



## **B E A S T S**

**THE FIRST BEAST** (will come out of the turbulent “sea” of nations, Rev.13:1)

- Of the “seven heads” or kingdoms of Rev.2:2-12, the seventh king eventually subdues three horns of the ten-horn confederation and thereby assumes control. He becomes the Dictator of the entire Revived Roman Empire.
- He is the Anti-Christ or King of the West (Dan.11:36-45).
- He is the “little horn” (Dan.7:8-9,19-24); “horn” denotes power given to him by the dragon, Satan (Rev.12:7-9).
- He is “the feet of the image” (Dan.2:31-45).
- He is the “prince that shall come” (Dan.9:26,27).
- He is the “god of forces” (Dan.11:38).
- He is the “man of sin” (II Th.2:3-10).
- He is the “scarlet beast” on which the whore rides (Rev.17:3,8-13).
- He is the “abomination of desolation” (Mt.24:15).
- He is the “prince of Tyrus” because of Satan possession at the mid point of the Tribulation (Ez.28:1-10).
- He is very charismatic, a great orator, brilliant in diplomacy and administration, poses as a great humanitarian, and is loved by all (Dan.7:20, Rev.13:4-5).
- He signs a seven year agreement or COVENANT ISRAEL (Dan.9:27, Isa.28:15). He promises them protection and religious freedom, but it may be that this is only offered if they agree to totally disarm militarily. They will be permitted to rebuild the Temple, to resume sacrifices, and to practice Judaism apart from the world religious system’s or the muslims’ interference. But halfway through the Tribulation, something happens

**THE SECOND BEAST** (will come “out of the earth” or the Land of Palestine)

- Rev,13:11, “...and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spoke as a dragon.” His two horns are two offices of power:
  1. False Prophet - the third member of Satan’s counterfeit trinity. While Satan is the Father (Rev.12:7-9), the Dictator of the Revived Roman Empire is the Son, and the False Prophet is the Holy Spirit.
  2. King or Dictator of Palestine. He is known as “the willful king” (Dan.11:36-40) and “the idol shepherd” (Zech.11:15-17).

- He made the Covenant for protection with the Roman Dictator who demanded a share in the wealth of Palestine (Dan.11:36-39). Over time, he bankrupts Israel, and then, he is truly owing to the Roman Dictator.
- For a short period, he dupes people into believing that he is the Messiah, “like a lamb,” but underneath this disguise lies the fierceness of this dictator.
- Rev,13:13, “And he does great wonders, so that he makes fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men like Elijah did. Being able to produce great signs and wonders gives him undeniable divine credibility.

#### At the Middle of Tribulation

Midway through the Tribulation, an enraged and avenging Satan will be tossed out of heaven and will come down to earth to indwell the Dictator of the Revived Roman Empire, bringing him back to life as the eighth king after he has been violently assassinated (Isa.14:12, Rev.12:7-17, 17:10-13).

- Rev.17:16 “And the ten horns which you saw, and the beast, these will hate the harlot and will make her desolate and naked and will eat her flesh and will burn her up with fire.” The First thing the Satan-possessed Dictator will do is turn against the religious hierarchy of Rome by burning it to the ground. He and the Roman Empire kings are tired of her restrictions, jealous of her power, and they rob her of all of her wealth. No more pretenses. Raw genocide.
- Then he proclaims himself to be the Messiah turning his hatred on the Jews, “the woman” of Rev.12:13, by entering the Holy of Holies, “the abomination of desolation,” commanding all to worship himself upon penalty of death just like King Nebuchadnezzar (Dan.3), eliminating Jewish sacrifices in the Temple (Dan.12:11), and thereby breaking his treaty with them.
- The False Prophet, bankrupt and surrounded by foes, erects an image of the Antichrist, an automaton or talking robot, in the Temple and orders all to take the mark of the Beast, 666 (Rev.17: 14-18).
- When Jewish believers see him enter the Holy of Holies, that is their signal to flee to the mountains (Matt.14:15,16, Rev.12:14).
- Satan then mobilizes all armies of the world against Israel in the Battle of Armageddon. Some great Jerusalem Jews catch on late, turn to the Lord for their spiritual salvation, fight brilliantly, and live to see Him return to deliver them (Dan.11, Joel 2:1-9, Zech.12:2-6,14:2-7), and to annihilate the enemy (Psa.97:2-6, Rev.1:7,19:11-21, 14:19-20, Ez.39:12).