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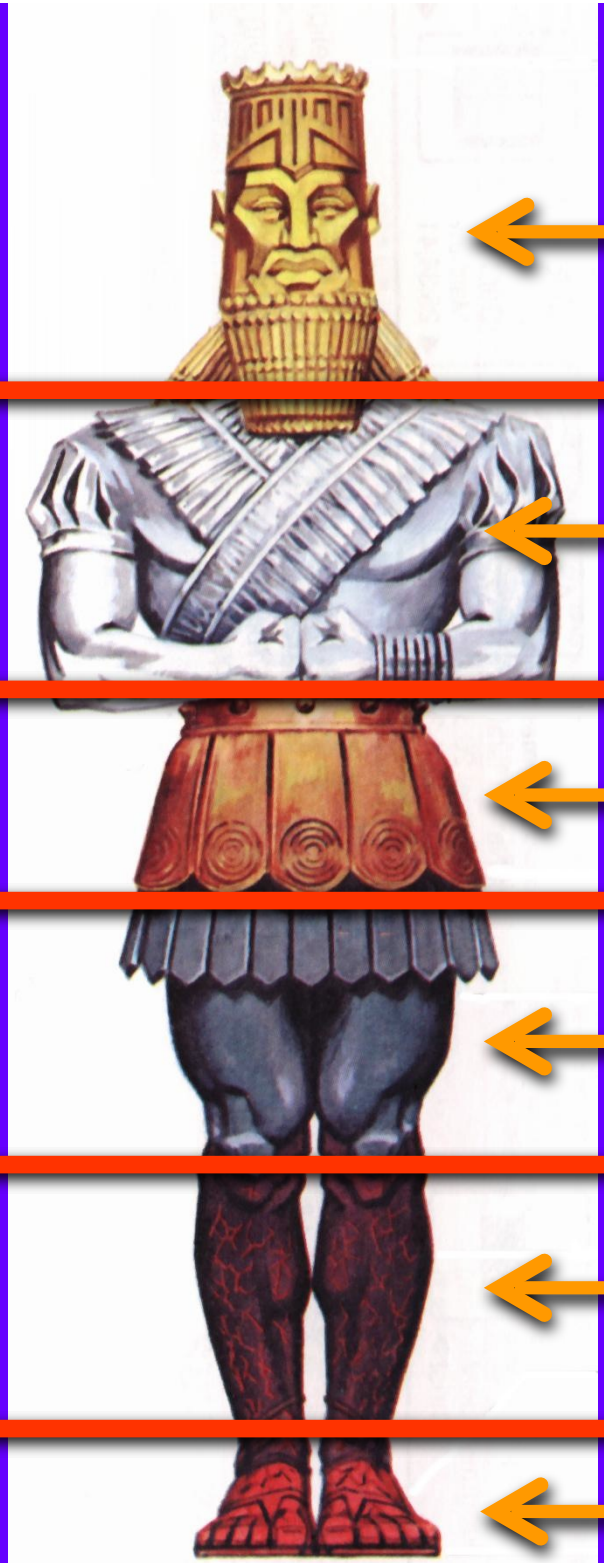

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Babylonian Empire

539 BC

Medo-Persian Empire

331 BC

The Greek Empire

189 BC

The Roman Empire

1453 AD

No Single World Power

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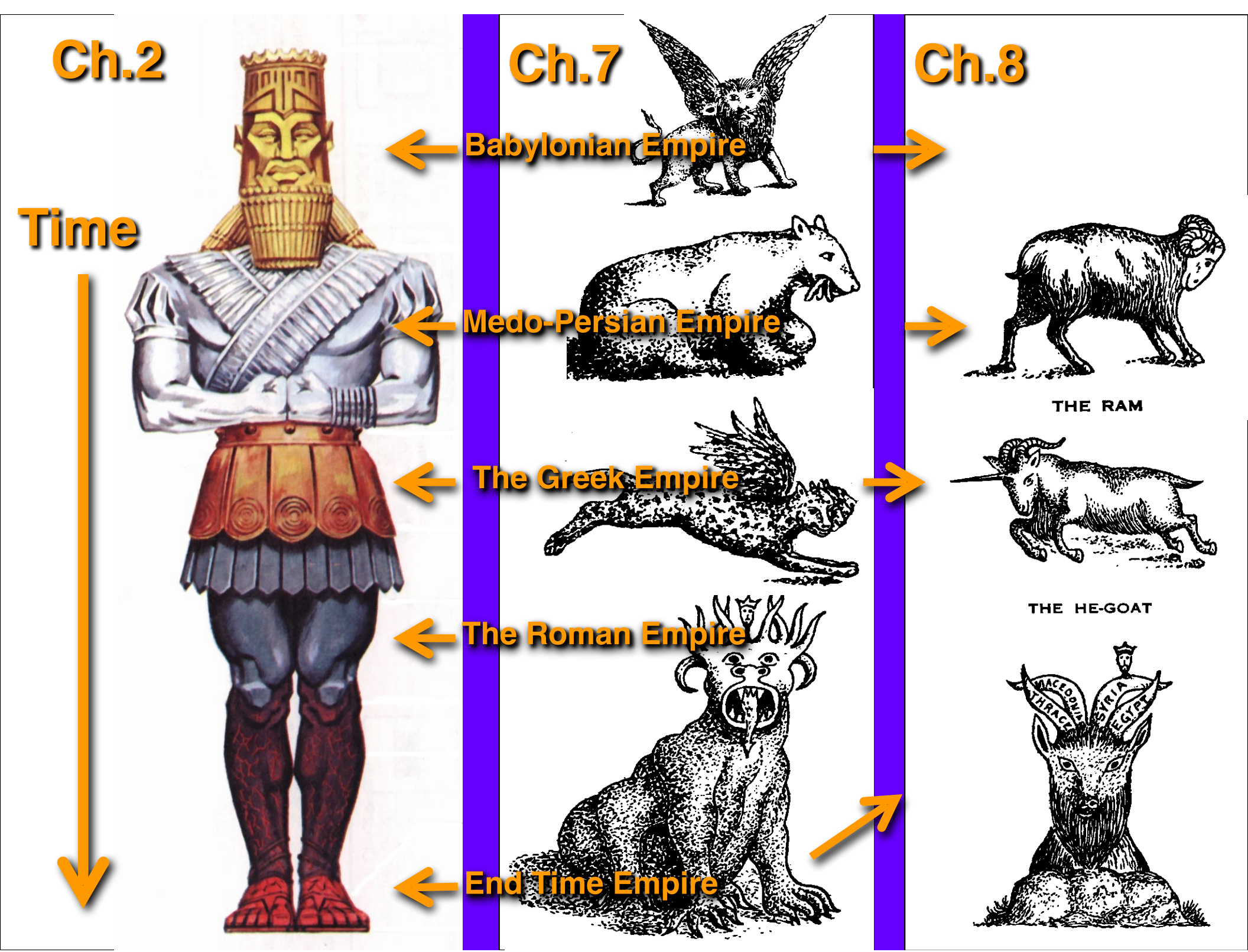
Revived Roman Empire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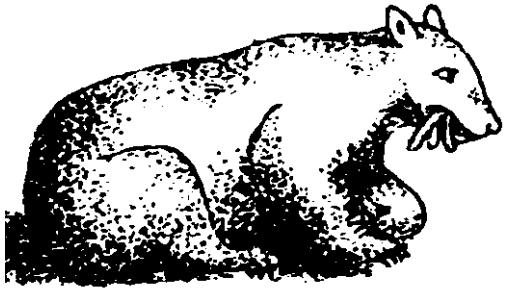

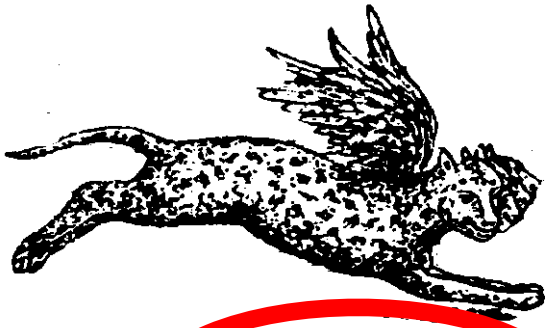

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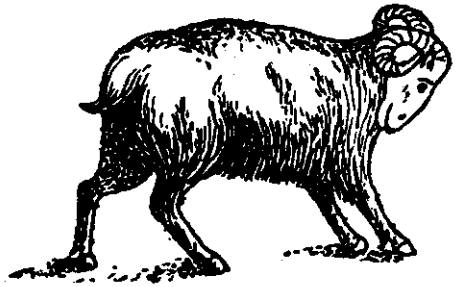

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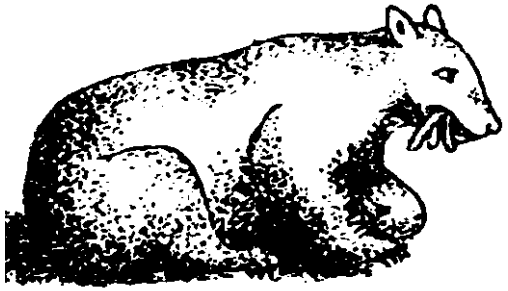

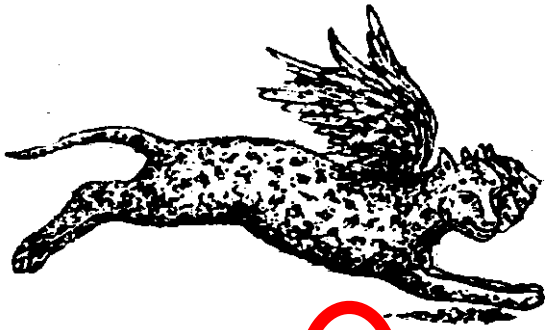

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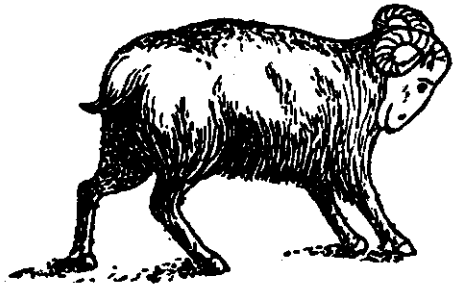

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The Antichrist

Key Points From Daniel

- ✓ Beasts are used in the Bible to represent kingdoms and kings
- ✓ The last world kingdom before Christ returns with His church will be made up of 10 kingdoms/kings and will be controlled by the Antichrist

From Last Week

- ✓ Woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet and 12 stars on her head
- ✓ The woman is Israel
- ✓ The woman gives birth to a male child who will rule the nations with an iron scepter
- ✓ This male child is Jesus
- ✓ The dragon?

Who Is the Dragon?

- ✓ Tail swept 1/3 of the stars out of heaven onto the earth
- ✓ Desperately wanted to kill the child of the woman (Israel)
- ✓ Desperately wanted to kill the woman, but she was protected by God for 3 ½ years
- ✓ Lost a great war in heaven with Michael – lost his place in heaven

Who Is the Dragon?

- ✓ **Revelation 12:9: "The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him"**

The dragon is Satan !!

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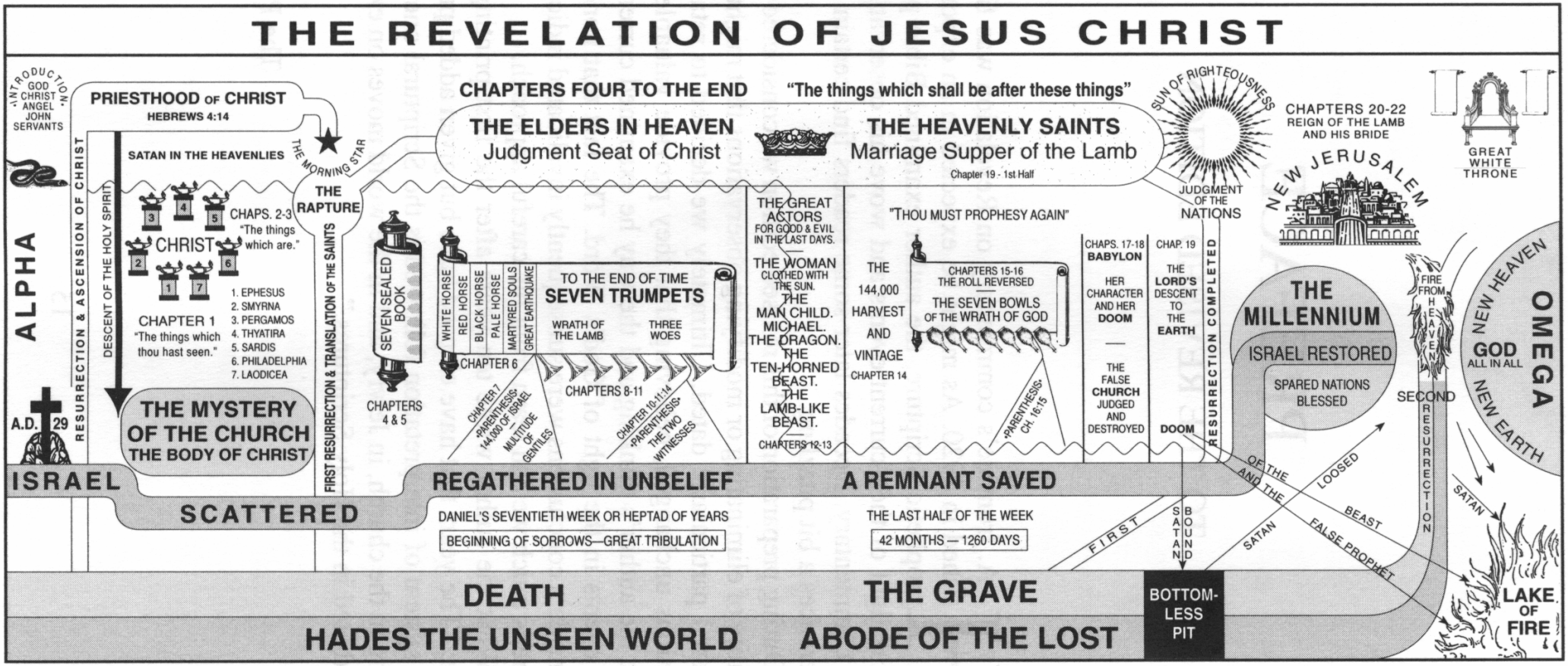

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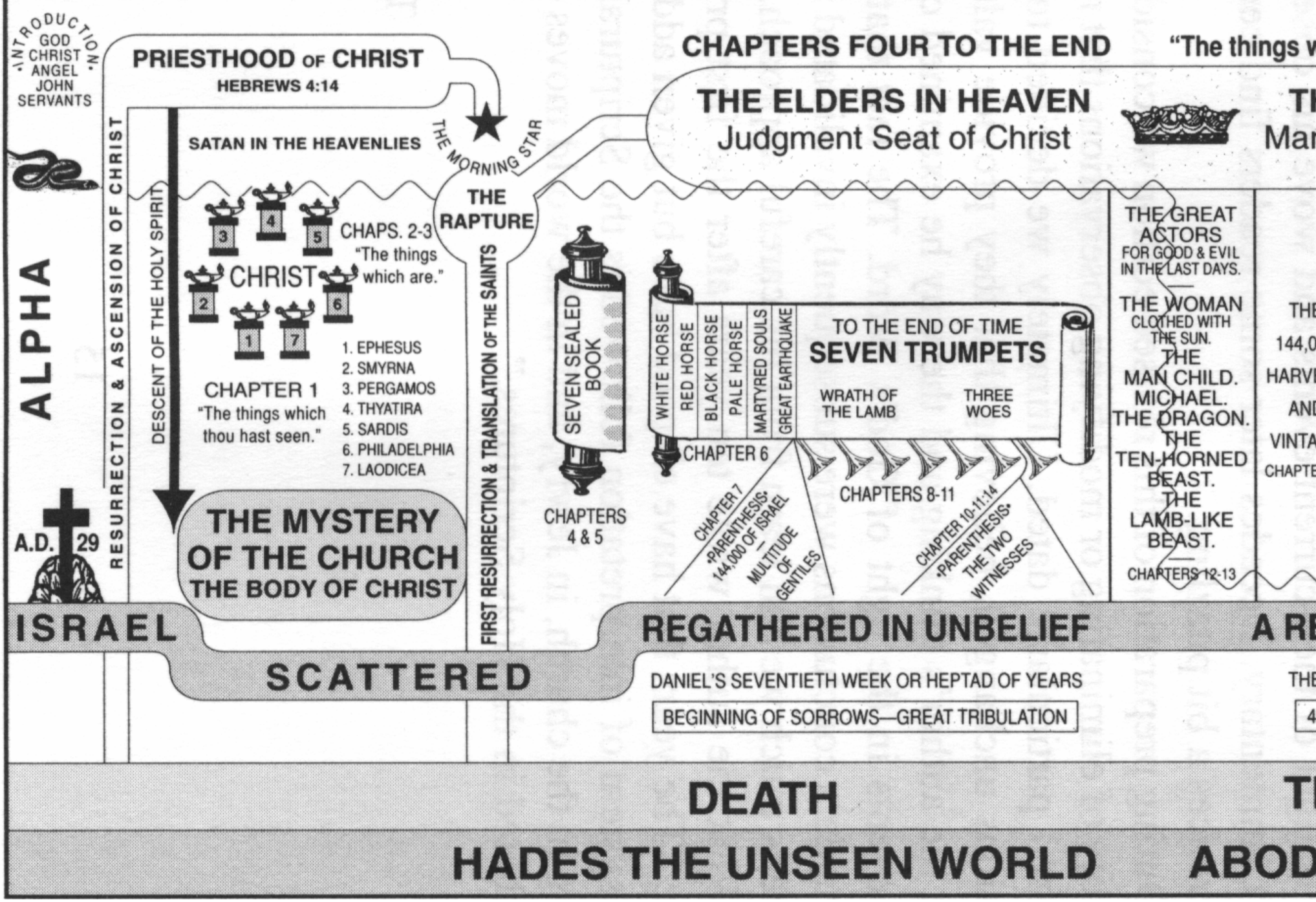

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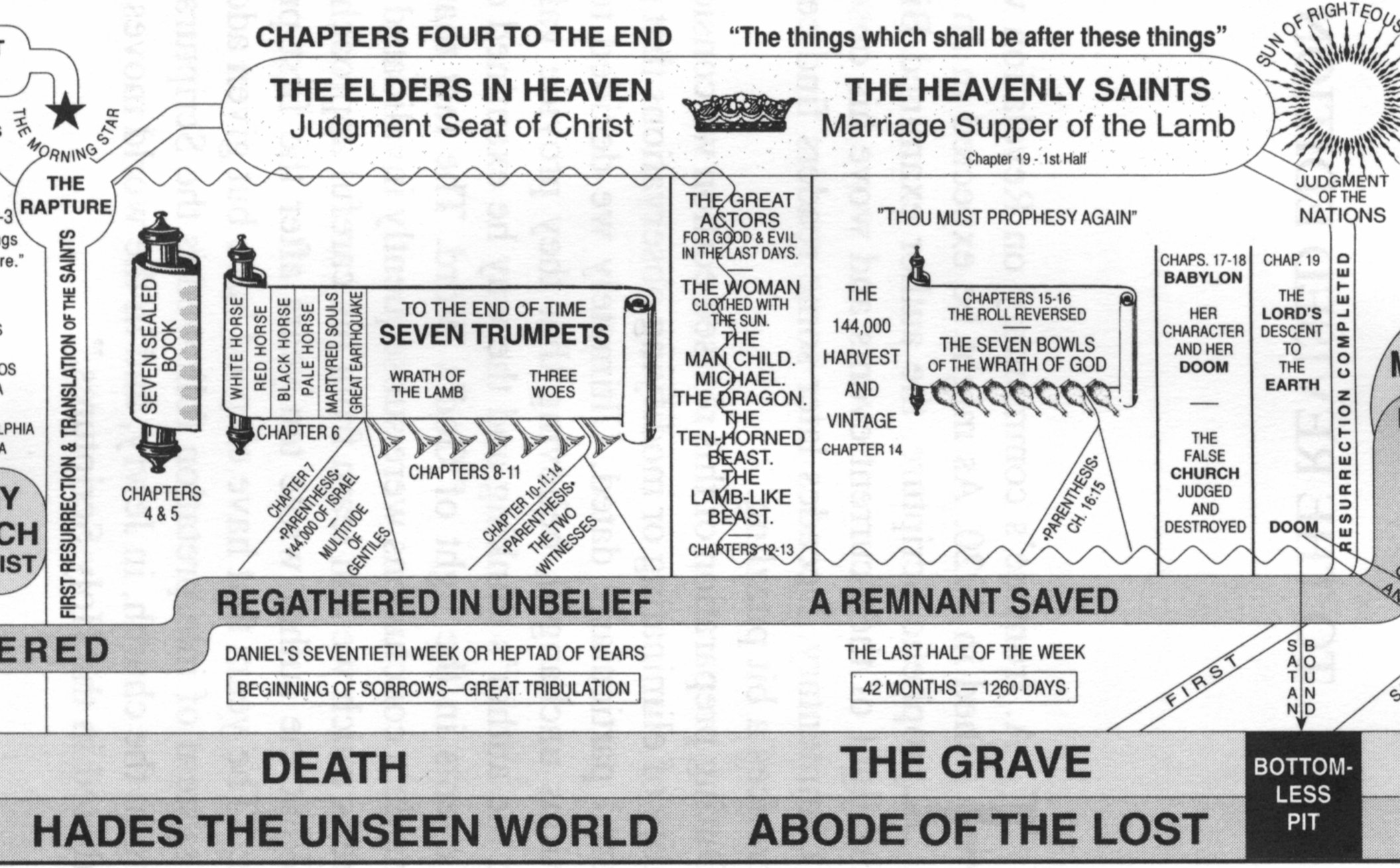


Revelation 13:1-10

**1 And the dragon stood on the shore of the sea.
And I saw a beast coming out of the sea. He had
ten horns and seven heads, with ten crowns on
his horns, and on each head a blasphemous name.
2 The beast I saw resembled a leopard, but had
feet like those of a bear and a mouth like that of a
lion. The dragon gave the beast his power and his
throne and great authority. 3 One of the heads of
the beast seemed to have had a fatal wound, but
the fatal wound had been healed. The whole
world was astonished and followed the beast.**

Revelation 13:1-10

4 Men worshiped the dragon because he had given authority to the beast, and they also worshiped the beast and asked, "Who is like the beast? Who can make war against him?" 5 The beast was given a mouth to utter proud words and blasphemies and to exercise his authority for forty-two months. 6 He opened his mouth to blaspheme God, and to slander his name and his dwelling place and those who live in heaven. 7 He was given power to make war against the saints and to conquer them. And he was given authority over every tribe, people, language and nation.

Revelation 13:1-10

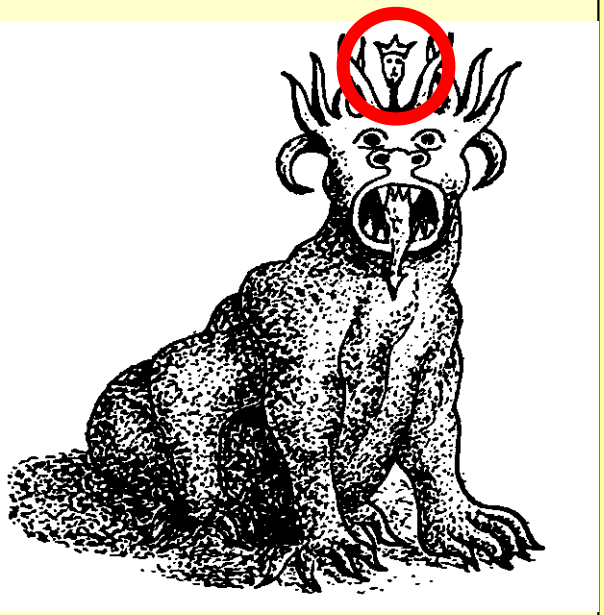
8 All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast—all whose names have not been written in the book of life belonging to the Lamb that was slain from the creation of the world. 9 He who has an ear, let him hear. 10 If anyone is to go into captivity, into captivity he will go. If anyone is to be killed with the sword, with the sword he will be killed. This calls for patient endurance and faithfulness on the part of the saints.

What Do We Know?

- ✓ We know who the dragon is – Satan
- ✓ So who is the Beast? The facts:
  - Arises from the sea (of humanity)
  - Gets his power from the dragon (Satan)
  - Utters proud words and blasphemies
  - Blasphemes God
  - Makes war against the saints
  - Exercises complete control over all the earth for the remaining 42 months (3 ½ years)

Daniel 7:23-25

Antichrist



23 "He gave me this explanation: 'The fourth beast is a fourth kingdom that will appear on earth. It will be different from all the other kingdoms and will devour the whole earth, trampling it down and crushing it. 24 The ten horns are ten kings who will come from this kingdom. After them another king will arise, different from the earlier ones; he will subdue three kings. 25 He will speak against the Most High and oppress his saints and try to change the set times and the laws. The saints will be handed over to him for a time, times and half a time.

Daniel 8:23-25

Antichrist

23And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up. 24And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. 25And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.

Note The Similarities?

- ✓ **The Beast in Rev. 13 - The facts:**
  - **Arises from the sea (of humanity)**
  - **Gets his power from the dragon (Satan)**
  - **Utters proud words and blasphemies**
  - **Blasphemes God**
  - **Makes war against the saints**
  - **Exercises complete control over all the earth for the remaining 42 months (3 ½ years)**
- ✓ **The Beast must be the antichrist**

10 Horns and 10 Crowns?

- ✓ **The 10 horns and 10 crowns on the beast in Revelation chapter 13 represent the same thing as the 10 toes on the statue in Daniel chapter 2 and the same thing as the 10 horns on the beast in Daniel chapter 7 – they are the 10 kings/ kingdoms that will exist in the last days, from the area of the Roman Empire, who will yield control to the antichrist.**

What About The 7 Heads?

- ✓ Some say 6 Roman kings till John's banishment to Patmos; then skip forward to the 7th king – the antichrist – the seventh head
- ✓ Some say 7 phases of Roman government, with the antichrist's being the last form
- ✓ Some say 7 major world-ruling powers thru history – antichrist's is the 7th

Take Your Pick

- ✓ Rev. 17 would suggest that each head represents a king or kingdom
- ✓ That's good enough for me
- ✓ All of the theories would say – A kingdom will arise in the last days ruled by the antichrist, composed of 10 separate kingdoms from the domain/region of the old Roman Empire

Summary of Rev. 13:1-10

- ✓ **The beast is the antichrist (at least the seventh head of the beast is)**
- ✓ **The antichrist will receive a fatal wound, but to the world's amazement, he will "recover" or be "healed"**
- ✓ **People who are not Christians will worship the beast (antichrist) and the dragon (Satan) who gives the beast power – they will be utterly deceived**

Note So Far

- ✓ The Father gives power to the Son (Jesus)
- ✓ The Father provides His Son with a throne
- ✓ The Father resurrects the Son from the dead

- ✓ The dragon (Satan) gives power to the beast (antichrist)
- ✓ The dragon provides the beast with a throne
- ✓ The dragon "resurrects" the beast from the dead

All the counterfeiter needs now is a parallel with the Holy Spirit, and the "unholy trinity" will be complete

Revelation 13:11-18

11And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. 12And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. 13And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, 14And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

Revelation 13:11-18

15And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed. 16And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: 17And 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. 18Here 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.

The 3rd Member of the Unholy Trinity

- ✓ He draws attention to the beast
- ✓ He has power to do miracles
- ✓ He "encourages" all to worship the beast
- ✓ He is known in Revelation as "The False Prophet"
  - – Revelation 16:13
  - – Revelation 19:20
  - – Revelation 20:10

Matthew 24:24

- ✓ **[24]For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.**
- ✓ **During the tribulation period, there will be one main false Christ (the Antichrist) and one major false prophet (the False Prophet).**

The False Prophet Will:

- ✓ Have the power to call fire down from heaven
- ✓ Deceive many by virtue of “miracles”
- ✓ Cause the people to build an image of the antichrist to be worshipped (it will probably stand in the holy place)
- ✓ Actually cause the image to “speak”
- ✓ Kill those who won’t worship the image

The Mark of the Beast

- ✓ A mark to be taken in the right hand or the forehead
- ✓ Without the mark, a person will not be able to buy or sell anything (including food!)
- ✓ If you take the mark, you are admitting that you are a worshipper of the antichrist and are therefore eternally doomed without Christ

Reasons for the Mark

- ✓ To counterfeit the mark God gave to the 144,000
- ✓ To identify and eliminate opposition to the world government
- ✓ To track and control commerce
- ✓ To force people to stop worshiping God
- ✓ To force people to worship the antichrist
- ✓ To permanently tie people to the kingdom of the antichrist

The Number of the Beast

- ✓ The number of the beast is “man’s number” – his number is “666”
- ✓ Man was made on the 6th day
- ✓ Goliath, the opposer of God’s people, a type of Satan, was 6 cubits; had 6 pieces of armor; spearhead weighed 600 shekels
- ✓ Nebuchadnezzar’s image was 60 cubits high, 6 cubits wide, and 6 instruments of music summoned the worshippers

MANY Explanations of "666"

- ✓ Biblical Numerology – sorry, I don't believe it (some even try it in English!) – one out of every 10,000 would come out with "666" – Lyndon B Johnson comes out "666"
- ✓ "666" is the actual image of the mark
- ✓ "666" is purely symbolic of man – it shows the complete and total arrogance of man to believe he can be perfect apart from God – I'll take "777" any day