A woman with long dark hair, wearing a dark robe, stands in a desolate, cracked, and fiery landscape. She has large, dark, feathered wings extending from her back. She is holding a large, glowing scroll in her left hand, which is raised towards the sky. The background is a mix of dark and bright orange and yellow tones, suggesting a hellish or apocalyptic environment. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent. **REVELATION 12:14**

Psalm 117

Praise the LORD, all nations;

Laud Him, all peoples!

For His lovingkindness is great toward us,

And the truth of the LORD is everlasting.

Praise the LORD!

“the LORD” = YHVH

“Praise the LORD” = Halal Yah, or Halle lu Yah

Sh'ma Yisrael, Adonai
Eloheinu
Adonai Echad
Baruch Shem k'vod
malchutto,
l'olam va'ed

Hear, O Israel:
the LORD is our God.
The LORD is One.
Blessed be the name of His
glorious kingdom
for ever and ever.



DEUTERONOMY ⁶ FOUR & FIVE
You **HEAR**
O ISRAEL
shall **יהוה יהוה** with all
love **יהוה יהוה** your
the *is our God;* heart
LORD **יהוה יהוה** with all
your **יהוה יהוה** your
God **ALONE** soul
is God. and
with all
your
strength.

A woman in a red robe stands in a desert landscape under a fiery sky. She is wearing a red headscarf and a red dress. The background is a vast, reddish-brown desert with rolling hills under a sky filled with orange and red clouds, suggesting a sunset or a fire. The woman is looking to the right.

Revelation 12

**Devil persecutes Woman
Woman Protected
Dragon Enraged**

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

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REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

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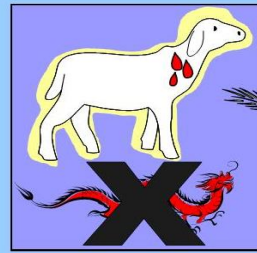
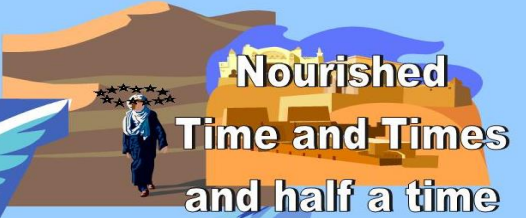
"Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down."



"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death."

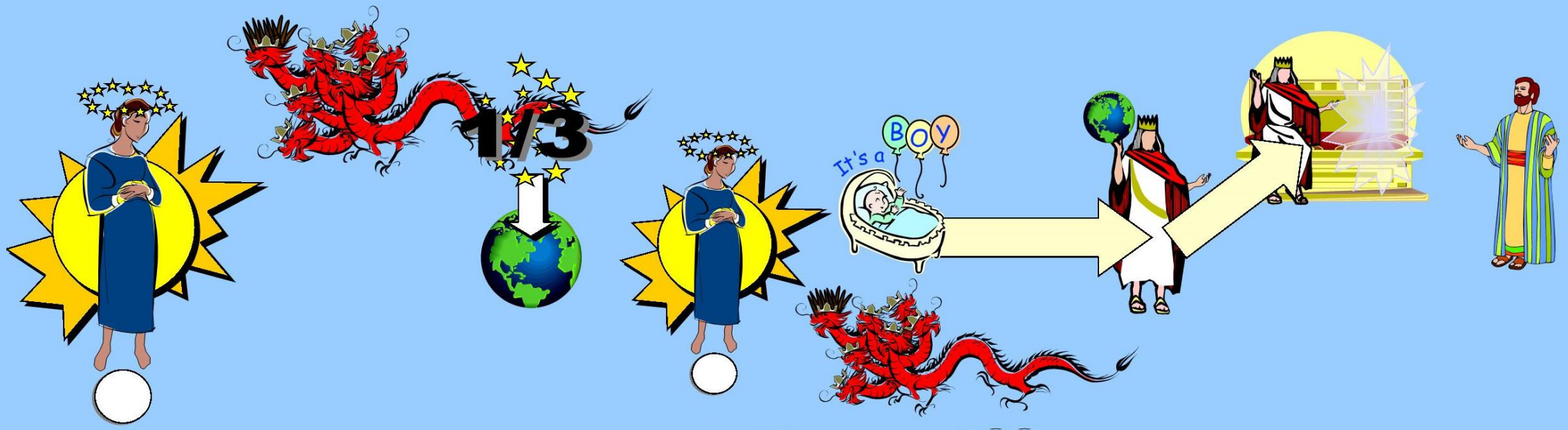
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"For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time."



SHORT TIME





Revelation 12, Part 1, V.1-5

The Woman, The Child and the Dragon

Historical Israel, Major Concepts NOT Timeline!



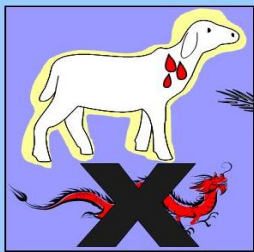
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v. 6-12

Revelation 12-3

v. 13-17



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REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

Chapter 12 can read like 3-act play:

Act 1: History of God's plan through Israel (*woman with the 12 stars, waiting to give birth*), Messiah (*male child born to the woman*) and enemy (*dragon*) shown on "movie screen" of heavens.

ACT 2: War in heaven, *most likely yet to come*, resulting in enemy being cast out and followers thrown to earth. *Mad!*

ACT 3: God delivers Israel (*woman*) from enemy's persecution, brings her to place of divine protection (*already prepared for her*).

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- Remember correct identity of woman. **Israel, not Church**. Satan very angry, knows time short, now turns full fury against Israel. Has always desired to devour Israel/her Messiah.
- However, in verse 17, enemy frustrated about Israel, so turns his attention to “her offspring.”
- ***“two wings of a great eagle...”*** Eagles often used in scripture as **symbolic for divine deliverance.**

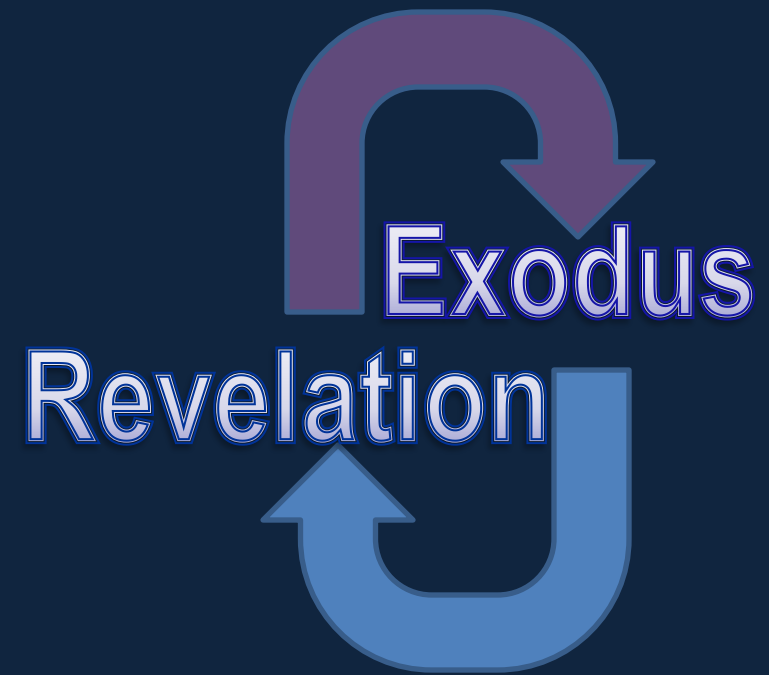


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- Obviously, nation of Israel not on some gigantic eagle!
- Remember, *take literally whatever CAN be taken literally, and look for scriptural interpretation of passages obviously symbolic.*
- **Some try to make eagle symbol for USA.** Big, unfounded, stretch –considering Zechariah 12:3 (*all nations against Israel*) and US waning support.
- **Always look for Biblical interpretation first.** Eagles are a known scriptural symbol for God's protection and deliverance.

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- “*...fly into the wilderness...*” discussed possibility of Petra literal place God sets aside for His people.
- However, another important note about this wilderness compared to another wilderness.
- So many references and allusions to the **events in Exodus in the book of Revelation** is somewhat uncanny.



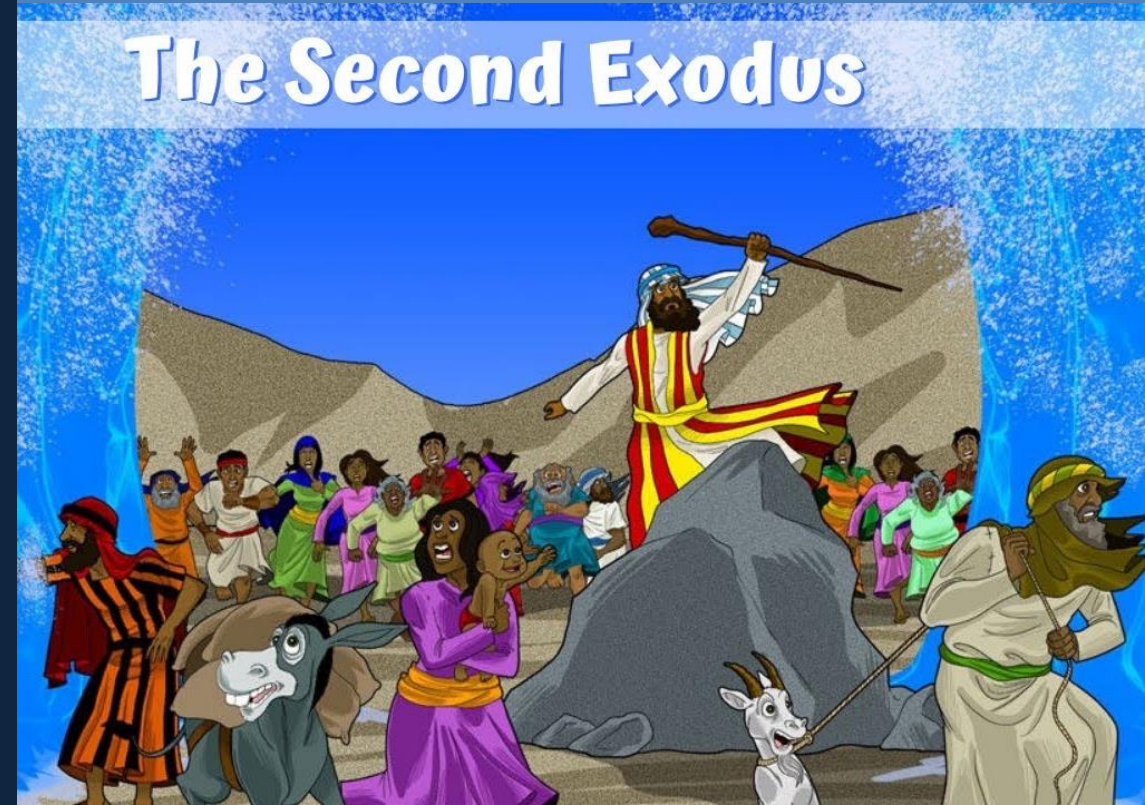
REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

So many likenesses between Exodus/Revelation. Revelation called...

- “The Second Exodus”
- “The Ultimate Exodus”

Share themes (amazing details regarding journey from)..

- Bondage to Freedom
- The world into Promised Land



Exodus vs Revelation

Passover Lamb

Pharaoh

10 Plagues

Red Sea

Bringing People Out

Song of Moses

Tabernacle

Smoke of Sinai

Song of the Lamb

Antichrist

7 Plagues

Crystal Sea

Bringing People In

Song of Moses and the Lamb

Temple in Heaven

Smoke of Heaven

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

Plagues in Exodus	Bowls in Revelation 16
6-boils, 9:8	1-earth, sores 16:2
1- blood 7:14	2- sea, blood, 16:3
1- bloody river, 7:14	3- rivers & fountains, blood 16: 4
	4- heat from sun, 16: 8
9-darkness, 10:21	5- painful darkness, 16:10
2-frogs, 8:1	6- Unclean spirits, 16:12
7-hail, 9:13	7- air, earthquake and hail, 16:17

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

In fact, there are major parallels to Revelation in almost every other book of scripture.

Especially two we will take brief side tours through:

Daniel and Zechariah

These contain information critical to understanding Revelation.

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

The 70th Week of Daniel
The Final Seven Years
Daniel 9:27

3 1/2 YEARS

3 1/2 YEARS

**THE
GREAT
TRIBULATION**
MATTHEW 24:21

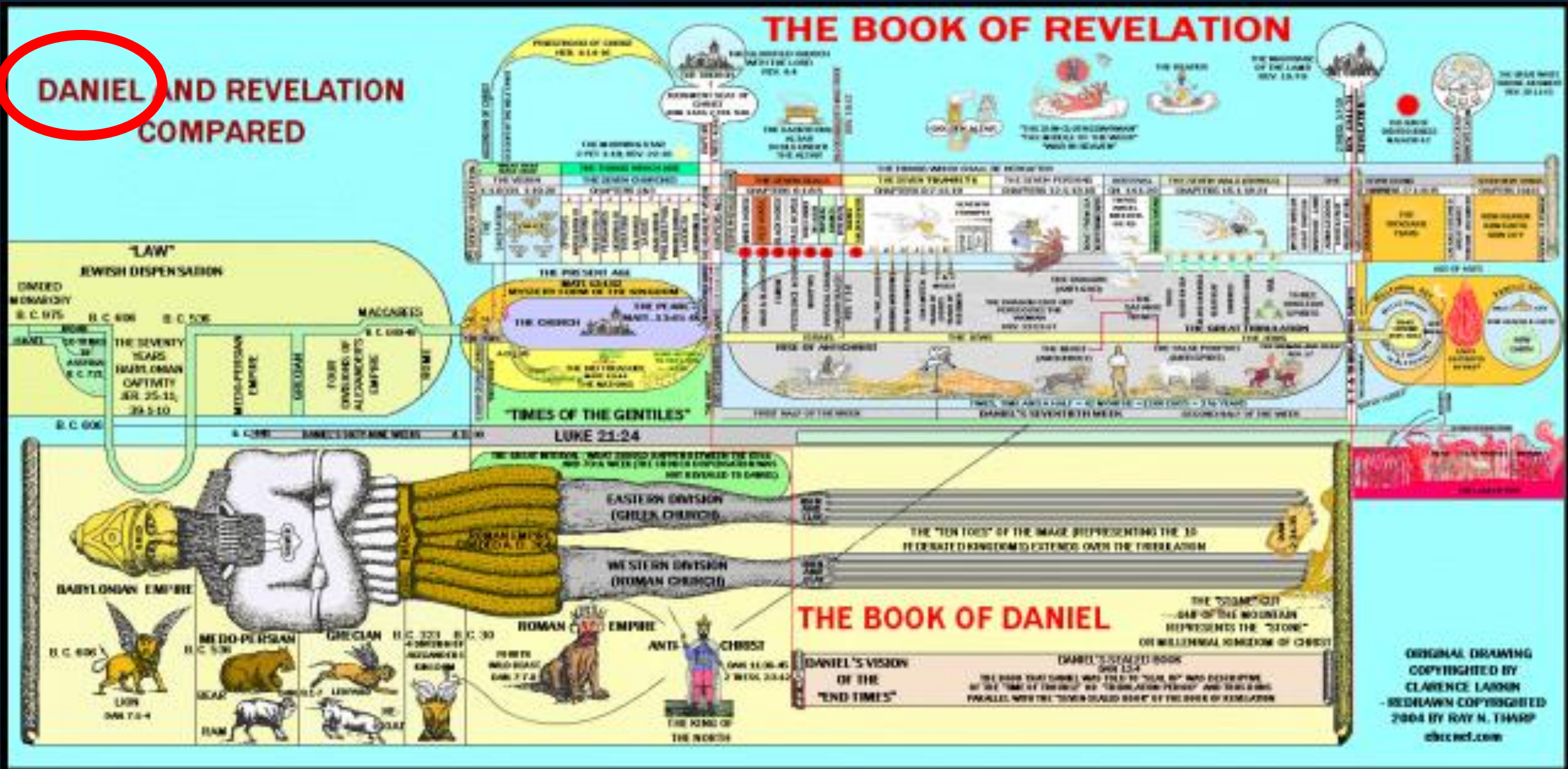
**THE GREATER
SECOND EXODUS
OFFICIALLY BEGINS**

Time →

***AN END OF SIN
*ANOINT HOLY PLACE
*SECOND COMING**
Daniel 9:24

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

DANIEL AND REVELATION COMPARED



REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

Zechariah	Revelation
Four horsemen/ chariots (1&6)	Four horsemen (6)
Man with a measuring line measures Jerusalem (2:1-2)	Man with a rod measures the temple mount (11:1-2)
Satan ready to accuse Joshua the high priest (3:1)	Satan daily accusing the brethren (12:10)

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

Beginning next lesson we will spend a great deal of time looking at all these books to help us understand Revelation better. In particular, we will dive into the books of Daniel and Zechariah, part of the Apocalyptic Triangle.



When God delivered Israel out of Egypt...

- Sent them a deliverer.
- He brought them into wilderness.
- Protected, separated from rest of world so God could teach, build them into nation He intended.
- During entire wilderness experience, God provided for ALL needs, physical and spiritual.
- All food and water was provided, protection was afforded, guidance and teaching given.

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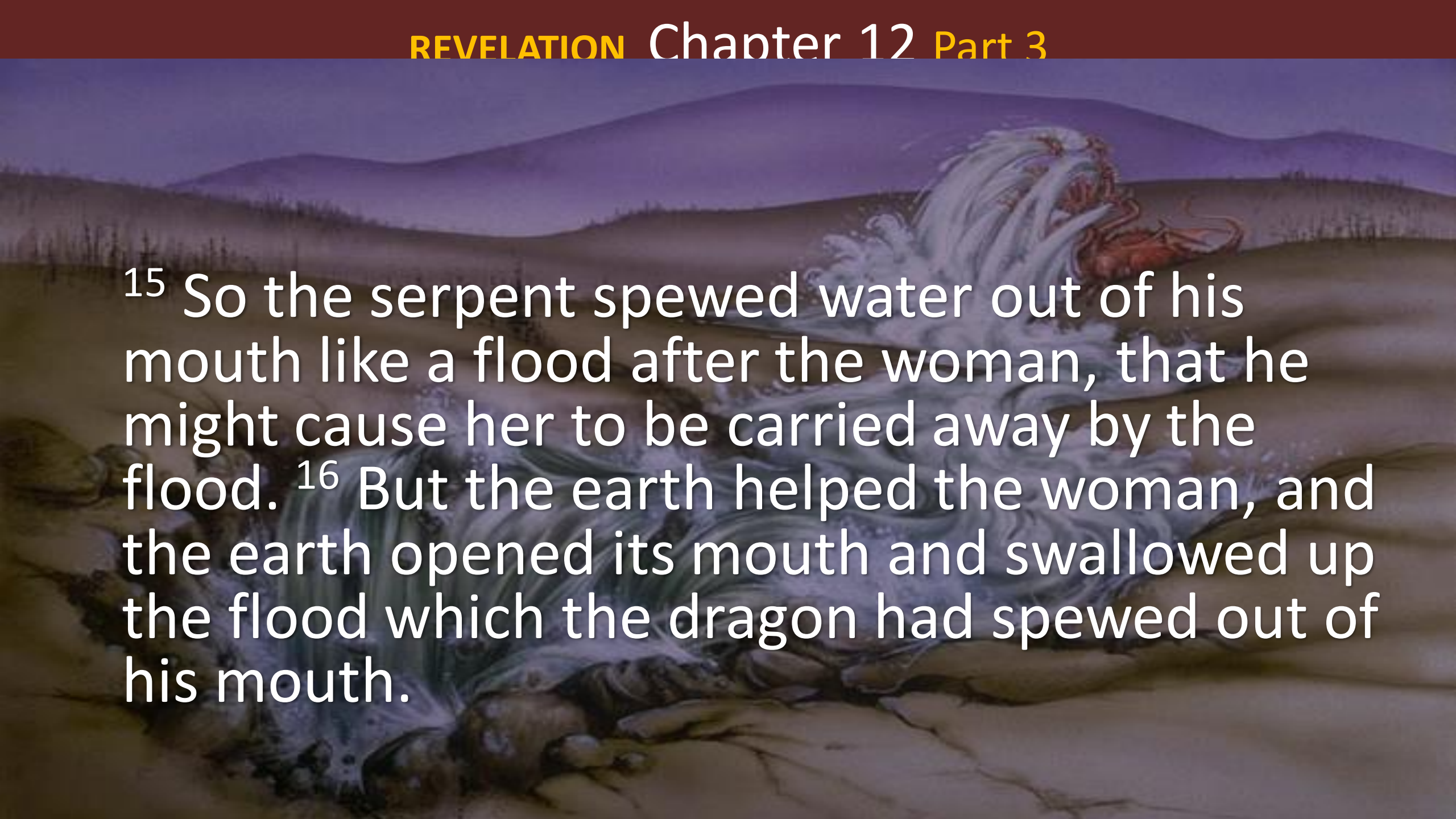
- Israel's "nourishment" in wilderness (from Egypt) both body and spirit. **Likely same will happen** in wilderness (*Petra or some other place*).
- God will divinely protect/provide, will teach them and guide them into truth and saving relationship with His Son, their Deliverer.
- And ***"they will look on Me, whom they pierced."*** (Zech. 12:10)
- Israel protected from serpent's wrath in this time.

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3



- ***“a time and times and half a time...”*** Once again given exact length of this period of time.
- From Daniel we know that a **“time”** = one year, **“times”** = two years, **“half a time”** = $\frac{1}{2}$ year. Total, $3\frac{1}{2}$ years (360 day years).
- No question how long a time this is. Literal period of time, not allegorical.

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

A dramatic illustration of a dragon breathing fire. The dragon is a large, scaly creature with a long, serpentine body, breathing a massive plume of fire and smoke. The scene is set in a dark, mountainous landscape under a twilight sky. The dragon's head is in the upper right, and its body extends across the middle ground. The fire is bright orange and yellow, contrasting with the dark, muted colors of the landscape.

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REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

*I couldn't
resist this
one...!*



REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- Devil frustrated by divine protection of Israel. Can't get to her. In anger, he **“spewed water out of his mouth like a flood.”**
- Literal? Actually a flood of water in the desert? Well, *could be*, but likely a euphemism, one used before in scripture, **for military force**, or a great force of opposition.



REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- Daniel 9:26 (*part of Daniel's 70 weeks*) speaks of destruction of Temple in 70 AD reads:

“And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; And the people of the prince who is to come Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, And till the end of the war desolations are determined.”

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3



Temple not destroyed with literal flood, but by **“flood” of soldiers and military might** (*Roman armies*) against Israel at that time.

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- Isaiah 59:19: *“So shall they fear The name of the LORD from the west, And His glory from the rising of the sun; When the enemy comes in like a flood, The Spirit of the LORD will lift up a standard against him.”*
- Many references to enemy forces like force of a flood.
- Perhaps relates to military response by final world leader to try to destroy Israel even under God’s protection.
- **This enemy plan, whatever it is, is foiled.**

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- ***“But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the flood...”*** No reason to believe this NOT literal. Earth does nothing without command from her Creator.
- **God has done this before.** Numbers 16:31 (also Numbers 26, Deuteronomy 11, Psalm 106), God opened earth to swallow up some disobedient Israelites.



REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- Micah 7:15 = God will work just like He did in deliverance from Egypt, against enemies of Israel, *in end times*.

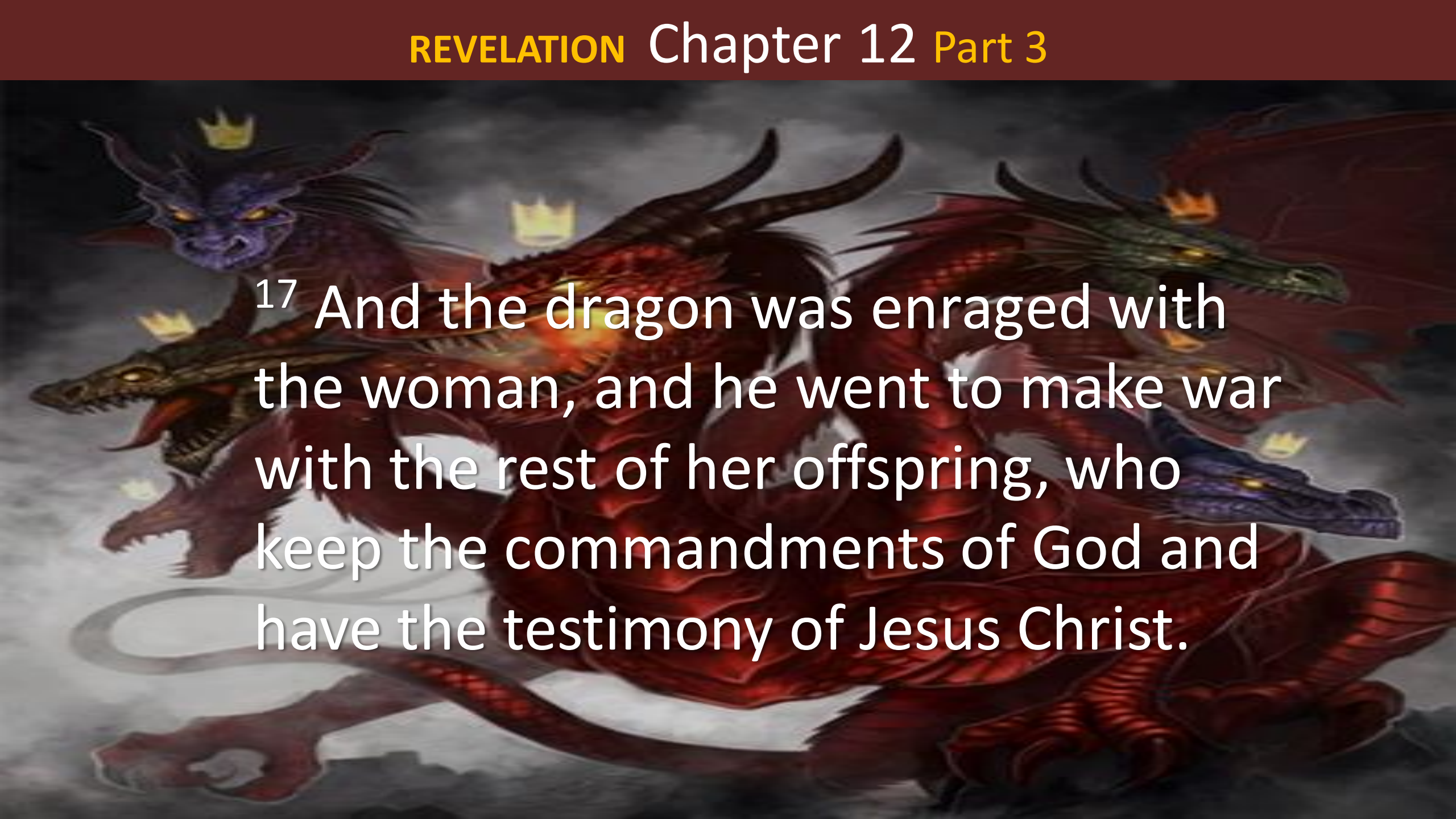
As in the days when you came out of the land of Egypt, I will show them wonders. *The nations shall see and be ashamed of all their might; They shall put their hand over their mouth; Their ears shall be deaf. They shall lick the dust like a serpent; They shall crawl from their holes like snakes of the earth. They shall be afraid of the LORD [YAHWEH] our God, And shall fear because of You.*

World truly in awe of wonders of Elohim at this time!

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- Whether literal flood of water, or flood of military action at Petra (*or wherever she is in the wilderness*), God will open the earth and swallow this evil meant to destroy the apple of His eye (Israel).
- “Left Behind” series, LaHaye portrays as a massive military move, swallowed literally into the earth, perhaps by an earthquake. **It’s possible for our God!**
- Whatever happens, God delivers Israel from harm. And this **enrages** the enemy.

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3



¹⁷ And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- Dragon throws **huge temper tantrum.** Enraged with Israel (woman), but cannot do anything to her.

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- In rage, turned to next in line, *“her offspring”* (literally, *“remnant of her seed”*).
- Don't have to wonder who this is. Again, Word provides answer. They are *“those who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.”*
- These offspring = Believers, who come to Jesus during tribulation – tribulation saints. **Persecution heats up.**

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- “...who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.” These two identifiers may indicate these are more precisely Messianic Jews.
- Could even be sealed 144,000 (*ch 7*). Reference to “the commandments” [the Law] and to the witness of Jesus [grace] (*old and new covenants*).
- Those *now* persecuted could be **Jewish believers**. However, could also be reference to any believer at this time, Jew or Gentile. **May also include entire covenant people of God.**

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- Cannot underestimate how **horrible and gruesome** these times will be **for believers**, (Jew and Gentile), *but especially for Jews.*
- Zechariah makes this very clear: *“And it shall come to pass in all the land,” Says the LORD, “That two-thirds in it shall be cut off and die, But one-third shall be left in it: I will bring the one-third through the fire, Will refine them as silver is refined, And test them as gold is tested. They will call on My name, And I will answer them. I will say, ‘This is My people’; And each one will say, ‘The LORD is my God.’”* (Zechariah 13:8-9)

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

- During time of “Jacob’s Trouble,” the Great Tribulation, **2/3 of the Jews will die.** Passage deals specifically with Israel.
- But 1/3 spared, also **“refined”** through persecution and testing, emerge as remnant of **true believers, strengthened by God** and standing firm for Him.



But the people who know
their God shall **STAND
FIRM** and take action.

Daniel 11:32

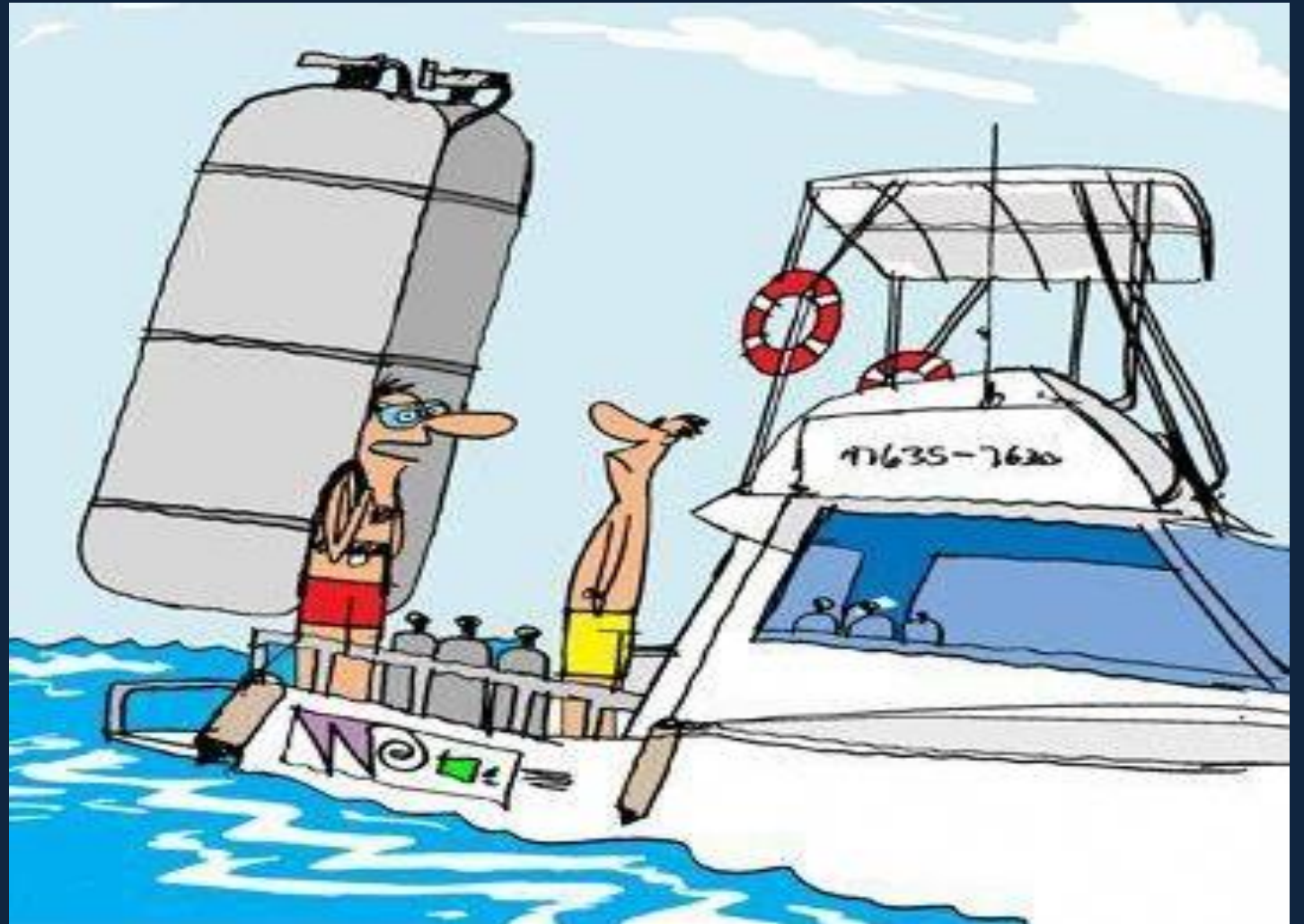
Now ready for introduction to dragon's "henchmen" – the beast from the sea, and the beast from the land in chapter 13.

An unholy trinity.

REVELATION Chapter 12 Part 3

But
first...

A dive into
Daniel for
better
understanding...



“You might want to make yourself comfortable. I may be down there for awhile.”

***Yevarekh-kha Adonai
veyishmerekha***

May the LORD bless you and keep you

***Ya'er Adonai panav elekha
vihunneka***

May the LORD make His face shine upon you
and be gracious to you

***Yissa Adonai panav elekha viyase
lekha shalom.***

May the LORD lift up His countenance upon you
and give you peace.

