# Questions About Mark of the Beast

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YOU ALWAYS TALK ABOUT MARK OF THE BEAST BUT UNTIL NOW YOU CAN NOT MARK IT! YOU ARE PART OF FALSE PROPHETS

### Answer:

Thank you for your message. It's clear you are passionate about truth—and I respect that. Let me respond thoughtfully and directly.

#### What Is the Mark of the Beast?

The "mark of the beast" is mentioned in **Revelation 13:16–17**, where it says:

"He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads... and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark..."

This prophecy is serious—and that's why we talk about it. Not to sensationalize it, but because it is a life-or-death matter of allegiance in earth's final crisis.

#### So What Is the Mark of the Beast?

Let's clarify:

- The mark of the beast is not yet enforced—but it's being set up. The Bible teaches it will be a sign of enforced worship, where church and state unite to pressure people to go against God's law.
- According to Scripture and consistent historic Protestant interpretation, the "beast" of Revelation 13 is the Roman Papal system (not Catholic people—but the system). This is also taught by Martin Luther, John Wesley, and many Reformers.
- The mark will involve a counterfeit day of worship—Sunday enforcement—in contrast to God's Sabbath (the 7th day, Saturday). When Sunday worship is enforced by law, rejecting God's clear command, that is when it becomes the "mark."

Until laws are enforced, no one has the mark yet. But we warn ahead of time, not after it's too late.

#### Who Has the Seal of God?

The opposite of the mark of the beast is **the seal of God** (Revelation 7:2–3, 14:1, 14:12). This represents God's name, character, and law in your heart—and includes keeping the **Sabbath**, the only commandment that mentions:

- God's name (the Lord),
- His title (Creator),
- His territory (heaven and earth).

## **False Prophets?**

A **false prophet** tells people *not* to keep God's commandments, or points people away from the true gospel.

"Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus." – Revelation 14:12

If someone is preaching God's commandments, lifting up Jesus, and warning against deception, even if you disagree, that doesn't make them false—it might make them a watchman (Ezekiel 33:6).

# **Final Thought**

You don't have to agree with me. But I invite you to search the Scriptures for yourself (Acts 17:11). My heart's desire is not to win arguments, but to win souls for Christ and prepare people for His soon return.

Shalom and blessings to you.