

Is the United States of America mentioned in Bible prophecy?

Governor Alfred E. Smith believed that God would never abandon the United States. In his final public appearance he stated "I have been taught to look upon this country as designed and founded by Divine Providence. To be a haven of rest and a harbour of refuge for the downtrodden and the oppressed of every land." From America's earliest days, people throughout the world have sought it's shores seeking this promise. Millions of people all over the world have been inspired by America's assurance of liberty and justice for all. But for Bible students and many others, the questions arise: Will America continue to offer this promise? And at the close of human history as foretold in Bible prophecy, will America still be the world's champion of freedom?

Before studying this important topic please read Revelation 13:11-15

- 1. What does a beast represent in Bible prophecy? Daniel 7:23 -
- 2. Where does the first beast of Revelation 13 arise from? Revelation 13:1 -

Note: The first beast in **Revelation 13** comes up out of the sea, as do the four beasts in **Daniel 7**. In Bible prophecy, waters represent multitudes of people, compare **Revelation 17:15**.

3. Where does the second beast of Revelation 13 arise from? Rev. 13:11 -

Note: In contrast to the first beast who comes up out of the sea, representing multitudes of people, the "Earth" in prophecy represents a place that is sparsely populated. **Revelation 12:16** says that the "Earth" helps the Woman (The Church) to flee into the wilderness to escape from the persecution and tyranny of the Papacy. (See **Revelation 12:6 & 14**). In the 1700's, Christians fled to the sparsely populated Americas for religious freedom. John saw the rise of the second beast to prominence just before the demise of the first beast in 1798. The second beast was rising to prominence around the same time and can be identified as a young nation. There is only one nation that fits this criteria. The American constitution was signed in 1776 making the United States of America 246 years old (1776 - 2022).

4. What is the character of the second beast in Revelation 13? Rev 13:11 -

In the book of Revelation, Jesus is repeatedly described as a lamb. (Revelation 5:6, 6:1, 13:8, 14:1, 21:27, 22:1 and more).

Note: Political, historical, geographical and philosophical evidence all suggest the nation portrayed in **Revelation 13:11-15** is the United States of America. This nation was founded on Christian principles with the statement "One Nation Under God" as it's motto. It's beginnings were consistent with Jesus, the true Lamb of God. This power is represented as a lamb because it was founded on the very principles Jesus came to this planet to share. Jesus came to make people free (**John 8:32**), this nation offers religious and political freedom. Two horns in Scripture represent strength and power, these two freedoms are the great strengths of the nation portrayed. These strengths are found in a Republic and through Democracy which is the separation of Church and state (not the political parties) **Mark 12:17** and **Matthew 22:15-22**.

5.	Will	this	nation	always	stand in	defence	of 1	freedom?	Revelation	13:11	-
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Note: Jesus said in **Matthew 12:34**, "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks." Revelation predicts that there will be a change at the heart of this nation that will cause it to appear as a lamb but speak as a dragon.

6. What does a dragon represent in the book of Revelation? Rev. 12:3-4,7-9

Note: One way in which the Devil works is through using earthly systems. In regards to **Revelation 12:3-4** see **Matthew 2:1,7,11-12,16**.

7. What type of influence will this second nation have in the world?

Rev. 13:12 - _____

Note: Of the beast, the Bible says "It was granted to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them" **(Revelation 13:6-7)**. Revelation predicts a time when the second nation will govern in the manner of the first nation of **Revelation 13** (Vatican City).

8. How will the second beast in **Revelation 13** (The United States) influence people to yield to the authority of the first beast (The Vatican)?

Revelation 13:12-15 -	

Note: An image will to be set up in the near future that will resemble the old church and state system. The old system consisted of the Papacy wielding her religious authority through the power of the nations of Europe. America will be foremost in leading out in this new system in union with Rome.
9. What will become of those who choose to resist the power of this nation? Rev. 13:15; Dan. 3:1-6 & 14-19 -
10. What form of worship will be enforced by the second nation (USA)? Rev. 13:16-17; Dan. 7:25 -
11. What is the result of this end-time departure from civil and religious freedom? Revelation 16:13-14 -
12. How can God's people be safe from the deceptions of Earth's final days? Isaiah 8:16 & 20 -
13. What attitude will God's people have regarding loyalty and faithfulness in Earth's last days? Acts 5:29 -
14. In a time when all the world follows the beast of Revelation 13, how will it be possible for someone to be faithful to god? Philippians 2:13, Gal. 2:20 -
Note: Jesus said that His followers would "have tribulation" (John 16:33: 2 Timothy 3:12). But Jesus has promised that through the Holy Spirit, He will dwell in us who choose to be faithful to Him. Revelation 14:9 sends a warning to anyone who does not worship the True and Living God. You are either God's end time people or your allegiance belongs to the Beast!
It is my desire to stand for God's truth and live for Christ.
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