

Three Angels, One Message God's Everlasting Gospel



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"Three Angels One message"
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Series Theme Song

We Have This Hope

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For **God** So Loved the
World, that **He** Gave **His**
Only Begotten **Son**, that
Whosoever Believeth in **Him**
Should Not Perish, but Have
Everlasting **Life**.

For **God** Sent Not **His**
Son Into the World to
Condemn the World; But
that the World Through
Him Might Be Saved.

John 3:16-17

Special Music



“The ‘Beast’ of the Third Angel’s Message”

Evangelistic Series

Sermon Seven




“Then a third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, ‘If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives his mark on his forehead or on his hand,



“he himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out full strength into the cup of His indignation.”

Revelation 14:9-10






**The message of the third angel
contains the most solemn words
in Scripture. We must
understand them!**


**Is the message of God's love in
this message?**

Absolutely!



**Was God's love in the message
to “not eat the forbidden fruit in
Eden”?**

Yes!




**Was God's love in the message
given by Noah to “get into the
ark”?**

Yes!



**Was God's love in the message
of the two angels sent to warn
of Sodom's destruction?**

Yes!



So also, the message of God's love is in this message of the third angel!

He, in divine love, is giving us the information we need to be saved!

Our assignment tonight is to discover the identity of this “beast” which has the mark to be avoided.




If you don't know what the “beast” is, you won't know what the “mark” is!

Be assured that Satan is doing his best to bring confusion into this subject.

Don't be deceived!

The Bible is clear if studied and followed.





Tonight we'll study the identity of the beast.

Next time we'll study 6 other portrayals in Scripture on this power; three in the Old Testament, three more in the New Testament.

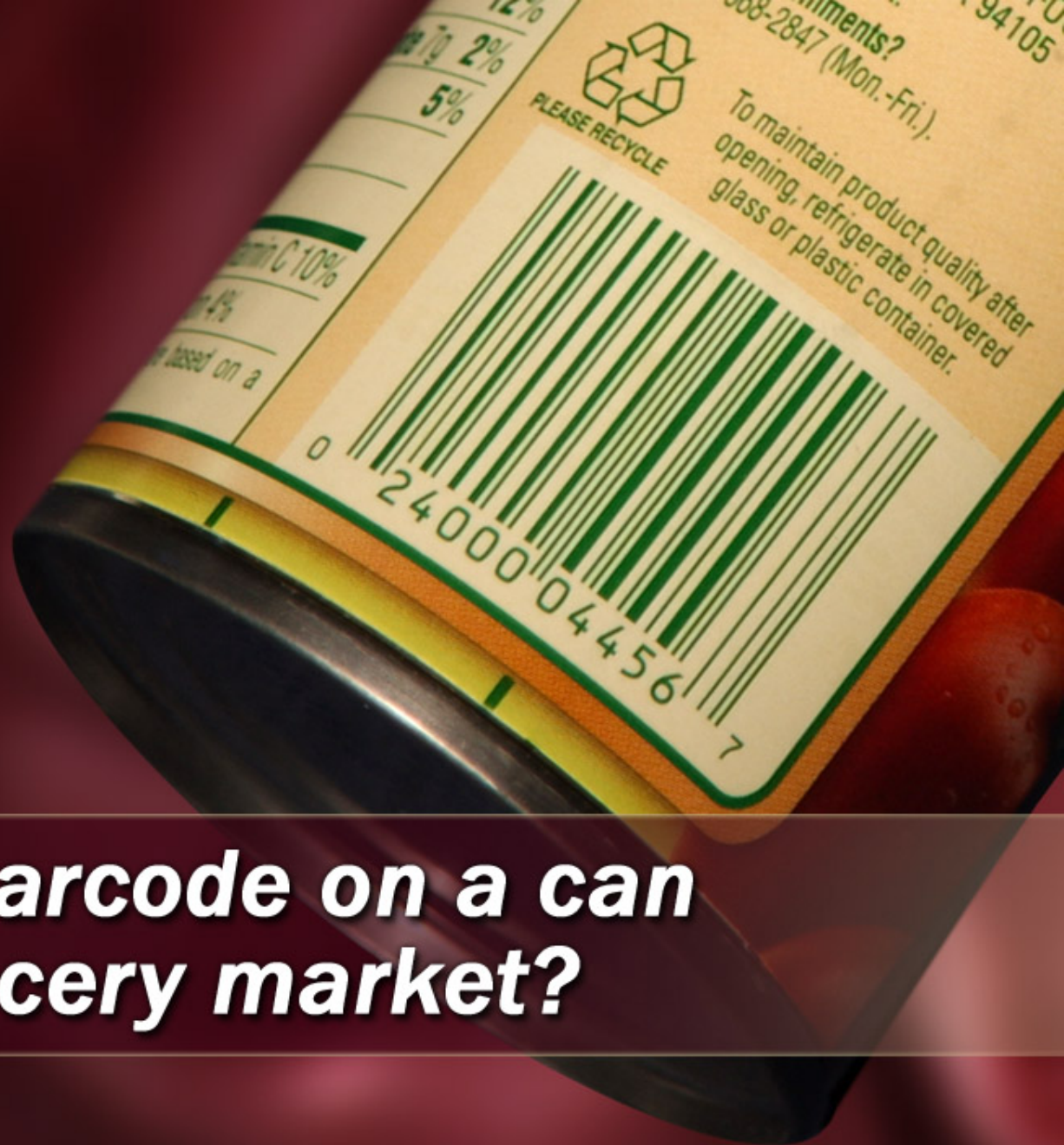
In the following presentation we'll discuss:

- ✧ What is the mark of the beast?
- ✧ What is the seal of God?





***Is it a government
identification number?***



***Is it a barcode on a can
in a grocery market?***

The background of the slide is a close-up, slightly blurred image of leopard or cheetah fur, showing the characteristic rosette pattern in shades of brown, tan, and black.

Who is the Beast?

1. Is the Beast a person?



Who is the Beast?

1. Is the Beast a person?

2. Is the Beast an organization?

THE REVELATION

of Jesus Christ

CHAPTER 1
1 THE Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants—things which must shortly take place. And He sent His angel to His servant John.

2 "who bore witness to the word of God, and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, to all things that he saw.

3 "Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near.

4 John, to the seven churches which are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne.

5 and from Jesus Christ, the firstborn, who is the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

6 "who has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion ever and ever. Amen.

7 Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him; and all the tribes of the earth will bow to Him. Even so, Amen.

8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, who was and who is to come, the First and the Last.

9 "I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation, kingdom, and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island called Patmos for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

10 "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice saying, 'Do not seal the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near.

11 "and he who hears these things must prophesy these things.

12 "Blessed are those who do the commandments of these things, so that they may have the right to the tree of life, and they may enter the city.

13 "Outside are the dogs, and the sorcerers, and the fornicators, and the murderers, and the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

14 "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things to the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright morning star.

15 "The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And he who hears let him come. And he who is thirsty let him come, and he who will, let him take the water of life free of charge.

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Letters to the Seven Churches

17 And He sent His angel to His servant John.

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Revelation 2:13

your lampstand from its place— unless you repent. But this you have, that you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

7 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes I will give 'to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God.'

8 "And to the 'angel of the church in Smyrna write, 'These things says the First and the Last, who was dead, and is alive:

9 "I know your work, to life, and poverty (but you are rich), and I know the tribulation of those who say they are not, but are, and are not, but are of Satan.

10 "Do not fear those things which you suffer. Indeed, I will throw some of you into prison, you may have tribulation, but you will be faithful, and you will not deny Me.

11 "He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will go out and come in, and will be there, and I will be with him, and he will overcome Me.

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The Revelation of Jesus Christ

HOLY BIBLE

Revelation
reveals **truth** and exposes **error**.

It is clear from the grammar of **Revelation 14:9** that the “beast” referred to is the first beast of **Revelation 13**.



Revelation 13:1, 2

“Then I stood on the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast rising up out of the sea,



Revelation 13:1, 2

having seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns ten crowns, and on his heads a blasphemous name.



Revelation 13:1, 2

***Now the beast
which I saw was
like a leopard,***



Revelation 13:1, 2

*his feet were like
the feet of a bear,
and his mouth
like the mouth
of a lion . . .”*




Be aware of how the Bible uses symbols! Excessive literalism can bring misunderstanding.



Jesus told His disciples to avoid the “leaven” (doctrine) of the Sadducees.

Matthew 16:6, 12





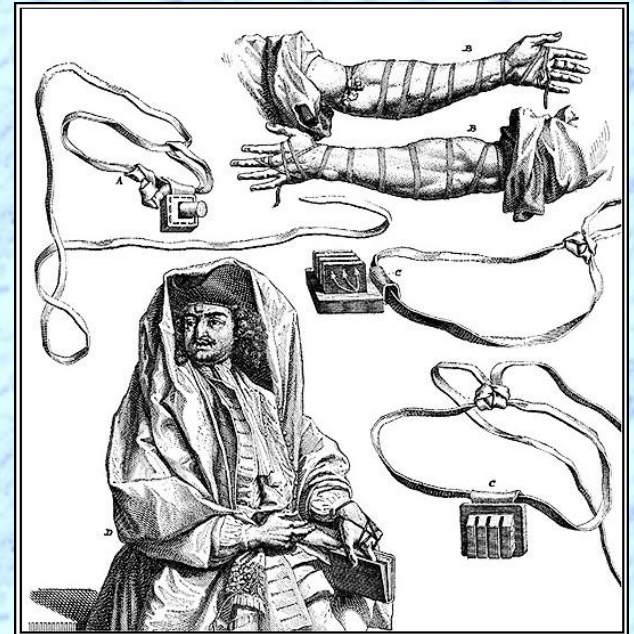
In the Old Testament God said,
“You shall bind them (God’s
words) as a sign on your hand,
and they shall be as frontlets
between your eyes.”

Deuteronomy 6:8



Did He really want them to wear
“Scripture boxes” on their
foreheads?

[http://www.jewishencyclopedia.com/
articles/12125-phylacteries](http://www.jewishencyclopedia.com/articles/12125-phylacteries)



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Or, have His Word in their
hearts?

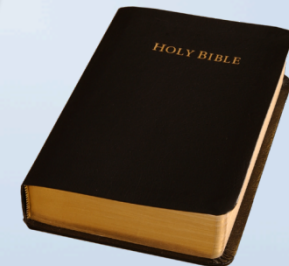
“Oh that they had such a heart
in them that they would fear Me
and always keep all My
commandments, that it might be
well with them and with their
children forever!”

Deuteronomy 5:29



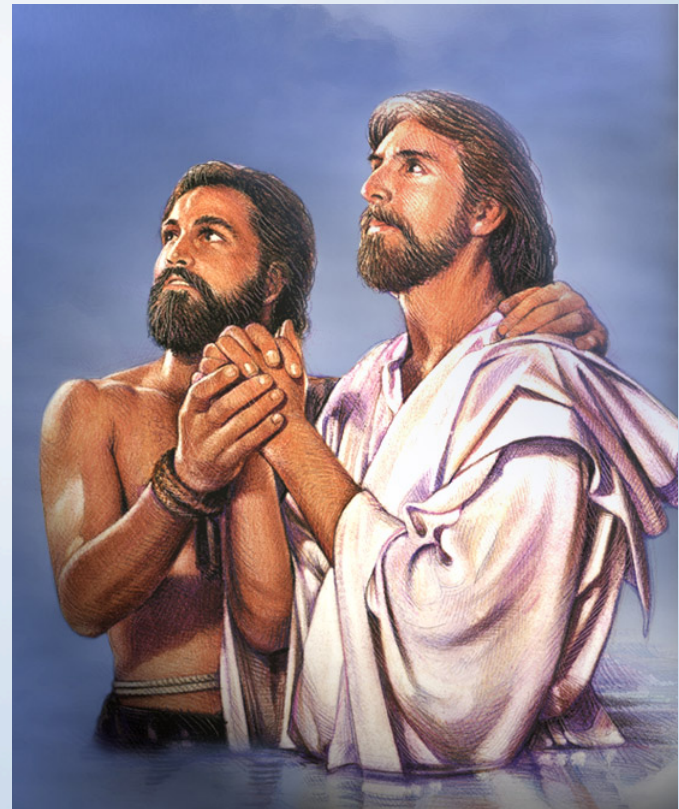
We don't read that Jesus wore a scripture box on His forehead, but we do read of Him, "I delight to do Your will, O my God, and Your law is within My heart."

Psalm 40:8



“And if you are willing to receive it, he (John the Baptist) is Elijah who is to come.”

Matthew 11:14



“‘Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.’ Then the Jews said, ‘It has taken forty-six years to build this temple,



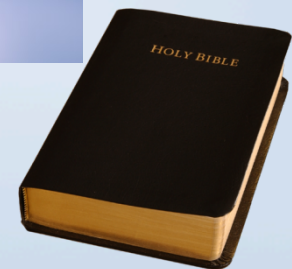
<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/picturegalleries/howaboutthat/4837528/A-model-of-biblical-proportions-man-spends-30-years-creating-a-model-of-Herods-Temple.html>

“and will You raise it up in three days?’ But He was speaking of the temple of His body.”

John 2:19-21



“Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.’

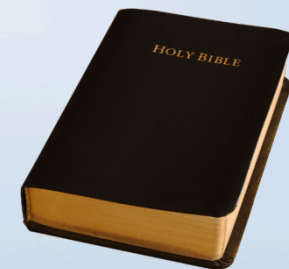


“Nicodemus said to Him, ‘How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?’”


John 3:3-4



**“If you knew the gift of God,
and who it is who says to you,
‘Give Me a drink,’ you would
have asked Him, and He would
have given you living water.**




http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Franceschini,_Giacomo_-_Gesù_e_la_Samaritana_al_pozzo.jpg




**“The woman said to Him, ‘Sir,
You have nothing to draw with,
and the well is deep. Where
then do You get that living
water?’”**

John 4:10, 11






Sometimes the Bible presents its truths coded in symbolic format, but the sincere, diligent and obedient seeker of truth will never be left in ignorance. To His “servants” truth will be revealed.



Here's the all-important question then. Could it be possible that history will repeat itself?

Could the overly literalistic mistakes that were prevalent at the First Advent be duplicated at the time of the Second Advent?



**Could it be that many of the
professed followers of God in
these last days will be
unprepared for His coming as
were the Jews of old, being
locked into a system of excessive
literalism and false
interpretations of prophecy?**

Is the devil trying to deceive people today, suggesting overly-literalistic and incorrect interpretations of the “beast” and its “mark,” and thus leading people to perdition?



Bible Prophecy Symbols

Waters

=

People





Revelation 17:15

“The waters which you saw, where the harlot sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues.”

Daniel 7:23

***“Thus he said:
‘The fourth beast
shall be a fourth
kingdom on
earth . . .’”***



Bible Prophecy Symbols

Beast

=

Political Power





The Beast represents a political or religious power.





Revelation 13:2

“The dragon gave him his power, his throne, and great authority.”





Revelation 12:4, 5

*“And the dragon
stood before the
woman who was
ready to give
birth,*



Revelation 12:4, 5

***to devour her
Child as soon
as it was born.”***



Bible Prophecy Symbols

Dragon

=

Satan



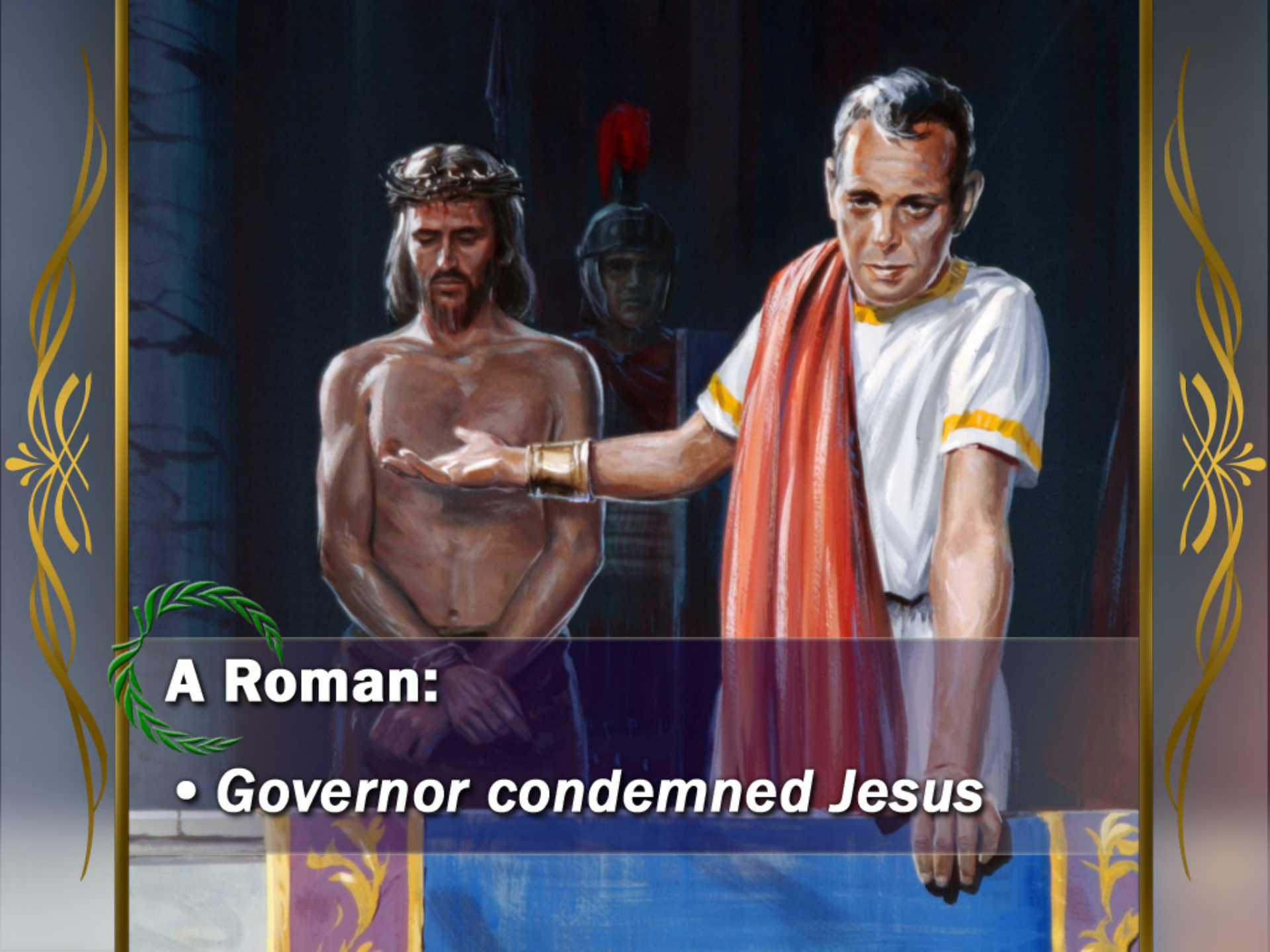


In Revelation 12, Satan works through pagan Rome to destroy Jesus.



A Roman:

- ***Official tried to kill baby Jesus***



A Roman:

- ***Governor condemned Jesus***



A Roman:

- *Executioner crucified Jesus*



A Roman:

- *Emblem sealed His tomb*
- *Soldiers guarded it*

***Who did the dragon, Pagan Rome,
give its power, throne and great
authority to?***



The Beast of Revelation 13

Six Identifying Characteristics



The Beast of Revelation 13

1. Authority from pagan Rome



Labianca

Professor of History, Univ. of Rome

***“To the succession of the Caesars
came the succession of the
Pontiffs in Rome.*”**




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When Constantine left Rome he gave his seat to the Pontiff.”





Constantinople

CONSTANTINE BY THIS SIGN CONQUER

A medieval manuscript illumination depicting a pope seated on a throne, holding a crozier, surrounded by attendants and a cityscape. The pope is the central figure, wearing a white mitre and a red and white robe, with a halo around his head. He is seated on a golden throne and holds a crozier in his right hand. To his left, a man in a white and gold robe stands. To his right, a man in a red and gold robe holds a large, striped umbrella over him. In the background, a cityscape with various buildings and a tower is visible. The style is characteristic of medieval manuscript illumination, with flat colors and gold leaf accents.

Stanley's History, p. 40

“The popes filled the place of the vacant emperors of Rome, inheriting their power, prestige, and titles from paganism . . .



Stanley's History, p. 40

The papacy is but the ghost of the deceased Roman Empire, sitting crowned upon its grave."

The image features a sunset sky with orange and yellow clouds. In the foreground, the silhouettes of several domes and spires are visible against the bright background. The largest dome is on the right side, and several smaller ones are to its left. The overall scene is a silhouette of a cityscape or religious architecture during sunset.

***The Beast is **NOT** a person.
It is a religious political system.***

**God looked at them in
pity and in love**





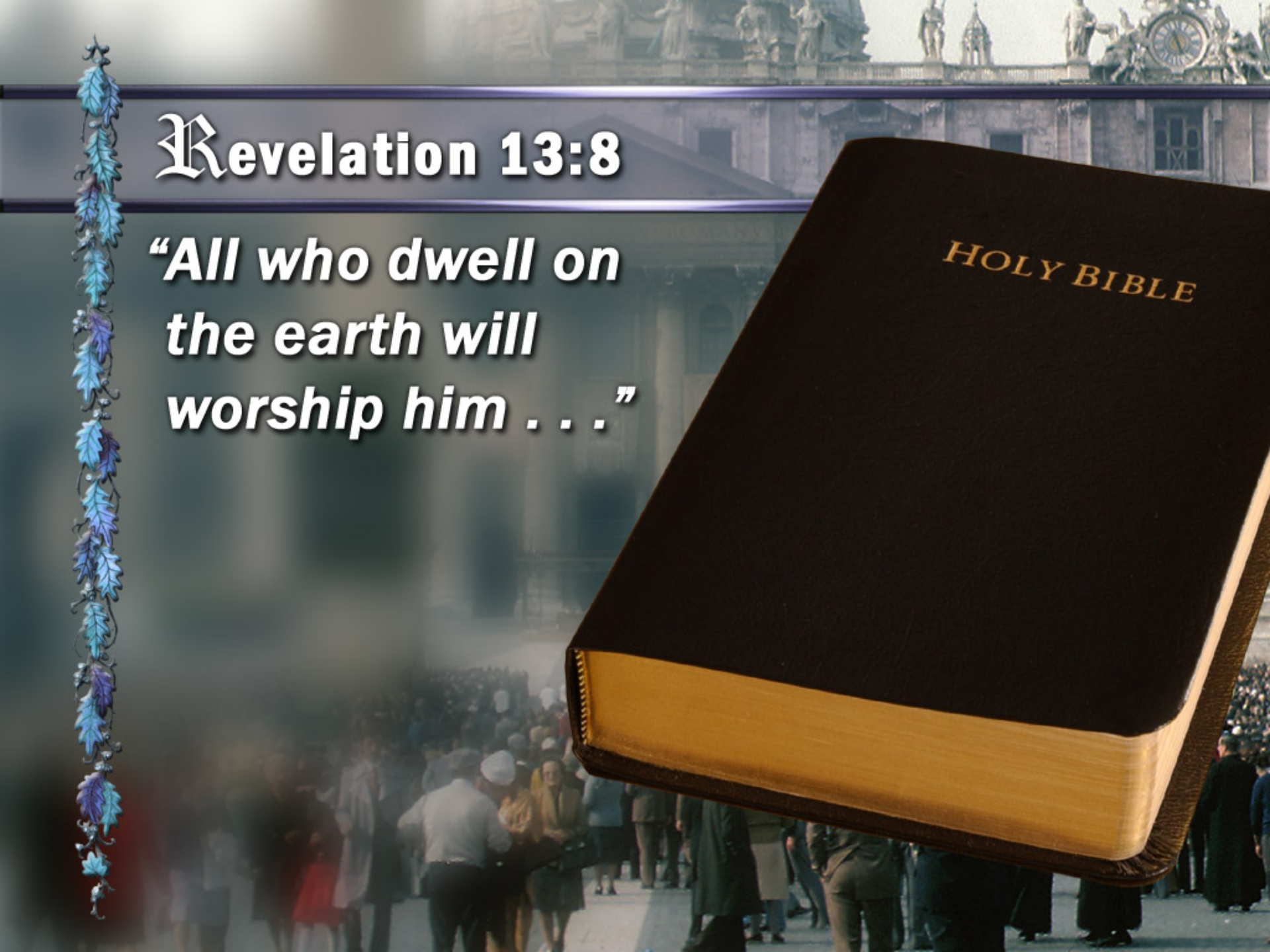
God loves Catholics!

But He must warn against a system, a hierarchy which the devil has used to deceive.

This is not about “Catholics,” it is about “Catholicism.”



The “Beast” of Revelation 13 describes a religious-political system that grew up out of Rome.



Revelation 13:8

*“All who dwell on
the earth will
worship him . . .”*

The Beast of Revelation 13

- 1. Authority from pagan Rome***
- 2. Worldwide religious power***



Revelation 13:5

*“And he was given
a mouth speaking
great things and
blasphemies.”*



How does the Bible define **blasphemy**?



15 Therefore shall his soldiers
come suddenly, and shall take
16 him away, and shall slay
17 him: and his kingdom shall
18 be given to another nation.
19 A man that soweth
20 seed upon thorns, shall
21 receive a harvest of
22 thorns: when he shall
23 reap, he shall tread
24 the thorns, and shall
25 burn them. So shall
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Part II. In praise of Dorothy

1 She is a girl of
2 twelve years of age,
3 who has been
4 chosen by the
5 Holy Spirit to
6 be the first
7 of a new
8 dispensation
9 of the
10 Kingdom of
11 God on
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John 10:33

“The Jews answered Him, saying, ‘For a good work we do not stone You,



John 10:33

*but for blasphemy,
and because You,
being a Man, make
Yourself God.’”*





***Does the Roman church
make that claim?***

***“We hold upon
this earth, the
place of God
Almighty.”***



**– Encyclical Letters of Leo XIII
p. 304**



Mark 2:7

***“Why does this Man
speak blasphemies
like this? Who can
forgive sins but
God alone?”***



Dignity and Duties of the Priest

Vol. 12, p. 2

***“God Himself is obliged to abide
by the judgment of His priest,
and either not to pardon or to
pardon,***



Dignity and Duties of the Priest

Vol. 12, p. 2

***according as they refuse
or give absolution . . . The
sentence of the priest precedes,
and God subscribes to it.”***

Acts 4:12

“Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”





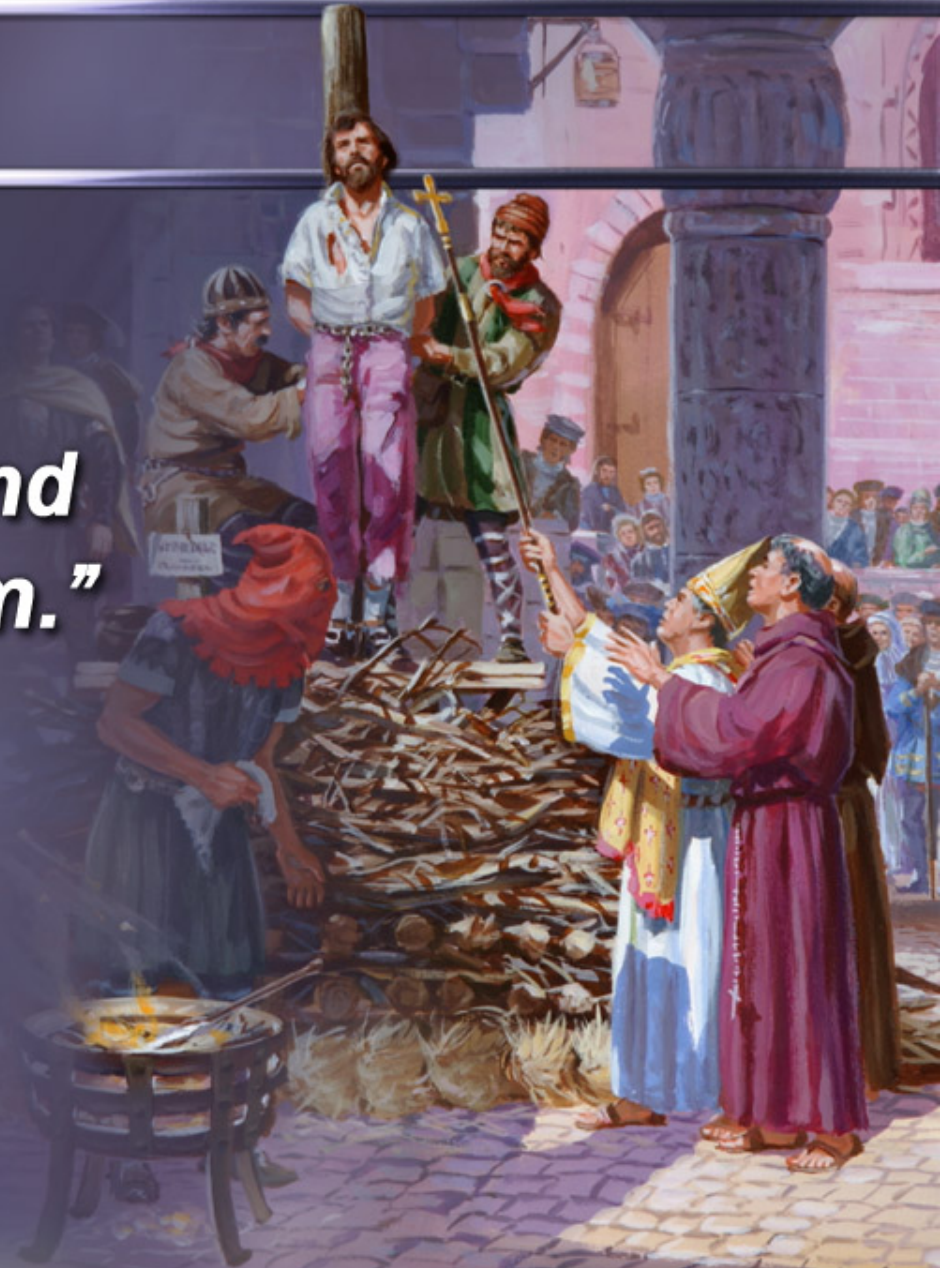
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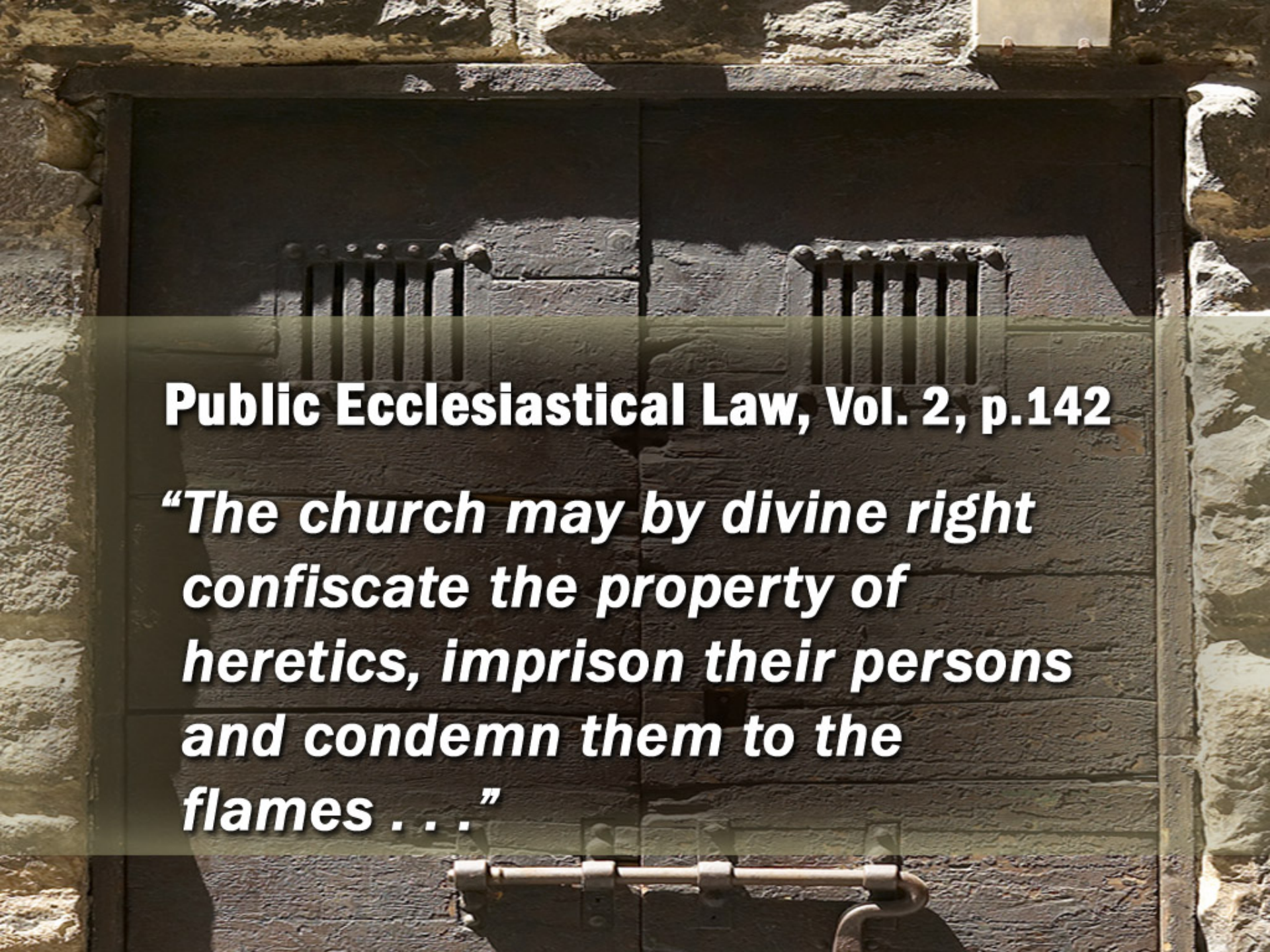


Revelation 13:7

“It was granted to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them.”





A dark, heavy wooden door with metal bolts and a handle, set in a stone wall. The door is closed and has a large metal handle at the bottom. The stone wall is made of rough-hewn blocks. The text is overlaid on the door.

Public Ecclesiastical Law, Vol. 2, p.142

“The church may by divine right confiscate the property of heretics, imprison their persons and condemn them to the flames”

The Beast of Revelation 13

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- 2. Worldwide religious power***
- 3. Claims equality with God***
- 4. Persecuting Power***



Revelation 13:5

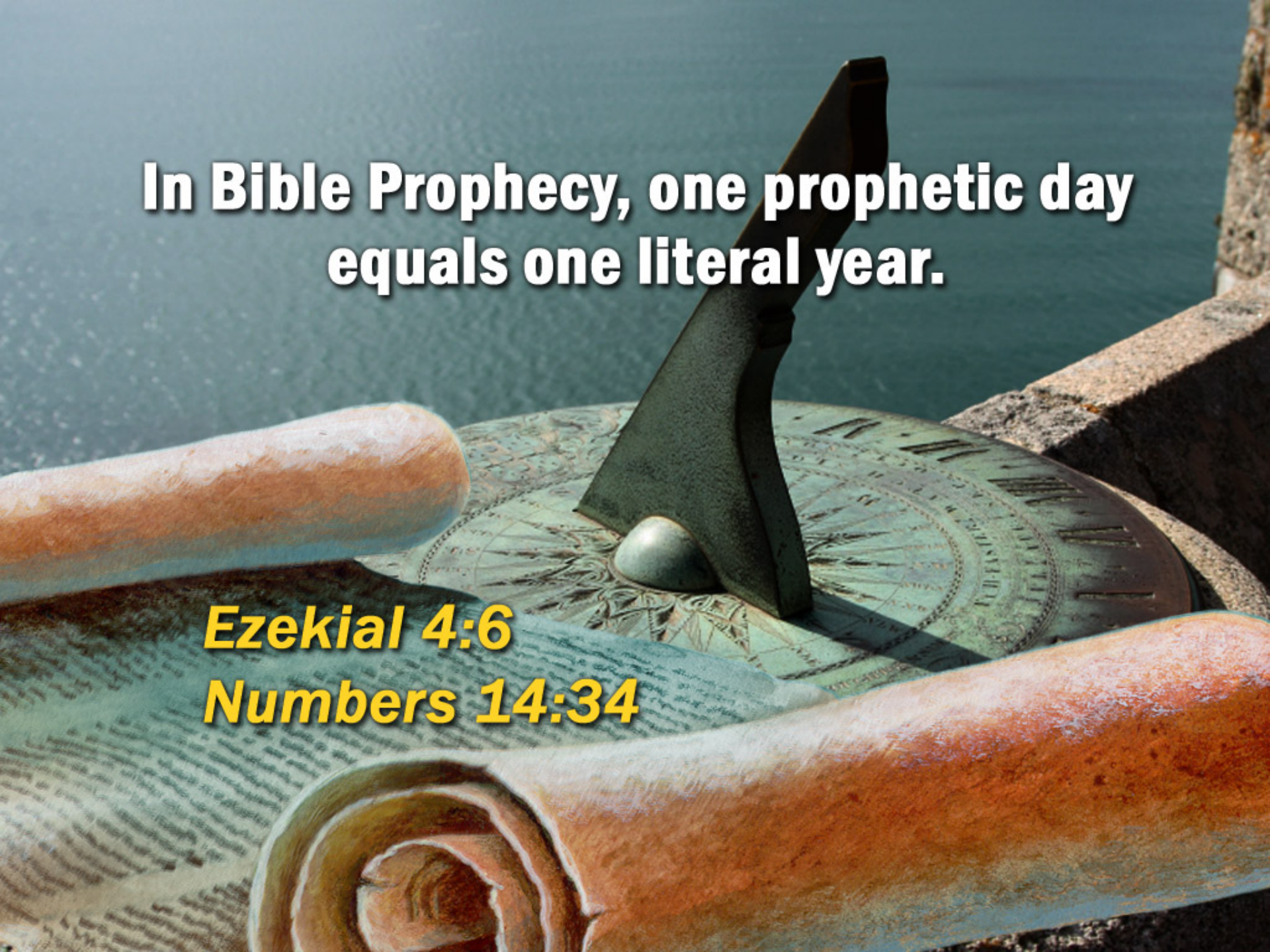
***“And he was given
a mouth speaking
great things and
blasphemies,***



Revelation 13:5

*and he was
given authority
to continue for
forty-two months.”*



A close-up photograph of a sundial mounted on a stone wall. The sundial's face is made of weathered metal and features Roman numerals and a decorative compass rose. A dark, triangular gnomon is positioned vertically. In the foreground, a scroll of aged parchment is unrolled, and a quill pen lies across it. The background shows a clear blue sky.

**In Bible Prophecy, one prophetic day
equals one literal year.**

Ezekial 4:6

Numbers 14:34

42 Prophetic Months

42 prophetic months
x 30 days/month

1260 prophetic days
or
literal years

42 Prophetic Months

AD 538

AD 1798

(1260 years)





***Berthier entered Rome in 1798
exactly as the prophecy predicted.***



What does history tell us about these remarkable events?

An engraving of Rome, Italy, featuring St. Peter's Basilica in the upper center and the Colosseum in the lower center. The scene is filled with classical architecture, including domes, columns, and arches, set against a backdrop of a hilly cityscape.

Church History, p. 24

***“The murder of a Frenchman in Rome in 1798 gave the French an excuse for occupying the Eternal City and putting an end to the Papal temporal power.*”**

Revelation 13:3

“And I saw one of his heads as if it had been mortally wounded,



Revelation 13:3

***and his deadly
wound was healed.
And all the world
marveled and
followed the
beast.”***



MUSSOLINI AND GASPARRI SIGN HISTORIC ROMAN PACT

At Charleston 2 Tornadoes Spread Ruin And Death

CHARLESTON, S. C., Sept. 29 (AP)—Soldiers of the regular army and National Guardsmen tonight patrolled 30 debris-strewn blocks of this historic old Southern city where two tornadoes had killed more than a score of persons, injured 200 and caused property damage estimated at \$2,500,000.

The first came about the middle of the night and the second about 2 a. m. It is estimated that the damage done by the two tornadoes was \$2,500,000.

The Last Move Prague Will Let Hitler Take Over

LONDON, Sept. 30 (AP)—The Czech legation, through an attache, said today the Prague government had accepted the four-power Munich agreement for solving the Czech-German problem that threatened to plunge all Europe into war.

The attache gave no details beyond a statement of the main substance of the agreement.

These Are the Peace Terms

MUNICH, Sept. 30 (Friday) (AP)—The official communique issued at the end of the four-power conference follows:

Germany, the United Kingdom, France and Italy, taking into consideration the agreement which has already been reached in principle for ceasing to Germany of the Sudeten German territory, have agreed on the following terms and conditions governing the said cessation and the necessary consequent changes and by their agreement they each hold themselves responsible for the steps necessary to ensure the fulfillment of the said terms.

Occupation by stages of the predominantly German territories by German troops will begin on October 1. The four territories marked on the attached map will be occupied by German troops in the following order:

Territory marked number one on the first and second of October; territory marked number two on the second and third of October; territory marked number three on the third, fourth and

In London Anti-War Pact Seen By British

LONDON, Sept. 30 (Friday) (AP)—Informed sources said today they understood Prime Minister Chamberlain had obtained from Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini an agreement to negotiate a four-power non-aggression pact as soon as the Czech-German problem is solved.

It was said to have obtained the

Four Power Pact Gives Hitler Sudetenland

By Associated Press

MUNICH, Germany, Sept. 30 (Friday)—of Western Europe's four major powers early signed an agreement they believed would give European war by ending the fate of Czechoslovakia.

The agreement, reached by statements of France, Germany and Italy, provided for the cession of parts of Czechoslovakia to Germany.

1929 San Francisco Chronicle



San Francisco Chronicle
February 11, 1929

“The Roman question tonight was a thing of the past and the Vatican was at peace with Italy . . .





San Francisco Chronicle
February 11, 1929

In affixing the autographs to the memorable document healing the wound . . . extreme cordiality was displayed on both sides.

The Beast of Revelation 13

- 1. Authority from pagan Rome***
- 2. Worldwide religious power***
- 3. Claims equality with God***
- 4. Persecuting Power***
- 5. Reigns for 1260 years***



Revelation 13:18

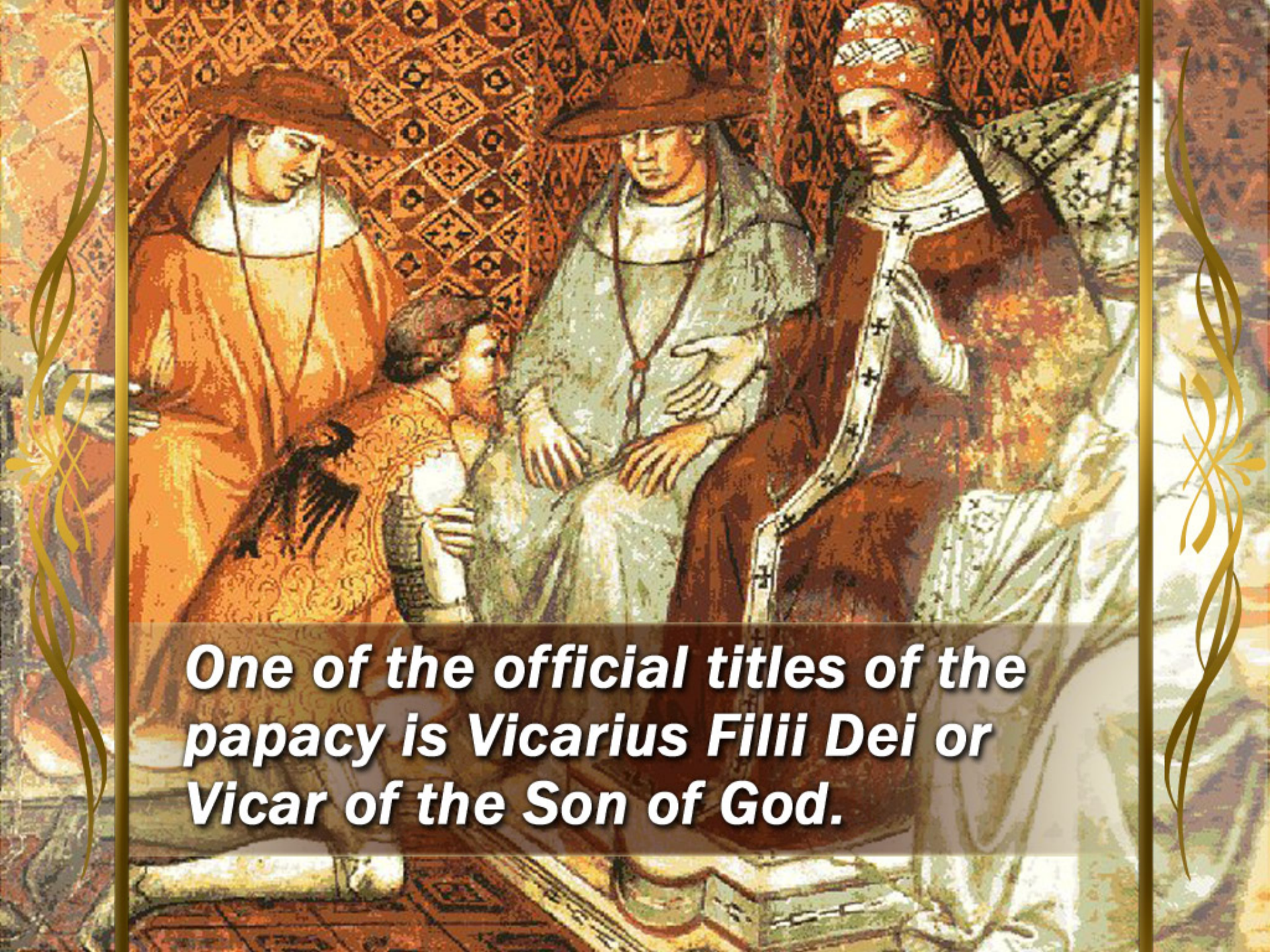
*“Here is wisdom.
Let him who has
understanding
calculate the
number of the
beast,*



Revelation 13:18

***for it is the
number of a man:
His number is
six hundred and
sixty-six.”***





One of the official titles of the papacy is Vicarius Filii Dei or Vicar of the Son of God.

The Papacy's Title

"Vicarius Filii Dei"

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The Beast of Revelation 13

- 1. Authority from pagan Rome***
- 2. Worldwide religious power***
- 3. Claims equality with God***
- 4. Persecuting Power***
- 5. Reigns for 1260 years***
- 6. Number of his name — 666***



Revelation 13:16, 17

*“He causes all,
both small and
great, rich and
poor, free and
slave,*



Revelation 13:16, 17


*to receive a
mark on their
right hand or on
their foreheads,*



Revelation 13:16, 17

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.”





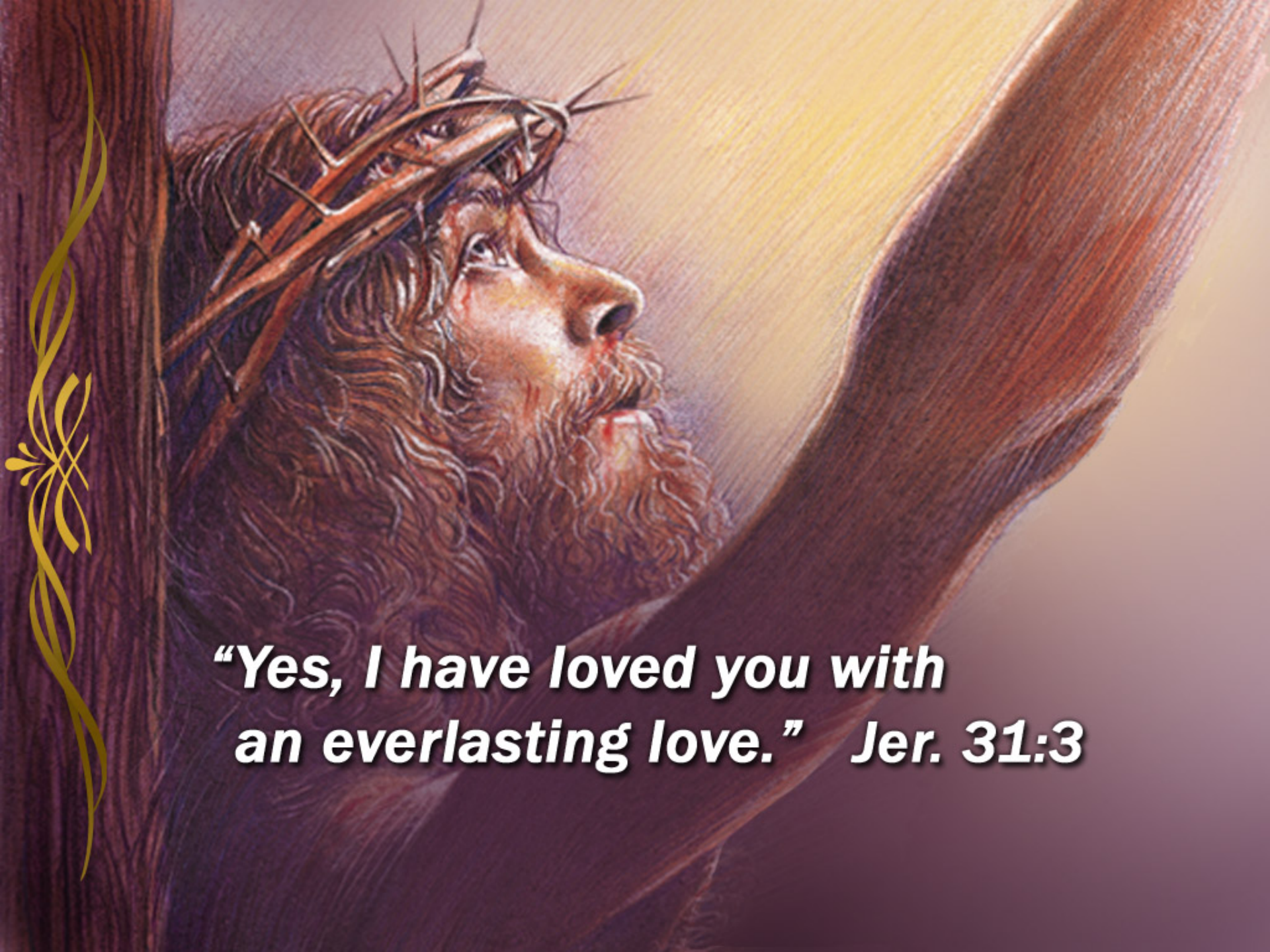
We have seen 6 characteristics identifying the “beast” which has the “mark” to be avoided.

Next time we'll look at 6 more portrayals of this same entity.









***“Yes, I have loved you with
an everlasting love.” Jer. 31:3***









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