



This study is a journey deep into forgotten history. It is an honest look at Satan's use of his deceptive power over people. It is an alert for prayer beseeching Almighty God to release His people from Satan's amnesic spell, help them remember their historical journeys over time and see their only enemies for who they are and what they have become.

FORGOTTEN HISTORY HOLDS THE KEY TO KNOWING OUR ONLY ENEMIES

The ancient Israelites followed Moses out of Egypt into the desert and finally, Joshua led them into the promised, Holy Land. These people tried Moses and Almighty God many times, despite God's incredible miracles they witnessed daily. Prior to Moses' death, he called all of these people before him, knowing they will wander away from God's way into utter corruption. "In days to come, disaster will fall upon you because you will do evil in the sight of the LORD and provoke Him to anger by what your hands have made" (Deuteronomy 31:29). He wrote a historical and a foretelling song about them for the people to sing, to memorize and to internalize. He knew their fall-back into wickedness would happen, their history would be forgotten, God's word would be ignored, God's wrath would be decreed and, in their suffering, and only then, would they awaken out of their corruption and call out to their God for forgiveness and redemption.

Recorded in the Song of Moses is the forgotten history of Almighty God declaring His kingship over the children of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. They became His people on that day when the nations of the world received heavenly kings' rulership over them. "When the Most High gave the nations their inheritance [heavenly rulers], when he divided all mankind [at the time of Babel], he set up the boundaries for the peoples according to the number in His heavenly court [who were given rulership over the people that were then separated into different groups]. For the LORD's portion is His people, Jacob His allotted inheritance [His rulership] (Deuteronomy 32:8-9).

The nations of the world ALL have records of gods ruling over them. They speak of gods and demi-gods and goddesses, with different powers over the weather, the sea, the land and the people. But, over time this history became mythicized. Satan did not want mankind to remember their only enemies. He wanted them to look to one another as their enemies.

How can 21st century mankind prove the unseen, the silent, the hidden except that these entities be forced into the open. Until then, strange events, testimonies, and conspiracy theories point to their existence, but the Bible declares the reality of the unseen and identifies who they are and what they have become.

THE MYSTERY OF THE STATUE RECORDED IN DANIEL

The Book of Daniel records a towering statue with a head of gold, the breast and arms of silver, belly and thighs of brass, legs of iron and toes of iron and clay. This statue is identified with nations on earth. While the heavenly rulers over these nations are conquered by God one by one, the statue remains complete and standing upright until Christ, imaged as the rock “not made from human hands”, destroys it completely, “leaving no trace” (Daniel 2:35). This statue remains complete and upright because the spiritual rulers over the nations on earth remain on their thrones until the final ten kings receive their promised rulership. They rule for “one hour” then, Christ returns and destroys their ungodly government and the statue crumbles into fine dust and blown away.

THE BEASTS SEEN BY DANIEL

The different body parts of the statue in Daniel are partnered with beasts. The head of gold reflects the precious God-fearing heart of King Nebuchadnezzar and is partnered with what Daniel described as a lion with wings of an eagle whose wings were torn off “and it was lifted from the ground so that it stood on two feet like a man, and the heart of a man was given to it” (Daniel 7:4). This heavenly ruler became a beast when he chose to rebel against God Almighty.

A lion is symbolic of royalty. In this case, the heavenly ruler was a member of God’s royal ruling family. Having **wings of an eagle** indicates a **spiritual being** [having wings] and having a **position within God’s government** [imaged in the image of an



eagle]. The use of this imagery can be found in scripture recorded by Ezekiel. “**A great eagle with powerful wings, long feathers and full plumage of varied colors** [an eternal being identified as the heavenly prince over Babylon] came to Lebanon [the name of God’s heavenly court]. Taking hold of the top of a cedar [the king of Judah], he broke off its topmost shoot and carried it away to the land of merchants [Babylon], where he planted it in a city of traders [Babylon]” (Ezekiel 17:2-4).

God provided Ezekiel with the meaning of this allegory. “Say to this **rebellious people**, ‘Do you not know what these things mean?’ Say to them: ‘The king of Babylon [described as a great eagle] went to Jerusalem and carried off her king and her nobles, bringing them back with him to Babylon’” (Ezekiel 17:12). God was prophesying the defeat of the kingdom of Judah that He would command. The heavenly ruler over Babylon [the great eagle with powerful wings] came to God’s headquarters [called Lebanon] to fulfill God’s commands. Babylon is seen today by Christians as the home of the wicked great harlot, but at the time of the house of Judah’s captivity, the heavenly ruler over this kingdom was likely still loyal to Almighty God. The heavenly ruler over Babylon was not the only ruler described as a great eagle.

Another “great eagle” is described in Ezekiel 17:7. It tells the story of the house of Judah seeking refuge from Egypt. This heavenly ruler over Egypt was at one time also loyal to Almighty God. “Which of the trees of Eden [leaders in God’s heavenly family] can be compared to you in splendor and majesty?” God praised this heavenly ruler over Egypt and then prophesied, “Yet you, too, will be brought down with the trees of Eden [leaders in God’s heavenly family] to the earth below; you will lie among the uncircumcised [wicked], with those killed by the sword. This is Pharaoh and all his hordes” (Ezekiel 31:18).

The leaders of Judah were plotting their way out of their treaty and servitude with Babylon by way of an alliance with Egypt and the support of their vast military strength. They knew they were seeking help from the god of Egypt thinking this god had power to override the commands of their God. Almighty God responded, “Even if it [the house of Judah] is transplanted [relocated], will it thrive? Will it not wither completely when the **east wind** [God Almighty] strikes it—wither away in the plot where it grew?” (Ezekiel 17:10)

The beast partnered with Babylon, the head of the statue, is imaged as a lion. This lion was lifted up from the ground and stood on two feet like a man and given the heart of a man. This change from his natural behaviour likely reflects his change from God’s Holy Spirit filled thinking and actions to the conniving and corrupt behaviour of carnal mankind.

The use of earthly descriptors provides mortals with a level of understanding of the unseen world in heaven. Resurrected sons of God are portrayed by Isaiah as having the wings of eagles. “But they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall **mount up with wings like eagles**; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint” (Isaiah 40:31).

The breast and arms of silver of the statue image the precious God-fearing heart of King Cyrus. The beast partnered with the Medo-Persian empire recorded by Daniel was like a bear. “It was raised up on one of its sides, and it had three ribs in its mouth between its teeth” (Daniel 7:5).

The heavenly ruler of this kingdom rebelled early upon receiving his inheritance—his rulership over the Medes and Persians. His aggression is revealed when Daniel beseeched God in prayer. **The angel Gabriel was captured by the prince over the Medo-Persian empire** and delayed from giving Daniel God's message until he was rescued by Michael the Archangel. "Do not be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come in response to them. But **the prince of the Persian kingdom resisted me twenty-one days**. Then **Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me**, because I was **detained there with the king of Persia**" (Daniel 10:12-13). Before the Medo-Persian empire on earth rose up to conquer Babylon, the heavenly ruler of the Medo-Persians was already at war against Almighty God. Still, within that empire, God prophesied that King Cyrus in their time of glory would recognize Almighty God as the Supreme God and allow the house of Judah to return to their land and rebuild.

The third beast partnered with the kingdom represented as the belly and thighs made of bronze. A significant change in theological values is noted. No longer were the kingdoms on earth valuing spiritual strength, rather human military strength through crafty war tactics and strategies, their manmade weapons and vast armies. Moving down the statue, a timeline is revealed which ends in the last days. The Greek empire rose up and overthrew the Medo-Persian empire. They continued to conquer, swiftly and decisively, until Alexander the Greek died suddenly and empire was divided into four dominions.

The beastly heavenly ruler over Greece looked like a leopard. "And on its back, it had four wings like those of a bird, but not specifically an eagle. This beast had 4 heads, and it was given authority to rule" (Daniel 7:6). All authority to rule comes from God. The strength of a leopard is its ability to **mobilize quickly** and with its powerful shoulders it has the **unique ability** to climb trees and to leap and jump to significant heights both vertically and horizontally. The coat provides a **powerful elusive cover**. The four heads of this beast image the division of the kingdom at the death of Alexander the Great. The four dominions over time became two: the north and the south imaged in the two legs of iron. The Romans adopted the gods of the Greeks, hence the image continues as the leaders and people acknowledge gods and goddesses as their superiors.

The final beast appears at the very end of this evil age in the toes of iron and clay. It is partnered with the earthly leaders from all over the world. Despite the fragility of the mix, this final raging force will be fighting for survival. This is their last chance and they will fight to the death. Daniel describes this beast as terrifying, frightening and very powerful. There is no animal on earth that can represent this rogue heavenly coalition. It is a terrifying coalition of evil forces thrust into the open for all of mankind to see. They fight among themselves and three of the ten rulers are overthrown. The remaining seven rulers submit to a contemptable and dreadful heavenly ruler who rises up quickly to take full control.

This wicked heavenly leader wars against “the host in heaven” and throws some of the starry host down to earth, trampling on them (Daniel 8:10). His goal is to overthrow Jesus Christ and then Almighty God. He sets himself up as an equal to the King of kings and Lord of lords [the great Prince of the host] and for a time it is allowed as Almighty God tests the creation in heaven. This “little horn” disgraces Christ’s sanctuary in heaven and discredits the word of God. This leader is not mortal. He enters into the highest heavens. “It grew **until it reached the host of the heavens, and it threw some of the starry host down to the earth and trampled on them**” (Daniel 8:10). The witness of this event will bring a terrifying realization to people on earth of the great battle in heaven brought down to earth.



No longer will the existence of gods be mythicized.

“This king will do as he pleases. **He will exalt and magnify himself above every god and will say unheard-of thing against the God of gods**” (Daniel 11:36). No mortal can exalt himself above every heavenly god. Nor can mortals enter into the heavens, the abode of God and the angels. The battle of Almighty God against the rogue gods will be visible on earth after Satan is thrown out of heaven with his followers.

THE BEAST FROM OUT OF THE BOTTOMLESS PIT

Mortals are not sentenced to the bottomless pit. “And when they [the two witnesses] shall have finished their testimony, **the beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit** shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them” (Revelation 11:7).

The beast from the bottomless pit is the beast from out of the sea (Revelation 13:1). The use of the descriptor of the “sea” is an image for the place of Wickedness. When God creates the new heaven and new earth, there will be no sea [no home for Wickedness] (Revelation 21:1). The bottomless pit is the descriptor for all of the sentenced rogue fallen angels.

The pit lies below the surface of the earth. It is the lowest place in hell barred with a lattice-covered ingress. To be sentenced to the pit is a mark of great shame. There, rogue entities and darkened souls are imprisoned. They are unrepentant wicked heavenly rulers, rogue heavenly princes, authorities and powers from the heavenly realm. The stony pit where the pyre is deep and wide is saved for them.

"I will send you [Tyre] to the **pit to join those who descended there long ago**. Your city will lie in ruins, buried beneath the earth, **like those in the pit who have entered the world of the dead**. You will have no place of respect here in the land of the living" (Ezekiel 26:20).

These spiritual beings resemble the locusts of Revelation that look like horses, wearing crowns that are twisted and deformed, barely recognizable from the outward growth of their skull. They have human faces framed with long hair like a woman (Revelation 9:7-8). Their long hair like a woman is symbolic of having a ruler over them. It is the same symbolism of God's command for women to keep their hair long as they represent the church with Christ as their head, their King. They have a king reigning over them whose name is Abaddon in Hebrew and Apollyon in Greek. They will come out of the Abyss (Revelation 9:11).

The underground prison is the confinement for the wicked heavenly beings and God will also send the wicked leaders on earth there to await judgement. "In that day the LORD will punish **the powers in the heavens above and the kings on the earth below**. They will be herded together, like prisoners gathered in the **pit**; they shall be shut up in the prison and **punished after many days**" (Isaiah 24:22).

The beast from out of the bottomless pit will war against the saints and conquer them in the last-days battle. God allows their defeat as it will strengthen them spiritually. Daniel recorded, "Some of the wise will stumble, so that **they may be refined, purified and made spotless** until the time of the end, for it will come at the appointed time (Daniel 11:35).

God Almighty is perfecting the saints and bringing His people and all mankind into repentance. His plan cannot be thwarted. He is the only one to give authority to His creation. "**Authority was given to the beast** to make war against the saints and conquer them" (Revelation 13:7). This same event is recorded in Daniel. "The fourth beast made war against the saints and overpowered them" (Daniel 7:21).

NO MORTAL HAS BEEN PROMISED A KINGDOM

The beast from out of the Abyss rules initially with ten kings who were promised a kingdom. God's promise to these heavenly kings will be fulfilled but for one hour.

"The ten horns you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom, but who for one hour will receive authority as kings along with the beast" (Revelation 17:12).

Daniel recorded the same message. "The ten horns are ten kings who will come from this kingdom. After them another king will arise, different from the earlier ones, he will subdue three kings. He will speak against the Most High and oppress his saints and try to change the set times and the law. The saints will be handed over to him for a time, times and half a time" (Daniel 7:24).

When God divided the people, set their boundaries and gave them a heavenly ruler at the time, He took the descendants of Jacob under His rulership. At that time, ten members of His Holy Heavenly Court did not get their kingship; their rulership was saved for the last days. The final beast out of the Abyss is a coalition of overthrown heavenly rulers released for a time. That beastly coalition is crowned

with ten horns [kings] and consumed by a raging temper to destroy every man, woman and child on earth. God's creation on earth is vile and despicable in their view. This beast will be so powerful, so ruthless and supreme that "the whole world will be astonished and follow the beast. Men will worship the dragon [Satan] because he will give authority to the beast, and they will also worship the beast and ask, "Who is like the beast? Who can made war against it?" (Revelation 13:3-4)

The world will surrender to this beast. It is not mortal. If it were, they would be able to make war against it.

When the nations are gathered at Armageddon, their drive to war against Almighty God will come directly from the influence of the three evil spirits that come out of the mouth of Satan, the beast and the false prophet (Revelation 16:13). Traditional theological thought often interprets the beast as a ten-nation coalition from the nations on earth, but this is not so. The beast is a coalition of fallen, wicked angels who are given power and authority to rule.

The nations of the earth will be deceived and led astray by the exchange of truth for lies that began with the great harlot. They will surrender to Satan and the beast and serve them, accepting their rule as it was in the days of Noah, so will it be again.

When Christ returns, he will capture the beast and the false prophet and they will be thrown alive in the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is not the fate of the nations on earth. The inhabitants on earth who take the mark of the beast and worship the image are a menacing group from the beginning. Their names were not written in the book of life from the creation of the world and they are immediately killed by the sword of Jesus Christ. This menacing group are the children of Satan seeded during the night and recorded in Matthew 13 in the parable of the wheat and weeds. These "weeds" will be pulled up and burned upon Christ's return.

The nations of the world will be judged. The sheep will be separated from the goats and judgement will be made according to the actions of the people recorded in the books.

THE ONLY ENEMY OF MANKIND

Mankind is not fighting against flesh and blood. Their only enemy are the wicked heavenly angels who have power and authority (Ephesians 6:12). Corrupt and wicked mortals cannot rob mankind of their salvation, but wicked rogue fallen rulers with great power can. They can sway the weak to follow them into the final judgement and destruction.

That is why the Apostle Paul urges Christians to put on the full armour of God (Ephesians 6:13-18):

- Belt of truth – test and prove information
- Breastplate of righteousness – live God's way
- Run to peace – do not provoke anger, seek peaceful resolutions quickly
- Shield of faith – believe and trust God
- Helmet of salvation – remember God's promise of eternal life
- Sword of the Spirit is the word of God – know God's word and live His way

- Pray in the Spirit – for yourself to remain alert and the saints who are prime targets.

Jude recognized menacing people among God's repentant people. "Yet in like manner these people also, relying on their dreams, defile the flesh, reject authority, and blaspheme the glorious ones...What sorrow awaits them! For they follow in the footsteps of Cain, who killed his brother. Like Balaam, they deceive people for money. And like Korah, they perish in their rebellion... They are like wild waves of the sea, churning up their own shameful deeds like dirty foam; wandering stars, for whom the gloom of darkness has been reserved forever" (Jude 1:8, 11, 13).

The Apostle Peter also saw these same bad-behaving people creep in and mingle among Christians. "The harm they will suffer is the wages of their wickedness. They consider it a pleasure to carouse in broad daylight. They are blots and blemishes, reveling in their deception as they feast with you. Their eyes are full of adultery; their desire for sin is never satisfied; they seduce the unstable. They are accursed children with hearts trained in greed. They have left the straight way and wandered off to follow the way of Balaam son of Beor, who loved the wages of wickedness" II Peter 2:13-15).

Jude does not declare these people as the enemy, rather, he says, "And **you must show mercy** to those whose **faith is wavering. Rescue others by snatching them from the flames of judgment.** Show mercy to still others, but **do so with great caution, hating the sins that contaminate their lives**" (Jude 1:22-23).

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Satan is like a roaring lion seeking who can devour (I Peter 5:8). The wicked spirit beings are raging lunatics. They ignite hatred, conjure up chaos, and revel in destruction. God Almighty is a God of order, peace and love. The command He gives to mankind is to love one another.

"Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins" (1 Peter 4:8).

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you" (Ephesians 4:32).

"**My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you**" (John 15:12).

How can love be expressed if judgement is made and hatred followed?

LOVE YOUR ENEMIES

God is calling everyone in His time. It is important of those called by God to extend patient endurance for those still not called. "But I tell you, **love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you**, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven. **He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous**" (Matthew 5:44-45).

GOD WANTS TO SAVE ALL OF MANKIND

"This is good and pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, **who wants everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth**" (I Timothy 2:3-4).

It distresses God to end the lives of His creation. “Do I take any pleasure in the death of the wicked? declares the Lord GOD. **Wouldn't I prefer that he turn from his ways and live?**” (Ezekiel 18:23)

To save mankind, God gave His dearly beloved Son to suffer and die. God loves the creation on earth. “For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, **but to save the world through Him**” (John 3:7).

King David marvelled and said, “When I behold Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have set in place—**what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?** You made him a little lower than the angels; You crowned him with glory and honor. **You made him ruler of the works of Your hands; You have placed everything under his feet**” (Psalms 8:3-6).

Repentant mankind is destined to fill every position held by the fallen angels. God foresees the repentance of his people and they are a beautiful garden in His eyes.

“The **righteous man will flourish like the PALM TREE**; he will **grow like a CEDAR in Lebanon**; planted in the house of the LORD, they will flourish in the courts of our God. They will still **bear fruit in old age**, they will **stay fresh and green**, proclaiming, ‘**The LORD is upright; he is my Rock**, and there is **no wickedness in him**’ (Psalm 92:12-15).

“‘The Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob who repent of their sins,’ declares the LORD... Though in anger I struck you, in favor I will show you compassion... **THE GLORY OF LEBANON WILL COME TO YOU, the PINE, the FIR and the CYPRESS together, to adorn the place of my sanctuary and I will glorify the place of my feet...** all who despise you will bow down at your feet and will call you **The City of the LORD, Zion of the Holy One of Israel**” (Isaiah 59:20, 60:10, 60:13, 14).

“How fair are your tents, O Jacob, Your dwellings, O Israel! ‘Like valleys that stretch out, like **GARDENS beside the river, like ALOES planted by the LORD, like CEDARS beside the waters**’ (Numbers 24:5-6).

Countless people from a multitude of nations, tribes, peoples and languages will repent and turn to the Almighty God of Israel. They will receive the great honour of serving in His temple and He will care for them for all eternity.

From the beginning mankind’s only enemy has been deceitful fallen angels. That condition remains unchanged into the 21st century as the statue of Daniel remains upright until Christ crushes their reign and the statue collapses into fine dust, blown away, never to be seen again.

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