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#### **Revelation 13**

When we look at the coming descriptions of these images of beasts, one is described as powerful and controlling the other as horrifying. The first is the viewpoint from man as something he created, admired and worshiped. The second one is God's perspective observing the upcoming advent of the Anti-Christ and the power Satan gives him; the beast coming up out of the sea.

We had seen a description previously of a red dragon and determined that it was Satan. Satan was described as has seven crowns on seven heads representing kings and their kingdoms. This likely represents that the heads with crowns were past kingdoms while the seven heads and 10 horns represent some future kingdoms.

One of the most challenging things for me as I study is keeping a distinction between which beast and dragon is the Word speaking. So, if you get confused let's stop and figure out whom we are speaking.

There is a person called the Anti-Christ that will appear and be eventually recognized for who he is. Satan does not know the hour or day of Christ return and so he has had to have a person or persons available at all times to fill the role of Anti-Christ.

1 John 4:3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

This comment was by Christ and explicitly stated that this "spirit of antichrist was already in the world during Christ's ministry.

2 Thessalonians 2:7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

This "iniquity" is defined as "lawless", it is called a mystery, but it refers to this lawless one as a person. It is the same as the Anti-Christ as he is also called the lawless one.

#### The Beast Out of the Sea

1And 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.

John is stating that he is standing on what he describes as the sand near the sea. This is again a simile where in the sand and the sea are indivisible and represent the peoples of the world at

this moment in time. Both sands and sea are used in Scripture to denote people.

There will be two entities I think that will be called the "beast". One is a confederation of nations or areas predominately but not completely around the world, it will be called the One World Government and will be referred to as "The Beast". There will be some kings that reject this unified world government it appears from the "north" and "east". The AntiChrist will eventually rule this beast the world political system.

The second "beast" is an individual who is empowered by Satan to carry out his instructions. This is the false prophet we will read about in vs 13 and on.

The world is currently on a trajectory to bring about a one world government and currency. The two heavy weights are the west and the east.

Jesus said that the spirit of Anti-Christ was already in the world at the time Jesus walked on the earth. That spirit of Anti-Christ appears now more united in its effort to bring about this one world currency and as a default one world government. Preparing in advance the mechanism that the Anti-Christ will use as to

conquer the world and rid it of Israel and believers who come to salvation after the Rapture.

So, this second beast is this beast, which is not Satan, but a man comes up from humanity itself, in other words this beast that Satan will control and give great power to, is a man.

Heads as you remember represents dominion just like the head on your body has dominion over your body this head is representative of dominion over all the earth.

The ten heads and crowns according to Morris represent 10 future kingdoms, an affiliation of nations that come together during the end times.

The horns represent power. This beast has 10 horns representing a sovereignty or power; a one world dominated government.

There may well be an outlier here that is addressed in Revelation 16.

Revelation 16:12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared. (emphasis mine)

These Kings of the east may well be China, North Korea maybe even India and Pakistan; all common border nations.



We are not told specifically who they are but they come from the east, so if you are looking from Israel what is to the far east. It is China, India, Pakistan and Korea. In any event they will be driven by demons that move them and their destination is valley of Armageddon.

Daniel 11 gives some insight into these kings or powers that emanate from the east.

In 2 Thessalonians this individual is called the "son of perdition", he is also called the "man of sin" The "Prince that shall come" and Jesus Himself referred to him as "the abomination that makes desolation".

2 Thessalonians 2: 3Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 4Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped;

Somewhere during this approach to the last days the ten kingdoms will succumb to three of the most powerful leaders or kingdoms. These three are referred to in vs 2.

2And 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:

To get a better picture of these creatures let's go to Daniel 7.

Daniel 7: 1In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel had a dream and visions of his head upon his bed: then he wrote the dream, and told the sum of the matters. 2Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea. 3And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another. 4The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it. 5And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and it had three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh. 6After this I beheld, and Io another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it. 7After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it: and it had ten horns. 81 considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

These four beasts are future kingdoms or nations. It is not specifically stated who they represent but nations often use animals of one sort or another as their ensign or logo. This is only speculation it is not Biblically proven as to which nations these images represent but it gives us an idea of how to understand this verse.

Q. Which nation uses the Lion?

**England** 

Q. Which nation uses an eagle?

US

Q. Which nation uses a bear?

Russia

Q. Which nation uses the leopard.

African is the only nations that use this symbol, but would Africa be a contender for power? It is unknown but many of those countries in Africa are becoming more Islamic and currently 1/3 of the entire world Muslim population lives in Africa.

Morris thinks it is likely a coalition of Oriental nations; China, Japan and Indonesia. He links that thought to the end times invading armies coming from the east crossing the dried-up Euphrates River.

# and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

This is the point we know that Satan's power has been given to this man; the beast, the Anti-Christ.

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Before we continue through Revelation 13, we need to take a look at a compatible scripture from Daniel 7

Daniel 7: 3And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another. 4The first was like a lion and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it. 5And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and it had three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh. 6After this I beheld, and Io another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it.

These first three beasts that came in succession not simultaneously covered hundreds of years of history from Babylon, Medo Persian to Greece then onto the next verse. This 4<sup>th</sup> dreadful and terrible beast that came up after the other three is generally considered to be Roman Empire. It was eventually divided into two kingdoms; the western which was headquarter in Rome and lasted hundreds of years and the eastern portion of the

Roman/Byzantine empire which was headquartered in Constantinople (Turkey). The Eastern portion lasted over a thousand years, ending in about 1453 when Constantine died. Constantinople was conquered around that time by the Latin Empire (4<sup>th</sup> Crusaders). The Crusaders power was short lived before Constantinople and eastern Roman Empire were in the hands of the Ottoman Empire and remained there until 1922.



Daniel 7:1-6 describes 3 beasts in order that came up out of the "sea" or tumultuous earth. They were as just described Babylon, Medo Persia and Greece. They were all brutal in their own way but a fourth was yet to come up and it is likely the Roma Empire and is described next starting in Daniel 7:7

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stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

This is likely the Roman Empire, but it could also be the Ottoman Empire. When John speaks of the Forth Beast it is supposedly prophetic, he is speaking not of a future beast but presumably of the Roman Empire. But the Roman Empire was in control at the time John wrote so that makes little sense that he was speaking prophetically of an empire that already existed?

<u>8</u>I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

3And 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.

We already discussed the idea of this beast being wounded and representing not only the Anti-Christ but also a fallen kingdom which will be revived. Many commentators point to Rome, but I am dubious more based on current circumstances in the world today with leaders like Turkey, Iran, Sudan etc. all listed as combatants in the Ezekiel 38 war against Israel.

The most obvious inclination is that it is a man that is wounded, and he miraculously survives; is either near death or killed and brought back to life. This event of course is to mimic the death and resurrection of Christ Himself; the imposter mimicking the genuine.

4And 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?

Q. Which two entities are worshiped?

The dragon and the beast are worshiped.

Now again there will be two things called the beast from time to time according to scripture: one a man the other a political system. The man and his cohort the "false prophet" who arrives in vs 13 will eventually create another thing called the "image of the beast" and set it up in the Holy of Holies of the Temple built in Jerusalem. The false prophet (Religious Leader of world wide religion) will demand that all worship the image of the beast or be killed.

**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.

- Q. 42 months is how long in years?
- 3 ½ years
- Q. Was given the mouth speaking great things and blasphemies?

The beast the Anti-Christ

Q. Who gave the Anti-Christ the power?

Satan

6And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.

This blasphemy is spoken for who to hear?

The Anti-Christ has two audiences in mind. The first is God to cast aspersions upon Him, the second is a world that has turned Satanist. The vast majority of the world has now seen the cosmic battle taking place between good and evil and has sided with Satan and the Anti-Christ. That idea is no more understandable now than it will be during Tribulation.

7And 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.

There are some that according to the one graph I handed out believe that Rapture will happen if at all during or toward the end of Tribulation. There is even a small group that believe in partial rapture. Partial rapture is the notion that only those who are complete and ready due to walking totally with God will be raptured before the Tribulation. Then as others see their flaws and get ready, they will be raptured throughout Tribulation.

In that context then those believes who were left behind would experience this wrath of the Anti-Christ awaiting their rapture.

I believe the Saints that this verse speaks of are those who did not know Christ as Lord and Savior at the Rapture; will now have to reach that conclusion under dire circumstances. I think many will turn to Christ as soon as they see the missing loved ones who were Christians already at the Rapture. Who those will be, only God knows. Many, many will rebel and die in their sins.

### **April 3, 2022**

The fight has started or continues as to who will control the worlds economy. Within the US Senator Elizabeth Warren introduced legislation to create crypto by US.

https://www.yahoo.com/finance/news/elizabeth-warren-calls-us-create-010924766.html



# Elizabeth Warren Calls for US to Create a CBDC

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Don't miss CoinDesk's Consensus 2022, the must-attend crypto & blockchain festival

experience of the year in Austin, TX this June 9-12.

U.S. Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.) says it's time for the U.S. to create its own central bank digital currency (CBDC).

8And 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.

Here is an interesting way of putting this verse. It begins by saying "All that dwell upon the earth shall worship him"...

Q. Who is "him".

The Anti-Christ and Satan

Then there is a coma and the verse continues, "whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world."

Q. Whose names ARF written in the Lamb's Book of Life?

#### Believers!

So, all that live on the earth shall worship him (Satan) meaning those whose names are not written in the Book of Life. So those whose names ARE written in the Book of Life that are on the earth will not worship Satan but will be saved. They will reject the mark, the worshipping of the beast and will be hunted and killed

by the armies of the Anti-Christ. Some may survive, but we are told in various prophecies:

Luke 12: 49 am come to send fire on the earth; and what will I, if it be already kindled? 50 But I have a baptism to be baptized with; and how am I straitened till it be accomplished! 51 Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division: 52 For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three. 53 The father shall be divided against the son, and the son against the father; the mother against the daughter, and the daughter against the mother; the mother in law against her daughter in law, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

This division Jesus speaks of is the division of truth and lie. He brought the Truth; Satan brings a lie. So, everything is on a collision course and the closer we get to the end the more dynamic the fight becomes between good and evil between Jesus and Satan.

9If any man have an ear, let him hear.

Q. Where in Revelation have we heard or seen those words before?

The letters addressed to the Seven churches in Revelation 2 and 3.

Revelation 13 continued:

<u>10</u>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.

There are two main understandings of this verse; the first is that there are those who were predestined to go into captivity and those predestined to salvation; again, that rascally predestination issue.

So those who believe the lie of Satan including Satan and all his followers who lead people into captivity of Satan; those fallen angels and people will all go into captivity. It is like the elites of our world who led people into believing the lies about one world alliance, economies, religions, blurring the line of the two sexes God created, of marriage of murdering unborn and now even murdering babies within the first 30 days after birth. They are leading people into lies that will eventually catch them as well. They will not escape unless they repent and ASK CHRIST INTO THEIR LIVES!!

The next part of the verse holds two interpretations as well; the first those who kill will be killed in like manner.

Christians do not believe in the killing of innocent life from the time of conception until natural death. There are those who hold that the defense of a human life is justified if the person trying to

take an innocent life is killed in order to stop the slaying of an innocent person.

God extols the virtue of the Believer who will not kill another to save his own life.

This is my understanding currently in 2022. I am not so convinced I am right that I would urge all to listen to this understanding of defense of others. It is simply where I am after 28 years in Law Enforcement in the US.

Part of my reasoning is this verse where God puts a responsibility on family members.

1 Timothy 5:8 But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.

Providing can have a very broad understanding. Providing in MY OPINION goes beyond supplying the necessities of food, shelter and extends to supplying protection. What Christian would stand idly by while his or her family is attacked by wild dogs or a bear and do nothing. In the same token what Christian would stand by and watch a murderer kill his or her family and not intervene under the idea of providing? If you chose to surrender you own life at the hands of a murder, I think that is up to you, but just know if you allow a murder to take your life you are then allowing

yourself to be removed as a "provider" for your family. It is your choice, and until I am educated further by God I will stand in defense of all innocent life and will not hesitate to end the life of a murder of innocent blood. So, each of you need to decide to what extent will you care first for your family and then for your neighbor?

#### The Beast Out of the Earth

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.

We have a second beast and this one is coming up out of the earth or from the people who exist on the earth. The same source of power is Satan. In our last chapter we saw that Satan was cast down in to the earth, so the idea that this person who will possess a vast ability to deceive and persecute in the name of a false god is perfect for Satan's head of his faux church.

The two horns like a lamb is an obvious double play on Christ being the Lamb of God and this imposter is going to be the leader of the faux church that has as its head Satan, the great imposter and father of lies.

The only reference to Jesus and horns that I can find is that He is referenced to have 7 horns. That number 7 indicates

completeness and the horns represent most commonly, power.

So, it would represent that Jesus has complete power just as His Father does.

The two horns indicate power but this two horned power is from Satan and is completely evil. It is interesting to consider did Satan chose two horns or is that all God would allow him to display? The other option is that this description is purely spiritual, and the significance is purely spiritual. The meaning we take away is real, this false prophet will require all to worship the image of the Beast or be killed. He will require all to take the mark of the beast or be killed or die from starvation.

12And 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.

The first part of this verse is interesting, and I do not know the answer Biblically in a direct sense.

"and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast" (emphasis mine)

We know people can worship, but does the inanimate earth worship? and how does it worship if it does?

- Luke 19:40 And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.
- Pslams 148:1 1Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the LORD from the heavens: praise him in the heights.
- 2Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.
- <u>3</u>Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.
- 4Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that be above the heavens.
- 5Let them praise the name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6He hath also stablished them for ever and ever: he hath made a decree which shall not pass.
- <u>7</u>Praise the LORD from the earth, ye dragons, and all deeps:
- 8Fire, and hail; snow, and vapour; stormy wind fulfilling his word:
- 9Mountains, and all hills; fruitful trees, and all cedars:
- 10Beasts, and all cattle; creeping things, and flying fowl:
- 11Kings of the earth, and all people; princes, and all judges of the earth:
- 12Both young men, and maidens; old men, and children:
- 13Let them praise the name of the LORD: for his name alone is excellent; his glory is above the earth and heaven.
- 14He also exalteth the horn of his people, the praise of all his saints; even of the children of Israel, a people near unto him. Praise ye the LORD.

There is some mechanism for the earth and the things of the earth to Praise God, I don't know how exactly but I do believe it occurs.

So, this second beast has the same power as the first beast. The first beast identifies as the Anti-Christ and both receive their power from Satan.

This man who will be known as the False Prophet will exercise many if not all the same powers that the Anti-Christ will have. His job is to make the world worship the Anti-Christ and Satan.

It is through his satanic power and perhaps sleight of hand that makes it appear that he or some other party heals the fatal head wound of the first beast. Now on that point there are to possibilities to consider. Is the first beast the Political/Governmental aspect of the first beast that is healed or is it the person (Anti-Christ) that is healed.

To resurrect a government or political party is not beyond reason, we have seen that done before. Either way, either an organization or a person was dealt a deadly blow and it recovered with the help of this "false prophet". I lean more toward the head wound being to a human (anti-Christ) and that he is somehow miraculously healed ???? Again, sleight of hand by the false

prophet to mimic Jesus being raised from the dead. But we cannot rule out a government that is brought back after it annihilation, IE Rome, Babylon?

13And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

The imposter always tries to imitate the genuine, in this case we know that God has brought down fire from heaven on a number of instances. For Satan to imitate God or Christ he uses what appears to be the same power God has to call down fire? Satanic deception in this case.

Leviticus 9:24 And there came a fire out from before the LORD, and consumed upon the altar the burnt offering and the fat: which when all the people saw, they shouted, and fell on their faces.

2 Chronicles 7:1 Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the house.

Even though a bit different God has given His representatives some power over fire.

Revelation 11:5And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.

But how would Satan gain that power from God; or is this demonstration even associated with God or has man developed a method of bringing what appears to be fire from heaven?

I need to clarify something that we looked at last week and address the question about whether or not the first Beast is Satan or not.

There are opinions that accept both of those ideas; Satan is the Beast and Satan is not the Beast but impowers the Beast.

Probably the best way to approach this is to look again at where the Beast comes from.

## Revelation 13:1And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea,

There are some Bible scholars that point out that in the original manuscript it says "he stood upon the sand of the sea and saw a beast rise up out of the sea. In chapter 12 the final verses are describing Satan the dragon being thrown down from heaven to the earth. The contention is that now we see a vision shown to John where John sees the dragon standing on the sea shore and not John standing on the sea shore as this interpretation indicates.

The contention continues that the dragon in considering; which way to move forward that will cause the most damage to God and His followers. The sentence continues from the perspective of the dragon that he looks to the sea and sees a "beast" rise up out of the sea.

The sea is understood to be the gentile nations of the earth and this beast (the anti-Christ) will come from one of those gentile nations.

The contention is that Satan had two major conditions that he Satan considered critical as to the individual he would use as his emissary; the First Beast.

This is a quote from Bible.org

(a) For the best method with which to persecute Israel, and (b) for the best way he can rise to greater power in order to be worshipped. Chapter 13 describes the method he will choose, the end-time form of the old Roman empire which, by this point in the Tribulation, has developed into a ten nation confederation with a very subtle leader, one whom Satan will now use in the most hideous ways.

I part company in one respect even though it might be they are speaking of the geographic area of the old Roman Empire, not an empire run or created by the Italian or Government of Rome or some faction of that.

I instead look to the Islamic States and historically called the Ottoman Empire created and run by Islam. It so happens that within the European Union the fastest growing religion is Islam; and it is not peaceful. The Ottoman Empire included a good deal of what was the former Roman Empire.

Currently some European countries have even opened their borders to ISIS fighters who have killed soldiers from the very countries that are allowing them in. I see no such activity from Rome or the Catholic Church. As a matter of fact, the Catholic Church is neck deep in its own chaos.

#### **Breitbart News**

"Sweden has announced the deportation of 80 thousand migrants, the Netherlands intends to repatriate via train the asylum-seekers arriving into Greece from Turkey and Denmark confiscates valuables as 'repayment' for migrant access to welfare," he said. "The Renzi government, (Italy) however, waits, standing still, not knowing what to do."

The Roman Empire was in its demise when Constantine moved the headquarters from Rome Italy to Byzantium in what world become Turkey. Constantine renamed Byzantium, Constantinople which was the capital of the eastern Roman Empire. As to the Ottoman Empire renamed Constantinople, Istanbul When Constantine's eastern Roman Empire fell to the Ottoman Empire; which took many years it ended with the fall of Constantinople.

Back to the question of is the first beast or Anti-Christ Satan or not, I still take the position that Satan has his own spiritual body and does not usually indwell any human, he uses his demons to do that. Satan in Genesis is described as a "serpent", does that mean that is his spiritual appearance? Not likely, he may be able to assume various appearances, or he may have empowered the serpent?

Genesis 3: 1Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made.

It does not tell us if Satan was the Serpent, it only tells us that the "serpent was more subtil".

From Strong's concordance:

become shrewd (1), make shrewd (1), sensible (1), very cunning (1).

The one exception I found, and it may be a word usage that is confusing but in Luke 22 Satan is said to enter Judas.

### Luke 22:3 Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve.

Christ has the power through the Holy Spirit to enter into and actually indwell within the heart of the believer. Satan is an imposter and even though I am unsure if Satan himself enters into an individual person as he may not have that power, he can fill the heart of the person with evil desire. If a more pronounced effort is needed by Satan he uses one of his bodiless spirits known as demons to enter into a person to bring about the desired effect.

Unlike God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, Satan is neither omniscient nor omni present. Therefore, he would not occupy his time and location within one person, unless it is a pivotal moment for Satan's plan. Such as Judas Iscariot or perhaps the Anti-Christ. He has other means of accomplishing that and as I said, I do not think he has been given the power to physically enter into a human being.

And I think he will use one of his more powerful demons to indwell the first beast who is a man; the Anti-Christ.

Now we are back to the second beast.

To try and keep some continuity I am going to go back and reread from verse 11 in Revelation 13.

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.

This second beast comes up out of the earth; it is the contention of many commentators that the Biblical reference of "out of the earth" is referring to Israel. So, this verse indicates that this second beast may come from one of the tribes of Israel.

<u>12</u>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.

We had a little conversation that the beast that received a fatal wound. It may be a nation or government that existed and collapsed or destroyed and came back to life. Even though that is possible I tend to think Satan is trying to mimic Jesus, so a nation would not do that, he needs a person to receive a deadly head wound and then appear that he was raised from the dead. It could be both a nation and a person. Time will tell.

13And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

Again, a nation would not be the source of this type of miracle it would need to be a man.

These are some of the things the second beast the false prophet will attempt to do;

Revelation 16:12-16 12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

13And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. 14For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

15Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. 16And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

<u>Revelation 19:19-20</u> <u>19</u>And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.

20And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

Q. So who was cast into the lake of fire at this point?

The 1st and 2nd beasts; The Anti-Christ and the False Prophet

• Revelation 20:10 (AMP) "Then the devil who had led them astray [deceiving and seducing them] was hurled into the fiery lake of burning brimstone, where the beast and false prophet were; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever (through the ages of the ages)."

Remember the image of the beast that everyone worshipped appears to be an "Al" Artificial Intelligence, not are real person or entity. There will be only three that are eventually cast into the lake of fire; the dragon Satan, the first and second beasts; Anti-Christ and the False Prophet.

Q. Who is cast into the lake of fire in this verse?

The devil, Satan. So, we see what appears to be three separate entities that were real individuals; 1<sup>st</sup> beast Anti-Christ drawn from one of the gentile nations. The 2<sup>nd</sup> beast the False Prophet drawn from one of the tribes of Israel and the 3<sup>rd</sup> entity that is cast into the lake of fire; Satan the devil, the dragon.

14And 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.

Part of the fake power yet appearing as real is to cause fire to come down out of the sky, again a mimic of God's True Power. God led the Hebrews from Egypt to the promised land; and fire Exodus 13: 21And the LORD went before them in a pillar of cloud to guide their way by day, and in a pillar of fire to give them light at night, so that they could travel by day or night. 22Neither the pillar of cloud by day nor the pillar of fire by night left its place before the people....

Back to the idea that the Anti-Christ is a person who is wounded and not a government.

The false prophet will manufacture an image that will resemble the Anti-Christ who will have been resurrected from the dead after a fatal head wound. This false prophet will also tell the world that every one of them should make an image or acquire and image of the beast and worship it wherever they are.

There are several ways that this could be accomplished. It may be that people would buy an image of the beast a small statue perhaps with a built-in camera for surveillance. Or it may be that the technology may grow to the point that any device in your home could be used to surveil anyone in their home. The point would be that the Anti-Christ would be able to tell who was or was not worshiping the beast when and as they are told to.

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I think last Sunday Mike asked the question of where I came up with Jesus having 7 horns. It is in Revelation

Revelation 5:6 <u>King James Bible</u> And I beheld, and, Io, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

These events are likely around the mid tribulation period. Up until the Anti Christ is revealed at the mid point of Tribulation by entering the Temple in Jerusalem the Anti-Christ is seen as a benevolent peace maker. Bringing peace to the middle east through the confirming of an already existent peace treaty. But due to international power bestowed on this man of intrigue he is able to enforce this peace treaty for Israel and does so for 3 ½ years, the first half of the Tribulation. Remember the second half of Tribulation is called the Great Tribulation.

15And 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.

Here in lies a grand lie a deception of sorts. Not that these words from God are a lie, but the testimony of the False Prophet is that he was able to bring life back to the Beast. The false prophet is able to "give life" unto the image? We know that the source of true

life is God and only God. The Anti-Christ is a counterfeit of Jesus The Christ.

So, this image of the beast will be a counterfeit as well, having no soul it will be a fake beast and fake life, but those on earth will be deceived and worship the image of the beast. In fact, if you worship an image of something you are really worshiping the principal thing and in this case it is Satan. In some manner either through technology or other means this image of the beast is able to monitor the bulk of the world's population and kill those who do not worship as directed.

Just a brief reminder of the technology that Bill Gates got an international patent on in 2020.

I say bulk of the world because I think there will be several outlier nations that will not cooperate with the Beast, these outliers will cause the Anti-Christ concern during the Great Tribulation. It may be namely China and perhaps Russia. Whoever the "kings of the east" are they are not working with Anti-Christ, until the very end. We see in Psalms the cadre that will come together to fight against Jesus.

Dr. Elbert Charpie's presentation on Daniels 30 and 45 day period. versebyversebibleteaching.com

- Psalms 2: 1Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?
- 2The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying,
- <u>3</u>Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.
- 4He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.
- 5Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure.
- 6Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.
- 7 will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.
- 8Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.
- 9Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.
- <u>10</u>Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth.
- 11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.
- 12Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

Revelation 16: 13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

14For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles,

which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. 15Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. 16And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

#### The Mark of the Beast

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:

This mark is yet to be totally understood but as we see technology expand the idea is easily understood. There is currently technology available to carry out this tracking method on many levels. It will be sophisticated and mandatory. We have perhaps seen the method of making something almost mandatory with the vaccine. They are still working on a "vaccine passport" around the world. The US has what appears to be the basis of this passport and there are some that are pushing for its adoption.

This is from a site called iVisa:

Vaccination Passport in the USA iVisa | Updated on Nov 22, 2021

Now that the world seems to have controlled the covid pandemic, we are sure you are looking to plan your next trip. Visit the United States and don't miss the opportunity to acquire the **Vaccination Passport in the USA**. This health

document proves you have a covid vaccine. Health authorities also request hepatitis and rabies vaccines just to keep you safe. **iVisa.com** is on your side to make all these processes as simple as possible.

This from https://www.nbcnews.com/tech/tech-news/national-covid-vaccine-card-quietly-emerged-rcna11678

The digital pass known as the SMART Health Card is voluntary and minimal by design to protect personal information. It has a person's name, date of birth and the dates and brands of vaccination doses, all contained within a type of scannable bar code known as a QR code.

And after a relatively quiet start, it has built momentum in recent months as more states and companies have signed on, making it something of a de facto national digital vaccine card.

"The beautiful thing about this is that this multistate coalition is a coalition of the willing," said Dr. Brian Anderson, chief digital health physician at MITRE, a research nonprofit, and an architect of the health cards.

We already use scanning devices for not only the items we purchase but also with the method we pay. So, for the Anti-Christ to impose this criterion it will force all who reject the Beast to flee, hide or somehow stay clear of the Beast. People who flee will not be able to buy or sell as they do not have the mark. They will

have to create some type of underground network if at all possible. There is already underway many people who acquiring what they call "trading stock", necessary items they can bater with in the event the government issues a mandate of ID, vaccine, or other requirement to buy or sell.

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.

Here in lies the pressure point, not being able to buy or sell puts all humanity at the mercy of those in power.

1 Chronicles 12:32 And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their commandment.

18Here 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.

There has been great speculation on this and finally we have the answer;

It is the Maytag repairman!

We don't know, even though it says that "him that hath understanding count the number of the beast". Even though we are told to calculate the name by it's number God also tell us that the Anti-Christ won't be revealed until a certain time.

2 Thessalonians 2: 1Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him, 2That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. 3Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 4Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

Two events might reveal the Anti-Christ, the first is maybe the second for certain. The first is that the Anti-Christ will be a peacemaker, he will be recognized as one who will "confirm a covenant with many for one week"

Daniel 9:27 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, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

The second one is when the Anti-Christ enters the temple in Jerusalem and enters the Holy of Holies and declares himself to be God.

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