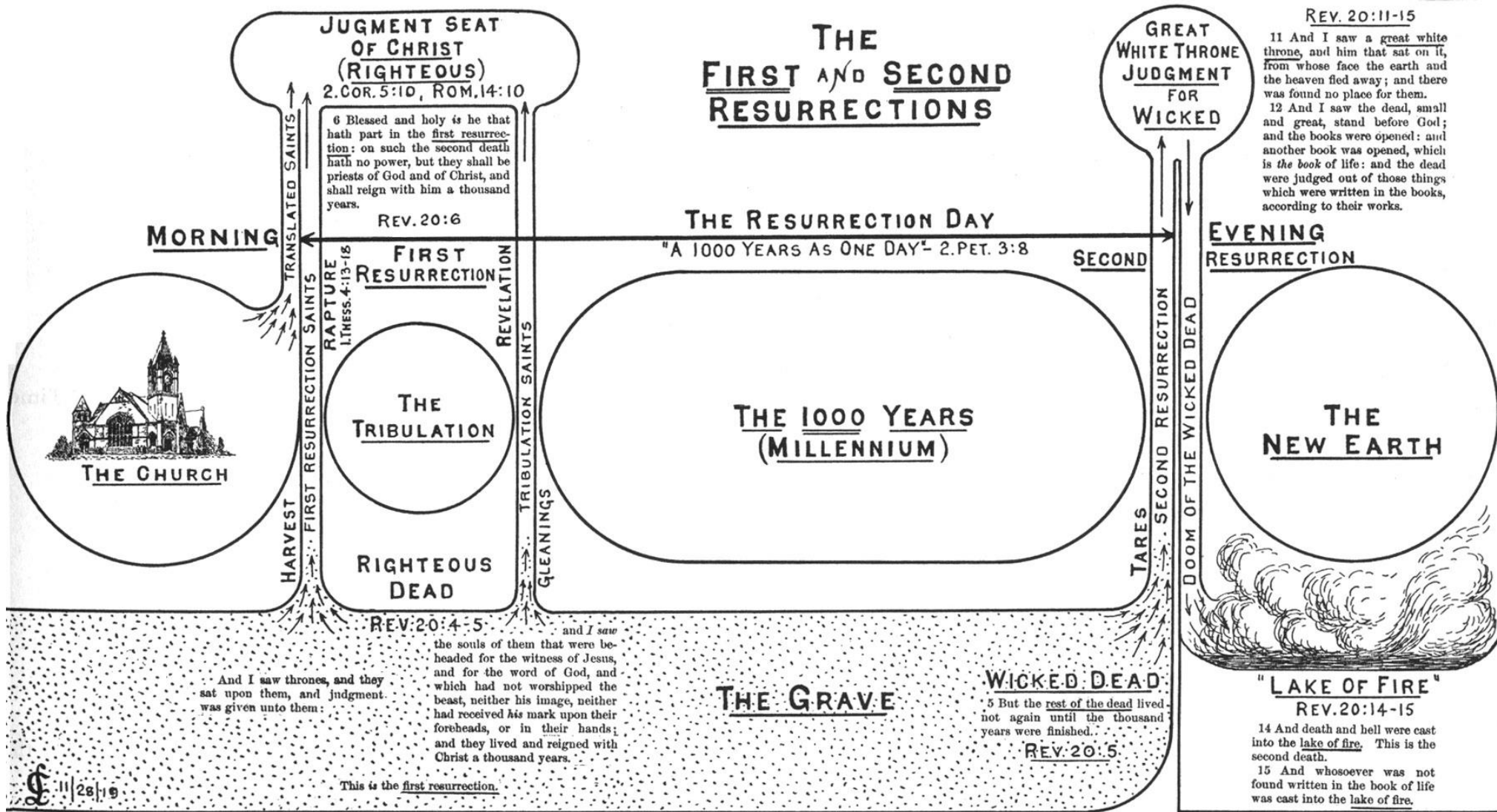
"So also, is the **Resurrection of the Dead**. It is sown **in corruption**; it is raised in **incorruption**; it is sown in **dishonor**; it is raised in **Glory**; it is sown in **weakness**; it is raised in **Power**; it is sown a **Natural body**; it is raised a **Spiritual** body."

This does not mean that it will have no "substance." We cannot conceive of a "body" that is to have the faculties of the "Spirit Body" not having "form" and "substance."

Christ's resurrection body is a "sample" of what ours is to be. While it is true that His body did not see "corruption" and He rose in the "same body" that was laid in the grave; while it was the same in "identity, " it was different in "character."

While the "nail prints" and "spear wound" were visible it could pass through closed doors, and appear and disappear at will. It had "**flesh**" and "**bones**," (Luke 24:39-43), but not "**blood**," for "flesh and blood" cannot enter the Kingdom of God, (1Cor. 15:50). for "blood" is that which causes "corruption." To preserve a body, it must be drained of blood, or the blood chemically preserved by an embalming fluid. As the sacrifice was to be bled, so Jesus left His blood on the earth.

As our resurrection bodies will have visible "form" and "shape" and it stands to reason that they will have a framework of "flesh" and "bones, " but it will be "flesh" and "bones" adapted to its new environment. We must not forget that Enoch and Elijah went up in their "bodies." Presumably their bodies were "glorified" in the transit, but they were not "disembodied, " and if they have use for a "body" in Heaven, why not we? Is it reasonable to suppose that only those two saints shall be in Heaven in their bodies? Why did Michael the Archangel contend with the Devil over the "body" of Moses, if Moses had no further need of it? Did not he and Elijah have use for their bodies when they appeared on the Mt. of Transfiguration with Jesus? And if they were "the" two men that stood by in "white apparel" when Jesus ascended (Acts 1:9-11) and are to be the "Two Witnesses" of Rev. 11:3-6, we see, that as they are the "type" of the Resurrected and Translated Saints, that the Saints at the Rapture will have "bodies" like Moses and Elijah now have.



The First and Second Resurrection



## Chapter 17

### THE JUDGMENTS

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The common opinion that the Millennium is to be ushered in by the preaching of the Gospel, and that after the Millennium there is to be a "General Resurrection" followed by a "General judgment," and then the earth is to be destroyed by fire is not scriptural. There can be no "General" judgment because the Scriptures speak of one judgment as being in the "**Air**" (1Thes. 4:16-17; 2Cor. 5:6-10); another on the "**Earth**" (Matt. 25:31-33); and a third in "**Heaven**," the earth and its atmosphere having fled away. Rev. 20:11-13. And to-make sure that these three separate judgments should not be combined into one General judgment scene, three different Thrones are mentioned.

1. The "**Judgment Seat of Christ.**" 2 Cor. 5:10. "**In the Air.**" For "**Believers**" only.
2. The "**Throne of Glory.**" Matt. 25:31-32. "**On the Earth.**" For "**The Nations.**"
3. The "**Great White Throne.**" Rev. 20:11, 12. "**In Heaven.**" For the "**Wicked Dead.**"

The Scriptures speak of

### Five Separate Judgments.



They differ in **five** general aspects. As to "**Subjects,**" "**Time,**" "**Place,**" "**Basis of judgment**" and "**Result.**"

## Judgment No. 1.

1. Subjects-Believers as to "SIN."

2. Time-A.D. 30.

3. Place-Calvary.

4. Basis of judgment. Christ's "FINISHED WORK."

5. Result:

1. **Death** as to Christ.

2. **Justification** as to the Believer.



This judgment is **PAST**. The Bible proofs of the results of this judgment are Romans 10:4.

**"For Christ is the END OF THE LAW for righteousness to everyone that Believes."**

"Christ **Hath Redeemed us from the CURSE OF THE LAW**, being made a curse for us; for it is written, cursed is every one that hangs on a tree." Gal. 3:13.

"Who **His own self** bares **our sins** in His **own body** on the tree, that we, **BEING DEAD TO SINS**, should live unto righteousness." 1Pet. 2:24.

"There is therefore **NOW no condemnation** (judgment) **to them which are IN CHRIST JESUS**, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the **Law of the 'SPIRIT OF LIFE' in Christ Jesus hath made me FREE From the Law of 'Sin and Death.'**" Rom. 8:1-2 (Law of Sin and Death Ezk.18:4,20 Ref. 18:21-32)

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on Him that sent me,

**HATH EVERLASTING LIFE  
and shall not come into condemnation (judgment) but  
IS PASSED  
From Death unto Life."  
John 5:24.**

The "Believer's" judgment for **Sin** then is **PAST** and was settled at the **Cross**. But we must not forget that the judgment of the Believer is **threefold**.

- 1. As a "Sinner."**
- 2. As a "Son."**
- 3. As a "Servant."**

As we have already seen his judgment as a "Sinner" is **Past**. Let us look at his judgment.

2. As a **"Son."**

As soon as the sinner accepts Christ as his personal Savior that settles the "**Sin**" question for him. For if our iniquities are laid on **Him** (Jesus), then they are **not on Us**. Isa. 53:5-6. But the "**Sin**" question, and the "**Sins**" question are two different things. Christ died on the Cross to atone for "**sin**," to pay the penalty of Adam's disobedience in the Garden of Eden. "**Sins**" is that tendency in mankind to do wrong which we call "Natural Depravity." We do not get rid of this "tendency" by the "New Birth," but we get a "counteracting force" called the "New Nature." We become a "dual personality," composed of the "Old" and "New Natures," and which shall predominate depends on which we feed and which we starve. This explains the "warfare" that Paul describes as his experience, after his conversion, in Rom. 7:1-25. This warfare will continue until the "Old" nature is eradicated at death.

"Sins" are the outward acts of wrong doing that we commit as the result of our tendency to sin. These sins must be put away daily by "confession."



"My little children, these things write I unto you, that you sin not. And if any man sin, we have an 'Advocate' with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." 1John 2:1.

"If we **confess our sins**, He is faithful and just to **forgive us our sins**, and to **cleanse** us from all unrighteousness." 1John 1:9.

Our judgment as "Sons" is for "unconfessed sins." The punishment is **chastisement**. This explains much of the chastisement of Christians and should show them that they are "Sons" and not "Bastards." Heb. 12:5-11. Paul says,

"If we would 'judge ourselves' we should not be judged. But when we are judged **we are chastened of the Lord**, that we should not be **condemned** (judged) with the world." 1Cor. 11:31-32.

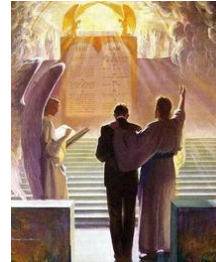
Our duty then as "**Sons**" is to "**self-judge**" ourselves daily, "confess our sins, " and so avert the chastisement of our Heavenly Father.

3. As a **Servant**.

This leads us to,

## Judgment No. 2.

1. **Subjects-Believers as to "WORKS."**
2. **Time-After the Church is caught out**
3. **Place-"Judgment Seat of Christ" (in the Air).**
4. **Basis of Judgment-Their "WORKS."**
5. **Result-Reward or Loss. This judgment is FUTURE.**



"We must all appear before the 'Judgment Seat of Christ, ' that everyone may receive the things 'done in the body' according to that he hath done, whether it be 'good' or 'bad' (worthless)." 2Cor. 5:10.

The pronoun "We" occurs 26 times in the chapter, and in every instance, it means the Believer, and the Epistle is addressed to the "Church" and "Saints" at Corinth, so the judgment here spoken of is for Believers "only." The "Time" of this judgment is when the Lord comes (1Cor. 4:5), and the "Place" is "in the air" (1Thes. 4:17) and before the judgment Seat of Christ.

It will not be a judgment in the sense of a "trial" to see whether the judges are innocent (saved) or guilty (lost), for it is a judgment of the "saved only." It will be like the judges' stand at a Fair, or Race Track, where rewards are distributed to the successful contestants. Paul describes such a scene in 1Cor. 9:24-27.

It is not a judgment for sin, but for "works." This judgment is described in 1Cor. 3:11-15.

"Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any man builds upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones (valuable building stones, as marble, etc.), wood, hay, stubble; every man's 'Work' shall be made manifest; for the 'Day' (judgment Day) shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by 'fire, ' and the fire shall try every man's work, of what sort it is. If any man's work 'abides' which he hath built there upon he shall receive a 'reward.' If any man's work shall be 'burned' he shall suffer 'loss; ' but 'he himself shall be saved; ' yet so as by fire."

The result of this judgment is "reward" or "loss." All our "bad" and "dead works," represented by the wood, hay and stubble, will be consumed, and only our "good works" shall remain. There is much which passes for Christian service, which is merely human and secular, and does not count in our eternal reward. For those who deserve a "reward" it will be

## They Crowning Day.

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### 1. The Crown of "LIFE."

This is the "Martyr's" crown and is mentioned twice.

"Blessed is the man that endures temptation (testing), for when he is 'tried' (at the judgment Seat of Christ), he shall receive the 'Crown of Life' which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him."  
James 1:12.

"Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer; behold, the Devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried (tested) and ye shall have tribulation ten days; be thou faithful 'unto death,' and I will give thee a 'Crown of Life.'" Rev. 2:10

Notice it does not say "until" death, but "unto" death. They were not to recant but to remain faithful unto a martyr's death. To recant was to lose the crown. This refers to the martyrs of the Tribulation Period.

## 2. The Crown of "GLORY!"



This is the "Elder's" or "Pastor's" crown, given by the Chief Shepherd when He shall appear. But it is not for those who serve for "the love of money" or "lord it over God's heritage." 1Pet. 5:2-4.

<sup>2</sup> shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion but voluntarily, according to *the will of God*; and not with greed but with eagerness; <sup>3</sup> nor yet as domineering over those assigned to your care, but by proving to be examples to the flock. <sup>4</sup> And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

## 3. The Crown of "REJOICING!"



This is the "Soul Winner's" crown. "Those brought to Jesus by us will be our "crown of rejoicing" at His Coming. 1Thes. 2:19-20. Phil. 4:1.

<sup>19</sup> For who *is* our hope, or joy or crown of pride, in the presence of our Lord Jesus at His coming? Or *is it* not indeed you? <sup>20</sup> For you are our glory and joy.

## 4. The Crown of "RIGHTEOUSNESS!"



This is the crown of those who "love His appearing" and will be given in "that day," the Day of His Appearing. 2Tim. 4:8.

<sup>8</sup> in the future there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing.

## 5. The Crown "INCORRUPTIBLE."



This is the "Victor's" crown and is for those who practice "self-control" over the own bodies, 1Cor. 9:25-27. Who do not yield to their fleshly lusts. Who do not permit themselves to be diverted from the Master's work by worldly amusements and pleasure, nor saturate their body with drugs.

<sup>25</sup> Everyone who competes in the game's exercises self-control in all things. So, they *do it* to obtain a perishable wreath, but we imperishable. <sup>26</sup> Therefore I run in such a way as not *to run* aimlessly; I box in such a way, as to avoid hitting air; <sup>27</sup> but I strictly discipline my body and make it my slave, so that, after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified.

If we do not want to be "ashamed at His Coming, " 1John 2:28, let us see to it that we keep our body "under" and so live that we shall secure a crown.

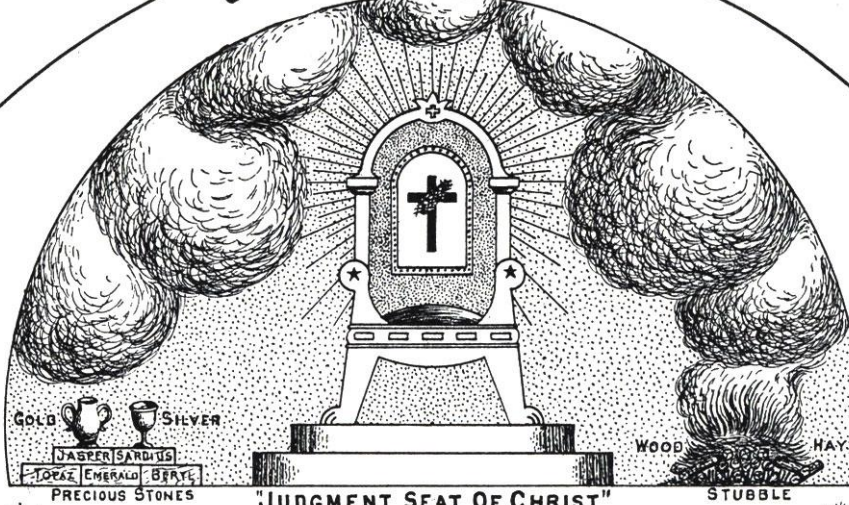
<sup>28</sup> Now, little children remain in Him, so that when He appears, we may have confidence and not draw back from Him in shame at His coming.

HEAVEN

JUDGMENT OF BELIEVERS FOR "WORKS"

THE JUDGMENT OF "REWARD"

CHRIST MEETING THE CHURCH  
1.THESS. 4:16-17



THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB  
REV. 19:7-9

THE RAPTURE  
1.THESS. 4:13-18

**INGORRUPIBLE CROWN**  
25 And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.  
**THE VICTOR'S CROWN**  
1.COR. 9:25-27

**CROWN OF LIFE**  
10 Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: he thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.  
**MARTYR'S CROWN**  
REV. 2:10

**CROWN OF GLORY**  
2 Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;  
3 Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock.  
4 And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.  
**ELDER'S CROWN**  
1.PET. 5:2-4

**CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS**  
8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.  
**FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIS APPEARING**  
2.TIM. 4:8

**CROWN OF REJOICING**  
19 For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming?  
20 For ye are our glory and joy.  
**SOUL WINNER'S CROWN**  
1.THESS. 2:19-20

2.COR. 5:10. 1.COR. 3:11-15

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THE REVELATION  
2.THESS. 1:7-10

## Judgment No. 3.

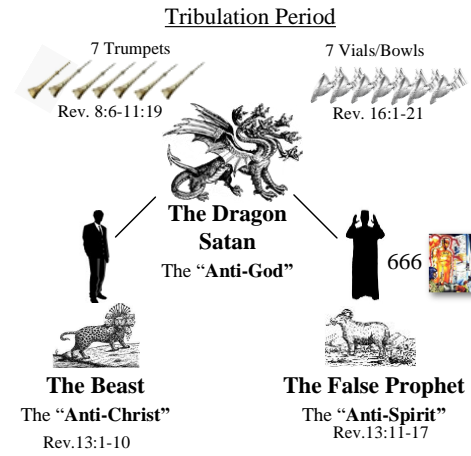
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1. Subjects-The JEWS.
2. Time-"The Great Tribulation."
3. Place-Jerusalem and Vicinity.
4. Basis of Judgment-Rejection of the Godhead.
5. Result-Their Conversion and Reception of Christ as Their Messiah.

This judgment is **FUTURE**.

While the Church is being judged at the judgment Seat of Christ in the air, the Jews will be judged under Antichrist on the earth. The Jews are an "earthly" people; and as all the promises to them are "earthly," it follows that their judgment must be of an "earthly" character. The basis of their judgment is their "rejection of the Godhead." In the days of Samuel, they rejected God the Father. 1Sam. 8:7. In the days of Christ they rejected God the Son. Luke 23:18. In the days of Stephen they rejected God the Holy Spirit. Acts 7:51, 54-60. For their sin they have been scattered among the nations until the Times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. When the Times of the Gentiles are about to end the Jews will be gathered back to the Holy Land "unconverted," and caused to "pass under the rod." Ez. 20:34-38. They will be cast into God's "Melting Pot" (Ez. 22:19-22) and pass through an experience spoken of by Jeremiah and Daniel as the "**TIME OF JACOB'S TROUBLE**." Jer. 30:4- 7. Dan. 12:1.

Christ calls it "The Great Tribulation," and He and Zechariah the Prophet associate it with the "Return of the Lord." Matt. 24:21-31. Zech. 14:1-11. The human agent the Lord will use will be Antichrist, the awfulness of whose rule will be supplemented by the pouring out of the "Vials of God's wrath" upon the earth. Rev. 15:1, 5-7; 16:21. See the chapter on "The Tribulation." The result of these terrible judgments will be that the Jews will call in their misery upon the Lord. Zech. 12:10. Then Christ will come back to the Mt. of Olives (Zech. 14:3) and the Jews will look upon Him whom they "pierced" (Zech. 12:10), and a nation, the Jewish Nation, shall be "born (converted) in a day." Isa. 66:8. This will complete the judgment of the Jews. See the chapter on the Jews.



## Judgment No. 4.

1. Subjects-The Nations (Gentiles).
2. Time-The "Revelation of Christ."
3. Place-The "Throne of His Glory." On the Earth-"Valley of Jehoshaphat."
4. Basis of judgment-Their Treatment of Christ's Brethren-The Jews.
5. Result-Some Nations "SAVED, " Others "DESTROYED."

This judgment is FUTURE.

The account of this judgment is given in Matt. 25:31-46. The description of this judgment, and of the one given in Rev. 20:11-15 are combined by many and taken to teach the doctrine of a general judgment. But when we compare them, they differ so widely that it is evident that they do not describe the same event. What God has put asunder let no man join together. The following comparison will show the difference in the two accounts:

Matt. 25:31-46 – Judgment of Nations

1. No Resurrection.
2. Living Nations judged.
3. On the Earth. Joel 3:2.
4. No Books Mentioned.
5. Three Classes Named. "Sheep, ""Goats, " "Brethren."
6. Time-Before the Millennium

This comparison reveals the fact that one of these judgments is "on the earth, " the other in "heaven, " and that they are separated by 1000 years.

As this is a judgment of nations only, the Jews cannot be in it, for they are not reckoned among the nations. Num. 23:9. And as the Church will be associated with Christ in this judgment, for the "Saints" (the Church) shall judge the "World" (the Nations), (1Cor. 6:2), the Church cannot be in this judgment either. As we have seen the Church and the Jews have been already judged, so the "Judgment of the Nations" cannot be a general judgment. Who then is asked, are meant by the Sheep? Do they not represent the



Isaiah 9:6



Rev. 20:11-15 – Great White Throne

1. A Resurrection.
2. Dead judged.
3. Heaven and Earth Gone.
4. Books Opened.
5. One Class Named. "The Dead"
6. Time-After the Millennium



Righteous, and all the Righteous from the beginning of the world to the end of Time? And do not the Goats in like manner represent all the Wicked? If the Sheep are the Righteous, and the Goats the Wicked, then who are the Brethren? If they are the "followers of Christ, " as some claim, they should be classed with the Sheep. The Scriptures teach that the Righteous are saved by "faith," and the Wicked are lost because they "reject Christ," but in this judgment scene the Sheep inherit a "Kingdom" and the Goats are commanded to "depart," because of their **treatment of the Brethren**.

All the confusion is caused by trying to make a judgment of "nations" mean a judgment of "individuals." The Sheep represent one class of Nations, and the Goats another class, while the Brethren represent the Jews (Christ's brethren). We must bear in mind the time and place of this judgment. The time is at the "Revelation of Christ," when He comes to set up His "Millennial Kingdom" on the earth. The place is the "Valley of Jehoshaphat" in the vicinity of Jerusalem.

"For, behold, **in those days**, and in **that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem**, I will also gather **ALL NATIONS**, and will bring them down into the '**Valley of Jehoshaphat**, ' and will plead with them there for **MY PEOPLE** and for my heritage **ISRAEL**, whom they have scattered among **the Nations**, and parted my land." Joel 3:1-2.

This prophecy clearly states that there is to be a "Judgment of Nations" on the earth in the "Valley of Jehoshaphat" at the **time** of the **restoration of the Jews to their own' land**, and that the **basis** of judgment is the treatment by the **nations** of Christ's **brethren-The Jews**.

During the "Tribulation Period" the Nations that treat the Jewish People kindly, feeding and clothing them, and visiting them in prison, will be the "Sheep Nations," while those who neglect to do so will be the "Goat Nations."

At the "Judgment of Nations" the King (Christ) will say to the "Sheep Nations, " because you have been kind to My brethren (the Jews), "Come, you blessed of my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." This Kingdom is the "Millennial Kingdom" that the "Sheep Nations" **as Nations** will "inherit" and possess during the Millennium. And as they are to be among the "saved nations" of the New Earth (Rev. 21:24) it can be said of them that they, or at least the righteous individuals of them, shall enter into life eternal. Matt. 25:46.

Christ's sentence upon the "Goat Nations" will be-"Depart from Me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire ' prepared for the Devil and his angels," and "these shall go away into everlasting punishment." The "Goat Nations" will at once be destroyed as Nations, not one of them shall get into the Millennium, and the wicked individuals that compose them will perish and be eternally lost.

### Judgment No. 5.

### The Great White Throne Judgment Judgment of the Unrighteous According to the Law

1. Subjects-The Wicked Dead.
2. Time-During the Renovation of the Earth by Fire.
3. Place-Before "The Great White Throne."
4. Basis of judgment-Their "Works."
5. Result-Cast Into the "Lake of Fire."

**This judgment is FUTURE.**

The account of it is given in Rev. 20:11-15. It will take place at the close of the Millennium, 1000 years after the judgment of the Nations."

The "Great White Throne" will not be on the earth, for the "Great White Throne judgment" will take place during the renovation of the earth by fire, for the "renovation" of this Earth is reserved or kept until the time of that judgment, which Peter calls "**The Day of judgment and Perdition of Ungodly Men**" (2Pet. 3:7), because the judgment of the "**Great White Throne**" is the judgment of the **wicked dead**.





All the Righteous dead will arise at the First Resurrection. If any Righteous die between the First Resurrection and the Resurrection of the "wicked" or Second Resurrection, they will rise with the wicked dead at that Resurrection. The words, "Whosoever was not found written in the Book of Life (vs.15), implies that there will be "some," probably very few, Righteous at the Second Resurrection.

Judgment of Works  
Judgment in Degrees  
Isaiah 64:6 Romans 2:5



The Lake of Fire



			
Book of Men's Work Rev.20:12-13	The Law Gal.3:20	Book of Life Rev.20:15	Lambs Book of Life Rev.21:27

"... and the books were opened."  
Rev. 20:12

At the close of the Millennium and just before the renovation of the earth by fire, the living Righteous will probably be translated, and the living Wicked or Ungodly will be destroyed in the flames that will consume the earth's atmosphere and exterior surface.

The Wicked or Ungodly will not be judged to see whether they are entitled to Eternal Life, but to determine the "degree" of their punishment. The sad feature of this judgment will be that there will be many kind and lovable people there who were not saved, and who will be classed among the "ungodly" because they rejected Christ as their Savior. The "Books" will be opened in which the "Recording Angel" has kept a record of every person's life, and they will be judged every man according to his/her "works." Some will be sentenced to a more severe punishment than others, but none will escape. The worst of all is that those who were not so bad must spend eternity with the ungodly, and that in the "**Lake of Fire.**" Their punishment includes the **second death**, which means that they shall lose their resurrection bodies, in which they were judged, and become "disembodied spirits" again, and so exist in the "Lake of Fire" **FOREVER.**

The "Fallen Angels," who are "reserved in everlasting chains under darkness" will be judged at this time, which Jude calls the judgment of the "Great Day." Jude 6. When this judgment is over the Devil and his angels, and all the ungodly, will have been consigned to the "Lake of Fire," and the Universe purged of all evil, and righteousness shall reign supreme on the New Earth.

### **The 7000 Years of Mankind**



Comment: A long time ago, one of the reasons why God created mankind was for fellowship with him. Eventually, as we all know Adam did sin and that changed everything. God gave mankind a period of 6000 years to rule the earth and himself, at the end of it there would be judgment for some would serve themselves (and therefor Satan) and some would serve God (see Mother Prophecy – Gen 3:13-19) and the two different groups would forever be at war with each other.

To God 7000 years would be as only 7 days and indeed we find that in scripture (2 Peter 3:8-9). This then explains the reason why Adam did not die as God told him he would ... or did he?

Genesis 2: 17, "but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for on the day that you eat from it you will certainly die."

Then in Gensis 5:4-5 we read,

<sup>4</sup>“Then the days of Adam after he fathered Seth were eight hundred years, and he fathered *other* sons and daughters. <sup>5</sup> So all the days that Adam lived were 930 years, and he died.”

How do you reconcile this, if not for the understanding that God is on a different calendar system than we are. Simply put, because of man’s sin and rebellion God the creator (Elohim) gave man 6000 years to rule over himself and His son would rule over the last 1000 years that we call the “Millennium” or the Millennial Kingdom of Jesus Christ. When looking back into history the scriptures tell us it was approx. 2000 yrs. from Adam (after his sin) to Abraham, 2000 years from Abraham to the crucifixion of Christ and 2000 years from the death of the Son of God to His return (known as his second coming). See chart “The Seven Thousand Years of Human History” in study “Vol.1 The Prophetic Word,” page 52.

So, you might be asking, “What happens after the 7000 years are used up? ... at that point mankind will be in Revelation 21-22 and the prophecies will be fulfilled and God will take back His creation and the first thing He does is to create a NEW Heaven and Earth. (Rev. 21:1). Thus, all traces of man will be wiped off the face of the earth and something new will be in its place. I have a suggestion if you will allow me ... In the first and Second Book of Adam and Eve, God promised Adam that after 7 days he would be allowed back into the Edenic Garden, well the 7 days turned out to be 7000 years, is there here a hint here into the plan of God? Maybe we will know what Adam and Eve knew and this time there is no Satan to tempt man.

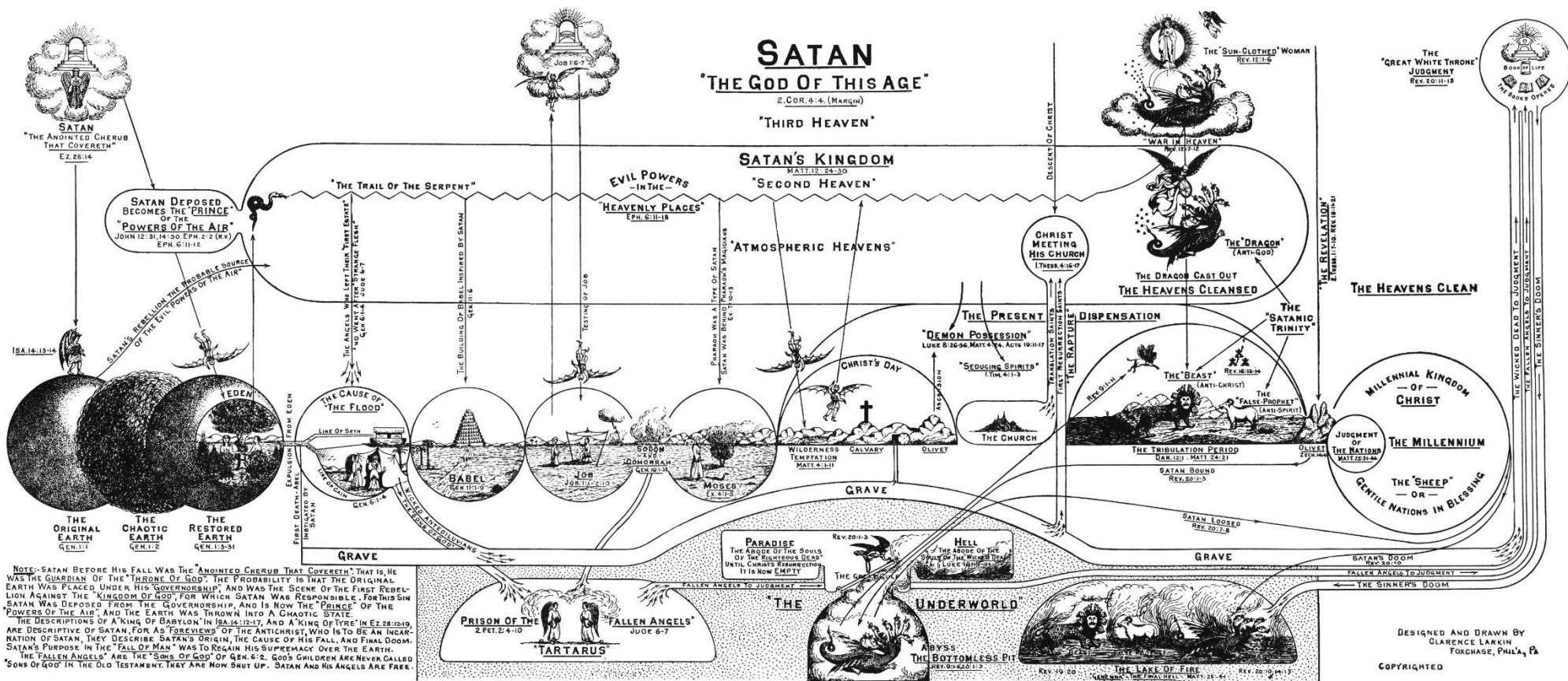
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# Chapter 18

# SATAN

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## **Satan**

There are many who deny the existence of Satan. They claim that what we call Satan is only a "principle of evil." That this "evil" is a sort of "malaria," an intangible thing, like disease germs that floats about in the atmosphere and attacks people's hearts under certain conditions. The existence of Satan cannot be determined by the opinions of men. The only source of information is the Bible. That is the reason why Satan tries to discredit the Word of God. He is not a "principle of evil" he is a Person.

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the Devil, is as a 'roaring lion, ' walking about, seeking whom he may devour." 1Pet. 5:8.

He is "walking," and he "is roaring, "and he is to be "chained." Rev. 20:1-3. These could not be said of a "principle of evil." He has many names or aliases-"Satan," "Devil, " "Beelzebub, " "Belial, " "Adversary, " "Dragon," "Serpent." He is mentioned by one or the other of these names 174 times in the Bible. He is a great "Celestial Potentate." He is

**"The Prince of the Powers of the Air."**

**Eph. 2:2.**

**"The God of this World" (Age.)**

**2Cor. 4:4.**

He is the "God" not of the earth, for that belongs to its Maker God." The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof." Satan is the God of the

**"World Systems"**

of the habitable earth. These "World Systems" embrace business, society, politics, and religion. Satan is the Ruler of the "Powers of Darkness" of the "Spirit World, " (Eph. 6:11-12), and his position is so exalted that even Michael the Archangel dare not insult him. Jude 9. So mighty is he that man cannot successfully resist him without Divine help.

## **I. Satan - His Origin.**

This is more or less shrouded in mystery. One thing is certain, he is a "created being," and that of the most exalted type. He was before his fall

### **"The Anointed Cherub That Covers."**

That is, he was the guardian or protector of the "Throne of God." He was perfect in all his ways from the day that he was created, until iniquity was found in him. In him was the "fulness of wisdom," and the "perfection of beauty, " but it was his "beauty" that caused the pride that was his downfall. He was clothed in a garment that was covered with the most rare and precious gems, the sardius, topaz, diamond, beryl, onyx, jasper, sapphire, emerald, carbuncle, all woven in with gold. He dwelt in Eden, the "Garden of God."

This probably refers not to the earthly Eden, but to the "Paradise of God" on high, for Satan dwelt on the "Holy Mount of God." All this we learn from Eze. 28:11-19, where the Prophet has a "foreview" of the Antichrist under the title of the "King of Tyrus," and as Antichrist is to be an incarnation of Satan, the Prophet here describes Satan's original glory from which he fell.

There never has been as yet such a King of Tyrus as is here described. The cause of Satan's fall is given in Isa. 14:12-20. He is there called,

### **Lucifer, Son of the Morning.**

This was his glorious title when he was created, and this world of ours was made, at which time-

"The 'Morning Stars, ' (probably other glorious created ruling beings like himself), sang together, and all the 'Sons of God, ' (angels), shouted for joy." Job 38:7.

It is well to note that the one here called "Lucifer, Son of the Morning," is in verse four, (Isa. 14:4), also called the "King of Babylon." As there never has been a King of Babylon like the one here described, the description must be that of a "future" King of Babylon.

And as "Antichrist is to have for his Capital City Babylon rebuilt, " this is probably a "foreview" by the Prophet of Antichrist, as indwelt by "Lucifer, or "Satan," in that day when he shall be "King of Babylon."

Some think that when this world was created and fit for habitation, Satan was placed in charge of it, and it was then, as Isaiah declares, that Satan said in his heart-

"I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the 'Stars of God' (other ruling powers); I will sit also upon the Mount of the Congregation, in the sides of the North. I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like

### **The MOST HIGH:"**

and that it was for this presumptuous act that the "Pre-Adamite World" became chaos, and "without form and void, " as described in Gen. 1:2.

This would justify the claim of Satan that this world belongs to him, and that he had the right and power to transfer the "kingdoms of this world" to Christ, if He would only acknowledge Satan's supremacy. (Matt. 4:9). And it accounts for the persistent war Satan is waging against the Almighty to retain his possession of the earth.

## **II. Satan - His Present Location.**

The common notion is that Satan and his angels are imprisoned in Hell. This is not true. The angels described in 2Pet. 2:4, and Jude 6, as having left their "first estate, " and being "reserved in everlasting chains under darkness, " are not Satan's angels. They are a special class of angels whose sin caused the Flood. They are the "Spirits in Prison" of whom Peter speaks in 1Pet. 3:18-20. See the chapter on "Rightly Dividing the Word, " under the cause of the Flood. Satan and his angels are at liberty. We read in the first and second chapters of job that it was the custom in job's day for the "Sons of God" (angels), to appear at stated times in the presence of God to give an account of their stewardship, and that Satan always appeared with them.

When the Lord said to Satan, "From where do you come from? " He replied, "From going to and fro in the earth and from walking up and down in it." Job 1:7; 2:2. Satan then was at liberty on the earth, and had "access to God," and was "not cast out of Heaven" in job's day, B.C. 2000. Milton in his book "Paradise Lost" describes Satan as having been cast out of Heaven in the time of Adam and Eve and bases his



description on Rev. 12:7-12. But as the Book of Revelation is a prophecy of "Things to Come, " and that were all "future" in the Apostle John's Day, Satan had not been cast out of heaven up to that time, A. D. 96, and as he has not been cast out since, he must still be at liberty in the heavenlies and on the earth.

### III. Satan - His Kingdom.

Satan is a King and has a Kingdom.

"If Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his 'kingdom' stand." Matt. 12:24-26.

"We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against Principalities, against Powers, against the Rulers of the Darkness of this World (Age), against Spiritual Wickedness in High Places, (the Heavenlies)." Eph. 6:12.

From this we see that his Kingdom consists of "Principalities, " "Powers, " "Age Rulers of Darkness, " and "Wicked Spirits in Heavenlies." These "Principalities" are ruled by "Princes, " who control certain nations of our earth, as in the days of Daniel the Prophet, when a heavenly messenger was sent to Daniel, but was hindered "three weeks" from reaching him by the

#### "Prince of the Kingdom of Persia, "

Satan's ruling "Prince of Persia, " until Michael the Archangel came to his rescue. Dan. 10:10-14.

The subjects of Satan's Kingdom are,

1. **Angels.** Not the angels that kept not their first estate who are reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the Judgement of the Great Day, (Jude 6), but angels who are at liberty, are now with Satan in the heavenlies (Rev. 12:9), and who, with are to be cast into the "Lake of Fire" prepared for the Devil and angels. Matt. 25:41. Rev. 20:10.
2. **Demons.** There is but one Devil. Where the word "devils" occurs in the New Testament we should substitute the word "demons." These demons are a race or order of "bodiless spirits, " supposed by many to be the bodiless spirits of the inhabitants of the Pre-

Adamite Earth, who seek to re-embodiment themselves by taking up their abode in human beings. This we know they can do under certain conditions. Demon possession was common in Christ's day.

These demons are wicked, unclean, vicious, and have power to derange both mind and body. Matt. 12:22; Matt. 15:22; Luke 4:35; Luke 8:26-28; Luke 9:42. They are the "Familiar Spirits" and "Wizards" of the Old Testament, and the "Seducing Spirits" of whom Paul warned Timothy. 1Tim. 4:1.

**3. Unregenerated Human Beings.** All unregenerated / unsaved human beings are the subjects of Satan. Jesus called the "Tares" the "Children of the Wicked One," (Matt. 13:38), and He told the Pharisaical Jews that their father was the Devil. John 8:44.

#### **IV. Satan - His Methods.**

##### **1. He Is the Deceiver of the World**

By the "World" is meant all those who belong to the "Satanic System." All those who are entangled in Satan's mesh.

"And we know that we are of God, and the whole **World** (the Satanic System). lies in the **Wicked One**, (Satan)."  
1John 5:19, R. V.

Satan deceives by "blinding" the eyes of the world

"If our Gospel is hid, it is hid to them that 'are lost'; in whom the 'God of this World' (Satan), hath **blinded the minds of them which believe not**, lest the light of the glorious Gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them." 2Cor. 4:3-4.

To this end Satan has his preachers who preach "another gospel." Gal. 1:6-9. That gospel is the "doctrine of devils." 1Tim. 4:1.

He is the instigator of

## "The Great Apostasy."

Peter, speaking of the "latter times" says,

2Pet. 2:1-2, 'There shall be false teachers among you, who **privily** shall; bring in '**Damnable Heresies**, ' even **denying the Lord that bought them**, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And **many** shall follow their '**Pernicious Way**, ' by reason of whom the '**WAY OF TRUTH**' shall be evil spoken of.'

These "false teachers" are to be seen on every hand. They are those who deny the "Virgin Birth, " "Deity, " "Bodily Resurrection" and "Personal Premillennial Return" of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Satan is very subtle in his methods, and if it were possible, he would deceive the very elect. He knows all the great Scripture subjects that are of universal interest to humanity, and he is too wise to attack them openly, so he adulterates them with false doctrine. He has tried to rob the Church of her "Blessed Hope" of the Lord's return, by mixing with it a lot of false teaching and "time setting" as seen in "Millerism, " "Seventh Day Adventism" and "Millennial Dawnism." To prevent mankind from turning to the Lord for healing, he has invented the systems of "Christian Science" and "New Thought."

To satisfy the craving of the human mind to know what is going on in the Spirit World, Satan invented "Spiritualism." And when interest in it began to wane, he revived it under the name of "Psychical Research." This system has existed from the earliest ages and has the unqualified condemnation of the Scriptures.

Deut. 18:10-12, "There shall not be found among you anyone that uses divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, or a charmer, or a **Consulter with Familiar Spirits**, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an **abomination unto the Lord.**"

Spiritualism is only another name for "Demonism, " and all professed impersonations are either counterfeit, or demonic. Christian Science teaches that there is such a thing as "Malicious Animal Magnetism" by which one person may afflict another. It is only another name for "Diabolism." Those who dabble in "Spiritualism" or "Psychical Research are liable to have their "understanding darkened" and come under the power of demons.

Satan seeing that he could not stamp out the Church by violence and persecution, has changed his tactics and is now trying to seduce her into conformity to the world, and to try to better an "Age" that God has doomed to destruction. His present purpose is to build up a "magnificent civilization, " and he has deceived the Church into believing that it can bring in the "Millennium, " **without Christ**, by the **Betterment of Society**.

His hope is that the "Gospel of Social Service" will take the place of the "Gospel of Grace, " and by diverting the attention of Christian people to "secondary" things, they will neglect the primary work of soul saving, and thus delay the evangelization of the world, and postpone the Return of the Lord, and his own confinement in the Bottomless Pit.

## **2. He Is the Adversary of God's People.**

(The ongoing struggle of the Mother Prophecy being fulfilled)

The warfare between "Good" and "Evil, " as recorded in the Bible from Gen. 3:15 to Rev. 20:10, is most intensely interesting reading. Satan tempts Eve. She eats, and Adam is with her. They are both cast out of the Garden. **First victory** scored by Satan. Satan enters Cain. The result Abel is murdered. Victory **number two** for Satan. The "Sons of God" at Satan's instigation marry the "daughters of men." Result, the Flood. Victory **number three** for Satan. Noah delivered from the Flood is tempted to drink, yields, and a curse falls on Ham. Victory **number four** for Satan. The people multiply and Satan fills their hearts with pride and presumption. The Tower of Babel is built, the result the "Confusion of Tongues, " and the unity of the race broken up. Victory **number five** for Satan.

Then God calls Abraham through whom the promised "Seed of the Woman, " the Second Adam, should come who was to bruise Satan's head. Now the fight begins in earnest. We have only space to indicate it. First Satan closes Sarah's womb. Then when Isaac is born he seeks to have him slain by his father's hand on Mt. Moriah. He makes enmity between Esau and Jacob, hoping that the tragedy of Cain and Abel would be repeated. Then he causes Potiphar's wife to tempt Joseph, seeking to get him out of the way. When the time came for Moses, the deliverer of the Children of Israel, to be born, he puts it in the heart of Pharaoh to order that all male Hebrew children shall be destroyed at birth.

But the story is too long. The sin of David was Satan's work, and at one time the "seed royal" was narrowed down to one child. 2Chron. 2:4-6; 2Chron. 22:10-12.

When the time came that Christ was born, it was Satan who prompted Herod to destroy all the male children at Bethlehem under two years of age. It was Satan who tried to overcome Christ when weakened by fasting in the Wilderness, and who suggested that Christ throw Himself down from the Pinnacle of the Temple. The attempt of the people to throw Him from the hilltop at Nazareth, and the two storms on Galilee were all attempts of Satan to destroy Christ. And when foiled in these Satan renewed the fight through Priests and Pharisees and succeeded at last in getting Judas to sell his Master.

Then amid the shades of Gethsemane he sought to kill Christ by physical weakness before He could reach the Cross. When Christ was crucified Satan thought he had conquered, but when Christ rose from the dead Satan's rage knew no bounds. In all probability Satan and his angels contested the Ascension of Christ, and the history of the Christian Church is but one long story of the "Irrepressible Conflict" between Satan and God's people. Paul writing to the Thessalonians said:

"We would have come unto you, even I Paul, once and again, but SATAN hindered us." 1 Thess. 2:18.

Even Paul's "thorn in the flesh" was the "Messenger of Satan" to buffet him.

### **V. Satan - His Expulsion from the Heavens.**

As we have seen Satan still has his abode in the "Heavens" and has access to God. But the time is coming when he shall be cast out of the "Heavens." It is described in Rev. 12:7-17.

Rev. 12:7-17, "And there was war in Heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the 'Dragon, ' and the 'Dragon' fought and his angels, and prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in Heaven. And the '**Great Dragon**' was cast out, that old '**Serpent**, ' called the '**Devil**, ' and '**Satan**, ' which deceives the whole world: he was cast out **Into the Earth** and his angels were cast out with him.

"And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, **now is come Salvation, and Strength, and the Kingdom of God, and the Power of His Christ; for the Accuser of Our Brethren IS CAST DOWN**, which accused them before our God, day and night."

While Satan has been the "Accuser of the Brethren" in all Ages, the context shows that reference is here made to the "Jewish Remnant," (the brethren of Christ), who during the first three and one-half years of the "Tribulation Period" (for Satan is cast out in the Middle of the "Last Week," or Great Tribulation Period), pass through great persecution, and die as "martyrs." They are referred to in Rev. 6:9-11 as the "souls of them that were slain for the Word of God," and we are here told (Rev. 12:11) that they overcame by the "Blood of the Lamb, " and the "word of their testimony," and died as "martyrs, " for they "loved not their lives unto the death."

As they overcame by the "**Blood of the Lamb**, " then the **Time** of their overcoming must be subsequent to the shedding of Christ's blood on Calvary, that is, Satan, according to this account, could not have been cast out of the "Heavenlies" prior to the Crucifixion of Christ. When Jesus said, "I beheld Satan as lightning **fall from heaven**," (Luke 10:18), He was not referring to some past fall of Satan, but it was a prophetic utterance, by way of anticipation, of his **future fall**, when he shall be cast out of Heaven by Michael the Archangel. As further evidence as to the "Time" of Satan's casting out, Daniel the Prophet tells us that it will be at the "Time of Trouble, " (The Great Tribulation), that is to come upon Daniel's people, the Jews, for it is at that time that Michael the Great Prince is to stand up and they shall be delivered. Dan. 12:1.

As still further evidence that the casting out of Satan did not happen "before" the Fall in Eden, we are told that it "follows" the birth and catching out of the "Man Child, " (Christ), (Rev. 12:5), that the earth shall be full of inhabitants, that is, thickly populated, and that Satan shall be full of wrath, because he knoweth that he has but a "short time" (**3 1/2 years**), in which to finish his devilish work. (Rev. 12:12.)

## **VI. Satan - His Incarnation.**

When Satan is cast out of the Heavenlies on to the earth, he is going to "incarnate" himself in the Antichrist. See the Chapter on "The Antichrist (below c19).



## VII. His Doom.

When Christ shall return to the Mt. of Olives at the close of the "Tribulation Period, " the "Beast" and the "False Prophet" shall be cast "alive" into the "Lake of Fire, " and an angel from Heaven will seize Satan and bind him with a great chain, already forged, and cast him into the "Bottomless Pit, " where he shall remain for 1000 years. Rev. 20:1-3. At the close of which time, he shall be set free for a season, and then with his angels, demons, and the human beings who have fallen under his power, he shall be cast into the "Lake of Fire" prepared for him in the long ago. Rev. 20:7-10; Matt. 25:41.



## Chapter 19

# THE ANTICHRIST

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(Revelation 6:1)

In our study of prophecy, we lay much emphasis on the "Second Coming of Christ," forgetting that there are two other comings of "individuals" that are just as momentous as Christ's coming. The first is that of Antichrist, and the other is that of Satan.

In both the Old and New Testament, we are told of a

**Mysterious and Terrible Personage**



that shall be revealed in the "Last Times." He is described under different names and aliases, and it is only by a careful examination and comparison of these names, and the Person they describe that we see that they refer to one and the same individual. These names are,

**In the Old Testament**

**Isaiah 14:4 "King of Babylon"**

**Isaiah 14:12 "Lucifer"**

**Daniel 7:8, 8:9 "The Little Horn"**

**Daniel 8:23 "A King of Fierce Countenance"**

**Daniel 9:26 "The Prince that shall Come"**

**Daniel 11:36 "The Wilful King"**

**In the New Testament**

**Paul 2 Thess. 2:3-8 "The Man of Sin"  
"Son of Perdition"  
"That Wicked"**

**John 1 John 2:18 "Antichrist"  
Rev. 13:1 "The Beast"**

Jesus also made a prophetic reference to him.

"I am come in my **Father's name**, and you received me not; if another shall come in **his own name**, him you will receive." John 5:43.

The Jews rejected Jesus as their Messiah, when the Antichrist comes they will accept him.

**I. His Personality**

The Apostolic Church believed that Antichrist was to be a "person," the embodiment of human blasphemy and wickedness, but toward the close of the Twelfth Century many began to look upon the Pope as Antichrist, and this view has been largely advocated by Protestant commentators. The arguments in favor of this view are ingenious and plausible, but they are hard to reconcile with the Word of God. This view makes Antichrist a "System" rather than a Person, and would see in the "Papal System" the Antichrist. But this is disproved by the Word of God.

1. The Apostle John says,

"Who is a liar, but he that **denies** that Jesus is the Christ? He is **Antichrist, that denies the Father and the Son.**"  
1John 2:22.

"Every spirit that **confesses not** that Jesus Christ **is come in THE FLESH** (His Deity) is not of God; and this is that **spirit of Antichrist.**" 1John 4:3.

Judaism has denied that "**Jesus is the Christ,**" and Unitarianism that He has "**come in the flesh,**" but the Papacy never. The Church of Rome has always confessed, "I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord."

2. All Protestant commentators insist that the "Papal System" is described in Rev. 17:4-5, under the figure of a "Woman" arrayed in "purple and scarlet color," and decked with "gold and precious stones and pearls." This is undoubtedly true, but this "Woman," the "Mother of Harlots," is represented as riding upon a "Beast," universally admitted to be the Antichrist. If the "Beast" is the Antichrist, the "Woman" cannot be, and that they are separate and do not signify the same thing is clear.

3. Again Antichrist, as the "Man of Sin" is to,

"Exalt himself and magnify himself above every god." Dan. 11:36-37.

"So that he **AS GOD sits in the Temple of God** showing himself that he **IS GOD.**" 2Thes. 2:4.

However false and corrupt claims of the Papacy, it always recognizes its subordination to God, and the Pope's highest claim is that he is the "Vicar of Christ."

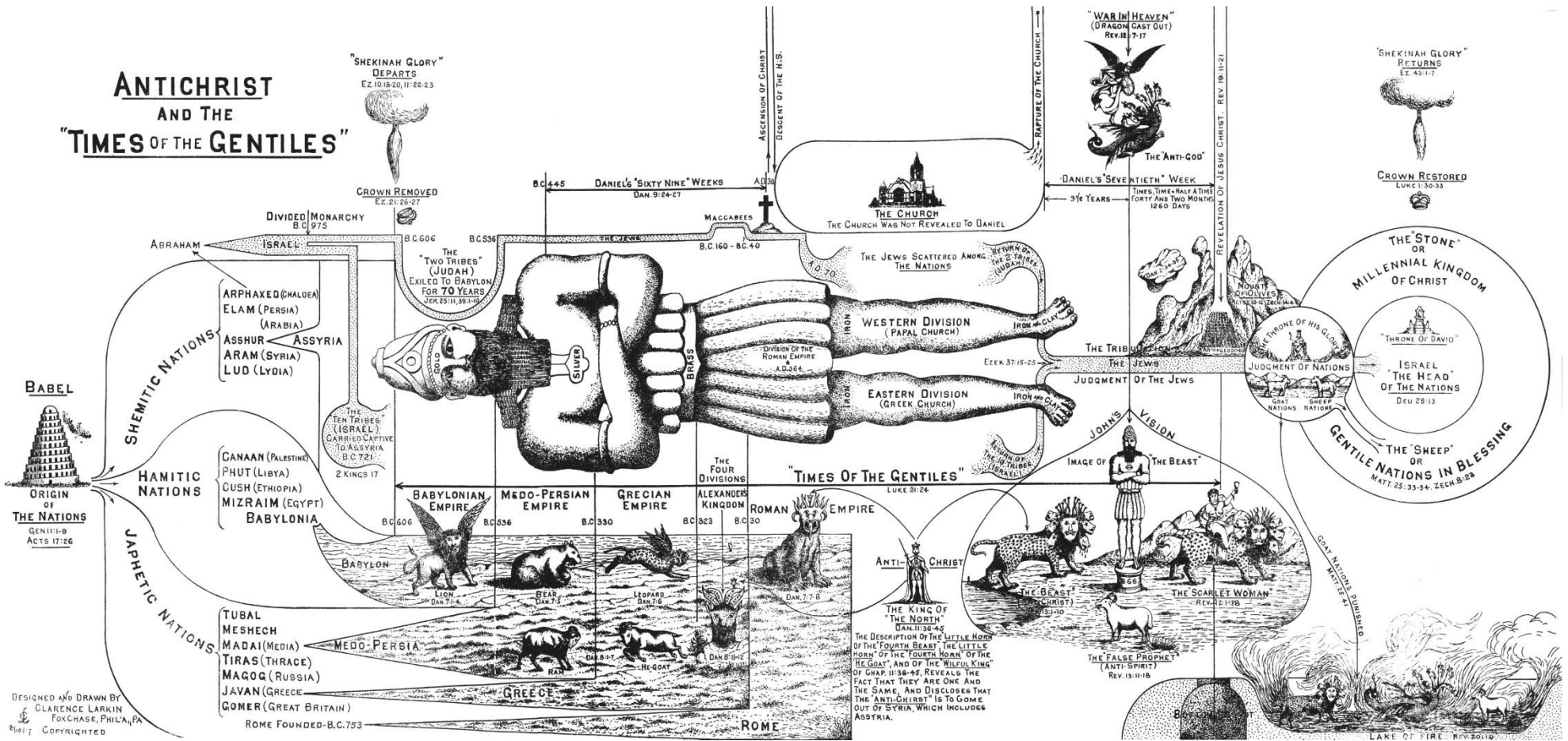
4. "All the world wondered after the Beast (the Antichrist), and they **worshipped the Dragon** (the Devil), which gave power unto the Beast." Rev. 13:3, Rev. 13:4

The "Papal System" worships the "Virgin" and the "Saints," but it is not true that it worships the Devil.

5. "If any man worships the Beast and His Image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, the same shall drink of the wine of the Wrath of God, ...and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone; ....and the smoke of their torment ascendeth up forever and forever; and ever they have no rest day nor night, who worship the Beast and His Image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name." Rev. 14:9-11.

If the "Papal System" is the Antichrist, it follows from the above that all its worshippers, instead of being saved, are doomed to eternal torment.

Again, the Lord, who destroys Antichrist "at His Coming," comes to Jerusalem, not to Rome, the seat of the "Papal System." While there are many things in the history of the Church of Rome, and in the conduct of her Popes that "foreshadow" the Antichrist, yet it is clear from the preceding scriptures that the "Papal System" is not the Antichrist, and that these scriptures can only be fulfilled in the person of some "Individual" yet to appear.



Antichrist is not a "Rival" or "Counterfeit" Christ, he is an "Opposing" Christ. This is clearly seen when we compare him with Christ in a series of,

## Contrast.

1. **Christ** came from **Above**. John 6:38.  
**Antichrist** ascends from **The Pit**. Rev. 11:7.
2. Christ came in His **Father's** name. John 5:43.  
Antichrist comes in his **Own** name. John 5:43.
3. Christ **Humbled** Himself. Phil. 2:8.  
Antichrist **Exalts** himself. 2Thes. 2:4.
4. Christ **Despised**. Isa. 53:3; Luke 23:18.  
Antichrist **Admired**. Rev. 13:3, Rev. 13:4.
5. Christ **Exalted**. Phil. 2:9.  
Antichrist **Cast Down to Hell**. Isa. 14:14-15; Rev. 19:20.
6. Christ to do His **Father's** will. John 6:38.  
Antichrist to do his **Own** will. Dan. 11:36.
7. Christ came to **Save**. Luke 19:10.  
Antichrist comes to **Destroy**. Dan. 8:24.
8. Christ is the **Good Shepherd**. John 10:4-6.  
Antichrist is the **Idol (evil) Shepherd**. Zech. 11:16-17.
9. Christ is the "**True Vine**." John 15:1.  
Antichrist is the "**Vine of the Earth**." Rev. 14:18.

10. Christ is the "**Truth.**" John 14:6.  
Antichrist is the "**Lie.**" 2Thes. 2:11.
  
11. Christ is the "**Holy One.**" Mark 1:24.  
Antichrist is the "**Lawless One.**" 2Thes. 2:8, R. V.
12. Christ is the "**Man of Sorrows.**" Isa. 53:3.  
Antichrist is the "**Man of Sin.**" 2Thes. 2:3.
  
13. Christ is the "**Son of God.**" Luke 1:35.  
Antichrist is the "**Son of Perdition.**" 2Thes. 2:3.
  
14. Christ, "**The Mystery of Godliness,**" is God manifest in the flesh. 1Tim. 3:16.  
Antichrist, "**The Mystery of Iniquity,**" will be Satan manifest in the flesh. 2Thes. 2:7.

## II His Origin.

### 1. Isaiah's Foreview of the Antichrist

In Isa. 11:4, a chapter which is evidently Messianic-we read that among other things which the Messiah will do,

Isa. 11:4, "He shall smite the earth with the 'rod of His mouth, ' and son and with the 'breath of His lips' shall He slay  
The Wicked."

The word translated "The Wicked," is in the singular number, cannot refer to wicked persons in general, but to some one person who is conspicuously wicked. The expression is strikingly like that of Paul's in 2Thes. 2:8,

<sup>8</sup> Then that lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will eliminate with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming; NASB.

It is evident that Isaiah and Paul refer to the same individual, who can be no other than the Antichrist.

In Isa. 14:4-17 there is a description of a "King of Babylon" who shall smite the people in his wrath, and rule the nations in anger, and shall in his pride say,

Isa. 14:13-15, "I will ascend into heaven; I will exalt my throne above the 'Stars of God' (Heavenly Rulers). I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the Most High."

This king is called LUCIFER, "Son of the Morning, " and his "fall" is described. He is cast down to Hell (Sheol, the Grave or Underworld), where his coming creates a great stir among the kings of the earth that have preceded him, and who exclaim when they see him.

v10, "Are you also becoming weak as we? Have you become like one of us? ..... Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms; that made the world as a wilderness and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners? "

There has never, as yet been such a king of Babylon as is described here. It must therefore refer to some "future ruler" of Babylon when Babylon shall be rebuilt, as it is to be.

Verses 12 to 14 evidently refer to Satan, and are descriptive of him before his fall, but as he is to incarnate himself in the Antichrist, who is to be a future King of Babylon, it explains the source of the pride and presumption of Antichrist, which will lead to his downfall, as it did to Satan's.



**Comment:** This future kingdom of Babylon will not be the old Babylon that King Nebuchadrezzar built and the Medo-Persians conquered. That ancient city of Babylon is still today only a relic and stones in the desert. Starting in 1983, Saddam Hussein, imagining himself as heir to Nebuchadnezzar, ordered the rebuilding of Babylon. Like Nebuchadnezzar, Hussein had his name inscribed on the bricks, which were placed directly on top of the ruins, some 2,500 years old.

Future:

Many Bible teachers, believe this ancient city will be rebuilt in the “Latter Days,” and become this end-time Babylon the Great and Harlot city of the Great Tribulation (Rev.17). Let’s look and see if they are correct. Know that this city is a “TYPE” of what ancient Babylon was, and it is much worse today, as words alone fail to describe this city, which is already in existence and its atrocities has not yet reach its future depths of sins against God, Revelation 17:1-18. All this is in the days of the “Seven Dooms of Revelation.

As to where the city is located –



Rev. 17:3 “Then the angel carried me away in the Spirit **into a wilderness (Desert).** There I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast that was covered with blasphemous names and had seven heads and ten horns.

This is a good point to stop the Dispensational Truth study and for a moment look into the

# The 7 DOOMS Of the Book of Revelation





1. The **Scarlet Woman** [*Religious System*] (Chapter 17:1-18). Religious Babylon
2. The **Fall** of the **Evil Power** (Chapter 18:5-10). Babylon has fallen, has fallen.
3. The **Beast** and the **False Prophet** (Chapter 19:20). Cast into the Lake of Fire
4. The rest of the **Armies** were **slain** with the sword. (Chapter 19:21). Those who took the mark of his name.
5. **Satan Loosed** from the Pit (Chapter 20:7-9). Deceives the unrighteous from among the nations.
6. **Satan** that **Devil** cast into the **Lake of Fire** (Chapter 20:10). Satan's Doom
7. The **Great White Throne Judgment** (Chapter 20:11-15). Doom of all the unrighteous.

Follow the link below for the study on the seven Dooms.

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# The Great Tribulation Part 2



Revelation 17-18



Satan  
The Dragon

## The Fall of the Evil Powers

### Beginning of the End



The Mother of all Harlots and of the Abominations of the Earth

The Cities of Dumah, Dedan, Teman and Kedar are still cities today and can be found on a map of Saudi Arabia which is also called Edom.



### The Case of the Flying Scroll

The Burden against Dumah (Isa 21:11)  
The Burden against Arabia (Isa. 21:13)  
The Glory of Kedar will Fail (Isa. 21:16)

Zechariah 5:1-4



"... and she shall be made desolate, the city will burn and be consumed."



The He-Goat  
(Daniel 8:8-12, 23-25)

### Antichrist

Given his power by the Dragon (Satan)

### Beast out of the Sea



Seven Heads are Seven Kingdoms  
Revelation 17:9-12



10 Horns are the end-time 10 nation confederacy - The Two Theories  
1. The E.U. (European Union) 2. The Revived Ottoman Empire

Daniels 4<sup>th</sup> Beast



### The Ten Kings

Rev. 17:12, "The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom, but they receive authority as kings with the beast for one hour."

### The Ten Toes of the Image



Iron and Clay Mixed  
Iron - Remnant of Rome (Pope)  
Clay - Revived Ottoman Empire

### The Great Harlot



The Great Harlot  
An Idolatrous Religious System

### The Ten Kings

Hate the Harlot  
Rev. 17:15-18



1. Islam is the Harlot idolatrous religious system whose cup is full of the blood of the saints.
2. The waters you saw, where the prostitute sits, are many peoples, multitudes, nations and languages. Rev. 17:15
3. Islam's holy city is Mecca. Here the woman reigns over the 10 kings of the earth Rev. 17:18

## 1<sup>st</sup> DOOM



### The **S**carlet **M**oman And her city of Babylon

John says that he was carried away by an angel into the **WILDERNESS**, other Bible translators, translates wilderness as **DESERT**. The Kings (Governments / and people) of the earth have been made drunk from her wine. The woman is sitting on the same beast that we learned about from c13.

The woman is depicted as a harlot (whore) dressed in purple and scarlet colored clothing decked with gold, precious stones and pearls. The woman has a cup in her hand which is full of abominations and filthiness because of her fornication. On her forehead is written, **MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH**. And the woman was drunk with the blood of the saints, and the blood of the martyrs of Jesus.

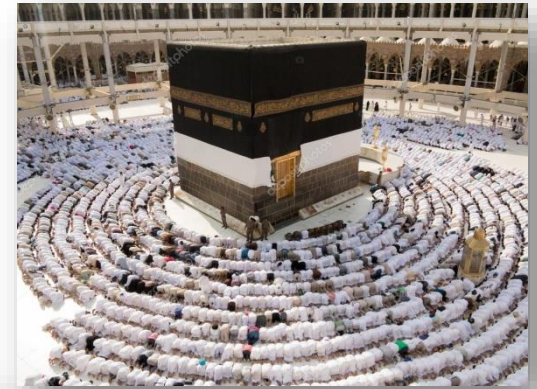
This woman is not an actual woman, but a description of an idolatrous **RELIGIOUS SYSTEM**. If we look back into the book of Hosea, his wife (who was a whore) represented Israel at a time when she went out wanting to be like the other nations around them. It is an

amazing thing that sin loves company, and so Israel joined them in their sin. This whore represents the idolatrous gentiles of the last days.

None of this describes the ancient city of Babylon which now is still in ruins. A short lived attempt was made by Saddam Hussein to restore Babylon to its old glory but it has disappeared with the dictator's death. The descriptions are referring to places or a city that is a **TYPE** of Babylon and still fulfilling all the prophetic prophecies for the end days.

As its ancient counterpart Babylon, its symbol will be the **crescent moon**. The city is in Edom, the modern name for Edom is Saudi Arabia, and the city is Mecca just 20 miles from the port of Jeddah.

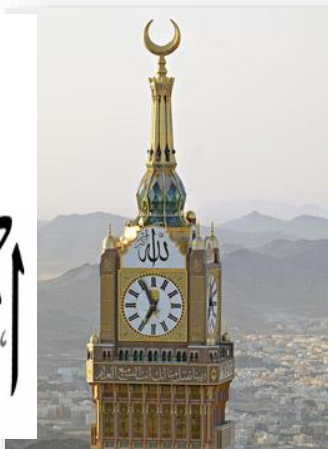
## The Kaaba in Mecca, Saudi Arabia The Desert city by the Sea ... the Red Sea





### Fulfillment in Islam (7):

- "Allahu Akbar" = "Allah is Great"



John saw WATER around the prostitute in the vision, but the angel explained that it was multitudes of people from around the world:

Rev 17:15, “The waters you saw, where the prostitute sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations and languages.”

I believe this is the same sea that the Beast from out of the water (oceans) comes from. Every year millions travel to Mecca to worship in front of the **KAABA** and kiss the black stone which is incased there. This shrine to their god is considered by Muslims everywhere to be the most sacred spot on earth. They cherish the idea of visiting Kaaba on pilgrimage, or “hajj,” in accord with the command set out in the Qur’ān.



The **Black Stone** of the **Kaaba** in **Mecca**:  
Given to Adam or Abraham, it has changed from pure white to black from absorbing the sins of the world. All **Muslims** must make a **Hajj** to the **Kaaba** once in their lifetime and **pray** in its direction **5 times a day**.



<sup>1</sup> The black stone which is the focus of their worship is incased in an oval shaped (female genitalia) container which requires the worshiper to stick his head into it in order to kiss the stone. By doing so the worshiper commits **IDOLATRY** with the woman, the **MOTHER OF HARLOTS** and **ABOMINATIONS** of the **EARTH**.

The reference to a prostitute in Revelation 17 regarding the “Whore of Babylon” is no coincidence: “And the woman (whore) was arrayed in purple and scarlet color” (v17).

In many cases the extremely passionate kissing and rubbing of the Kaaba’s Black Stone resembles the near copulating with the black stone, which historically was dedicated to Aphrodite, the prostitute goddess that was called “Aphrodite Porne” (Aphrodite the Prostitute), “the goddess adorned in purple”, similar to the depictions given in Revelation 17:4, which the Kaaba has a scarlet-colored inner garment.

### **Drunk with the Blood:**



**Muslims kiss the black stone of Kaaba in Mecca thinking their sins will be forgiven. Kissing images is pagan and idolatrous (1 Kings 19:18; Hosea 13:2).**  
**\*True forgiveness of sins comes by believing on Jesus (Acts 10:43; 3:19).**

<sup>1</sup> <https://nightwatchsite.wordpress.com/who-is-babylon-the-great-and-from-where-will-the-antichrist-rise/>

“And I saw the woman drunk with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the witnesses of Jesus.”

The cup she is holding is full of the blood of the saints and the martyrs of Jesus. There is a religious police in Saudi Arabia tasked with enforcing sharia law on the streets and in homes. This is all part of a religious system that this harlot reigns over. The evil system goes back to the horrible atrocities and persecution of the Middle-Ages. Satan continues to persecute the church and believers around the world. This woman’s cup is full of the blood of the Martyrs of all time and of the followers of Jesus Christ.

## The **FALL** of the **EVIL** **POWER**

Revelation 17:15-18 (NASB), <sup>15</sup> “And he said to me, “The waters which you saw where the harlot sits, are peoples and multitudes and nations and tongues. <sup>16</sup> And the ten horns which you saw, and the beast, these will hate the harlot and will make her desolate and naked and will eat her flesh and will burn her up with fire. <sup>17</sup> For God has put it in their hearts to execute His purpose by having a common purpose, and by giving their kingdom to the beast, until the words of God will be fulfilled. <sup>18</sup> The woman whom you saw is the great city, which reigns over the kings of the earth.”

Where the harlot (city) sits are people and multitudes and nations and tongues. In v18 above, the angel tells John in very clear language that the woman **IS THE GREAT CITY**. The city is the center of her religion and from out of this sea of people and tongues came the Beast out of the Sea ... but now the beast will turn on her.

In v16 the angel tells us that the ten horns, which are ten kings with ten kingdoms, will turn on the harlot which is herself the city of Mecca. These kings will ...

Revelation 17:16-17, <sup>16</sup>“The beast and the ten horns that you saw will hate the harlot and will make her desolate and naked, and will eat her flesh and will burn her up with fire. <sup>17</sup> For God has put it in their hearts to execute His purpose by having a common purpose, and by giving their kingdom to the beast, until the words of God will be fulfilled.”

The ten nations spoken about here are the ten Antichrist (Muslim) nations.

Revelation 18:3, “For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.”





A word to those who may still doubt that this future prophetic city called Babylon is in Arabia, then I ask you this question. How come Scripture makes no mention of any of the ancient Babylonian cities in regard to eschatology: Nineveh, Ur, Babel, Erech, Accad, Sumer, Assur, Calneh, Mari, Karana, Ellpi, Eridu, Kish, or Tikrit? Why are all of the literal references in Scripture that when it comes to “Babylon” the vicinities and towns are all in Arabia, not Iraq or even Rome as many assume?

## ARABIA Must Fall

God’s prophet Isaiah predicted the destruction of Arabia in Isaiah 21:9.

Isaiah 21:9 (NASB), 9 “Now behold, here comes a troop of riders, horsemen in pairs.” And one said, “Fallen, fallen is Babylon; And all the images of her gods are shattered on the ground.”

Isaiah declares a prophetic oracle against Babylon using the same announcement in Revelation 18:1-2 and Revelation 14:8: “Babylon is fallen, is fallen.”



### The Burdens of Isaiah

1. “The oracle [*burden*] concerning Babylon” (Isaiah 13:1)
2. “The oracle [*burden*] concerning Moab” (Isaiah 15:1) “The oracle [*burden*] concerning Damascus”<sup>2</sup> (Isaiah 17:1-3)
3. “The oracle [*burden*] concerning Egypt” (Isaiah 19:1)

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<sup>2</sup> <https://www.prophecyproof.org/isaiah-17-timing-damascuss-destruction/>



4. “The oracle [*burden*] concerning the wilderness [*desert*] of the sea” (Isaiah 21:1)
5. “The oracle [*burden*] against Dumah” (Isaiah 21:11)
6. “The oracle [*burden*] against Arabia” (Isaiah 21:13-15)
7. “All the glory of Kedar will fail” (Isaiah 21:16)

Dumah and Kedar are both in Arabia which is literally mentioned as “Arabia” in Isaiah 21:13.

In 2019 after much study and seeking the Lord, I believe I received the answer to my prayer, and it would come from Ezekiel 25:14. As to who is responsible for the destruction of Dumah, Kedar, Teman and Mecca (Babylon), we only have to look to the prophet Ezekiel, there we will find the answer.

Ezekiel 25:13-14 (NASB), “<sup>13</sup> therefore thus says the Lord **GOD**, “I will also stretch out My hand against Edom and cutoff man and beast from it. And I will lay it waste; from Teman even to Dedan they will fall by the sword. <sup>14</sup> I will lay My vengeance on Edom by the hand of **My people Israel**. Therefore, they will act in Edom according to My anger and according to My wrath; thus, they will know My vengeance,” declares the Lord **GOD**.

Did you hear that? God calls it **HIS** vengeance, by the hand of **HIS** people **ISRAEL**.

### **The Case of the Flying Scroll**

In God’s timing the evil system and kingdom will come to an end. How does her end come about? She will be **MADE DESOLATE**; the city will **BURN** and be **CONSUMED**.

Zechariah 5:1-4 (NASB), Then I lifted up my eyes again and looked, and behold, *there was a flying scroll*. <sup>2</sup> And he said to me, “What do you see?” And I answered, “I see a flying scroll; its length is twenty cubits and its width ten cubits.” <sup>3</sup> Then he said to me, “This is the curse that is going forth over the face of the whole land; surely everyone who steals will be purged away according to the writing on one side, and everyone who swears will be purged away according to the writing on the other side. <sup>4</sup> I will make it go forth,” declares the LORD of hosts, “and it will enter the house of the thief and the house of the one who swears falsely by My name; and it will spend the night within that house and consume it with its timber and stones.”



*A prophecy against the **DESERT** by the **SEA** (Isa 21:1 NIV, Rev 17:3)*

“Babylon has fallen, has fallen! All the images of its gods lie shattered on the ground!” (Isa 21:9, Rev 18:2)

### **Prophecy against Edom**

Jeremiah 49:17-21 (NASB), 17 “Edom will become an object of horror; everyone who passes by it will be horrified and will hiss at all its wounds. 18 Like the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah with its neighbors,” says the LORD, “no one will live there, nor will a son of man reside in it. 19 Behold, one will come up like a lion from the thickets of the Jordan against a perennially watered pasture; for in an instant, I will make him run away from it, and whoever is chosen I shall appoint over it. For who is like Me, and who will summon Me *into court*? And who then is the shepherd who can stand against Me?” 20 Therefore hear the plan of the LORD which He has planned against Edom, and His purposes which He has purposed against the inhabitants of Teman: surely they will drag them off, *even* the little ones of the flock; surely He will make their pasture desolate because of them. 21 The earth has quaked at the noise of their downfall. There is an outcry! The noise of it has been heard at the Red Sea.

Notice the description of her destruction: “As Sodom and Gomorrah were overthrown, along with their neighboring towns,” says the LORD, “so no one will live there; no man will dwell in it,” v18, and where does Jeremiah say this will happen ... “at the **RED SEA!**”

Ezekiel 25:12-14, <sup>12</sup> “The Lord GOD says this: “Because Edom has acted against the house of Judah by taking vengeance, and has incurred great guilt, and avenged themselves upon them,” <sup>13</sup> therefore this is what the Lord GOD says: “I will also reach out with My hand against **Edom** and eliminate human and animal *life* from it. And I will **turn it into ruins**; from **Teman** even to **Dedan** they will fall by the sword. <sup>14</sup> And I will inflict My vengeance on Edom **by the hand of My people Israel**. Therefore, they will act in Edom in accordance with My anger and My wrath; so, they will know My vengeance,” declares the Lord GOD.

The ancient cities of Dedan, Teman and Kedar are cities you can still find on modern maps of today. And how does the Lord eliminate human and animal life from Edom? This brings us to the case of the **FLYING SCROLL**, and into the book of Zechariah.

Zech. 5:1-4, <sup>1</sup>Then I raised my eyes again and looked, and behold, *there was a flying scroll.* <sup>2</sup> And he said to me, “What do you see?” And I said, “I see a flying scroll; its length is twenty cubits, and its width ten cubits.” <sup>3</sup> Then he said to me, “This is the curse that is going forth over the face of the entire land; everyone who steals certainly will be purged away according to the writing on one side, and everyone who swears *falsely* will be purged away according to the writing on the other side. <sup>4</sup> I will make it go forth,” declares the LORD of armies, “and it will enter the house of the thief and the house of the one who swears falsely by My name; and it will spend the night within that house and destroy it with its timber and stones.”  
(Ref. Dumar Isa.21:11, Arabia Isa.21:13, Glory of Kedar will fail Isa.21:16).



Jermiah 49:17-21 “... v21 There is an outcry! The noise of it has been heard at the **Red Sea.**”

... by the hand of **My people Israel.** ✧  
(Ezk. 25:14)

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Fourth Wild Beast  
Dan. 7:7-8, 19-20, 23, 25



Daniel 7

7 After this I kept looking in the night visions, and behold, a fourth beast, dreadful and terrifying and extremely strong, and it had large iron teeth. It devoured and crushed and trampled down the remainder with its feet; and it was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns. 8 While I was contemplating the horns, behold, another horn, a little one, came up among them, and three of the first horns were pulled out by the roots before it; and behold, this horn possessed eyes like the eyes of a man and a mouth uttering great boasts.

19 "Then I desired to know the exact meaning of the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, exceedingly dreadful, with its teeth of iron and its claws of bronze, and which devoured, crushed and trampled down the remainder with its feet, 20 and the meaning of the ten horns that were on its head and the other horn which came up, and before which three of them fell, namely, that horn which had eyes and a mouth uttering great boasts and [t]hich was larger in appearance than its associates.

23 "Thus he said: "The fourth beast will be a fourth kingdom on the earth, which will be different from all the other kingdoms and will devour the whole earth and tread it down and crush it.

25 He will speak out against the Most High and wear down the saints of the Highest One, and he will intend to make alterations in times and in law; and they will be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time.

The Little Horn of  
the He-Goat  
Dan. 8:8-12, 23-25



Daniel 8

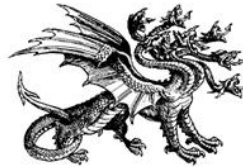
8 Then the male goat magnified himself exceedingly. But as soon as he was mighty, the large horn was broken; and in its place there came up four conspicuous horns toward the four winds of heaven.

The Little Horn

9 Out of one of them came forth a rather small horn which grew exceedingly great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the Beautiful Land. 10 It grew up to the host of heaven and caused some of the host and some of the stars to fall to the earth, and it trampled them down. 11 It even magnified itself to be equal with the Commander of the host; and it removed the regular sacrifice from Him, and the place of His sanctuary was thrown down. 12 And on account of transgression the host will be given over to the horn along with the regular sacrifice; and it will fling truth to the ground and perform its will and prosper.

23 "In the latter period of their rule, When the transgressors have run their course, A king will arise, Insolent and skilled in intrigue, 24 "His power will be mighty, but not by his own power, And he will destroy to an extraordinary degree And prosper and perform his will; He will destroy mighty men and the holy people. 25 "And through his shrewdness He will cause deceit to succeed by his influence; And he will magnify himself in his heart, And he will destroy many while they are at ease. He will even oppose the Prince of princes, But he will be broken without human agency.

A Look at the  
**Antichrist**



The Wilful King  
Daniel 11:36-39



Daniel 11

36 "Then the king will do as he pleases, and he will exalt and magnify himself above every god and will speak monstrous things against the God of gods; and he will prosper until the indignation is finished, for that which is decreed will be done. 37 He will show no regard for the gods of his fathers or for the desire of women, nor will he show regard for any other god; for he will magnify himself above them all. 38 But instead he will honor a god of fortresses, a god whom his fathers did not know; he will honor him with gold, silver, costly stones and treasures. 39 He will take action against the strongest of fortresses with the help of a foreign god; he will give great honor to those who acknowledge him and will cause them to rule over the many, and will parcel out land for a price.

Paul's Foreview  
2 Thess. 2:3-12



II Thessalonians 2

3 Let no one in any way deceive you, for it will not come unless the apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, 4 who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God. 5 Do you not remember that while I was still with you, I was telling you these things? 6 And you know what restrains him now, so that in his time he will be revealed. 7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains will do so until he is taken out of the way. 8 Then that lawless one will be revealed whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming; 9 that is, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders, 10 and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved. 11 For this reason God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false, 12 in order that they all may be judged who did not believe the truth, but took pleasure in wickedness.

John's Foreview  
Revelation 13:1-7



Revelations 13

1 And the dragon stood on the sand of the seashore. Then I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and on his horns were ten diadems, and on his heads were blasphemous names. 2 And the beast which I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were like those of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. And the dragon gave him his power and his throne and great authority. 3 I saw one of his heads as if it had been slain, and his fatal wound was healed. And the whole earth was amazed and followed after the beast; 4 they worshiped the dragon because he gave his authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?" 5 There was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies, and authority to act for forty-two months was given to him. 6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, that is, those who dwell in heaven. 7 It was also given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them, and authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him.

## 2. Daniel's Foreview

Of the Antichrist



In the chapter on "The Gentiles" we described how Daniel saw a personage come up from among the "Ten Horns" on the head of the Fourth Wild Beast a "Little Horn, " and that this "Little Horn" had "eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking great things." Dan. 7:7-8. Daniel was told that this "Little Horn" was a king that should arise, and that he would be a "person" of remarkable intelligence and great oratorical powers, having "mouth speaking great things." That he would be audacious, arrogant, imperious and persecuting, and change "times and laws" and that the "Saints of the Most High" (Daniel's own people, the Jews) would be given into his hands for a "Time" and "Times" and the "dividing of Time, " or 3 1/2 years. Dan. 7:23-26.

Later Daniel had a vision of a Ram and a He-Goat contesting for supremacy. Dan. 8:1-27.



THE RAM



THE HE-GOAT

Dan. 8 : 1-27

Let us take a moment and look at Daniel 8, as the angel of the Lord told Daniel, the understanding of the message is for us today also, so that we may understand.

# The Book of Daniel

## Chapter 8

Daniel received this vision twelve years before the fall of Babylon. Since Babylon was about to be overthrown, the vision of this chapter begins with Medo-Persia. This chapter is a repeat of chapter 7 with more emphasis on the judgment scene.

Daniel 8:1-27 (NASB), <sup>1</sup>In the third year of the reign of king Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, even unto me Daniel, after that which appeared unto me at the first. <sup>2</sup>And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I was at Shushan in the palace, which is in the province of Elam [*Iran*]; and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai.

v1-2, The Palace of Shushan is in the modern-day city of Susa in Iran



<sup>3</sup>Then I lifted up my eyes, and saw, and behold, there stood before the river a ram [*Persia*] which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other, and the higher came up last. <sup>4</sup>I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; [*Babylon, Syria, Thrace and Macedonia, Libya and Egypt*] also that no beasts might stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will and became great.

v3-4, The “two horns” represent the two parts of the empire of the Persians, the younger of the two nations, becoming dominant over the second (Medes).

### The He-Goat



<sup>5</sup>And as I was considering, behold, a **He-goat** came from the west [*Greece*] on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes. <sup>6</sup>And he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power. <sup>7</sup>And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and broke his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand. <sup>8</sup>Therefore the He-goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.

v5-8, In verses 21 and 22 identify the “goat” as Greece the “notable horn between his eyes” was Alexander the Great, who came from the west and defeated the armies of Persia. Alexander died without an heir at the height of his power. His generals fought each other until there were only four left, represented by the “four horns.”



Note: The four notable ones were the four generals of Alexander's army. Alexander did not divide the empire among his four generals himself. His four leading generals divided it among themselves by force after his death. The four generals were:

- **General Cassander** (circa 358-297 BC), ruling over Macedonia. Most of Greece and parts of Thrace.
- **General Lysimachus** (circa 361-281 BC), ruling over Lydia, Lonia, Phrygia and other parts of present-day Turkey.
- **General Seleucus** (died 281 BC became the Seleucus Empire), ruling over present day Iran, Iraq, Syria, parts of Central Asia and Israel.
- **General Ptolemy** (died 283 BC), ruling over Egypt and neighboring regions.

(These four are known as the Diadochi or `successors')

History shows us that the modern-day nation of Turkey grew up out of the Lysimachus Kingdom. It is this area of the world that we look for the rise of the Antichrist ... only time will tell.



<sup>9</sup> And out of one of them came forth a little horn [Antichrist], which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land. <sup>10</sup> And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground and stamped upon them. <sup>11</sup> Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of the sanctuary was cast down. <sup>12</sup> And a host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practiced and prospered.

<sup>13</sup> Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spoke, how long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot? <sup>14</sup> And he said unto me, unto two thousand and three hundred days, then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

v9-10, Here we are told that out of one of the four powers that was the four generals of Alexander, there would come a little horn. Within this little horn we can see the rise of the Antichrist.

v11, Daniel is telling us of the character of the Antichrist and the Abomination of Desolation

Ref. Dan.9:27. The daily sacrifice was about the temple which Antichrist defiles. Ref. Rev. 13

## The Matter of the 2,300 Day Prophecy

Daniel 8:14, speaks of 2,300 days in a prophecy concerning a persecution of the Jewish people during the [intertestamental period](#). Similarly, in [Revelation 11 and 12](#), John mentions 1,260 days in two prophecies concerning another persecution of the Jews during the end times. The main differences between these two prophecies are 1) Daniel's has been fulfilled, and John's has not; and 2) [Daniel predicts the actions of Antiochus Epiphanes](#), and John predicts those of the [Antichrist](#).

The prophecy of the 2,300 days (“evenings and mornings”) is found in [Daniel 8:13–14](#):

“Then I heard a holy one speaking, and another holy one said to him, ‘How long will it take for the vision to be fulfilled—the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, the rebellion that causes desolation, the surrender of the sanctuary and the trampling underfoot of the Lord’s people?’ He said to me, ‘It will take 2,300 evenings and mornings; then the sanctuary will be reconsecrated.’”

The time period covered, 2,300 days, figures to about 6 1/3 years. We believe this prophecy was fulfilled before the birth of Christ, during the reign of the Seleucid king Antiochus IV (Epiphanes). Antiochus desecrated the temple in Jerusalem and severely persecuted the Jews from about September 171/170 BC to December 165/164 BC. When Antiochus died, the Jews purified and rededicated the temple, just as Daniel had predicted. These events are commemorated in the celebration of Hanukkah.

### Gabriel's Interpretation of the Vision

Daniel 8:15-26

<sup>15</sup> When I, Daniel, had seen the vision, I sought to understand it; and behold, standing before me was one who looked like a man. <sup>16</sup> And I heard **the voice of a man** between *the banks of* Ulai, and he called out and said, “**Gabriel**, explain the vision to this *man*.”

<sup>17</sup> So he came near to where I was standing, and when he came, I was frightened, and I fell on my face; and he said to me, “Son of man, understand. that the vision pertains to the time of the end.” <sup>18</sup> Now while he was talking with me, I was dazed with my face to the



ground; but he touched me and made me stand at my place. <sup>19</sup> And he said, “Behold, I am. Going to inform you of what will occur at the final period of the indignation because it pertains to the appointed time of the end.”

### **The Ram’s Identity**

<sup>20</sup> The ram which you saw with the two horns *represents* the kings of Media and Persia.

### **The Goat**

<sup>21</sup> The shaggy goat *represents* the kingdom of Greece, and the large horn that is between his eyes is the first King. <sup>22</sup> The broken horn and the four horns that came up in its place represent. Four kingdoms which will rise from his nation, although not with his power.

<sup>23</sup> And in the latter period of their dominion, When the wrongdoers have run *their course*, A king will arise, Insolent and skilled in intrigue. <sup>24</sup> And his power will be mighty, but not by his *own* power, and he will destroy to an extraordinary degree and be successful and do *as he pleases*; He will destroy mighty men and the holy people. <sup>25</sup> And through his shrewdness He will make deceit a success by his influence; And he will make himself great in his own mind, and he will destroy many while *they are* at ease. He will even oppose the Prince of princes, But he will be broken without human agency. <sup>26</sup> And the vision of the evenings and mornings Which has been told is true; But as for you, keep the vision secret, because *it pertains* to many days in the future.”

<sup>27</sup> Then I, Daniel, was exhausted and sick for days. Then I got up and carried on the king’s business; but I was astounded at the vision, and there was no one to explain *it*.

### **What does the He-Goat of Daniel 8 have to do with Today?**

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To understand how this, He-Goat image would apply to today’s world let’s look again at what Gabriel told Daniel. Let’s look at just a few characteristics of this future leader.

- v23. King of "**Fierce Countenance**,"(KJV) also, Insolent, and skilled in intrigue. In the last half of the Tribulation period this future king will have no mercy on the people. You take the “Mark of the Beast,” or you will be killed. Many will die during this time but they will have the greater reward of an eternity with Jesus in Heaven.

- v24. And his power will be mighty, but not by his *own* power, and he will **destroy** to an extraordinary degree and be successful and do *as he pleases*; He will destroy mighty men and the holy people. This future leader will do what past world (want-a-be) dictators tried to achieve. This time, this Antichrist makes it happen and he shall destroy more than anyone before him did.
- v25 He will even **oppose the Prince of princes**, But he will be broken without human agency. Some believe that this little horn is a picture of [Antiochus Epiphanes](#), and as vicious as he was he still died (B. C. 175-165) not having done all that is prophesied in Daniel 8. [Antiochus Epiphanes](#) then certainly was a type of Antichrist and the Jews of his time must have certainly thought so. Antiochus is not the one who “opposes the Prince of princes who is Jesus Christ at His Second Coming and be broken without hand.”
- v23. This King shall understand "**dark sentences**," meaning he will twist the scriptures, just like he did in the garden, and cause many to fall. Because it is the scriptures (word) in a person that brings only true peace, he will hinder the word from going in a person by twisting the word and causing false thinking about the word. In order to twist the word, one must have some understanding about the word. What is meant by the Antichrist, “understanding dark sentences.” The dark sentences that he will understand is the twisting of the scriptures, so that you will not understand what is being said to you. You will walk away believing a lie.

This clearly identifies the "**Little Horn**" of Daniel 8 as the "**King of Fierce Countenance**" that came out of one of the "Four Horns" that took the place of the "Notable Horn" on the head of the He-Goat as the Antichrist. Antiochus Epiphanes (B. C. 175-165) nor any other ruler of the past has ever stood up against **JESUS**, the "Prince of Princes." The future kingdom of the Antichrist shall be destroyed by a "stone cut out of the mountain without hands," the "**Stone Kingdom**" of the Lord Jesus Christ, Dan. 2:34-35, 44-45, and he himself (Antichrist) shall be,

- "paralyzed" by the "**brightness of the Lord's Coming**" (2Thess. 2:8) and
- be cast "alive" into the Lake of Fire. Rev. 19:20.

Two "righteous" men, Enoch and Elijah, were translated to Heaven without dying,"<sup>3</sup> and two "bad" men, spoken of officially as the **Beast** (Antichrist) and the **False Prophet**, (Antispirit) shall be cast into the Lake of Fire" without dying."

### 3. Paul's Foreview



Rev.6:2, "I looked, and behold, a white horse, and the one who sat on it had a bow; and a **crown was given to him**, and he went out conquering and to conquer."

Paul's **MAN OF SIN**

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Writing to the Thessalonians, Paul says

"Let no man deceive you by any means; **for** 'that day' (the Day of the Lord) shall not come except there come a 'falling away first,' and that '**MAN OF SIN**' be revealed, the '**Son of Perdition**,' who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he **As God** sits in the Temple of God (the rebuilt Temple at Jerusalem), showing himself that he is God. . . . For the '**MYSTERY OF INIQUITY**' does already work (in Paul's day); only He (the Holy Spirit) who now let's (restrains) will let (restrain), until He be taken out of the way. And then shall '**THAT WICKED**,' be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit (breath) of His mouth and shall destroy with the brightness (manifestation.) of His Coming.

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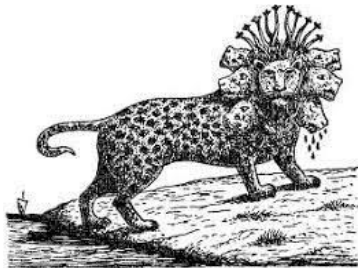
<sup>3</sup> Enoch (Gen, 5:24; Heb 11:5); Elisha (2 Kings 2:11-12)

This is the only place in the Scriptures where the word "diabolus" is applied to a human being, and it implies an incarnation.

While "**Perdition**" is a **PLACE** (Rev. 17:8,11), it is also a "**condition**" into which men may fall (1Tim. 6:9; Heb. 10:39), and while men who have committed the "Unpardonable Sin" are "**sons of perdition**," because they are destined to the place of the irrevocably lost, yet Judas and Antichrist are the "**SONS OF PERDITION**" in a special sense, for they are the **SONS** of the author of "**Perdition**" **THE DEVIL**. That is they are not merely "**obsessed**" or controlled by the Devil, the Devil has **incarnated** himself in them, and for the time being, to all practical purposes, they are the very Devil himself.

#### 4. John's Foreview

Of the Antichrist



**John's Beast**

On the Isle of Patmos, the Apostle John had his vision of the Antichrist.

"And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a Beast rise up out of the sea (Mediterranean Sea), having 'Seven Heads' and 'Ten Horns' and upon his heads the 'name of blasphemy.' And the Beast which I saw was like unto a Leopard, and his 'feet' were as the feet of a Bear, and his 'mouth' as the mouth of a Lion; and **THE DRAGON gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.** And I saw one of his heads as it were 'wounded to death;' and his deadly wound 'was healed;' and all the world wondered after **THE BEAST.**

"And they **worshipped THE DRAGON** which gave power unto the Beast; and they **worshipped THE BEAST**, saying, who is like unto the Beast? Who is able to make war with him? And there was given unto him **A Mouth Speaking Great Things and Blasphemies; and** power was given unto him to continue Forty and Two Months. And he opened his mouth **In Blasphemy Against God, to Blaspheme His Name, and His Tabernacle and Them That**

**Dwell in Heaven.** And it was given unto him to make **War with the Saints** (not the saints of the Church; they were already in glory) and to **overcome** them; and **Power Was Given Him Over All Kindreds and Tongues and Nations.** And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." Rev. 13:1-8.

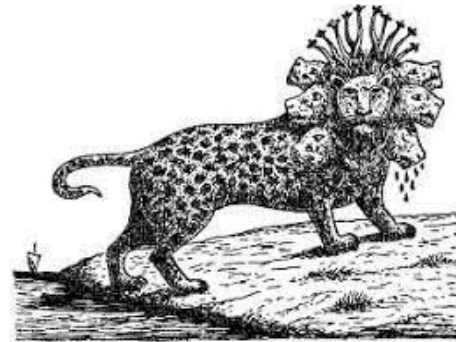
When we compare these "**Foreviews,**" and note the similarity of conduct of Daniel's "**LITTLE HORN,**" Paul's "**MAN OF SIN,**" and John's "**BEAST,**" and that Daniel's "**LITTLE HORN**" and John's "**BEAST**" are to continue for the **same length of time, "Forty and Two Months,"** or 3 1/2 years, and that Daniel's "**LITTLE HORN,**" Paul's "**MAN OF SIN,**" and John's "**BEAST,**" are all to be destroyed in the **same manner at Christ's "Second Coming,"** we see that they all prefigure the same "**Evil Power**" which is after the "**Working of Satan,**" and which John in 1John 2:18, calls **THE ANTICHRIST.** In other words when we find in prophecy "**Three Symbolic Personages**" that come upon the stage of action at the **same time,** occupy the **same territory,** exhibit the **same character,** do the **same work,** exist the same **length of time,** and meet the **same fate,** they must symbolize the **SAME THING.**



**DANIEL'S**  
**Fourth Wild Beast**

Dan. 7:7,8,19,20,23-25

<sup>7</sup> After this I kept looking in the night visions, and behold, a **FOURTH** beast, **dreadful and terrible, and extremely strong**; and it had **large iron teeth**. It devoured and crushed and trampled down the remainder with its feet; and it was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had **TEN HORNS**. <sup>8</sup> While I was thinking about the **HORNS**, behold, another horn, a little one, came up among them, and **THREE** of the **PREVIOUS HORNS** were plucked out before it; and behold, **THIS HORN** possessed eyes like **HUMAN** eyes, and a mouth **uttering** great *boasts*.<sup>19</sup> “Then I desired to know the exact meaning of the **FOURTH BEAST**, which was different from all the others, exceedingly dreadful, with its teeth of iron and its claws of bronze, *and which* devoured, crushed, and trampled down the remainder with its feet,<sup>20</sup> and *the meaning* of the **TEN HORNS** that *were* on its head, and the **OTHER** *horn* which came up, and before which three *of the horns* fell, namely, that horn which had eyes and a mouth uttering great *boasts*, and which was larger in appearance than its associates.<sup>23</sup> “This is what he said: ‘The **FOURTH BEAST** will be a **FOURTH KINGDOM** on the earth which will be different from all the *other* kingdoms and will devour the whole earth and trample it down and crush it.<sup>24</sup> As for the **TEN HORNS**, out of this kingdom **TEN KINGS** will arise; and another (King) will arise after them, and he will be different from the previous ones and will humble **THREE KINGS**.<sup>25</sup> And he will speak against the Most High and wear down the saints of the Highest One, and he will intend to **make alterations in times and in law**; and they will be handed over to him for a **TIME, TIMES, and HALF A TIME**.



**JOHN'S**  
**Beast out of the Sea**

Rev. 13:1-7

<sup>1</sup> And *the dragon* stood on the sand of the seashore. Then I saw a **BEAST** coming up out of the **SEA**, having **TEN HORNS** and **SEVEN HEADS**, and on his horns *were* **TEN CROWNS**, and on his heads *were* **BLASPHEMOUS NAMES**.<sup>2</sup> And the **BEAST** that I saw was like a **LEOPARD**, and his feet were like *those* of a **BEAR**, and his mouth like the mouth of a **LION**. And the dragon gave him his **power** and **his throne**, and **great authority**.<sup>3</sup> *I saw* one of his **HEADS** as if it had been fatally wounded, and his fatal wound was healed. And the whole earth was amazed *and followed* after the **BEAST**;<sup>4</sup> they worshiped the dragon because he gave his authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, “Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?”<sup>5</sup> A mouth was given to him **speaking arrogant words and blasphemies**, and authority to act for **FORTY-TWO MONTHS** was given to him.<sup>6</sup> And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, *that is*, those who dwell in heaven.<sup>7</sup> It was also given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them, and authority was given to him over every tribe, people, language, and nation.

Before we examine in detail John's "**BEAST,** " it would be well for us to compare it with Daniel's "**FOURTH WILD BEAST.**"

In comparing these two "**BEASTS**" we find that they both come up out of the sea (the nations), and that they are utterly unlike any beast we have ever heard of. Daniel's "Beast" was **dreadful** and **terrible**, and **strong exceedingly**; and it had **great iron teeth**, and **nails of brass**; while John's "Beast" was like a **LEOPARD**, with the feet of a **BEAR**, and the mouth of a **LION**. As Daniel's "Beast" represented the "**FOURTH KINGDOM**" upon the earth, the Roman Empire, it is evident that its characteristics describe the old Roman Empire, while the characteristics of John's Beast represent the revived Roman Empire. We know that the Old Roman Empire was "**strong exceedingly**" and its grip and power were like a beast with "**great iron teeth**" and "**nails of brass,**" and from the description of John's "Beast" we learn that the revived Roman Empire shall embody all the characteristics of the Four World Empires, as seen in its **LEOPARD** like body, its feet of a **BEAR**, and its mouth of a **LION**. That both "Beasts" have **TEN HORNS** reveals the fact that they will be in existence at the time indicated by the **TEN TOES** of the Colossus, with which they correspond, which will be just before the setting up of the "Stone" or Millennial Kingdom of Christ. We are told that the "**TEN HORNS**" of Daniel's "Beast" stand for "**TEN KINGS,**" and the "**TEN HORNS**" of John's "Beast" stand for the same. Rev. 17:12. From this we see that both Daniel and John foresaw that the Roman Empire was to be eventually divided into "Ten Separate but Federated Kingdoms."



**Comment:** The idea of the old Roman Empire coming back to become a world empire and ruling the world is an old theology that for the most part has gone away, especially in the light of the events of the last 80+ years in the Middle-East and the fulfilling of the Fig-Tree prophecy. but it's not totally wrong either given that it is mentioned in prophecy of the latter-days, the days of the kingdoms of the ten-toes. As stated in this study all that is left of the Roman Empire can be found in Rome itself, and that is mainly the Catholic Church. The influence of the Catholic Church, its leader the Pope and its 4billion+ members worldwide will elevate the Pope (in my opinion) to that of greater power, as the False Prophet (anti-spirit). In this way you have the kingdoms of **Clay** (Islam) mixed with the kingdom of **Iron** (Rome Symbolically). This arrangement will last for 42 months, which is 1260 prophetic days till Messiah returns.

End Comment:

While both "Beasts" have **TEN HORNS**, they differ in that John's had "**SEVEN HEADS**" while Daniel's had but **ONE**, and among the "**TEN HORNS**" on Daniel's "Beast" there came up a "**LITTLE HORN.**" which is not seen amid the "**TEN HORNS**" of John's Beast. These, as we shall see, are features that refer to the last stage of the "Beast" and show that we cannot understand the last stage of the "Beast" without carefully comparing Daniel's and John's "Beasts, " for the "**LITTLE HORN**" of Daniel's "Beast" plucks up **THREE** of the "**TEN HORNS**" and destroys them, or takes their kingdom away, a thing that John omits to tell us. Again, the Antichristian character of Daniel's "Beast" is seen in its "**LITTLE HORN**" whose conduct corresponds with not a part, but the whole of John's "Beast, " and that for the same length of time "**TIME**" and "**TIMES**" and the "**DIVIDING OF TIME**" which equals "**FORTY AND TWO MONTHS.**"

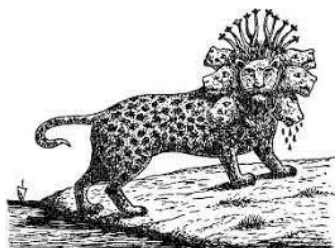
It now remains to analyze the "Beast" that John saw come up out of the sea and try to discover the meaning of its various members.

We have two descriptions of this "Beast."

Daniel's "Fourth Wild Beast", as we have seen, represents the Roman Empire as it existed from B.C. 30, until as a nation it shall cease to exist. While it was divided in A. D. 364, as the result of an ecclesiastical schism, into its Eastern and Western Divisions, and lost its national life as a world power, yet it has never lost its religious existence or influence as seen in the continuance of the Greek and Roman Churches, and Roman Law is still a controlling power in our laws. In this sense the Roman Empire in its influence has never ceased to exist. We are now to consider it in its last stage as outlined in John's "Beast."



## JOHN'S Two Visions of the Beast



### Beast Out of the Sea

Rev. 13:1-7

<sup>1</sup>And the dragon stood on the sand of the seashore. Then I saw a **BEAST coming up out of the SEA**, having **TEN HORNS** and **SEVEN HEADS**, and on his horns were **TEN CROWNS**, and on his heads were **BLASPHEMOUS NAMES**. <sup>2</sup>And the **BEAST** that I saw was like a **LEOPARD**, and his feet were like *those* of a **BEAR**, and his mouth like the mouth of a **LION**. And the dragon gave him his **power** and **his throne**, and **great authority**. <sup>3</sup>I saw one of his **HEADS** as if it had been fatally wounded, and his fatal wound was healed. And the whole earth was amazed *and followed* after the **BEAST**; <sup>4</sup>they worshiped the dragon because he gave his authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?" <sup>5</sup>A mouth was given to him **speaking arrogant words and blasphemies**, and authority to act for **FORTY-TWO MONTHS** was given to him. <sup>6</sup>And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, *that is*, those who dwell in heaven. <sup>7</sup>It was also given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them, and authority was given to him over every tribe, people, language, and nation.



### Scarlet Colored Beast

Rev. 17:3,7-17

<sup>3</sup> And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness (desert); and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast, full of blasphemous names, having **seven heads and ten horns**. <sup>7</sup> And the angel said to me, "Why do you wonder? I will tell you the mystery of the woman and of the beast that carries her, which has the seven heads and the ten horns. <sup>8</sup>"The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to come up out of the abyss and go to destruction. And those who live on the earth, whose names have not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, will wonder when they see the beast, that he was, and is not, and will come. <sup>9</sup>Here is the mind which has wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains upon which the woman sits, <sup>10</sup> and they are seven kings; five have fallen, one is, the other has not yet come; and when he comes, he must remain a little while. <sup>11</sup> The beast which was, and is not, is himself also an eighth and is *one* of the seven, and he goes to destruction. <sup>12</sup> The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom, but they receive authority as kings with the beast for one hour. <sup>13</sup> These have one purpose, and they give their power and authority to the beast. <sup>14</sup> These will wage war against the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them because He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those who are with Him are the called and chosen and faithful." <sup>15</sup> And he said to me, "The waters which you saw where the prostitute sits are peoples and multitudes, and nations and languages. <sup>16</sup> And the ten horns which you saw, and the beast, these will hate the prostitute and will make her desolate and naked and will eat her flesh and will burn her up with fire. <sup>17</sup> For God has put it in their hearts to execute His purpose by having a common purpose, and by giving their kingdom to the beast, until the words of God will be fulfilled.

In the two descriptions of John's Beast as given above it is very important to see that the "Beast" has a "Dual" meaning. It represents both the revived Roman Empire, and its Imperial Head the Antichrist. As the revived Roman Empire, it is seen coming up out of the

sea of the nations, as the Antichrist it comes up out of the **ABYSS**. For instance, it cannot be said of the Roman Empire of John's Day, that it **WAS**, and **IS NOT**, for it was at the height of its power in John's Day. Neither can it be said of it that it shall **ascend out of the pit** and go into **PERDITION**, that could only be said of a **person**. Again, we must distinguish between the **body** of the "Beast" and its **heads** and **horns**. The **body** being that of a **LEOPARD**, with the feet of a **BEAR**, and the mouth of a **LION** is to show that the revived Roman Empire in its last stage will include the characteristics of the first "**Three Wild Beasts**" of Daniel, that is, of the **LION** (Babylon), the **BEAR** (MedoPersia), and the **LEOPARD** (Greece), and as the largest part of the "Beast," the **body**, is represented by the **LEOPARD**, the prevailing characteristic of the revived Roman Empire will be **GRECIAN**.



Comment: When Clarence Larkin wrote this interpretation of Rev.13 the world was certainly a much different place with world alliances that do not exist today ... in the "Latter Days." Greece would not be a good fit for the ten toe kingdoms of the Colossus of Dan.2 and the Mighty Roman Empire of Johns Day is now gone except for the Roman Catholic Church which has over 4 billion + members around the world. Today, what is left of Rome is its church and its representative to the world is the Catholic Pope. As the world political scene continues to unfold, we do not see a revived Roman Empire arising, rather we see a revived Ottoman Empire arising (The ten toes of the colossus image). They are Israel's neighbors, and they hate Israel. Let's look at Daniel 9:27

<sup>27</sup> And **he** shall confirm the covenant with **many** for **one week**: and in the midst of the week, **he** shall **cause** the sacrifice and the oblation to cease,

The angel Gabriel is sent to Daniel with a prophetic message, in v27 we find answers as to who and when. The "he" mentioned is none other than the Antichrist with all his power and authority (especially in the Muslim world) he arranges through a process of negotiations with Israel and **OTHERS** (Israel's neighbors) a "**covenant**" of peace. In this case the word "**cause**" means "**by force**." By means of force the Antichrist will bring Israel and her neighbors to the negotiation table, the results will be a treaty for seven years and Israel can immediately begin the building of its third temple. This action is not the result of the Roman Empire somehow resurrected out of some modern nation, but rather the Antichrist that prophecy reveals to us as the "**little horn**" of Daniels Beast (Dan.7), and John's Beast that comes up from out of the sea. Rev.13

End Comment:

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The "Beast" that comes up out of the **SEA** (that John saw Chap. 13) has **SEVEN HEADS** and **TEN HORNS**, and the "**Horns**" are **CROWNED**. This represents the "Beast, " or Empire, at the height of its power, when it will have all its "**Heads.**" The Beast empire supports the woman who is herself a system or type of religion built around idolatry, sexual permissiveness and is why she is referred to as the Harlot. The cup she holds is full of oil and she causes the nations of the world to bow down to her and what she is selling.

The "Beast" that comes up out of the **ABYSS** also has **SEVEN HEADS** and **TEN HORNS**, but they are not crowned, for the **TEN KINGS** represented by the **TEN HORNS**, have not **as yet** received their kingdom. (Rev. 17:12.) This implies that the "Beast" of Rev. 17, represents the Antichrist at the beginning of the "Week." As confirmation of this view the "**WOMAN**" is seen at this stage riding the "Beast." For while the "**Scarlet Clothed Woman**" is not seen until chapter 17 it is clear that she rides the "Beast" from the beginning of the "Week, " for she represents the "**PAPAL CHURCH**" that comes into power after the true Church has been caught out. During the wars preceding the rise of Antichrist the nations that will then be found in the geographical limits of the Old Roman Empire will form an "Alliance" for mutual protection. Those nations will be ten in number, represented by the "**TEN HORNS**" of the Beast. No doubt the "Papal Church" will play a prominent part in those proceedings. She will be rewarded by restoration to political power, and this union of Church and State, in which the Church will have control, is shown by the **WOMAN riding the Beast**, thus dominating it. But when the "Ten Kings" shall receive their Kingdoms and be **CROWNED**, they "shall hate the **WHORE**, and shall make her **desolate** and **naked**, and shall **eat her flesh**, and **burn her with fire.**" (Vs. 16.)



While we are told in Rev. 17:9 that the "**SEVEN HEADS**" of the "Beast" represent "**SEVEN MOUNTAINS**" (this is to identify it with the Roman Empire), we are told in the next verse.) that they (the "Seven Heads") also represent "**SEVEN KINGS**" of whom "**Five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come**; and when he cometh he must continue a **short space**." That is, in John's Day "Five" of these Kings had fallen, one was the then ruling Emperor, and the "Seventh" was yet to come. Who are meant by the first "Five Kings" that had fallen we do not know. The King that was on the throne in John's day was Domitian, who had banished John to the Isle of Patmos. The last or "**SEVENTH KING**" who is yet to come is undoubtedly the **ANTICHRIST**. - We are told in Rev. 13:3, that one of the "**SEVEN HEADS**, " or "**KINGS**, " received a **deadly wound**." Which one is not stated. The inference is that it is the last, for the Beast has all of his "**HEADS**" before one of them is wounded. In Rev. 17:11 he is called the Beast that **WAS**, and **IS NOT**, even he is the "**EIGHTH**, " and **is of the "SEVENTH**, " and **goes into PERDITION**. The only clear explanation of this passage is that the "**SEVENTH HEAD**"-**THE ANTICHRIST**, is the one who receives the "deadly wound, " probably at the hand of an assassin, and as his body is lying in state prepared for burial, he rises from the dead (by the hand of the False Prophet Rev. 13:14) and thus becomes the "**EIGHTH**, " though he is of the "**SEVENTH**." By this resurrection of the Antichrist, Satan imitates the Resurrection of Christ and makes the world "**wonder after the Beast**" (Rev. 13:3), and this adds to his prestige and power. If this happens at the "Middle of the Week, " at the time the Dragon is cast out of Heaven, it will account for the great change that takes place in the Antichrist, for before receiving his "deadly wound" he will be sweet and lovable, but after his resurrection or recovery lie becomes Devilish, the result of the Dragon incarnating himself in him. It is at this time that he breaks the Covenant with the Jews and desecrates the Temple by setting up the "Abomination of Desolation" which is an "Idol Image" of himself-the "**DESOLATOR**." As the "**LITTLE HORN**" of Daniel's "Fourth Wild Beast" he will destroy three of the "Ten Kings" and firmly establish himself in the place of power, and as he, as the "**LITTLE HORN**," does not appear until after the "**TEN HORNS**," or "Ten Federated Kingdoms, " come into existence, it is clear that the Antichrist does not form the Federation but is the outgrowth of it.

### **III. His Character.**

He will be a "composite" man. One who embraces in his character the abilities and powers of Nebuchadnezzar, Xerxes, Alexander the Great and Caesar Augustus. He will have the marvelous gift of attracting unregenerate men, and the irresistible fascination of his personality, his versatile attainments, superhuman wisdom, great administrative and executive ability, along with his powers as a consummate flatterer, a brilliant diplomatist, a superb strategist, will make him the most conspicuous and prominent of men. All these gifts will be conferred on him by Satan, whose tool he will be, and who will thus make him the-

## SUPERMAN.

He will pose as a great humanitarian, the friend of men, and the especial friend of the Jewish race, whom he will persuade that he has come to usher in the "Golden Age" as pictured by the prophets, and who will receive him as their Messiah.

He will intoxicate men with a strong delusion and his never varying success. And when he shall be slain and rise again he will have lost none of these powers, but will be in addition the embodiment of all kinds of wickedness and blasphemy.

"He shall speak great words against the Most High and shall wear out the saints of the Most High, and think to change times and laws." Dan. 7:25.

"He shall also **stand up against the 'Prince of Princes'**" (Jesus). Dan. 8:25.

"He shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of Gods." Dan. 11:36.

"Who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he **AS GOD** sits in the Temple of God (at Jerusalem) showing himself that he **IS GOD** . . . whose coming is after the **Working of Satan** with all **Power** and **Signs** and **Lying Wonders**." 2Thes. 2:3-5.

There has never as yet appeared on this earth a person who answers the description given in the above Scriptures. Such a character is almost inconceivable. No writer would have invented such a character.

## IV. His Reign.

He shall reign for seven years, or during the whole of Daniel's "Seventieth Week."

"And he shall confirm the Covenant with many for **ONE WEEK** (Daniel's Seventieth week) and in the **midst of the week** he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease." Dan. 9:27.

After the Church has been caught out the Jews will be gathered back to their own land unconverted. About this time ten of the Nations occupying the territory of the old Roman Empire will enter into a Federation. Among the Ten Kings of those nations will arise the Antichrist. He will soon prove himself to be a **Great Ruler** and will be made **PRESIDENT**. The Government will be a **Democratic Monarchy**.

The President will make a "Covenant" with the Jewish people. It may be a Covenant restoring to them their own land. Whatever its character, the Prophet Isaiah speaks of it as a "**Covenant with Death and Hell.**" Isa. 28:15.

For 3 1/2 years the President of the Federation will keep the Covenant. Then he will break it. For the balance of his reign, 3 1/2 years, he will cause an awful persecution of the Jews and the rest of the world, called "**The Great Tribulation.**"

It will not, however, be limited to them, for we read in Rev. 13:7-8, that he shall be given power "**Over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations. And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him,** whose names **are not written** in the **Book of Life.**"

For a description of this period see the Chapter on "The Great Tribulation."

## **V. His Doom.**

At the end of the seven years the allied armies of the Ten 'Federated Nations will gather together in the Valley of Megiddo, north of Jerusalem, to besiege that city. Zech. 14:2. The Lord will pour upon the "House of David" (Israel), and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the "spirit of grace and supplication" (Zech. 12:10). Then the Lord, at the head of the "armies of Heaven, " will come to their rescue (Rev. 19:11- 13), and the Jews will see Christ descend upon the Mt. of Olives (Zech. 14:4) and the Beast (Antichrist) and the kings of the earth, and their armies will gather together to make war against the Lord, and the Beast and the False Prophet will be taken and cast **alive** into the "**Lake of Fire**" and the remnant of those armies shall be slain with the sword of Him who sits upon the "White Horse, " and the fowls of the air will be summoned unto the "Supper of the Great God" and shall feed on the flesh of kings, and captains, and of mighty men. Rev. 19:17-19.





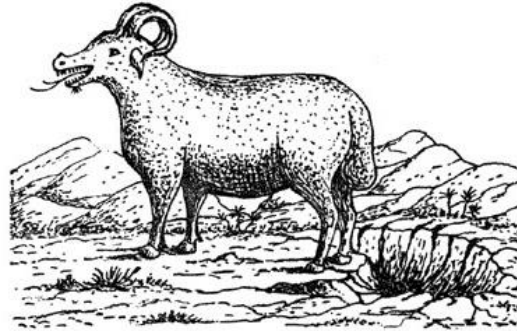
## Chapter 20

# THE SATANIC TRINITY

## THE FALSE PROPHET

Rev. 13:11-18

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**THE FALSE PROPHET**

Rev. 13:11-18

Satan is the "God of this World." (Age.) 2Cor. 4:4.

As the God of this world (Age), he aims to "ape" God<sup>4</sup>. As God sent His Son (Jesus) into the world, so Satan shall send Antichrist into the world. As God was in Christ, so Satan will incarnate himself in Antichrist.

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<sup>4</sup> "The Ape of God" is a medieval reference to the trickster archetype, or the devil. When God makes a move Satan mimics Him in order to deceive, to make deception.



The "Mystery of Godliness" is God manifest in the "flesh." 1Tim. 3:16. The "Mystery of Iniquity" will be Satan manifest in the "flesh." 2 Thes. 2:7. Satan will see to it that Antichrist has all that Christ has.

- I. Christ has a Church, the "Ecclesia; " Antichrist will have a church, the "Synagogue of Satan." Rev. 2:9; Rev. 3:9.
- II. Christ will have a Bride, she is called the "Church," Eph. 5:25-27; Antichrist will have a bride, the "Mystic Harlot Church." Rev. 17:1-16.
- III. Christ has a Cup, "The Communion Cup, " 1Cor. 10:16; 11:25; Antichrist has a cup, called the "Cup of Devils." 1Cor. 10:21.
- IV. Christ's earthly ministry lasted for three and a half years, and Satan shall reign in the form of the Antichrist for the same length of time.
- V. Christ died at the age of thirty-three years, and for ought we know Antichrist shall be smitten at the same age; the age at which Alexander the Great, the "Great Horn" of the He-Goat, died.
- VI. The Godhead is a Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and Satan proposes, as the "God of this Age, " to manifest himself as a Trinity. In contradistinction to the Divine Trinity, we call this manifestation a

### **SATANIC TRINITY.**

The members of it are,

- 1. "The Dragon"-the Anti-GOD."
- 2. "The Beast"-the "Anti-CHRIST."
- 3. "The False Prophet"-the "Anti-SPIRIT."

We have spoken of the first two under the heads of Satan and Antichrist, all that we need to consider in this chapter is,

### **THE FALSE PROPHET**

After the Apostle John had seen and described the "Beast" that came up **out of the SEA**, he saw another "Beast" come up **out of the EARTH**. This "Second Beast," while John does not say it **was a lamb**, it had **"Two Horns" "like a lamb,"** that is, it was **LAMB-LIKE**. Because of this resemblance many claim that the "Second Beast" is the Antichrist, for Antichrist is supposed to imitate Christ. While the **LAMB** (Christ) is mentioned in the Book of Revelation 22 times, the description given of Him in chapter 5:6,

“And I saw between the throne (with the four living creatures) and the elders a Lamb standing, as if slaughtered, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth.”

The description is that of a lamb having **"SEVEN HORNS"** and not **"TWO."** This differentiates Him from the **"lamb-like Beast"** that comes up out of the earth, who, though he is **"lamb-like in appearance SPEAKS AS A DRAGON."**

The "Second Beast" has a name. He is called the **"FALSE PROPHET"** three times. First in chapter 16:13, then in chapter 19:20, and again in chapter 20:10. Twice he is associated with the "First Beast" (Antichrist) and once with the "Dragon" (Satan) and the "First Beast," and as they are **PERSONS** so must he be. The fact that he is called the "False Prophet" is proof that he is not the "Antichrist." Jesus had a foreview of him when He said, "There shall arise **'FALSE CHRISTs'** and **'FALSE PROPHETS,'** and shall show **GREAT SIGNS AND WONDERS:** insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect." Matt. 24:24. Here Jesus differentiates between **"FALSE CHRISTs"** and **"FALSE PROPHETS."** therefore the **"ANTICHRIST"** and the **"FALSE PROPHET"** cannot be the same.

That the "Second Beast" comes up **out of the EARTH** may signify that he will be a **resurrected person**. If, as was hinted at, "Antichrist" was Judas resurrected, why should not the "False Prophet" also be a resurrected person? There will be two persons, as we have seen, who shall come back from Heaven as the "Two Witnesses," Moses and Elijah, why not two persons come up from "The Underworld," brought up by Satan to counteract the work of the "Two Witnesses"? The fact that the "First Beast" (Antichrist) and the "Second Beast" (False Prophet) are cast **ALIVE** into the "Lake of Fire" (Rev. 19:20) is further proof that they are more than ordinary mortals, and that the "First Beast" is more than the last ruling Emperor of the last kingdom of men that King Nebuchadnezzar saw in his dream (Dan 2). He is the **Antichrist**, Satan's **SUPERMAN**.

In the "Dragon," the "Beast," and the "False Prophet," we have the **"SATANIC TRINITY,"** Satan's imitation of the "Divine Trinity." In the unseen and invisible "Dragon" we have the **FATHER** (the **ANTI-GOD**). In the "Beast" we have the **"SON OF**

**PERDITION**" (the **ANTI-CHRIST**), **begotten** of the Dragon, who appears on the earth, dies, and is resurrected, and to whom is given a throne by his Father the Dragon. In the "False Prophet" we have the "**ANTI-SPIRIT**" who **proceeds** from the "Dragon Father" and "Dragon Son, " and whose speech is like the Dragon's. The "Dragon" then will be the "**ANTI-GOD**, " the "Beast" the "**ANTI-CHRIST**," and the "False Prophet" the "**ANTI-SPIRIT**," and the fact that all **three are cast ALIVE into the "Lake of Fire"** (Rev. 20:10) is proof that they together form a "**Triumvirate**"<sup>5</sup> which we may well call "**THE SATANIC TRINITY.**"

Again the "Antichrist" is to be a **KING** and rule over a **KINGDOM**. He will accept the "Kingdoms of this world" that Satan offered Christ, and that Christ refused. Matt. 4:8-10. He will also **EXALT** himself and claim to be God. 2Thes. 2:4. But the "False Prophet" is not a King, He does not exalt himself, he exalts the "First Beast" (Antichrist). His relation to the "First Beast" is the same as the Holy Spirit's relation to Christ. He causes the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the "First Beast." He also has power to give life, and in this he imitates the Holy Spirit. And as the followers of Christ are sealed by the Holy Spirit until the "**Day of Redemption**" (Eph. 4:30); so, the followers of Antichrist shall be sealed by the False Prophet until the "**Day of Perdition.**" Rev. 13:16-17.

The False Prophet will be a "Miracle Worker." While Jesus was a "miracle worker, " He did all His mighty works in the "**power**" of the Holy Spirit. Acts 10:38. Among the miracles that the False Prophet will perform he will bring down **FIRE FROM HEAVEN**. As we have seen under the work of the "Two Witnesses, " Rev. 11:1-14, there will probably be a "**FIRE-TEST**" between Elijah and the False Prophet, and the test as to who is God of Mount Carmel will be repeated. That Satan, who will then energize the False Prophet, can do this is clear from Job 1:16, where Satan, having secured permission from God to touch all that Job had, brought down "fire from heaven" and burned up Job's sheep and servants.

The False Prophet then commands the people to make an

**"IMAGE OF THE BEAST."**

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<sup>5</sup> **Tri-um-vi-rate** — (in ancient Rome) a group of three men holding power, in particular (The First Triumvirate) the unofficial coalition of Julius Caesar, Pompey, and Crassus in 60 BC and (the second Triumvirate) was a coalition formed by Antony, Lepidus, and Octavian in 43 BC.

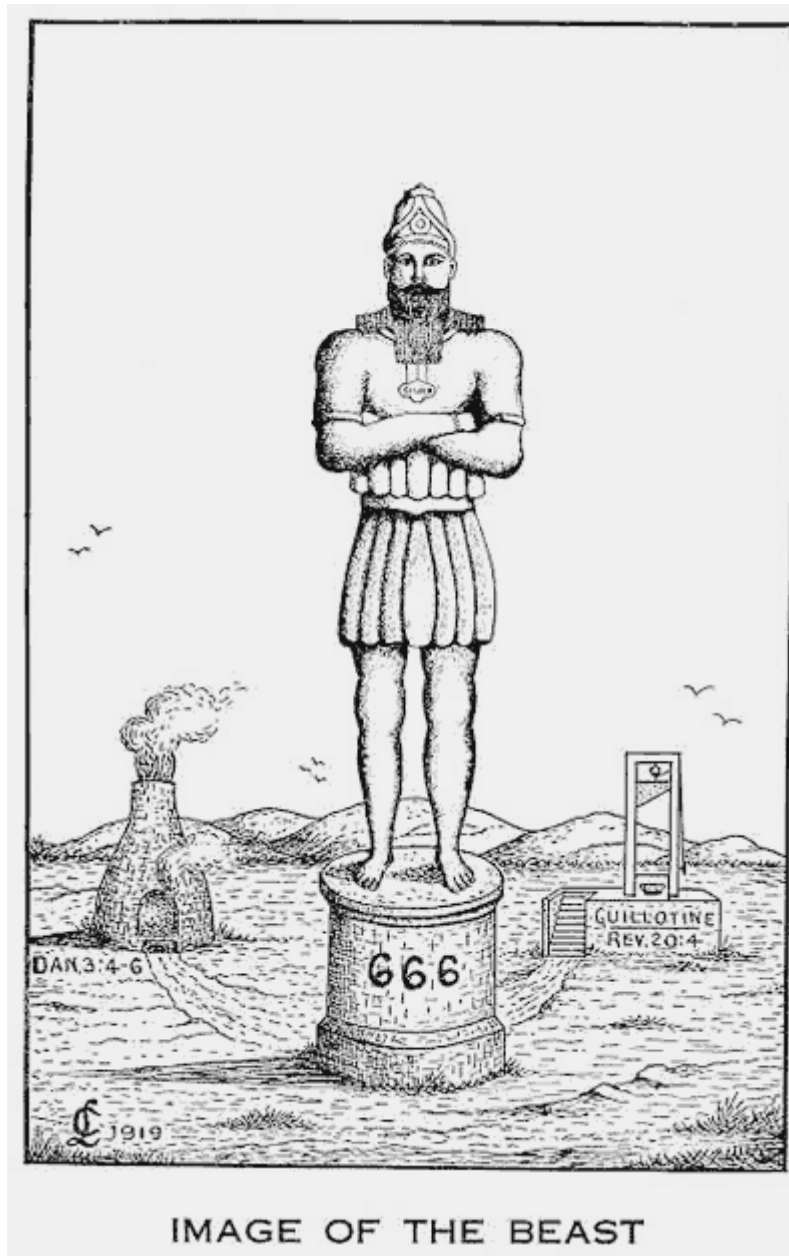
This is further proof that the "First Beast" is the Antichrist. It is a strange weakness of mankind that they must have some **VISIBLE** God to worship, and when the Children of Israel, who had been delivered from Egypt under Moses' leadership, thought he had forsaken them because he did not come down from the Mount, they called Aaron to make them gods which should go before them, and Aaron made for them the "**GOLDEN CALF.**" Ex. 32:1-6. So, the False Prophet will have the people make for the purpose of worship an "**IMAGE OF THE BEAST.**" But the wonderful thing about the "**IMAGE**" is that the False Prophet will have power to give **LIFE** to it, and cause it to **SPEAK**, and to demand that all who will not worship it shall be put to death. In other words, the "**IMAGE**" will be a **living, speaking, AUTOMATON.**

This "Image" reminds us of the "**GOLDEN IMAGE**" that Nebuchadnezzar commanded to be made and set up in the "Plain of Dura, " in the Province of Babylon (Dan. 3:1-30), before which, at the sounding of musical instruments, the people were commanded to bow down and worship under penalty, for those who disobeyed, of being cast into a "**BURNING FIERY FURNACE.**" Doubtless there will be many in the "Day of Antichrist" who will refuse to bow down and worship the "**Image of the Beast,**" and who will not escape as did the "Three Hebrew Children, " though God may interpose in a miraculous way to deliver some. And as if this was not enough the False Prophet shall cause-"**ALL**, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a '**MARK**' in their **RIGHT HAND**, or in their **FOREHEAD**; and that no man might **BUY** or **SELL**, save he that has the '**MARK**' or the '**NAME OF THE BEAST,**' or the '**NUMBER OF HIS NAME**'." This "**MARK**" will be known as the

### **"BRAND OF HELL.**

This is what the world is fast coming to. The time is not far distant when the various "Trusts" and "Combinations of Capital" will be merged into a "**FEDERATION OF TRUSTS,**" at the head of which shall be a "**NAPOLEON OF CAPITAL.**" Ultimately this "Federation of Trusts" will extend to the whole world, at the head of which shall be **THE ANTICHRIST**, and the **producer** and **consumer** will be powerless in the tentacles of this **OCTOPUS**, and no man shall be able to **BUY** or **SELL** who has not the "**MARK OF THE BEAST**" either upon his "**right hand**" or on his "**forehead.**" This "Mark" will be **BRANDED** or burnt on. It will probably be the "**NUMBER OF THE BEAST**" or "666." The number "666" is the "**NUMBER OF MAN,**" and stops short of the perfect number **SEVEN**. Man was created on the **SIXTH** day. Goliath the opposer of God's people, a type of Satan, was 6 cubits in height, he had 6 pieces of armor, and his spearhead weighed 600

shekels. 1Sam. 17:4-7. Nebuchadnezzar's Image, a type of the "Image of the Beast," was 60 cubits in height, 6 cubits wide, and 6 instruments of music summoned the worshippers. Dan. 3:1-7.



In that day men will doubtless prefer to have the "**MARK**" on the back of their right hand so it can be readily seen in the act of signing checks, drafts, and receipts. There will doubtless be public officials in all public places of business to see that no one buys or sells who has not the "**MARK.**" This will apply to women as well as men. No one can shop, or even buy from the huckster at the door, without the "**MARK,**" under **penalty of DEATH.** Those will be awful times for those who will not **WORSHIP THE BEAST.** If they can neither buy nor sell without the "**MARK,**" they must beg, or starve or be killed. The instrument of death will be the guillotine (Rev. 20:4), and the daily papers will contain a list of the names of those who were beheaded the day before so as to frighten the people into obedience to the law. The doom of the "Satanic Trinity" will be, that at the close of that awful time of Tribulation the Lord Jesus Christ will return, and the "Dragon, "**the "Anti-God,**" will be cast into the "**BOTTOMLESS PIT**" for a thousand years (Rev. 20:1-3), and the "Beast, " the "**Anti-Christ,**" and the "False Prophet, " the "**Anti-Spirit, "** will be cast **ALIVE** into the "**LAKE OF FIRE.**" Rev. 19:20.

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