

### **3. Seven Performers During the Great Tribulation, Revelation 12–13**

#### **Revelation 12:1-17**

- a. The Woman—Israel (Revelation 12:1–2)**
- b. The Red Dragon—Satan (Revelation 12:3–4)**
- c. The Child of the Woman (Israel)—Jesus Christ (Revelation 12:5–6)**
- d. Michael, the Archangel, Wars with the Dragon (Revelation 12:7–12)**
  - 1) Satan loses his access to Heaven - God's throne (Revelation 12:7-9)**
  - 2) Salvation = the Separation from Accuser of the brethren (Revelation 12:10)**
  - 3) Saving Force - The Blood of The Lamb (Revelation 12:11-12a)**
- e. The Dragon Persecutes the Woman (Revelation 12:12b–16)**
- f. Remnant of Israel - The Saved Israelites (Revelation 12:17)**
- g. Beast Out of the Sea (Revelation 13:1–10)**
  - (5) The Beast's Backing (Revelation 13:7c-8)**
  - (6) The Beast's end predetermined (Revelation 13:9–10)**

**Conclusion: the First beast must be the Dragon Himself and his place of rule!**

- h. Beast #2 Out of the Earth—a Religious Leader (Revelation 13:11–18)**
  - 1) Beast #2 Description (Revelation 13:11a)**
  - 2) Beast #2 The Diabolical Deceiver (Christ Like) (Revelation 13:11b-d)**
    - a) False external appearance (Revelation 13:11c)**
    - b) Speech betrays him (Revelation 13:11d)**
  - 3) Beast #2 - Delegated Authority (Revelation 13:12–14)**
    - a) Dictatorial power from Satan (Revelation 13:12a)**
    - b) Direct Purpose of the Anti-christ (Revelation 13:12b)**
    - c) Deceitful miracles of the Anti-christ (Revelation 13:13-14)**
  - 4) The Beast #2 - Delusion Perpetrated on the World (Revelation 13:15–17)**
    - a) Life Given to the Image (Revelation 13:15-16)**
    - b) The Mark of the beast (Revelation 13:17)**
  - 5) God's Declaration of the Beast (Revelation 13:18)**

#### **4. Looking to the End of the Great Tribulation (Revelation 14)**

- a. Picture of the Lamb with the 144,000, (Revelation 14:1–5)**
  - 1) The Lamb and His 144,000 (Revelation 14:1-2)**
  - 2) The Heavenly Harmony (Revelation 14:3)**
  - 3) Purity - Virgins (Revelation 14:4)**
  - 4) They are Real People (What you see is what you get!) (Revelation 14:5)**
- b. Three Angels (Revelation 14:6–7)**
  - 1) Another Angel 1 - The Preaching Angel (Revelation 14:6-7)**

- 2) Another Angel 2 - The Heraldng Angel - Announcement of Babylon's Fall (Revelation 14:8)
- 3) The Third Angel - The Warning Angel (Revelation 14:9-11)
- c. The Lead up to the Battle of Armageddon (Revelation 14:12)
  - The Saints attend the Harvesting of the earth
- d. Praise for Those Who Die in the Lord (Revelation 14:13)
- e. Preview of Armageddon (Revelation 14:14–20)
  - 1) Jesus with His sickle (Revelation 14:14)
  - 2) Another Angel #4 - Thrust in (Revelation 14:15-16)
  - 3) The Another Angel #5 - Out of the Temple (Revelation 14:17)
  - 4) The Another Angel #6 - Calls for a reaping (Revelation 14:18-19)
  - 5) The Battle of Armageddon Described (Revelation 14:20)

#### Revelation 15:1-8 Another View from Heaven

- 5. Pouring Out of the Seven Mixing Bowls of Wrath Revelation 15-16
  - a. Tribulation Saints in Heaven Worship God (Revelation 15:1-3)
  - b. Temple of the Tabernacle is Opened (Revelation 15:5–16:1)

#### Revelation 16

- 1) Commandment from the Temple (Revelation 16:1)
  - a) The Angels and their Vials (Revelation 16:2-11)
  - b) Interlude: Kings of Earth Proceed to Armageddon (Revelation 16:12–16)
  - c) Pouring Out of the Seventh Bowl (Revelation 16:17–21)

#### Revelation 17 - The Whore and Her Beast

- 6. The Two **Babylons** Judged - Religious and Political Babylon Revelation 17–18
  - a. The Apostate Church in the Great Tribulation, Revelation 17

1 And there came **one of the seven angels** which had **the seven vials**, and talked with me, saying unto me, **Come hither**; I will shew unto thee **the judgment** of the **great whore**(**strumpet; W1828 - a prostitute**) that sitteth upon many waters:

- 1) Great **Harlot Riding the Beast** (Revelation 17:1–7)

**GOD IN THE BIBLE ALWAYS CORRELATES THE IDOLATRY OF HIS PEOPLE WITH WHOREDOM!**

#### Isaiah 1:21-26

21 How is the faithful city(**Israel**) become an harlot! it WAS full of judgment; righteousness lodged in it; but NOW murderers.

22 Thy silver is become **dross**, thy wine **mixed with water**:

23 Thy princes (**rulers**) are rebellious (**backslidden**), and companions of thieves: every one loveth gifts, and followeth after rewards (**bribe**): they judge not the fatherless, neither doth the cause of the widow come unto them.

24 Therefore saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts, the mighty One of Israel, Ah, I will ease me of mine adversaries, and avenge me of mine enemies:

25 And I will turn my hand upon thee, and purely purge away thy dross, and take away all thy tin:

26 And I will restore thy judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning: AFTERWARD thou shalt be called, The city of righteousness, the faithful city.

27 Zion (**mount Jerusalem**) shall be redeemed (**ransomed**) with judgment, and her converts (**turn again**) with righteousness.

28 And the destruction (**ruin**) of the transgressors (**rebel**) and of the sinners shall be together, and they that forsake the LORD shall be consumed.

29 For they shall be ashamed of the oaks which ye have desired, and ye shall be confounded (**brought to confusion**) for the gardens that ye have chosen.

a) The **Judgment** of the Great Whore (A view of the **picture of the end!**)

1 And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore (**strumpet; W1828 - a prostitute**)

Revelation 21:9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

1b that sitteth upon many waters:

Revelation 17:15 And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

b) **Violated kings of the earth**

2 With whom the kings (**foundations of political power**) of the earth have committed fornication (**practice of idolatry**), and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

c) **Transported to the wilderness**

3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness:

2) **Description of the Whore**

a) **Her Beast**

3b and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured(**crimson color of an insect**) beast, full of names of blasphemy(**evil speaking**), having seven heads and ten horns.

b) **The Whore**

i. **Her clothing**

4 And the woman was arrayed(**cast about; covered**) in purple(**red blue color**) and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations(**idolatry**) and filthiness(**moral impurity**) of her fornication:

ii. **Her Forehead**

5 And upon her forehead *was* a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

iii. **Her behavior**

6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints(**holy**), and with the blood of the martyrs(**witness**) of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration(**wonder**).

3) **The Beast Destroys the Great Harlot (Revelation 17:7–18)**

a) **The Beast is Satan**

7 And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel(**admire**)? I will tell thee the mystery(**secret**) of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.

Revelation 13:1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast(**dangerous**) rise up out of the sea, having seven heads(**the head**) and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy(**vilification; W1828 = to make vile; defame; slander**).

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 7**) of his heads as it were(**like**) wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered(**admired**) after the beast.

4 And they worshipped(**kiss ;like a dog licking his master**) the dragon(**satan**) 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(**3 ½ years**).

**8** The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition(**destruction**): and they that dwell on the earth shall **WONDER**, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

**Revelation 13:8** 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.

**b) If You Know you know**

**9** And here *is* the mind which hath wisdom.

**Revelation 13:18** 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**.

**4) THE ROMAN EMPIRE**

**9b** The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.

**SPECIAL NOTE:**

"City of Seven Hills" most famously refers to

**Rome, Italy**, founded on seven iconic hills east of the Tiber River (**Palatine, Aventine, Capitoline, Quirinal, Viminal, Esquiline, and Caelian**). -Wikipedia

**10** And there are seven kings:

- 1. Egyptian** Empire - 3,000 years
- 2. Assyrian** Empire - 300 years
- 3. Babylonian** Empire - 87 years
- 4. Medes and Persians** Empire - 230 years
- 5. Grecian** Empire - lasted about 13 years

**10b** five are fallen,

- These 5 had fallen **by John's writing** of the book of Revelation

**6. Roman Empire - 450 years**

**10c** and one is,

- The Roman Empire was still in power at the writing of the book of **Revelation**

**5) The Anti - christ - 7 years at the most**

**10d** *and* the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue **A SHORT SPACE**(**oligos = puny extent**).

## 6) The **Anti-christ** Exposed

11 And the beast(**dangerous animal**) that was,  
11b and is not,

## 7) **The Revised or New Roman Empire**

11c even **he is the eighth**, and is of the seven, and goeth into **perdition(destruction)**.

### a) **What the Revised Roman Empire consists of**

12 And the **ten horns** which thou sawest are **ten kings**, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.

#### **Daniel 7:7-8**

7 After 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**.

8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them **another little horn(the Anti-christ)**, 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.

### b) **Combined Strength**

13 These have **one mind**, and shall **give their power and strength unto the beast**.

**Fight against Jesus** - “**Make war with the Lamb**”

14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and **the Lamb shall overcome them: FOR HE IS LORD OF LORDS, AND KING OF KINGS**: and **they that are with him(the Saved)** *are called, and chosen, and faithful*.

### c) **The Explanation of the waters**

15 And he saith unto me, The **waters** which thou sawest, where the **whore** sitteth, are **peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues**.

### d) **The behavior of the haters**

16 And **the ten horns** which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall **hate the whore**, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall **eat her flesh**, and **burn her** with fire.

e) **Their purpose - To do God's will**

17 For God hath put in their hearts **to fulfil his will**, and to agree, and **give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.**

f) **The woman is the ruling party over the world**

18 And **THE WOMAN WHICH THOU SAWEST IS THAT GREAT CITY**, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.