

# A STUDY ON REVELATION 13: SHOULD CHRISTIANS BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE MARK OF THE BEAST?

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The one Bible prophecy topic that has been written about, and videos have been made about, more than any other topic, is the topic of **'the mark of the beast'**. I have taught for many years that the majority of believers, true believers in Christ will not be alive, will be long gone before the time of this mark comes. Untold number of preachers, and so-called prophecy teachers are running around claiming that mark of the beast is a chip, or a vaccine, or an electronic tattoo, or any number of things; however, I believe we do not yet know what this mark will be, so, why waste time speculating about it day and night! What these gurus teach is that this mark is going to be the test of Faith for believers: that everyone will **be forced to Take the mark or be killed**; let's study the Bible and see if these teachings can be proven from The Holy Scriptures. First of all, let me prove right off the bat that the Bible does not teach that people will be killed for not taking the mark; it doesn't even say that people will be forced to **TAKE** the mark, but rather that people will **RECEIVE** the mark; they will welcome the mark, not fight it! The penalty of death is actually associated with not worshipping the beast and his image, not with the mark of the beast. Let's look closely at what is written in the following Scripture:

**Revelation 13:15** And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, **and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.**

From this Scripture we learn that people that are alive on Earth at the time that the image of the beast will be introduced to the world, are the people that will be given a choice: worship the beast and his image, or die. Those who worship the image will be offered the mark of the

beast, as having been approved by the beast, and those who refuse to worship him will be killed, so the mark will be of no concern to them.

Lately, in early 2021, I have been doing a lot of study on End of the world prophesies of **Matthew 24, Mark 13, and Luke 21, and in the Book of Revelation**. Listed above are recent videos I posted on Bible prophecies regarding the End of the world, as prophesied by the Lord Jesus Himself, and by the prophets, and apostles, in the OT, and in the NT. In the last video I posted a few days ago on the **sixth Seal of Revelation, chapter 6, I proved from Scripture that the Book of Revelation is written in chronological order**; the events recorded in it will transpire in chronological order, one after the other as detailed in it. Thus, the events of the sounding of the Trumpets will not occur before the events of the opening of the Seals, and the events of the pouring out of the Vials will not occur before the events of the trumpets, and so on. So, even before we get to the time of the beast, and his kingdom, there is so much that will have happened that it is highly unlikely that any believer alive today will be around to see that time.

Shortly after the Beginning of the Tribulation, true believers in Christ will suffer great persecutions and martyrdoms, that will pretty much remove all Christians from Earth long before the coming of the beast, or the mark of the beast, and long before The Second Coming of The Lord Jesus Christ. Most of them will be killed during the time of these persecutions, such as the great multitude seen in Heaven in **Revelation 7**. The mark of the beast is not intended for Christians, as we shall see from this study on **Revelation, chapter 13**. So, this obsession with the coming of the antichrist, and the mark of the beast is a major distraction that is setting people up for a fall: they have not been taught what is actually coming, and therefore, their love will wax cold as the persecutions begin to come, and true believers in Christ begin to be hated by all men for the faith in Jesus. The Word **Sorrows**, as used by Jesus in Matthew 24:8 **means extreme anguish**; so, what we will be faced with rather shortly is nothing like any of us have ever experienced in our lives, and we need to be prepared for this time in the present day, not for the mark of the beast, which is yet a long time in the future!

**Matthew 24:9** Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake. **10** And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. **11** And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. **12** And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. **13** But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

What Jesus warned us about in **Matthew 24:9-13** occurs before the abomination of desolation appears on the world stage. As we shall see from the Book of Revelation there will be at least two major martyrdoms of believers through extreme persecution that will kill almost all believers even before the time of the antichrist beast, and before the time of the mark of the beast. So, we learn from Scripture that almost all real Christians will have departed this world well before the time of the mark of the beast, and let's thank God for that. Furthermore, I believe that the mark is not at all a test for Christians, for there will be hardly any left by that time, but it will be intended for the remaining population, like a social security number, and also a way to divide society into social classes, depending on whether a person would get the

mark, or the name, or the number of the beast. **When we study the Bible, we find that there is no penalty that is associated with the mark of the beast itself; the penalty of death is associated with the worship of the Image of the beast.** Therefore, the teaching that people will be killed for not taking the mark is a lie, it is not in the Bible! **Those who refuse to worship the Image of the beast will be killed;** those who remain will be offered the mark of the beast. So, the test for the few remaining Christians at that time will be the worshiping of the Image, as the Hebrew children were tested by the image of Nebuchadnezzar in the days of Daniel the prophet!

**Daniel 3:1** Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height was threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon. **2** Then Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together the princes, the governors, and the captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up. **3** Then the princes, the governors, and captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up. **4** Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people, nations, and languages, **5** That at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up: **6** And whoso falleth not down and worshippingeth (*the image*) shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

What we learn from Nebuchadnezzar's order to worship his image is that penalty of death was associated with the worship of the image, not with anything else. So too, in **Revelation 13**, we shall see that the penalty of death is associated with the worship of the image of the beast, not with the mark of the beast! Before we get to **Revelation 13**, let me detail the various trials and tribulations that Christians will have to **endure** long before the beast even shows up. I showed you already from **Matthew 24:9-13** that Jesus warned that very early into the Tribulation, even at the time of **The Beginning of Sorrows**, all of mankind, all the nations of men on Earth will hate the true disciples of Christ, will visit great affliction upon true believers in Him.

**Matthew 24:9** Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.

So, what did Jesus warn would happen to those who believe in Him?

1. They would be delivered up: In Luke 21:12 Jesus explained what it means to be delivered up: **“delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake.”** Like the apostle Paul, and the other apostles; in the time of the Beginning of Sorrows (not yet the Middle or the End of Sorrows), believers will be afflicted, which means they will experience extreme anguish, be tortured, and experience great tribulation (the word **affliction** is the same Greek

word Thlipsis (Strong's # G2347), which is translated **Tribulation** in other passages of Matthew 24, and elsewhere in the Bible.

2. Then many will be **killed** by the so-called authorities, both religious, and political.
3. Many will be **cast into prisons**,
4. Many will be **tried by religious and political authorities**,
5. All believers will be **hated of all nations**, which means that they will be **HATED** by all gentiles, which literally means by all non-believers.

We read in **Revelation 6:9-11** when the fifth seal is opened, that the great number of souls of believers that have died, been killed for their Faith in God and in Jesus, over the Ages cry out to God for vengeance on them that dwell on the Earth.

**Revelation 6:9** And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: **10** And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? **11** And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, **until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.**

At that time, they are told that they should rest yet for a little season since there would soon be coming another multitude that would also be killed, as they had been killed in the past. The word little in **Revelation 6:11** is the Greek word **Mikros**, from which the word **MICRO** has been transliterated into the English language. The word '**Season**' in that Scripture is the word **Chronos**, which means **time**; essentially what these believers were told was that they should rest for **Micro-Time, or a very little time longer** till their brethren and fellowservants were also killed, and would join them in literally no time. **Revelation 6:11** was fulfilled rather quickly in the very next chapter, in between the time of the opening of the sixth, and the seventh Seals.

**Revelation 7:9** After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; **10** And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. **11** And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, **12** Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen. **13** And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they? **14** And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, **These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**

So, here in **chapter 7 of Revelation in verses 9-14**, we read of a great multitude, and where did this multitude come from? They came out of **Great Tribulation**, and what did Jesus warn us would happen in **Matthew 24:9-13**? He told us plainly that we would suffer **Great Affliction, or Great Tribulation, and we would be killed**, He did not mince words, He said plainly that we

would be killed, and in great numbers since this would be a world-wide hate fest against real Christians. Even now databases are being compiled, and real believers are being identified, and you better pray that your name is on the top of these lists in your country, for if it is not, then it is unlikely that you are a real Christian, probably just a weekend country club member in some social club that calls itself a church! So, in the very first stage of the Tribulation, the first great culling, the first great martyrdom, will take place right after the Beginning of Sorrows. Once the four horses will have ridden, and all hell will have literally broken loose on Earth, and a quarter or so of the Earth's population will have been killed; then a hunt will be on for scapegoats, and **the scapegoats for this recently passed time of great destruction, and loss of life, will be Christians, as they were in the days of the apostles.**

When we read carefully that which is written in **Revelation 7:9** we discover that a multitude that no man could number came out of the Great Tribulation, at the time of the Seals, very early on in the Tribulation period. All this happened in the very first stage of God's Judgments, at the **Time of God's Anger**, and long before the more extreme stages of Judgment, **The Time of God's Fury**, and the **Time of God's Wrath**. God's Fury will be poured out beginning with the Trumpets Judgments, which will follow the Judgments of the Seals. So, what is the significance of this multitude being found in Heaven, long before the Second stage of God's Judgments, the Trumpets stage will begin, and long before the Time of the antichrist beast? Some people teach that this multitude will have arrived there by being raptured; however, when we compare Scripture with Scripture, the only correct interpretation is that this great multitude was killed, as the souls of other believers that were under the altar In **Revelation 6:9** were told must happen; that **their fellowservants and brethren must be killed, as they were killed**. Similarly, In **Matthew 24:9**, Jesus also taught that many will be afflicted (be in Tribulation), and **killed** in those days, so, the arrival by rapture teaching for this multitude in **Revelation 7:9** is a false teaching!

The significance of such a large multitude in Heaven, coming out of the Tribulation, begs the question as to how many true believers in Christ will still have been left on Earth after the Judgment of the Seals? In my understanding, between the time of the Seventh Seal, and before the prophesying of the Two Witnesses, there will only be 144,000 believers left on Earth. These are the 144,000 of the 12 Tribes of Israel that are sealed in their foreheads in **Revelation 7:3-8**. **Revelation 7:4 And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.** There is some speculation in this conclusion but it is speculation based on Scripture. In **Revelation 9:4** we read: And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; **but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads**. As far as I can determine, only 144,000, written of in **Revelation 7:4**, were sealed in their foreheads in those days; so, if everybody except those sealed in their foreheads were commanded to be hurt by the locust army, then does it not stand to reason that there will be no believers around at that time, other than the 144,000? God would not command those who believe in Jesus Christ to be hurt by these scorpions, would He? So, my conclusion is that by the time the Trumpets Judgments begin, most of the believers will have already departed for the greener pastures of Heaven, to drink from the living fountains of waters, and not be on the

Earth at all! If that is what the Bible is teaching, that almost all believers alive today will be gone even before the Trumpets Judgments begin; therefore, should the mark of the beast be of any concern to believers alive today? If they are not even going to be around to see that time, why is the mark of the beast the most talked about topic of Bible prophecy? **Isaiah 57:1** tells us clearly that God rescues His faithful servants through death; He lets them die, even be killed, in order to save them, and rescue them from His Judgments that will soon coming on the Earth.

**Isaiah 57:1** The righteous **perisheth**, and no man layeth it to heart: and merciful men **are taken away**, none considering that the righteous is **taken away from the evil to come**. **2 He shall enter into peace**: they shall rest in their beds, each one walking in his uprightness.

Does the above Scripture from the book of the prophet Isaiah not clearly teach us that **The LORD God takes people away to save them from the evil to come by letting their bodies perish here on Earth?** Does it say that He takes them away by rapturing them; as I have proven in several videos in the past, the Pre-Trib Rapture doctrine is a lie, a big lie! Links to several videos on the pre-Trib Rapture lie are listed below:

- **Why the Pre-Trib Rapture Doctrine is a Lie? Part 1** / <https://youtu.be/PdrAfR8LYYA>
- **Why the Pre-Trib Rapture Doctrine is a Lie? Part 2** / <https://youtu.be/In9pdQw0zhE>
- **Pre-Trib Secret Rapture is a Lie** / <https://youtu.be/ISJ6FJB0ak4>
- **Pre-Trib Secret Rapture is a Lie part 2** / <https://youtu.be/-3AtVjvFqNc>
- **Rapture coming soon? Aliens-UFO deceptions to hide God and Jesus** / <https://youtu.be/9gl97epRumA>

So, my conclusion is that almost all Christians, true believers in Christ, will be long gone from this world before the Trumpets Judgments begin, and way before the time of the beast, or his mark. **So, what we should concern ourselves with is what we will have to endure in the very near future: afflictions, tribulations, tortures, imprisonments, and death, rather than be obsessed with the mark of the beast false teachings!**

Now, I am not saying that other believers, other than the 144,000 will not be added, and be here on Earth before the Second Coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Before the Trumpets Judgments end, God will send His two witnesses to preach the Gospel to the whole world. In the 42 months or longer that they will be giving the Testimony of Jesus Christ, I am sure many more believers, other than the 144,000 will be added to God's Kingdom. If anything, at the time of the beast and his kingdom that will wage war against the saints, the saints themselves will be believers that will have come to believe in Jesus through the Testimony of the two witnesses, not those who are alive on Earth today. The beast cannot make war against the 144,000, so there have to be other saints, and it seems that God will raise another army for Himself after the great multitude that will have been killed recently are taken away from Earth. However, as we shall see, even these saints are likely not going to be around to see the mark of the beast, so **for almost all believers, the mark is irrelevant**; they will have to face greater challenges long before the mark comes.

Through Hollywood type false prophesy teachings about the mark, this has become a glamor topic, a topic to which people are attracted like flies to dung, and totally ignore what the Bible has to say about that time, which is yet many years in the future, and does not concern, nor will it concern, most believers in any Age. As I have taught repeatedly, much of the Book of Revelation is still a sealed book, and will not be fully understood until we are close to the time of the fulfillment of the prophesies. **Revelation 12** speaks of the woman through whom the man child, that would rule the nations is born. It is difficult at this present time to determine the exact identity of this woman, since it cannot be referring to Mary, or even if it means an individual woman, or a race of people, or a nation like Israel. I believe it does not refer to an individual woman, but rather to a race, or to a group of people, whose exact identity is difficult to determine at present. I would speculate that after the two witnesses have finished their testimony, or possibly, after the first great martyrdom of **Revelation 7**, the fulness of the Gentiles will have come in, will have entered the Kingdom of God; that is, no more Gentiles will be grafted into the Tree of Israel after that time. So, the only new believers that will be added to the Body of Christ will be of the stock of Israel; they will be physical descendants of Jacob, from one of the twelve tribes of Israel. Thus, will be fulfilled the prophecy of the Redeemer saving all Israel (**Romans 11**). However, the teaching that Gentile Church will be taken away by a secret Rapture is false; although most believers, Jew or Gentile will indeed have left the Earth by that time, it will be through martyrdom, not through a secret Rapture! Also, we do not yet know what it means that the woman will be given wings of a great eagle to fly into the wilderness to be nourished there for 3½ years. These are things that we will only begin to understand once we get closer to the time of their fulfillment. But it is obvious that her seed are those who keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ, and that they are still on the Earth, and not in the wilderness with the woman. They must still be in the world, which is why the dragon goes to make war with them, when the woman escapes out of his trap.

**Revelation 12:17** And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have **the testimony of Jesus Christ**. In **Revelation 11:7** we read: And when they shall have finished their **testimony**, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

I believe that this remnant 'Seed' referred to in **Revelation 12:17** who have the Testimony of Jesus Christ are those who came to believe in Him through the Testimony of the two witnesses, after the great multitude of believers had already been killed, and taken from the Earth in **Revelation 7**. As mentioned previously, these remnant Seed are most likely flesh and blood Seed of Jacob, from one of the twelve tribes of Israel, although they may not necessarily come from the present-day nation of Israel. I do not believe that many, if any, of the current population of the present day Nation of Israel are flesh and blood descendants of Abraham, or of Jacob, but God knows where Jacob's flesh and blood children are to be found on this Earth, and He will identify them in those days ahead, and will Save many of them, as He has Promised in His Word!

Link to my video of the identity of the two witnesses: **Who are The Two Witnesses of Revelation, chapter 11?** / <https://youtu.be/2URZG-UVu4Q>

So, will this remnant Seed be ordered to take the mark of the beast? The answer surprisingly again is NO! The events of Revelation 13 transpire in two distinct stages: one under the reign of the first beast, the beast with the seven heads, one of which will seem to have been slain, and the second stage in which the beast's false prophet second beast arises, and makes an image of the first beast, and commands everyone to worship this image.

**Revelation 12:17** And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went **to make war with the remnant of her seed**, which keep the commandments of God, and have **the testimony of Jesus Christ**.

**Revelation 13:7** And **it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them**: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

What happens even before the second beast arises out of the Earth, and starts deceiving people with his miracles, and then makes an image of the first beast, for the world to worship? In the reign of the first beast, the beast is given power over all kindreds, tongues, and nations, so we can see that he is given dominion over the whole world. And during this time, the beast makes war with the remnant saints and overcomes them. This is the war that the angry dragon goes to make with the remnant of the 'Seed' of the woman, as mentioned in **Revelation 12:17**. This means that a lot of remnant saints, if not all, will already have been killed by the first beast even before the second beast appears on the scene. So, as it happened after the sixth Seal, but before the Trumpets begin to sound, there will hardly be any saints left to be threatened with the mark of the beast! Most of them will have been overcome and killed by the first beast, just as the two witnesses were killed not too long before that time. Now let's look at **Revelation 13:15** which should forever put to rest this false teaching that Christians will be made to take or forced to take the mark of the beast.

**Revelation 13: 14** And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should **make an image to the beast**, which had the wound by a sword, and did live. **15** And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, **and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed**.

Despite centuries of false teachings that the Bible teaches that those who do not take the mark of the beast will be killed; the Bible teaches no such thing! On the contrary, it tells us that even before the mark, an image will be made to the beast, and all will be ordered to worship this image, and **those who do not worship the image of the beast will be killed, not those who do not take the mark of the beast!** The question that then arises is how can anyone even be offered the mark, unless they have already worshipped the beast? So, when the time comes that the image has been made, as it was in the days of Nebuchadnezzar the king, and everyone is ordered to worship the image, what happens to those who refuse to worship it? As



**Revelation 13:15** states quite clearly, these brave children of God, like the Hebrew children at the time of Nebuchadnezzar will be sentenced to die. So, if they will already have been killed because they refuse to worship the image of the beast, how many believers will be left around to **receive** the mark of the beast, not be forced to take it, as is falsely taught? The answer is that there should be no Christians, no believers in Christ left by that time to even be offered the mark; for anyone that will be offered the mark will have already worshipped the beast, and what happens to those who worship the beast?

**Revelation 14:9** And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, **If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, 10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God**, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: **11** And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: **and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.**

The angel warned in **Revelation 14** that worshipping the beast will subject the person to the wrath of God. **Rev. 14:9-11** makes it quite clear that the worshipping of the beast is the only way to actually get the mark of the beast. We can understand that without worshipping the beast first, the mark will not even be offered to any person. **Rev. 14:9** reads ... '**If any man worship the beast and his image**' – this clause is followed by a comma, which separates the two actions of **worshipping** the beast, and **receiving** the mark of the beast. First comes the worship of the beast and his image, and then comes the mark of the beast. The penalty of death is linked with the worship of the beast and his image, not with the mark of the beast. So, without first worshipping the beast, the mark will not even become an issue!

It would also be useful to study the meaning of the word **RECEIVE**, as in 'he causeth all... to **receive** a mark' (Rev. 13:16); the word **RECEIVE** in no way implies force, **it actually means something that is offered as a reward or a wage**. The mark is **RECEIVED**, welcomed by people, it is not forced upon anyone! The people of God will already have refused to worship the image of the beast, like the Hebrew children, so they will not be included in the multitudes that will be lining up to get the mark, just as they are lining up to get the vaccine in the present time.

The Bible also tells us that the marking by the beast will not be the same for all people, but will be three different types of marks, that I believe will separate society into three distinct groups. As the Bible teaches people will welcome and **RECEIVE** the mark of the beast, and from Revelation 13:17 we learn that there will be three categories of this mark:

1. **A MARK or SYMBOL** of the beast, probably a dragon symbol
2. **A NAME** of the beast
3. **A NUMBER** of the beast, which is 666.

I would speculate that only the so-called 'elites' will be entitled to the mark or the symbol. Those below them, the small minority of wealthy people, politicians, celebrities etc. will be given the Name, and the rest of the masses will get the number. So, rather than people being

forced to **TAKE** the mark, they will gladly **RECEIVE** it, and hope that they get the Mark or the Name, rather than the Number!

**Revelation 13:17** And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the **mark**, or the **name of the beast**, or the **number** of his name.

Despite centuries of false lying teachings, the mark is not even meant for Christians, and should be of no concern to them! Long before the mark comes, or long before even the beast comes, believers will have been put to the test of Faith, will have been asked to be **'faithful unto death'** (**Revelation 2:10**), and therefore there should be no believers on the Earth at that time except the remnant that God will preserve; for a remnant will be preserved in the flesh until the very end, to the time of the Second Coming of our Lord Jesus Christ! However, this group of believers that will be preserved by God until the end, will not be a part of the beast's economy; they are not going to be buying, selling, trading in the market of the beast, so they do not need to be concerned about the mark! I believe that the woman of **Revelation 12**, who is nourished in the wilderness by God (thus having no need to buy and sell) represents a group of the children of Israel that will be preserved there until the Second Coming in the flesh. This group will be the flesh and blood inhabitants of Christ's Millennial Kingdom, and the Millennial Earth's flesh and blood population will be the progeny of these Elect, for whose sake the last of the Tribulation days will be cut short in order to save them. However, since this group will be completely out of the reach of the dragon, and the beast, the mark of the beast will be of no concern to them.

**Matthew 24:21** For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. **22** And except those days should be shortened, **there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.**

So, it is obvious that some flesh will be saved, at least for the Millennial Reign of Christ, and since the majority of present-day believers will have been killed, and the times of the Gentiles will have been fulfilled, then it stands to reason that the flesh and blood remnant, the Seed of the Woman are children of Israel, come from the stock of Jacob. These are not the 144,000, which are called the **FIRSTFRUITS (Revelation 14:4)**, and are a completely separate group from all believers, Jew or Gentile. I did a video on the identity of the 144,000, which was on old channel that was terminated by YT; I'll see if I can dig that up, and post it again. I would like to repeat once again that the details of many of these events, and identities of people, written about in the Book of Revelation are impossible to determine with 100% accuracy in the present time. Let us get through **the Beginning of Sorrows (the first four Seals)**, and things will begin to come into cleared focus after that time.

Incidentally, someone sent me a video of a man that ran on to the field at the Superbowl last Sunday, Feb. 7, 2021; this man had **Revelation 2:10** tattooed on his chest; this is how the devil mocks people, telling them that the time is soon coming when their Faith will be tested, when they will have to prove to be **'Faithful unto death'**, and yet they are busy talking about the mark of the beast, or the pre-Trib rapture, or about Donald Trump, Joe Biden etc. etc. rather

than understanding the times, and preparing themselves through prayer and fasting for the coming extreme persecutions; preparing for the time of extreme anguish and Sorrows that will test their Faith to the point of the death of the body! The need to prepare now so that when the time does come, they will indeed be faithful unto death!



As seen in the picture, Revelation 2:10 is tattooed on the man's chest, and he's sticking his tongue way out, which is exactly what we read in Isaiah 57:4:

**Isaiah 57:1** The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart: and merciful men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away from the evil to come. **2** He shall enter into peace: they shall rest in their beds, each one walking in his uprightness.

**3** But draw near hither, ye sons of the sorceress, the seed of the adulterer and the whore.

**4** Against whom do ye sport yourselves? **against whom make ye a wide mouth, and draw out the tongue?** are ye not children of transgression, a seed of falsehood.

This is the very same chapter from which I quoted earlier about the righteous being **Taken Away from the evil to come**, from the coming Judgment. And once the righteous have been Taken Away (by being killed), Judgment will befall **those make a wide mouth, and draw out the tongue**, just as we see in this picture of the devil mocking God, and His Elect for the whole world to see! I feel disgusted even including this picture in this article, but as they say a picture is worth a thousand words, and if people that think this was unplanned, they are sadly mistaken. Nothing ever happens in these events that is not pre-planned, and meant to deliver a message to the world; and those that have eyes to see, and ears to hear can understand that we are now close to the days of **Revelation 2:10, and of Isaiah 57:1**.

**Revelation 2:10** 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: be thou faithful unto death**, and I will give thee a crown of life.

I had already written this article, quoting from **Revelation. 2:10**, before I received the information about this creature at the Superbowl with the tattoo, so it seems to me that time of being **'Faithful unto death'** is truly close, not imminent, but this trial of Faith, as if by fire, will be upon us, probably within the decade.

**1 Peter 1:7** That **the trial of your faith**, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, **though it be tried with fire**, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

**1 Peter 4:12** Beloved, think it not strange **concerning the fiery trial which is to try you**, as though some strange thing happened unto you: **13** But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

One of the sleights of hand that the devil uses in making people complacent is by the centuries of false teachings by the so-called Church; these lying preachers have taught that most of what is written in the Bible does not apply to present day believers, because that was the Old Testament, or that it was the Apostolic Age, or it is the Church Age, which will end with the pre-Trib Rapture, and so on! These are all lies; what believers, and men and women of God had to Endure since the beginning, going back to Abel, is what we will have to Endure unto the End.

The End does not mean the End of the world, but rather the End of our bodily life. If the thousands of warnings are not enough, then you may indeed save your life for a season, but in the End, you will lose your Soul!

**Matthew 16:24** Then said Jesus unto his disciples, **If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. 25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. 26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?** or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

**Jesus placed a value on your SOUL, that is greater than the value of the whole world!** The value is in the Soul, not the body, which is already dead. Start preparing your Soul by feeding it daily with the Word of God, and the Word of God will grow in you, and when the time comes, you will joyfully depart this world, knowing that God who cannot lie has Promised us a better Resurrection! Read Hebrews 11, and see what countless believers have had to Endure going back to Abel.

**Hebrews 11:36** And others had **trial of cruel mockings and scourgings**, yea, moreover of **bonds and imprisonment: 37** They were **stoned**, they were **sawn asunder**, were **tempted**, were **slain with the sword**: they **wandered about** in sheepskins and goatskins; being **destitute, afflicted, tormented; 38** (Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

How often have you heard the pre-Trib Rapture crowd lie and say that God has not called us to wrath; no, He has not appointed us to wrath, but he has called us to be Tested, to be Tried, to go through fiery trails, to suffer for His Name's sake, to be **FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH!** Look at what the great cloud of witnesses, who are our role models had to go through: **trial of cruel mockings, scourgings** (Google what Scourging meant in the days of Jesus, and prior to that), **bonds and imprisonment, sawn asunder, tempted, slain with the sword, wandered about** in sheepskins and goatskins, were **destitute, afflicted, tormented**. We have been chosen to Suffer for Christ, and sometimes this suffering is to the point of death, but God will only honour us with such a death if our Faith is unshakeable. It's high time that we start building ourselves up in our Most Holy Faith by prayer, and fasting, and above all by studying the Word of God day and night. Remember we have been commanded to **MEDITATE** (think upon God's Word) day and night; even when we are sleeping, we should be dreaming the Word. How many of you have heard teachings on **Joshua 1:8**, and how much of it have you actually done? If you have not, then are you really a Doer of the Word, and not a Hearer only?

**Joshua 1:8** This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; **but thou shalt meditate therein day and night**, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

**James 1:22** But **be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only**, deceiving your own selves.

Let us also keep in mind that the letter in which Jesus warned about Tribulation for ten days, and commanded the readers to be faithful unto death, was written to the Church at Smyrna. Smyrna was only one of two churches, along with Philadelphia, that Jesus did not admonish but commended; Jesus found fault with the remaining five Churches, but not these two. In the case of both Smyrna, and Philadelphia, Jesus gave certain clues, as to the length of time that they would need to endure Tribulation, to suffer, to be Faithful unto death (**Matthew 24:13**); and when they when they would be rescued, during what phase of the Tribulation, the so-called Rapture would occur. The gathering together of the Elect, the so-called Rapture, will gather the Elect in Heaven, and on Earth to join Jesus in the air above the Earth, just before His Second Coming. Even as the gathering together is taking place, Judgment will still be pouring out on the Earth, and this time of the very tail end of God's Judgment was called '**the hour of temptation**' by Jesus in **Revelation 3:10**. Let's compare **Revelation 2:10** to **Revelation 3:10** in the letters to the two churches in whom Jesus found no fault to understand what the people of God can expect to go through during the time of the Tribulation.

**Revelation 2:10** 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: be thou faithful unto death**, and I will give thee a crown of life.

**Revelation 3:10** Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, **I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation**, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

What we are told in **Revelation 2:10** is that believers in Jesus, people who call themselves Christians, can expect to **ENDURE Tribulation for 10 days**. A day had 12 hours in the times of Jesus, when He was here in the Flesh; so, what we are being told is that **we can expect to have Tribulation, be ready to ENDURE for 120 hours**. In **Revelation 3:10** Jesus commended the Church at Philadelphia, and told them that He would keep them, that He would protect them from the **HOUR** of Temptation. So, if we subtract 1 hour from 120 hours, then it means that we should be ready to **ENDURE** for at least 119 hours, which is almost all of the Tribulation. From these Scriptures, addressed to both the faultless Churches, proves that Jesus did not tell them that He would Rapture them out of here before the Tribulation began, but encouraged them to be prepared to **SUFFER TRIBULATION**, and be ready to die for their Faith in Him, which as I have shown already will be the Blessing that most true believers (not lukewarm Christians) will be Blessed with; they will die for their Faith, and be Taken Away from the time that God's Wrath will be poured out upon the Earth.

I will end this here but I would like to reiterate that much of the Book of Revelation is still sealed, and the exact details of much of the book, after about **Revelation 6:8 (The Beginning of Sorrows)**, are still cloaked in mystery. As we begin to see the early events, the catastrophes, disasters, wars, pestilences begin to ravage the world, the events to follow from the sixth Seal onwards will begin to come into focus. So, I am not saying that I know exactly what will be

happening 5 years from now, or 10 years from now, but from a study of Scripture I do know what is not going to happen; I am 99.9% sure that most believers alive today will not be around to see the day of the beast of **Revelation 13**, or his image, or be offered his mark. The mark will only be offered to people, who will be worshipping the beast, and probably are already worshipping him by denying God, by denying Jesus Christ. As I showed in my video on the Beginning of Sorrows, and on the Mission of the White horse rider explained, in the immediate future we are faced with the following troubles, afflictions, and Sorrows (tribulations):

- **Worldwide wars, and social order breakdowns**
- **Famines, food shortages**
- **Real fast spreading, and fatal diseases**
- **Mega Natural disasters**

As Jesus warned in Matthew 24:8, these will merely be the Beginning of Sorrows, but not yet the end of the whole of the Tribulation, which will be close to 40 years in duration! Even after more than a quarter of the world's population will have perished, and many parts of the world will lie in ruins, never to be built again, at least not until after the return of our Lord Jesus Christ, the End of the world will just have begun over the next 7-10 years, counting from 2020 onwards! And soon after the opening of the first four Seals, after the Beginning of Sorrows, will come the trials, persecutions, and tribulations of true believers, whose faith will be tested, even to the extent of the death of the body. Then will be fulfilled the prophesies of Jesus in **Matthew 24:9**, and in **Revelation 6:11** that a great multitude that no man can number will be killed and taken away from Earth, to be preserved in Heaven until the Second Coming of The Lord Jesus Christ, at which time they will come back with Him, to rule and reign with Him, and to be priests of the Most High God! So, what real Christians should be preparing for is not the mark of the beast, but for martyrdom! They should understand that teachings of the so-called church, as well as almost all information in this world is a lie and a distraction. The only reliable information we have is the '**More Sure Word of Prophecy**' (**2 Peter 1:19**), which we must study for ourselves, so that we are not deceived by the legions of deceivers out there pretending to be preachers and prophets! The fact is that the Bible teaches that believers will have to choose, Christ or the beast system of this world, and that choice will need to be made now, not at the time when the beast comes, or his mark comes. True believers alive today, should not be here on Earth, even when the Trumpets begin to sound, they should already have been killed for their Faith. If they seek to save their life, they will lose it, and the mark won't matter; for even if they manage to make it to that time, their love will already have waxed cold, and they will have already been worshipping the beast long before the beast actually shows up! So they too, like the other enemies of God and Jesus, will line up to **RECEIVE** the mark; if they do not resist evil in this time, they will already have been lost by the time of the image of the beast, and his mark.

**MATTHEW 24:9** Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake. **10** And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. **11** And many false prophets shall rise, and

shall deceive many. **12** And because iniquity shall abound, **the love of many shall wax cold.**  
**13** But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

We know that what is coming over the next few years is for believers in Jesus to be

- **Delivered up**
- **To be afflicted (meaning to be in extreme distress, to be put under great pressure)**
- **To be hated of all nations (meaning by all non-believers, regardless of race or color)**
- **To be killed (I don't think this needs an explanation)**

If we understand that these tests we will be faced with are going to be very extreme, even to the point of death; but that being offered the opportunity to lay down our lives for Jesus, as did almost all the apostles, is an honor, as well as an escape from the much greater evils that will follow soon thereafter; then we should leap for joy at these coming persecutions, and time of great martyrdom. Just like the mark will only be offered to those who want to **RECEIVE** it, so too, will the opportunity to lay down our lives will be offered only to those who will have proven that their Faith is strong, and are willing to joyfully **RECEIVE** the Blessing of laying down their lives for Jesus! The body is going to die anyway, so if our death can be an example for someone else, and give them the courage to face their own fiery trials like the Hebrew children, then will it not be worth it? Besides, we get to leave this evil world, and view the rest of the Tribulation from a much better vantage point, and come back to Earth with our Lord Jesus, rule and reign with Him for a thousand years right on this very Earth, and the second death will have no power over us! So much more will we receive in exchange for joyfully letting go of this already dead body, that I think this is an offer no real Christian should even think of refusing, but should welcome it just as Jesus said we should! **Matthew 24:13** tells us that **he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved**; **Saved** in this verse does not mean the saving of the body, but the saving of the souls, like the souls under the altar of God in **Revelation 6:9**, and in **Revelation 7**. So, our endurance is to the point of the death of this body, for Jesus clearly told us that they shall afflict and kill us.

**Luke 6:22** Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake. **23 Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward is great in heaven:** for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets.

Lastly, I repeat what I said at the very beginning: people that keep yakking on and on and on about the mark of the beast claiming it's a chip, it's a vaccine, it's an electronic tattoo, just point them to **Revelation 13:15** And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many **as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed**. Ask them to show you the image of this beast that they need to bow down and worship or be killed; if they can't show you the image, then show them this teaching, and if they still keep on yakking about the mark, stop wasting your time, and go study your Bible. Ask yourself, why, if you are a true believer will you still be alive at the time of the mark of the beast? Will it be because your love will have waxed cold, and you will have



worshipped the beast already? Before wasting your time on the mark of the beast distractions, that steal your precious time that you should spending on studying the Bible, ask yourself, why will you not be one of the multitude seen in Haven by the apostle John?

**Revelation 7:9** After this I beheld, and, lo, **a great multitude**, which no man could number, **of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues**, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;...

Ask yourself why will you not be one of those who will have already come out of the Great Tribulation, long before the mark of the beast, by being killed for your Faith, by washing your robe, and making it white in the blood of the Lamb?

**Revelation 7:14** And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, **These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**

The mark of the beast is one of those topics that fascinates people, entrances them, puts them in a trance, hypnotizes them, so that they become obsessed with it; but in the end, it will not help them one bit to build their Faith, help build them up Spiritually, so that in the time of affliction, and persecution, they will be able to endure, will help them remain faithful until their last breath. And why do people who believe in the Pre-Trib rapture obsess with the mark of the beast? According to their doctrine, they will not even be here to see that day. The so-called church is nothing more than a den of iniquity, and of thieves, ensnaring people with lies, and with deceptions, robbing them of their money, and in the end, robbing them of their Salvation. Pray fervently that you will be counted worthy to escape all the things that are coming on the world by God choosing you to lay down your life for your faith in Jesus Christ, and who will then raise you up like Jesus, to a far better resurrection than any of us can begin to imagine! If we have learnt anything this past year is that it does not take much to create a great deal of pressure (Tribulation) in people's lives; try and imagine what it will be like when problems created by Covid are multiplied by a factor of 2,4,8, and more. Can you even imagine that? Frankly, I don't want to imagine, this past year has been trying enough; I would much prefer to depart this dying world, and be with our Lord Jesus, which as the apostle Paul wrote, is incomparably better than being in this dead, and dying world!

**Philippians 1:22** But if I live in the flesh, this is the fruit of my labour: yet what I shall choose I wot not. **23** For I am in a strait betwixt two, **having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better:**

## **REVELATION 13**

**13:1** And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. **2** 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. **3** 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. **4** 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? **5** 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. **6** And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. **7** And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations. **8** 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. **9** If any man have an ear, let him hear. **10** He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

**11** And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. **12** And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. **13** And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, **14** And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live. **15** And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed. **16** And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: **17** And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. **18** Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.