

## - THE MIDDLE OF THE 7-YEAR GREAT TRIBULATION -

### ----- The Beast Explained -----

#### -The Unholy Trinity

The Bible talks about the Holy Trinity, and now the devil will try to copy God with an unholy trinity. We find this unholy trinity in the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter of the book of Revelation Rev 13:13-16.

Here are the verses that speak of this unholy trinity, notice the words: **beast**, **it** and **image**: Rev 13:12 *And it exercises all the authority of the first beast before him, and causes the earth and those dwelling in it to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.* The false prophet causes the people living on Earth to worship the antichrist.

Rev 13:13 *And it does great wonders, so that it makes fire come down from the heaven onto the earth in the sight of men.* The miracles will convince a lot of people to worship the beast Rev 13:14 *And it deceives those dwelling on the earth, because of the miracles which were given to it to do before the beast, saying to those dwelling on the earth that they should make an image to the beast who had the wound by a sword and lived.* The false prophet will tell everyone to make an image or statue that looks like the antichrist, who had been wounded with a sword and lived Rev 13:15 *And there was given to it to give a spirit to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast might both speak, and might cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed.* The false prophet will give a spirit or demon to the statue so that it will literally speak, commanding everyone to worship it or be killed. So we see all 3 of them here; the **antichrist**, the **false prophet**, and the **image** that looks like the antichrist.

The antichrist will present himself as a copy of God the Father because he is the leader of these three. The false prophet will perform miracles just as Jesus Christ performed miracles; he presents himself as God the Son. The statue that looks like the antichrist will have no human body, but the false prophet will breathe into it, and a spirit will talk from inside it. The statue will tell everyone to serve the antichrist, which represents God the Holy Spirit, who always directs us to God the Father and the Son. Our Holy God will allow this unholy trinity to exist, since He knows that they will be cast into the lake of fire Rev 19:20. In fact, they are being used by God to do His will:

Rev 17:17 *For God gave into their hearts to do His mind, (God's will) and to act with one mind, and to give their kingdom to the beast until the Words of God will be fulfilled.* The Words of God will be fulfilled.

Some people believe that the devil, the antichrist, and the false prophet comprise the unholy trinity, but we clearly read that the number is that of a man *Rev 13:18* not of an angel. This leads me to believe that the first 6 is for the human antichrist, the second 6 is for the human false prophet, and the third 6 is for the image of the antichrist.

#### THE NUMBER OF THE BEAST:

THE NUMBER 6 IS OF A MAN AND NOT OF AN ANGEL

6 IS FOR THE ANTICHRIST

6 IS FOR THE FALSE PROPHET

6 IS FOR THE IMAGE OF THE ANTICHRIST

#### **-The Word Beast in the Book of Revelation**

Let me explain all the different meanings to the word **beast** in the book of Revelation; the word **beast** is used for the **antichrist**, and for his **kingdom** (Europe), and there are some similarities between them. **The antichrist** will be killed and he will come back to life. The kingdom of the beast is **Europe**, which was **Rome** and had ended in 476 AD and recently came back revived as **Europe**. So we see that both the antichrist and his kingdom are called “**beast**” and they both were dead, yet they came back to life.

The antichrist will have a helper, who will do miracles and will tell the whole Earth to worship the antichrist, this helper is also called “**beast**” and he is later called the false prophet *Rev 16:13, Rev 19:20*.

In *Rev 13:1* we see the antichrist as a beast coming out of the sea (he has a kingdom) yet in *Dn 7:17*, he is the fourth king that arises out of the Earth. The false prophet is seen as a beast coming out of the Earth *Rev 13:11* because he is a leader since he is part of the unholy trinity.

So that is all that there is to it. We can conclude that in the book of Revelation, the name beast only applies to three things; the **antichrist**, his **kingdom** and the **false prophet**.

#### THE NAME BEAST APPLIES TO:

- (1) THE ANTICHRIST (who will die and come back to life)
- (2) HIS KINGDOM (that ended in 476 AD but came back as Europe)
- (3) THE FALSE PROPHET

#### **-The Antichrist, his Kingdom and the False Prophet**

I will first address the antichrist and his kingdom. When we see the beast that emerges from the sea, it is both the kingdom of the antichrist and the antichrist: *Rev 13:1* *And I stood on the sand of the sea, and I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having seven heads and*

*ten horns. And on its horns were ten crowns, and on its heads was the name of blasphemy.* The kingdom of the antichrist comes out of the sea, but he will be the king of it. Dn 7:23 *The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom on earth.*

John describes the kingdom of the antichrist: Rev 13:2 *And the beast which I saw was like a leopard, and its feet like those of a bear, and its mouth like the mouth of a lion. And the dragon gave him its power and its seat and great authority.* Notice that the kingdom of the antichrist has four similarities to the ones seen by Daniel.

In **Revelation**, the beast that comes out of the sea has **10 horns**, looks like a **leopard**, has **feet like a bear**, and a **mouth like a lion**.

The four kingdoms that **Daniel** saw had four similarities to the kingdom of the antichrist. We find this in Daniel 7:3-7, one kingdom is described as being **like a lion**, another **like a bear**, and the third **like a leopard**. However, the fourth beast is the worst, having **ten horns** just as the beast in the book of Revelation has **ten horns**.

THE 4 BEASTS OF DANIEL CHAPTER 7:

THE FIRST ONE IS LIKE A LION

THE SECOND ONE IS LIKE A BEAR

THE THIRD ONE IS LIKE A LEOPARD

THE FOURTH ONE HAS TEN HORNS

THE BEAST OF REVELATION CHAPTER 13:

ITS MOUTH IS LIKE A LION

HAS FEET LIKE THAT OF A BEAR

LOOKS LIKE A LEOPARD

HAS TEN HORNS & SEVEN HEADS



THE SEVEN-HEADED BEAST FROM THE SEA (Rev 13:1)

God gives us these clues to show us that the kingdom of the antichrist will be that fourth kingdom Daniel spoke of.

We see this in the head that looked as if dead, yet later it was healed: Rev 13:3 *And I saw one of its heads as having been slain to death, and its deadly wound was healed. And all the earth marveled after the beast.* This tells us that although Rome was dead, which was the fourth kingdom Daniel saw, it would be revived as Europe, as it now has been. It also tells us that the antichrist himself will also be killed with a sword Rev 13:14 and will come back to life.

The antichrist will try to copy what Jesus Christ did when He was resurrected, but Jesus received a body that could no longer die. In contrast, the antichrist will retain his sinful body and will be thrown into the Lake of Fire to suffer eternal torment Rev 19:20.

**John continues:** Rev 13:4 *And they worshiped the dragon who gave authority to the beast. And they worshiped the beast, saying, Who is like the beast? Who is able to make war with it?* Notice that people will actually worship Satan whenever they worship the antichrist. “*And they worshiped the dragon who gave authority to the beast.*” And people will ask who can win in a war against the kingdom of the antichrist? This question will arise after Europe destroys the most powerful country in the world; the U.S., which is Babylon.

While the first beast is both the antichrist and his kingdom, the second beast is only the false prophet: Rev 13:11 *And I saw another beast coming up out of the earth. And it had two horns like a lamb, and he spoke like a dragon.* This is the false prophet; he will come out of the Earth because he is a man with great authority. It is not coincidental that he will have horns like a lamb, as he will want to mimic Jesus Christ, *the Lamb*. The false prophet will look like someone who would want peace and love, but he will speak like a dragon.

**THE ANTICHRIST, HIS KINGDOM AND THE FALSE PROPHET:**

**THE FIRST BEAST WITH TEN HORNS IS EUROPE** (Rev 13)

**THE FIRST BEAST IS ALSO THE ANTICHRIST**

**THE SECOND BEAST IS THE FALSE PROPHET**

### **-The Beast Gets Power Over the World**

Rev 13:5 *And a mouth speaking great things was given to it, and blasphemies. And authority was given to it to continue forty-two months.* The antichrist will have power over the Earth for 42 months.

Rev 13:6 *And it opened its mouth in blasphemy toward God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, and those dwelling in Heaven.* Everyone left on Earth will know that the rapture happened,

and that the 144,000 Jews and the two witnesses had been taken to Heaven, so what will the antichrist do? He will blaspheme God, and His name, he will also blaspheme Heaven "*His tabernacle*". He will then blaspheme all those living in Heaven, speaking against those who were raptured. It is hard to understand why so many will follow him.

Rev 13:7 *And it was given to it to war with the saints and to overcome them. And authority was given to it over every tribe and tongue and nation.* All those who finally believed in Christ after they witnessed the events of the first 3-1/2 years will be killed by the antichrist, because they will reject the mark of the beast. But all of them will be saved and will receive eternal life, since they did not deny Jesus but remained faithful until death Rev 2:10, as we see in Rev 20:4.

We can learn much about the antichrist's assumption of power over the world from the books of Revelation and of Daniel, when Daniel speaks of him, he says: Dn 7:25 *And he shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High, and plot to change times and laws. And they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and one-half time.* Why would the antichrist change the times and laws? This is easy to understand, since our calendars are based on the birth of Christ. The last thing the antichrist wants is for people to celebrate any Christian holiday, so he will change the days and years. He will also change the laws since they are based on the Bible, and he will probably have his own commandments. Europe is now trying to change BC (before Christ) to BCE (before common era) and AD (Anno Domini) to CE common era. *Anno Domini* comes from the Latin language for: "In the year of Our Lord", abbreviated as AD defining the year of the birth of Jesus Christ.

**And let us read this carefully:** Dn 11:36-37 *And the king shall do according to his will. And he shall exalt and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvelous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper until the fury is fulfilled. For that which is decreed shall be done. He will not regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god. For he shall magnify himself above all.* He will "not regard the God of his fathers" or any god. This means that the antichrist will claim to be god, but he will not relate to the Christian God "he shall magnify himself above all".

Dn 11:38 *But in his place he shall honor the god of forces; and a god whom his fathers did not know, he shall honor with gold and silver, and with precious stones and desirable things.* He shall honor "a god whom his fathers did not know", so this is a new god.

Here, we are told that the antichrist will acknowledge a strange god: Dn 11:39 So he shall act in the fortresses of the strongholds with a **strange god**, whom he shall acknowledge. He shall multiply in glory, and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for a price. He will acknowledge “a strange god” and after he conquers the Earth, he will divide it amongst his ten kings.

He will deceive many: Dn 8:25 And also through his understanding, he shall cause **deceit** to succeed in his hand. And he shall magnify himself in his heart, and **by peace** shall destroy many. (He will deceive and destroy many by peace)

2Th 2:9 whose coming is according to the working of **Satan** with all power and **signs** and **lying** wonders, 2Th 2:10 and with all **deceit** of unrighteousness in those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, so that they might be saved. 2Th 2:11 And for this cause God shall send them strong **delusion**, that they should believe a lie 2Th 2:12 so that all those who do not believe the truth, but delight in unrighteousness, might be condemned. All those who do not believe the truth, will be condemned!

Let me make a quick summary; the antichrist will rule the Earth (Rev 13:5) for the last 42 months of the great tribulation, he will blaspheme God, and His name, Heaven and those living in Heaven. He will magnify himself above all, he will conquer the Earth and divide it in ten sections, which he will give to his ten kings that shall serve him. He will deceive many with all power and signs and lying wonders according to the working of Satan.

THE ANTICHRIST GETS AUTHORITY FOR 42 MONTHS:  
HE WILL BLASPHEME GOD, HIS NAME, AND HEAVEN  
HE WILL BLASPHEME THOSE DWELLING IN HEAVEN  
HE SHALL MAGNIFY HIMSELF ABOVE ALL  
HE WILL NOT REGARD THE GOD OF HIS FATHERS  
HE’LL HONOR A GOD WHOM HIS FATHERS DID NOT KNOW  
HE SHALL ACKNOWLEDGE A STRANGE GOD  
FOR 42 MONTHS: DANIEL 7:25 & REVELATION 13:5

SATAN WILL GIVE AUTHORITY TO THE ANTICHRIST:  
Dn 8:24 And his power shall be mighty, but **not** by his own **power**.  
2Th 2:9 whose coming is according to the working of **Satan**  
Rev 13:2 the **dragon** gave him **its power** and **its seat** and **great authority**.  
Rev 13:4 And they worshiped the **dragon** who gave authority to the beast

The antichrist is seen as **Satan’s seed**: “your seed” Gen 3:15.

## **-The Seven Heads of the Beast**

Rome was a kingdom and then was not; but in these last days, Europe has united to become the European Union, which is a miracle since no one could believe it would happen after all the wars and historical divisiveness between those countries. They call themselves revived Rome. We see that Rome was, then it was not, and now it is revived as Europe, as seen in Rev 17:8: *The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to ascend out of the abyss and go into perdition. And those dwelling on the earth will marvel, those 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.* Remember that the word beast applies to both the antichrist and to his kingdom.

The angel gives John details about the 7 heads of the beast: Rev 17:9-10 *And here is the mind which has wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sits. And there are seven kings; five have fallen, and one is, and the other has not yet come. And when he comes, he must continue a short time.* These seven kingdoms belong to the devil, and they start from the time that Israel became a nation. The seven heads are seven kings, or kingdoms, five of which have fallen in the past: Assyria, Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, and Rome. One remains – the U.S. And the prophecy says that one is yet to come. Well, it is here now, and it is Europe. The scripture says that this last kingdom must continue just a short time. Guess what? We are near the Lord's return because Europe will only last a short time!

The 7 Kingdoms: 5 have fallen, one is, and one is yet to come:

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| 1. ASSYRIA       | (fallen)                         |
| 2. BABYLON       | (fallen)                         |
| 3. MEDO-PERSIA   | (fallen)                         |
| 4. GREECE        | (fallen)                         |
| 5. ROME          | (fallen)                         |
| 6. UNITED STATES | (one is)                         |
| 7. EUROPE        | (one is yet to come) (now here!) |

THE SEVEN HEADS IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION:

Rev 12:3 THE GREAT DRAGON WITH SEVEN HEADS

Rev 13:1 THE BEAST WITH SEVEN HEADS

Rev 17:3 THE SCARLET-COLORED BEAST WITH 7 HEADS

Rev 17:7 THE BEAST THAT HAS SEVEN HEADS

Rev 17:9 THE SEVEN HEADS ARE SEVEN MOUNTAINS

Rev 17:10 THE SEVEN HEADS ARE SEVEN KINGS / 7 Kingdoms

## --The Beast is the Eighth, is of the Seven, and Goes into Perdition--

Many people have had a hard time interpreting this verse: Rev 17:11 And the beast that was, and is not, even **he** is the **eighth**, and is of the **seven**, and goes into **perdition**. When the prophecy mentions the beast being the **eighth**, it is talking about the antichrist who “**goes into perdition**”, meaning that he will be thrown in the lake of fire Rev 19:20. He will be the eighth, but part of the seven, since he will rule with the seventh and last kingdom; Europe. Do not forget that there are only seven heads. Yet we have an eighth because a differentiation is being made between the antichrist and his kingdom; Europe, which must only last a short time.

That is all there is to it. **Seven kingdoms** plus one man equals eight. But not eight kingdoms! The false teachers of today will not understand these verses because they get too confused. God gives us His prophecies in this manner because He only wants His children to understand them: Mt 13:11. it is given to you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of Heaven, but it is not given to them.

THE BEAST IS THE EIGHTH:  
THERE ARE ONLY 7 KINGDOMS  
THE EIGHTH IS THE ANTICHRIST  
HE IS OF THE SEVEN (THE KING OF EUROPE)

## -The Ten Kings

Rev 17:12 And the ten horns which you saw are ten kings, who have received no kingdom yet, but will receive authority as kings **one hour** with the beast. The antichrist will divide the Earth into ten kingdoms and place ten kings in charge of them. That is why we read that they had “**no kingdom yet**”; and they will not until the beast gives them authority as kings, which will last for only “one Hour” which is really the last 42 months. Rev 17:13 These have one mind, and they will give their power and **authority** to the beast. Rev 17:14 These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them. For He is Lord of lords and King of kings. And those with Him are the called and elect and faithful ones. They will serve the antichrist and they will make war against Christ when we return to Earth. Christ will win!

Rev. 17:16 The ten horns which you saw on the beast, these will hate the harlot and will make her desolate and naked. And they will eat her flesh and burn her with fire. These ten kings, along with the antichrist, will destroy the harlot – the United States – with fire that results from nuclear bombs.

## THE TEN HORNS:

ARE TEN KINGS

THEY HAVE NO KINGDOM YET

WILL BE APPOINTED BY THE ANTICHRIST

HAVE CROWNS (Rev 13:1)

THEY WILL SERVE THE ANTICHRIST FOR 42 MONTHS

## THE 10 KINGS IN THE BIBLE ARE SEEN AS:

10 TOES (Dn 2:41, 42)

10 HORNS (Dn 7:7, 20, 24)

10 HORNS (Rev 12:3, 13:1, 17:3, 17:7, 17:12, 17:16)

Some people have asked why is it that the horn shall arise **after** the 10 horns in Daniel if the antichrist is the one who appoints them.

Dn 7:24 *the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise.*

*And another shall arise **after** them.* The answer is that he will appoint them first, be killed and revived “shall arise” after he appointed them.

(1) HE APPOINTS THE 10 KINGS

(2) THEN HE IS KILLED

(3) THEN HE COMES BACK TO LIFE “*shall arise after them*”

## **-Receive the Mark or be Killed**

The false prophet gives life to a statue that looks like the beast: Rev 13:15-18 *And there was given to it to give a spirit (demon) to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast might both speak, and might cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed (notice that it says: “worship the image”). And it causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark on their right hand, or in their foreheads, even that not any might buy or sell except those having the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of its name. Here is the wisdom. Let him having reason count the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man. And its number is six hundred and sixty-six.* The false prophet intentionally breaks God’s second commandment, where He told us not to have any idol images, by making an image or statue that looks like the antichrist. The statue will look like him, and have a demon in it so that it actually speaks, and it will say that anyone who does not worship the statue will be killed. Notice that it says whoever “**would not worship the image**” will be killed. This presents a problem: how could everyone go to worship an image that is in Europe? The answer could be that they might make little statues of the antichrist, which

people in all the Earth can buy and have to worship. Once again, this is in violation of the second commandment.

I believe that the antichrist will probably distribute little statues that look like him and people will have to worship these idols, who will all have demon spirits in them, causing them to be more convincing. Imagine people worshipping these idols and actually hearing them talk. If people worship lifeless statues today, how much more will they worship them if they could actually talk!

Today, Europe has already begun to use the mark “CE,” which means Commission of Europe, and you can’t buy a product from them or sell a product to them without this mark. If you look at the bottom of your computer mouse, you will see this mark. At the company I work for, we have to add that mark to the products we sell to Europe. Now “CE” is not the mark of the beast, but they already have the idea ready. When the antichrist comes, he will establish this system, and he will make everyone who buys or sells anything to accept the mark. It will be mandatory for commerce upon penalty of death.

#### THE MARK OF THE BEAST:

THE NUMBER IS SIX HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX

NO ONE CAN BUY OR SELL WITHOUT THE MARK

THOSE WHO DO NOT WORSHIP THE BEAST WILL BE KILLED



THE MARK OF THE BEAST