

Antichrist – America²

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God has clearly shown us that to trust in Him is the only way that man can have peace and security. His words are for the comfort of our souls and for the building up of our characters. Let us take heed to His commands, for they are for the benefit of humanity.

Revelation 14:6-12 - There is a fearful warning for those that “**worship the beast and his image.**” We have already studied out of the Bible to see clearly who the 1st beast of Revelation 13 is; but **what or who is the image of the beast?** If it is an **image** it must **look and act** just like the original, right? (Example: He is the spittin **image** of _____.)

Revelation 13:4,8,12,15, 14:7,9,11 - In these verses it is clear that the beast desires worship. This word is used 8 times in these 2 chapters, and it only refers to the worship of God 1 time in 14:7. The book of Revelation in one question is this; “Who will you worship?”

Daniel 3 - This chapter in comparison with Revelation 13:11-18 is extremely relevant to us. The Book of Daniel was written for those that are at the end of time, Daniel 12:4. We ought to expect that the same type of things that happened in ancient Babylon will happen in spiritual Babylon. An image, worship, church and state, persecution, faithful people, unfaithful people, and deliverance... it is all there, and will be again.

Revelation 13:10-11 - We see that the 1st beast in this chapter is going into captivity at the same time that the 2nd beast is rising up; what time was that? “The civil power of the papacy was broken in 1798, when Pope Pius VI was taken prisoner by the French.” “The Book of Revelation,” Steven Haskell, pg. 66.

Revelation 13:11 - “I beheld **another beast** coming up out of the **earth.**” Here is another kingdom or nation, (Daniel 7:17,23) coming up, (or literally “springing up like a plant”) out of the earth. The Bible makes it clear that the sea represents people (Revelation 17:15; for an example see Revelation 13:1), but it does not make clear what it means by the “earth.” So we must denote that it refers to the opposite of the sea, which means people, therefore concluding that it represents an uninhabited area. To put it simply, **John here sees another nation springing up like a plant from an uninhabited area.**

Revelation 13:11 - “He had **two horns** like a **lamb.**” This beast had two lamb like horns; this denotes that this power did not come up like the rest of the powers. This one did not have the appearance of a lion, bear, or leopard but had two lamb like horns. We can then say that this nation came up peaceably in an uninhabited area. This nation was founded on two powers that were Christian in their appearance...**BUT...**

Revelation 13:11 - “He **spake** as a **dragon.**” In Revelation 12:9 we see that the dragon represents Satan. This nation, although posing to be Christian, is really being used by the devil to fulfill his purposes.

This power came up, or sprang up like a plant, around the time of 1798 when the first beast, the Roman papacy went into captivity. (See Revelation 13:10.) 1798 is the date that General Berthier, under Napoleon Bonaparte, took over the city of Rome and took the Pope off of his throne, thus taking him captive where he died in exile. This was the infliction of the deadly wound (Revelation 13:3). "The civil power of the papacy was broken in 1798, when Pope Pius VI. was taken prisoner by the French; but the influence continues." - "The papal power was completely broken, and then the countries of southern Europe, France, Spain, Italy, and others, were free to choose between the principles of the papacy and those of Protestantism. The wounding of the head of the beast in 1798, the beginning of the time of the end, dethroned the woman for a time, but she was the mother of harlots, and the education, as well as the hereditary tendencies of her children, has enabled them, although in many ways restricted, to continue the practices of the mother. To each of the kingdoms of Europe, the Reformation came as a light and deliverance; but today, without exception, those nations are returning their allegiance to the dethroned queen, who only waits the opportune moment to resume her seat and her crown" (Excerpts from "The Book of Revelation," by Steven Haskell, pg. 66, 73, 307).

The question remains; What nation was; **(1)** springing up like a plant around the time of 1798, **(2)** coming up in an unpopulated area, **(3)** founded on 2 lamb like or religious principles, **(4)** coming up peaceably? - It is the **United States of America**. This nation fits the requirements and is even now fulfilling the beginnings of its role in Bible prophecy.

Jesus Christ is the founder of all Bible prophecy. This last, great, book of the Bible is a "Revelation of Jesus Christ." He tells us these things so that we will not be surprised when they come to pass. In fact, He says, "Now I have told you before it come to pass, that when it is come to pass, ye might believe" (John 14:29). Jesus has told and shown us all things that will happen in the world that relate to the people of God so that when we see these things we will have a deeper appreciation for His love for us, and His divine wisdom. He does not want His children to be in darkness. He loves us more than His own life.

Revelation 13:12 - "He exerciseth all the power of the **first beast** before him, (the papacy) and causeth (he wont ask, he will cause) the earth and them which dwell therein to **worship** the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed." The United States of America will join hands, church and state, with the Roman Catholic system. They will then **cause** everyone to worship the first beast. This, in an incredible way, is being fulfilled; let us continue to study the Words of Christ that we may know what manner of persons we ought to be, in all holy conversation and godliness.

Revelation 13:13-14 - We will deal more with these verses in another study. "Saying **to them that dwell on the earth**, that **they** should make an image to the beast." **(5)** This proves that the nation dealt with in Revelation 13:11 has its legislative powers resting with the people. Just another identifying mark of the United States.

Revelation 13:15 - "**He** (The United States) had power to **give life** unto the **image of the beast**, (the unity of church and state between the U.S. and the papacy) that the image of the beast (church and state) should both **speak**, (through laws) and **cause** (enforcing laws) that **as many as would not worship** the image of the beast should be **killed**." The dark ages saw millions of deaths; most of those were souls who desired nothing more than to follow Jesus and have a relationship with Him. Out of millions of accounts, here is only 1;

“Young maidens would lie down in their living grave as if they were entering into their chamber of nightly sleep; or go forth to the scaffold and the fire, dressed in their best apparel, as if they were going to their marriage” (Wylie, b. 18, ch.6). See John 15:18 & 16:2-3 & Mark 10:29-30.

Revelation 13:16 - “He **causeth all...**to receive a **mark** in their **right hand**, or in their **foreheads.**” This mark is not literal, it is symbolic, the book of Revelation was “signified” (1:1). The right hand is the prominent hand that symbolizes your works. The forehead is where you make intelligent decisions. Some will choose to follow the beast, and some will support the beast by their actions, not caring one way or the other. Either way it is not what God desires for His children.

Revelation 13:17 - “That **no man** might **buy** or **sell**, save he that had the **mark**, or the **name** of the beast, or the **number** of his name.” It is prophesied that there will be economic boycott on those who do not follow the dictates of the church and state union. Many will worship the beast and his image just out of sheer convenience. Will you study these things to see if they are true and then make the decision to follow the Lamb withersoever He goes?

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.**” (Refer to the next page for the counting of the number.) Notice this does not say that it is the number of a computer chip; it does not say that it is the number of anything else other than a man.

We have already discovered who the **beast** is; the Roman papacy. The next page will tell you what the **number** is. “The letters inscribed in the Pope’s miter are these; Vicarius Filii Dei, which is Latin for ‘Vicar of the Son of God.’ Catholics hold that the church, which is a visible society, must have a visible head; Christ before His ascension into Heaven, appointed St. Peter to act as His representative. Hence, the Bishop of Rome as head of the church, was given the title, ‘Vicar of Christ’ (Our Sunday Visitor, 1915).

Jesus Christ does not wish to hurt anyone’s feelings. He is not looking to point out the bad things either. He is interested in saving the human race from deception and damnation. “The Lord is...not willing that **any** should perish, but that **all** should come to **repentance.**” (2 Peter 3:9) The saddest part about it is that men and women all around the world will not believe on Jesus Christ and His word so that He would be able to save them. For many, the death of Christ will be in vain. May it **never** be so for us.

Revelation 15:2 - There will be those that choose to be on Christ’s side; may this **always** be said of us...

“Here is the patience of the saints: Here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.” (Revelation 14:12)

V = 5
I = 1
C = 100
A = 0 = 112
R = 0
I = 1
U = 5
S = 0

F = 0
I = 1
L = 50 = 53
I = 1
I = 1

D = 500
E = 0 = 501
I = 1

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= 666

The ancient Greek word for "the Latin speaking man" is LATEINOS

L = 30 lambda
A = 1 alpha
T = 300 tau
E = 5 epsilon
I = 10 iota
N = 50 nu
O = 70 omicron
S = 200 sigma

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Read much more about the number of the beast here: <http://biblelight.net/666.htm>