

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)
 - 1) The **Warning** - Watch out... (Revelation 12:12b)
 - 2) The **Woman** Attacked (Revelation 12:13)
 - 3) The **Wings** of Eagle - God's Deliverance (Revelation 12:14a)
 - 4) The **Wilderness** of protection (Revelation 12:14b-16)
- f. **Remnant** of Israel - The **Saved Israelites** (Revelation 12:17)
- g. Beast **Out of the Sea** (Revelation 13:1–10)

(1) Beast #1 **Description** Revelation 13:1–2

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**).

Revelation 16:10 And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,

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.

Daniel 7:1-8 (**Four**)

1 In 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.

2 Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds(**north, south, east and west**) of the heaven strove(**rush**) upon the great sea(**the Mediterranean**).

3 And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse(**different**) one from another.

Daniel 2:19-24

19 Then **was the secret revealed unto Daniel** in a night vision. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven.

20 Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his:

21 And he changeth the times and the seasons: **he removeth kings, and setteth up kings**: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:

22 He revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what *is* in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him.

23 I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, who hast given me wisdom and might, and hast made known unto me now what we desired of thee: for thou hast *now* made known unto us the king's matter.

24 Therefore Daniel went in unto Arioch, whom the king had ordained to destroy the wise *men* of Babylon: he went and said thus unto him; Destroy not the wise *men* of Babylon: bring me in before the king, and I will shew unto the king the interpretation.

Daniel 2:28-45

28 But **there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets**, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these;

29 As for thee, O king, thy thoughts came *into thy mind* upon thy bed, what should come to pass hereafter: and he that revealeth secrets **maketh known to thee what shall come to pass**.

30 But as for me, this secret is not revealed to me for *any* wisdom that I have more than any living, but **for *their* sakes**(**the Saved People**) **that shall make known the interpretation to the king**, and that thou mightest know the thoughts of thy heart.

31 Thou, O king, sawest, and behold **a great image**(**a great form**). This great image, whose brightness *was* excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof *was* terrible(**dreadful**).

32 This image's **head *was* of fine gold**, his **breast and his arms of silver**, his **belly and his thighs of brass**,

33 His **legs of iron**, his **feet part of iron and part of clay**.

34 Thou sawest till that **a stone was cut out without hands**, which smote the image upon his feet *that were* of iron and clay, and **brake them to pieces**.

35 Then **was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold**, broken to pieces together, and **became like the chaff**(**husk**) **of the summer threshingfloors**; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and **the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth**.

36 This *is* the dream; and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king.

37 Thou, O king, *art* a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.

38 And wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath he given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all. **Thou(Babylon) art this head of gold.**

39 And after thee shall arise **another kingdom inferior(lower) to thee(Medes and Persians)**, and **another third kingdom of brass(Greece)**, which shall bear rule over all the earth.

40 And **the fourth kingdom(Rome)** shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all *things*: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.

41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.

42 And *as* the toes of the feet *were* part of iron, and part of clay, *so* the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.

43 And whereas **thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another**, even as **iron is not mixed with clay.**

44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, **which shall never be destroyed**: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, *but* it shall break in pieces and **consume all these kingdoms**, and it(**The kingdom of the Lord**) shall stand for ever.

45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that **the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands(Jesus Christ)**,

Ephesians 2:20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being **the chief corner stone**;

I Corinthians 10:4

4 And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of **that spiritual Rock** that followed them: and **that Rock was Christ.**

Matthew 16:18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

45b and that **it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold**; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream *is* certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

4 The 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.

5 And 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**.

6 After this I beheld, **and LO 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.

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, 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.

(2) Beast #1 **Death—Dealing Stroke (Revelation 13:3)**

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.

(3) The Beast's **Assumed Deity Revelation 13:4–5**

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)**.

(4) The **Beast (Revelation 13:6–8)**

a) The Beast's **Purpose**

6 And he opened his mouth(**verbal**) in blasphemy(**vilification**) against God,

b) The Beast Blasphemes **God's Name**

to blaspheme(**vilify**) his name,

c) The Beast Blasphemes **God's Home**

and **his tabernacle**,

d) The Beast Blasphemes **God's Heaven's inhabitants**

and **them that dwell in heaven**.

e) The **Beast's Purpose**

7 And it was given unto him to **MAKE WAR WITH THE SAINTS**,

f) The Beast's **Objective**

and to overcome them:

(5)The Beast's **Backing**

and power(**from the dragon - Satan**) was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him(**the beast**), whose names are **NOT** written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

(6) The Beast's **end predetermined** (Revelation 13:9–10)

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.