



The Beast from the Sea  
The Beast from the Earth

A woman with long brown hair, wearing a white, long-sleeved, floor-length robe, stands in profile facing right. She has a bright, glowing halo around her head, with rays of light extending outwards. The background is a dark, deep purple with a subtle gradient and some light rays. The overall mood is spiritual and ethereal.

# Revelation 12

The Pregnant Woman  
Battle in Heaven  
Safety in the Wilderness  
Terrible Persecution



"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."

"Rejoice, O Heavens and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea!"

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



**SHORT TIME**



# Revelation 13

## OPENING NOTES...

- Last lesson - history of the woman who gives birth to a male child (Israel), her offspring, the dragon and a war in heaven.
- Still in “**interlude**” between 2<sup>nd</sup> (trumpets) and 3<sup>rd</sup> (bowls) sets of judgments.
- Introduced to **two *beasts***, two distinctly different people, coming world leaders.
- Beast from the sea commonly identified as “**Antichrist.**” Beast from the land called “**false prophet.**”

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## OPENING NOTES...

- The title Antichrist is never used for this final world leader in the book of Revelation.
- Has many titles in both Old and New Testaments, but the word “antichristos” *is only used* in John’s epistles:

*“Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour...Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son. Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father either; he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also. (1 John 2:18, 22-23)*

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## OPENING NOTES...

*“...and every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the spirit of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world.”*

(1 John 4:3)

- Much negative connotation attached to this word, often **misleads people into thinking this person will be a monster**. He will be, but *initially he will be seen as the only one with answers in a dark period of time*. He will be charismatic, and will deceive the masses who will follow him blindly.

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## OPENING NOTES...

- “anti” in Greek means “opposite,” or “against” or “instead of.” Carries meaning of **substitution**, in place of something or someone else. It literally means “***against the anointed One***” or in place of the anointed One = ***instead of Christ***.
- Interesting to note that the Latin equivalent is “vicar.”

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## OPENING NOTES...

**CAUTION:** Perhaps one of most difficult chapters to interpret. Many people have spent lifetimes trying to determine who this beast from the sea is, and who is the beast from the earth. To discuss all the commentary on this one subject alone would take years. We are trying to limit our discussion to what we *know*, not what could be.



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*<sup>1</sup>Then I stood on the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns ten crowns, and on his heads a blasphemous name. <sup>2</sup> Now the beast which I saw was like a leopard, his feet were like the feet of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. The dragon gave him his power, his throne, and great authority. <sup>3</sup> And I saw one of his heads as if it had been mortally wounded, and his deadly wound was healed. And all the world marveled and followed the beast. <sup>4</sup> So 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 him?"*

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*<sup>5</sup> And he was given a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies, and he was given authority to continue for forty-two months. <sup>6</sup> Then he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven. <sup>7</sup> It was granted to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them. And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation. <sup>8</sup> All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.*

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*<sup>9</sup> If anyone has an ear, let him hear. <sup>10</sup> He who leads into captivity shall go into captivity; he who kills with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.*

***And now the 2<sup>nd</sup> Beast...***

*<sup>11</sup> Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth, and he had two horns like a lamb and spoke like a dragon. <sup>12</sup> And he exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence, and causes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. <sup>13</sup> He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men.*

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*<sup>14</sup> And he deceives those who dwell on the earth by those signs which he was granted to do in the sight of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who was wounded by the sword and lived. <sup>15</sup> He was granted power to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed. <sup>16</sup> 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, <sup>17</sup> and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.*

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***18 Here is wisdom.***

***Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man: His number is 666.***



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**Another chapter  
where there is no  
lack of fanciful  
artwork...**

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# Revelation 13: What we Know

For the moment we are going to focus only on **WHAT WE KNOW from this chapter** - what the word of God tells us. Like most of this book, in order to understand what it means, we have to travel extensively to other parts of scripture, which we will do beginning next week. For now, we're going to take a look at the facts as presented to us in this chapter...

# Revelation 13: What we Know

- Two “beasts” (world leaders) are coming
- One from the “sea”
- One from the “land”
- **Beast from “sea”** has 7 heads, 10 horns
- On the horns are 10 crowns
- On his heads a blasphemous name
- LIKE leopard, feet LIKE bear, mouth LIKE lion
- Dragon gives beast power, throne, authority
- One head *looked as if* mortally wounded, but wound healed
- World amazed, follows beast

# Revelation 13: What we Know

- Given big mouth, blasphemes
- Given authority for 42 months
- Blasphemes God, His name, His tabernacle, His people (those who dwell in heaven)
- Given authority to war with saints, overcome
- Authority over all nations, peoples
- Earth dwellers (*names not in Lamb's Book of Life*) worship him
- If you have an ear, pay attention!

# Revelation 13: What we Know

- If you lead into captivity, you will go into captivity
- If you kill by the sword, you will be killed by the sword.
- Difficult time for saints. Need patient endurance.
- **Beast from the earth** had 2 horns LIKE a lamb
- Spoke like a dragon
- Has and uses authority of first beast
- Causes earth to worship first beast
- Performs great signs, including fire from heaven
- Deceives earth dwellers with signs
- Instructs them to make an image of first beast

# Revelation 13: What we Know

- Given power to “give breath” to image, to speak, and cause those who don’t worship to die
- Makes all receive a mark on right hand or forehead
- Cannot buy or sell without the mark, or the name, of the beast
- Number of the beast is number of a man: 666 (requires wisdom [God’s] to understand)

THIS IS WHAT WE KNOW! But, as always, **SPECULATION ABOUNDS....**

# Revelation 13: SPECULATION

- Identity of the “beasts”...  
***speculation all over the board....***
- It is clear we are rapidly approaching “the end” and a culmination of the events prophesied in scripture.  
**Speculation on these events all over the board, too.**
- “Conspiracy” theories abound...dont trust what MAN says, but only what GOD says.

# 7 signs in the heavens...



Nov 28  
2013  
Hanukkah  
Comet  
ISON  
vaporized  
by sun



April 15  
2014  
Passover  
LUNAR  
Eclipse



Oct 8  
2014  
Tabernacles  
LUNAR  
Eclipse



March 20  
2015  
New Year  
Nisan 1  
TOTAL  
SOLAR  
Eclipse



April 4  
2015  
Passover  
LUNAR  
Eclipse



Sept 13  
2015  
Trumpets  
PARTIAL  
SOLAR  
Eclipse



Sept 28  
2015  
Tabernacles  
LUNAR  
Eclipse



The revealing  
of this beast  
may be just  
on the  
horizon...

