# The Blessed Hope!

"Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;" –(Titus 2:13)

# Diamond & Nugget #72

The Bible talks about the "Mark" of the Beast **7X** times. The specific seven passages are listed in **Revelation 13:17**; **14:9**, **11**; **15:2**; **16:2**; **19:20**; and **20:4**. One of the most important guidelines in reading a passage is to study the context in which the verse is framed. In this Blessed Hope I am going to expand our understanding of what the Mark really is and how so. Since late 2020 the issue has come up repeatedly and surprisingly so, it seems the majority of commentators actually deny or do not see the issue of the Corona virus and Covid-19 and the vaxx as the "Mark" of the Beast. Well-known pastors such as Greg Laurie, Robert Jeffress, and Franklin Graham to name a few have been telling folks it was OK to get the shot and it is not the Mark of the Beast. I happened to hold a different view and do see it as the Mark of the Beast. One of the major issues that in my opinion is related to those dismissing the vaxx as the Mark largely has to do with the scientific language used and the ignorance of many when it comes to those areas of science that play a major role in what has happened.

In this likely my final Blessed Hope, I will be looking at a variety of issues that shed light onto a much larger issue here. There are so many related thread issues that are either unknown or overlooked by Bible scholars, such as the unnatural use of Satanic terms, the use of 666 in such things as the congressional legislation, the patents, and features within the Bill Gates QuantumDot/Hydrogel ID2020, and more recently what has been found in the shots. One cannot help but to sense that Lucifer is mocking the Christian by the use of such language that is drawn from Biblical concepts, themes and words, such as the name Luciferace, the enzyme that powers the bioluminescence microneedle that will be applied to the right hand when the "Mark" is fully implemented. I will have more to say at the close of the Scriptural analysis of the seven specific passages.

Society has been somewhat pre-conditioned from what was first revealed as the "Digital Angel" back in 2001, and even that term was a cynical slur on a Biblical entity. Twenty years ago the RFID microchip called the "Digital Angel" was visible to the eye; <a href="https://however.today's version">however</a>, <a href="however.today's version">however.today's version</a>, <a href="however.today's version">however.t

Graphene Oxide is an interesting molecule that has many uses, from your cell phone screen to the vertical wing tabs of commercial airliners. It is at least 100X stronger than aluminum or steel, but most important it can hold an electrical charge. **5G EMR** becomes the link to control its functions through wireless communications. It is toxic to the body and its different organs.

These are the two most important questions anyone needs an answer to before submitting to a so-called vaxx as such:

- 1. Does SARS-CoV-2, the virus (and its mutations), alter our DNA? Do the vaccines for Covid-19, the disease, alter our DNA?
- 2. Is this the Mark of the Beast referred to in Revelation 13:16-18 and 14:9-11?
- 1. Does SARS-CoV-2, the virus (and its variants / mutations), alter our DNA? Do the vaccines for Covid-19, the disease, alter our DNA?

**Yes.** The mRNA and DNA-based vaccines for SARS-CoV-2 the virus and Covid-19 the disease itself, <u>permanently alters a person's DNA</u>, referred to as the 'host DNA'. One of the mechanisms leading to changes in the host DNA is due to the presence, within both the virus and its vaccines, of genetic materials incorporated from HIV-1, HIV-2, and SIV (Simian [apes, chimpanzees] Immunodeficiency Virus).

A second mechanism is the reverse transcription. a process occurring in stem cells, cells that develop into many different types of cells in the body. The stem cells are genetically modified and replicate and amplify to a large portion of cells that make up the tissues of the body. Stem cells serve as a reservoir to produce new cells in perpetual fashion. In this way, over time, a large percentage of our somatic (non-reproductive) cells can be replaced by these genetically modified stem-cell precursors.

This results in the transfer of <u>genetic modification</u> to germline cells (egg and sperm). This inserted genetic mutation would find itself in all future generations stemming from this individual or individuals. <u>Because this is a germline modification and not a somatic modification</u>, this new genetic element will be present in every single cell of these individuals.

The virus is the excuse to vaccinate with the mark. The virus is only behaving as all Lentiviruses do, and that is to alter the host DNA. This enables the virus to go on and infect other healthy cells. The level of changes in the DNA as a result of having been vaccinated is quite different due to the additional technological components within them. Additionally, the actual re-arrangement of genes, the new sequence, is more extensive than the pattern of the viral genes themselves.

According to Nobel Laureate (known for the discovery of HIV) Dr. Luc Montagnier and other researchers there are 18 genetic fragments of HIV-1, HIV-2 and SIV contained

within the overall genomic sequence of the virus, SARS-CoV-2. This sequence, a series of genes, is known as mRNA, or 'messenger' RNA. These same genetic fragments are also present within vaccines employing mRNA such as Pfizer and Moderna. While Johnson & Johnson utilizes DNA, as do other companies, mRNA is still present, as are these 18 genetic fragments of HIV-1. The insertion of HIV-1 constitutes 80% of the payload that makes people sick from the HIV-1 virus. The HIV-1 found in the virus were originally inserted into the virus in 4 specific locations, deliberately so. The virus was made in a lab; hence, it became a bioweapon at that point.

Going a step further, the Covid-19 is not a germline virus; it was computer-generated synthetic biology, nothing like anything known to science. It is a totally new technology that, thanks to Dr. David E. Martin of M:CAM, we know how it was made. From the patents filed on this technology, and its applications going back 20 years, we know who created it. I have provided further down in this article all the links to Dr. David E. Martin and his patent research.

Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) is a Lentivirus, a subgroup of retroviruses that cause chronic and deadly diseases characterized by long incubation periods. Covid-19 is a retrovirus. Lentiviruses integrate viral DNA into the DNA of a host cell, permanently altering it, and is inherited by the host's descendants. A retrovirus is a type of virus that inserts a copy of its RNA genome into the DNA of a host cell that it invades, thus permanently changing the genome of that cell. There is yet another mechanism at work in the alteration of the host DNA by HIV1, HIV2 and SIV. A third strand of DNA, referred to as a central DNA flap is inserted, ensuring integration of the viral DNA. Due to the presence of genetic fragments of HIV, this DNA flap is found in not only the virus SARS-CoV-2, but within the mRNA and DNA-based vaccines. Vaccines are derived from the virus without inducing the disease. It does this by stimulating the production of antibodies by the immune system in order to provide immunity. The genetic materials of the virus are used to produce a vaccine against it. Thus, the 18 genetic fragments of the Lentivirus HIV, a retrovirus, are present in all gene-based vaccines for the virus, SARS-CoV-2. Both the virus and the vaccines permanently alter the DNA of a person.

This infographic link below illustrates the HIV replication cycle, which begins when HIV fuses with the surface of the host cell. A capsid containing the virus's genome and proteins then enters the cell. The shell of the capsid disintegrates and the HIV protein called "reverse transcriptase" transcribes the viral RNA into DNA. The viral DNA is transported across the nucleus, where the HIV protein integrase integrates the HIV DNA into the host's DNA. The host's normal transcription machinery transcribes HIV DNA into multiple copies of new HIV RNA. Some of this RNA becomes the genome of a new virus, while the cell uses other copies of the RNA to make new HIV proteins. The new viral RNA and HIV proteins move to the surface of the cell, where a new, immature HIV forms. Finally, the virus is released from the cell, and the HIV protein called protease cleaves newly synthesized polyproteins to create a mature infectious virus.

https://www.niaid.nih.gov/diseases-conditions/hiv-replication-cycle

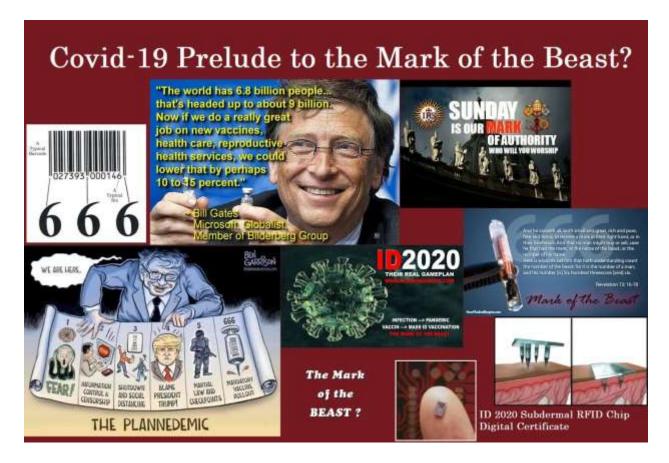
Moving on in the incredible world of molecular biology and microbiology, we address the second important question.

## 2. Is this the Mark of the Beast discussed in Revelation 13:6,17,18 and 14:9-11?

**Yes.** In combination with the genetic alterations induced by the virus and the vaccines, the vaccines themselves contain components marking, or indicating the DNA has undergone these changes. There are several aspects to the 'mark', including both biological and spiritual. Briefly, the biological, in addition to the genetic materials cited in answering question 1, the vaccines contain an enzyme known as Luciferase. This is a fluorescent material not visible to the naked eye. However, it is visible using an application on a smart phone, or other scanning type of device. Also contained within the vaccines is a type of highly absorbent gel known as hydrogel, made up of large molecules known as polymers. A Hydrogel is used to carry genetic materials, Luciferase and other components making up the vaccines. Some of these are referred to as nanobots, molecules that can be programmed to carry out a specific task. The nucleic acids of DNA naturally self-assemble and this ability is used to design, and through genetic modification, program them. Nano-bots are used to carry drugs and molecular payloads to specific targets within the body. Additional nano-bots function as biological sensors, collecting information from within the body and capable of transmitting this digital information outside of it. Lastly on the nanoscale, which is measured in billionths of a meter, are quantum dots, also referred to as artificial atoms. These are actual semiconductors with both optical and electronic properties. Similar to Luciferase, quantum dots however emit visible light. These have also been referred to as tattoos. They cannot be removed once injected! I trust you are following along with where we are going in the larger scheme of computerized identity.

The vaxx shots contain Graphene Oxide a toxic substance which contains a positive or negative electrical charge. Graphene Oxide is a major element of the glass screen of your cell phone. Through remote **5G EMR** will interface with and control the function of the Graphene Oxide, which holds an electrical charge.

All of the above materials are contained within the present day vaccines. Some, like the quantum dots, have yet to be fully activated. This is accomplished by their receiving an electromagnetic signal transmitted through a **5G** Wi-Fi system. Soon, the hypodermic needle and syringe used to inject vaccines will be replaced by a microneedle array patch, much like an adhesive bandage. In this way, the vaccines will not require refrigeration, and can be applied by most anyone to themselves. In fact, they can be shipped, mailed and delivered to nearly everyone. As the name implies, the patch contains a group of small needles that when pushed against the skin feel similar to Velcro, with little to no pain. These needles then dissolve leaving only their tips embedded beneath the surface, delivering their cargo to be absorbed into and distributed through the bloodstream to every cell in the body.



Taken together, the quantum dots and Luciferase manifest as a tattoo just beneath the surface of the skin. As such, a device will be required to see these, to detect the presence of this biometric mark anywhere on the body. Smartphones equipped with technology to detect these materials already exist. When described in Revelation 13:6, the "mark" is received in the right hand, or forehead, this can be interpreted as locations of convenience for scanning and detecting the presence of the mark. Similar in fashion to the present use of a digital thermometer applied to the forehead in checking for an elevated body temperature.



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Mechanism of mRNA Transport in the Nucleus

"We found that the rate of Messenger RNP (mRNA-protein) diffusion is so fast that mRNP complexes are dispersed throughout the nucleus soon after their synthesis and well before the onset of significant export into the cytoplasm."

"Using molecular beacons to track single mRNA molecules in living cells, we have characterized the diffusion of mRNP (mRNA-protein) complexes in the nucleus. The mRNP complexes move freely by Brownian diffusion at a rate that assures their

dispersion throughout the nucleus before they exit into the cytoplasm, even when the transcription site is located near the nuclear periphery."

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Abstract – Recent Advances in the Molecular Beacon Technology for Live-Cell Single-Molecule Imaging Nucleic acids, aside from being best known as the carrier of genetic information, are versatile biomaterials for constructing nanoscopic devices for bio-interfacing, owing to their unique properties such as specific base pairing and predictable structure. For live-cell analysis of native RNA transcripts, the most widely used nucleic acid-based nano-device has been the molecular beacon (MB), a class of stem-loop-forming probes that is activated to fluoresce upon hybridization with target

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RNA Biol. 2016 Sep; 13(9): 760–765. Published online 2016 Jun 28. doi: 10.1080/15476286.2016.1203504 PMCID: PMC5014007 PMID: 27351916 mRNA modifications: Dynamic regulators of gene expression?

Thomas Philipp Hoernes, Alexander Hüttenhofer, and Matthias David Erlacher <a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5014007/">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5014007/</a>

The expression of a gene is a tightly regulated process and is exerted by a myriad of different mechanisms. Recently, RNA modifications located in coding sequences of mRNAs, have been identified as potential regulators of gene expression. N6-methyladenosine (m6A), 5-methylcytosine (m5C), pseudouridine (Ψ) and N1-methyladenosine (m1A) have been found within open reading frames of mRNAs. The

presence of these mRNA modifications has been implicated to modulate the fate of an mRNA, ranging from maturation to its translation and even degradation. However, many aspects concerning the biological functions of mRNA modifications remain elusive. Recently, systematic in vitro studies allowed a first glimpse of the direct interplay of mRNA modifications and the efficiency and fidelity of ribosomal translation. It thereby became evident that the effects of mRNA modifications were, astonishingly versatile, depending on the type, position or sequence context. The incorporation of a single modification could either prematurely terminate protein synthesis, reduce the peptide yield, or alter the amino acid sequence identity. These results implicate that mRNA modifications are a powerful mechanism to post-transcriptionally regulate gene expression. Post-transcriptional mRNA modifications might even possess the potential to expand the diversity of proteins through recoding. Therefore, it is of utmost importance to elucidate all mechanisms behind. mRNA modifications not only affect translation, but can also act as markers to provide landing platforms for proteins 61,62,85,86 or stimulate other regulatory processes like mRNA degradation60 or localization.87 Their role as markers is reminiscent of the regulation of gene expression through epigenetic DNA and histone modifications. In line with that, no single modifications but a combination thereof might collectively mediate biological functions.

WIKI: Viral Vectors: Viral vectors[edit] Main article: Viral vector

Viral vectors are generally genetically engineered viruses carrying modified viral DNA or RNA that has been rendered noninfectious, but still contain viral promoters and also the transgene, thus allowing for translation of the transgene through a viral promoter.

However, because viral vectors frequently are lacking infectious sequences, they require helper viruses or packaging lines for large-scale transfection. Viral vectors are often designed for permanent incorporation of the insert into the host genome, and thus leave distinct genetic markers in the host genome after incorporating the transgene. For example, retroviruses leave a characteristic retroviral integration pattern after insertion that is detectable and indicates that the viral vector has incorporated into the host genome.

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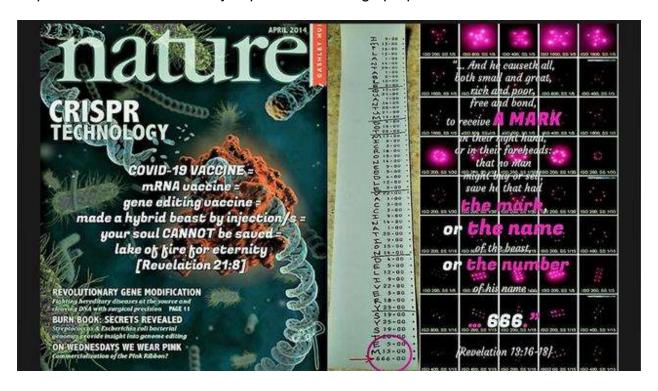
What I have shared in the first five pages should put to rest any doubt whatsoever regarding the two most important questions people are asking about the virus and the vaccine issue. Since virtually most Christian leaders are unlikely to be trained in specific fields of the sciences and the more sophisticated areas of virology, molecular biology, biochemistry, genetics, nano-technology, they are unfamiliar with the work of Dr. Luc Montagnier, Dr. Judy Mikovits, Dr. Sherri Tenpenny, Dr. Carry Majed, and Dr. David L. Martin. They are unlikely to know what they should be looking for or recognize it if they found it. It has required 5,000 hours of my own research to grasp it all these past two years. I've virtually learned a new career profession.

Those who tell you the Vaxx is not the "Mark" of the Beast are ignorant of the sciences and what has developed since 2000. My daughter-in-law is a nurse and denies that one's DNA can be changed. She has been a RN for less than ten years yet refutes what I tell her. She is oblivious to CRISPR-Cas9, the electronic device that can through 5G technology do gene-editing, a literal cut-and-paste process of doing gene therapy. If you stay with me here, I hope to be able to sort out the confusing issues that seem to cause people to reject the science. They simply do not know about this technology being used to track, control, and ID a person.

Work on creating the "Mark" of the Beast goes back to the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Bill Gates has been funding high-tech companies to produce the many different elements that go into the QuantumDot/Hydrogel ID2020. At least a dozen institutions and companies have worked both individually and collectively into bringing an invisible

form of nano-technology that will permit a global government to mark, track, and control every person on the planet every moment of the day.

The cover of 'Nature' magazine for April, 2014 highlighted the role of genetic engineering of the Human Genome. All of the technology currently exists to mark, scan, modify, track, and control humanity. They only needed a sample to test it, and tweak it for final application. Those who took the jab became the prototype group to receive the "Mark" of the Beast! The administering the "Mark" is a two-step process, and will require "booster" shots to fully implement its design purpose.



At this point we turn to what the Bible has to say in the book of Revelation. Having laid the science of the virus and vaxx, it becomes somewhat easier to grasp when we read the seven passages where we find reference to the "Mark" of the Beast, beginning with the infamous Revelation 13:17 passage.

"And 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." –(Revelation 13:17).

This passage has to be put into its larger context. All too often it is read out of context and many misunderstandings result from failing to study it in its chapter context. My focus beginning at this point will be to look at the term "Mark" of the Beast in its contextual understanding. You can open your Bible to these chapters and I will provide you my best interpretation of the Greek text, which is the "Textus-Receptus", or what was known as the Received Text of the early Christian church.

## Chapter 13

**13:1.** This chapter is still part of the interlude between the seven trumpets and seven seals. It begins to describe the reign of the Antichrist. John, either while standing on the sand of the seashore, or looking at a vision seen while he was in heaven, saw a wild animal rise up out of the sea. The "sea" represents the people or nations of the world - (cf. 17:15). The beast represents the Antichrist and his government, the world government described in Daniel 7 in its final form. It is the same government pictured by the little horn in Daniel 7:8, 24, 25. This beast, like the great red serpent of chapter 12:3, has 7 heads and 10 horns. But instead of having the crowns on its heads, it has 10 crowns or royal diadems on its 10 horns. On its heads, instead, are the name (or names) of blasphemy; that is, a blasphemous name. The 7 heads are the 7 continents, and the 10 horns are 10 nations that will be part of the Revived Roman Empire.

This name is not given here, but it is undoubtedly a name claiming deity or divinity. Though John does not use the name "Antichrist" here, the Greek anti primarily means "instead of." He is Satan's substitute for the real Anointed One of God. In other words, the Antichrist will not admit he is the Antichrist. He will claim that he is the real Christ. He may say, "Forget about Jesus, I am the one you are looking for." Or, he may say, "I am the fulfillment of a long line of anointed ones including Buddha, Muhammad, and the founders of all the other false religions of the world." In either case, in God's eyes that is blasphemy.

- **13:2.** The wild animal John saw was a strange combination of all the four beasts in Daniel's dream -(Daniel 7). It looked like a leopard, yet its feet looked like a bear's feet, and its mouth was like a lion's mouth. So the beast seems to represent not only the Antichrist's kingdom but the Antichrist himself. He represents a very real and terrible person whose cruelty and destructiveness is like a wild animal's. His purpose will be to gain religious, political, and economic power over the entire world when he appears in the tribulation period -(cf. Daniel 7:4-6; 8:25; 9:27; Revelation 17:13). The dragon or serpent was ready for him and gave him his satanic power, his throne, and his authority. Thus, he is Satan's representative on earth to do Satan's work.
- **13:3.** It seems God will permit Satan to give the appearance of duplicating the Resurrection. One of the heads of the beast seemed to be mortally wounded. But its mortal wound was healed. Then the whole world was full of wonder, indicating they venerated or even worshiped the beast.

Earlier God revealed to the apostle Paul that the Antichrist's coming would be according to the working or energizing of Satan in all sorts of deceptive deeds of power, deceptive signs, and deceptive wonders, but all will be lies -(2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2:9).

Satan has power, but he is a liar and the father or source and promoter of lies -(John 8:44). Everything he does is saturated with lies. His purposes are false. His methods are wrong. But he will use these miracles and lying wonders to gain the attention of the

people. As a result the people who do not know the Antichrist is doomed will think his coming is supernatural.

In the second chapter of 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians Paul made it clear that those who are convinced by Satan's deceptive miracles are first of all those who themselves are involved in every kind of wicked deception, especially the deception and seduction that comes from seeking wealth -(cf. Matthew 13:22), the deceitfulness of sin -(cf. Hebrews 3:13), reveling in deceptive pleasures which involve sin -(cf. 2 Peter 2:13), and every kind of deceitful lust or deceptive desire -(cf. Ephesians 4:22). Satan's deceptive miracle here (13:3) will be accepted by those who are already perishing, lost, gone astray, and already on the broad road leading to destruction -(cf. Matthew 7:13).

Strong satanic delusion today is already leading many to believe homosexuality, premarital sex, abortion, adultery, and many other sins are normal and even desirable patterns of life. The Bible warns that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God -(Galatians 5:19-21). Those who listen to Satan's lies now will become easy prey to his deceptive miracles, miracles intended to make the world believe the Antichrist is the real Christ. They will be filled with amazement and will acclaim him to be worthy of worship.

**13:4.** In worshiping the beast people really will be worshiping the serpent who has given his power and authority to the beast. They will be involved in Satan worship. Actually, their words of praise do not mention Satan but exclaim, "Who is like the beast?" These words are similar to the Old Testament cry of Israel and the prophets who said, "Who is like the Lord?" -(Exodus 15:11; Micah 7:18). They will not only be worshiping the beast, they will be making him their supreme god.

Their exclamation, "Who is able to make war with him?" indicates their belief that the beast is invincible but also greater than any god, even than the true God. The world will recognize the power of the Antichrist, both material and spiritual. They will be captivated by his personality and his apparent wisdom and ability.

13:5. "A mouth speaking great things" means eloquence. Note it is 'given' to him. Back of all the Antichrist says will be Satan himself. He will use this power to exalt himself, but it will last only 42 months, evidently the last  $3^1/_2$  years of the Tribulation. Apparently the Antichrist will gain power at the beginning of the Tribulation, make a covenant with Israel -(Daniel 9:27), and gain control over 10 nations. But it will not be until the middle of the 7 years that he will break that covenant, demand worship, and take control over all the nations of the world. He will then reign for  $3^1/_2$  years before Jesus comes again in flaming fire and in triumph as described in  $2^{nd}$  Thessalonians 1 and Revelation 19.

Daniel's vision recorded in Daniel 7:8, 20, 25 describes the little horn which will eventually arise from the fourth beast and represent the Antichrist as having "eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things." Then it is explained to Daniel

that "he shall speak great words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High." (See the comments on 13:7 below.)

**13:6.** The blasphemies of the beast are further defined as against God, against God's name and His heavenly tabernacle, and against those dwelling with Him in heaven. Blaspheming God's name means he will speak against His nature and character, denying God's holiness, righteousness, faithfulness, love, mercy, and grace.

Blaspheming the heavenly tabernacle means he will deny that God is manifesting His glory in the Holy of Holies of heaven. It also means he will deny that the blood of Christ was presented before God once for all as the full atonement for our sins.

Blaspheming those dwelling with Him in heaven means he will defame the saints of all ages. He will mock their faithfulness to God and their dedication to His service.

All of this blasphemy will be the climax of the blasphemies inspired by the spirit of the Antichrist that is already in this world. John's first and second epistles do not deny that there will be a future Antichrist. But they recognize there are many antichrists in the world already, all of whom deny Jesus is God manifest in the flesh. They include all the cults as well as the self-styled "liberals" who deny what the Bible reveals about the divine-human nature of Jesus.

13:7. The beast will also be granted permission to make war with the saints and to conquer them. Power and authority will also be granted to the beast over every tribe, language, and nation. In each of these statements it is emphasized that the beast will not be acting on his own authority. He will be able to accomplish only what is given him to do. In this he will first of all be the agent of the old serpent, Satan, carrying out his devilish plans. But Satan will be able to go only as far as God allows him to go.

Ultimately, God will have the final word. My view inclines me to think that God has used the past 18 months as a test to determine the commitment of believers and whether they will resist the "gene therapy" being passed off as vaccines. Those who resist and stand firm and to resist the temptation will be removed once that "free-will" choice is taken off the table.. Once it becomes mandated by government, health, schools, and corporations, we are "on standby for the Rapture." Revelation 3:10-11 is our promised hope. "Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth. <sup>11</sup>Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown."

It is evident from Daniel 7:3-8, 19-25; 11:45; and 12:6, 7 that the Antichrist will gain this control of all nations at or near the beginning of the last  $3^{1}/_{2}$  years of the Tribulation. Daniel 7:21 refers to the way the Antichrist will make war with the saints and prevail against them, meaning they will be killed. The saints here seem to be those who will reject the new religion controlled and made popular by the Antichrist. They will remain

faithful to the Word of God and to the Lord Jesus Christ even in the face of persecution and death. The beast will conquer them, but this does not mean their faith is destroyed. Rather, most, if not all of them, will be added to the company of martyrs. Thus, they are the real overcomers, for their reward will be great.

The authority and rule of the beast will be extended, not just to the 10 nations he first controls, but to the entire world.

**13:8.** This verse makes it clear who will worship the beast. All those dwelling on the earth will bow down and worship him, for their names have not been written (previously or ever) "in the book of life of the Lamb who was slain" from the founding of the world.

Satan seeks worship. He tempted Jesus to bow down and worship him. But Jesus won the victory in our behalf -(Matthew 4:8-10). However, during the last part of the Tribulation, the whole world will worship the beast, and through him they will in reality be worshiping Satan. It seems they will come to believe the beast is greater even than the true God.



There are two interpretations of the phrase "before the foundation of the world": one, that it refers to the names that were written; the other, that it refers to the sacrificial

death of Christ on Calvary as God's Lamb. His substitutionary death for the sins of the world was something foreseen in the plan of God from the very beginning of creation. - (See Genesis 3:15; 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 1:18-20.) Only through Him can believers have eternal life and have their names written in the Lamb's Book of Life. The saints are those who place their faith in Jesus. They may include godly Israelites who have accepted Him as their Messiah, Lord, and Saviour.

- **13:9.** Jesus often used language like this in His exhortations and warnings. The verse draws attention to the importance of what follows. What is being said here in the Book of Revelation is not something intended to satisfy curiosity. Neither was it written just for the benefit of those in the end times. It was intended as a warning to everyone in the entire Church Age, and as an encouragement to all those going through troublous times. I have a friend in Peru who is a medical salesman, and he tells of the pressure he and his family experience for their faith in Jesus Christ.
- **13:10.** Those who lead others into captivity will be led captive themselves. Whoever kills with the sword must be killed with the sword. -(See Matthew 26:52 for the words of Jesus concerning this.) This law of sowing and reaping will not be abrogated and the forces of Satan and the beast will not be able to escape it. The agents of the beast who capture and kill those who refuse the mark of the beast will themselves be defeated. As 19:15 shows, there is a greater sword, the sword of the Spirit, the sword of the living Word of God. Jesus will destroy the Antichrist and all his forces with the sword of His mouth, that is, by simply speaking the Word. These words are a reminder of this. They are also given to encourage believers' faith and trust in the Lord, and to help them endure with patience and steadfastness. -(See also 14:12.)

The word "Here" is emphatic. It draws attention to the extreme trial of their faith tribulation saints will undergo. Yet they are not to take the sword to try to defend themselves. They must endure, for the period of the Antichrist's power will be short, and their reign with Jesus will be eternal.

- **13:11.** The first beast rose out of the sea (that is, out of the peoples of the world) and became a world ruler. John now saw a second beast rise out of the earth. Quite clearly he does not come from heaven although he will claim supernatural powers. He is "another" of the same kind as the first beast. His appearance is in sharp contrast to his words, for he has the two horns of a lamb, yet he keeps speaking like a serpent. He will try to give the impression of being a lamb, gentle and caring, full of great love, but it will be just an act. He is really a snake like that old serpent, the devil, and his words are deceitful, though clever. He will become a terrible part of the triad that is a false imitation of the Trinity. The true Trinity is a Triunity, with three divine Persons in the one eternal Being. But this evil trio will be made up of separate beings united only in their devilish plans.
- **13:12.** This second beast will exercise all the authority and power of the first beast. The ancient serpent, Satan, will be the source of the second beast's power as he was of the

first. With its power it will assist the first beast and force the earth and all its inhabitants to worship the first beast, drawing attention to its fatal wound that was healed. It is clear that not just one of the heads of the beast was wounded. The beast itself was wounded and restored. The concern of this second beast, who is also called the false prophet - (16:13; 19:20; 20:10), will be with religion. Some believe he will already be the head of the apostate church during the first half of the Tribulation. When that church is destroyed, he will become the leader of the world religious system the Antichrist will establish in the last half of the Tribulation. By glorifying the beast and the beast's false resurrection, he will parody the Holy Spirit who glorifies the risen Christ.

**13:13.** The second beast will perform many great sign-miracles. ("Wonders" in this verse translates the same Greek word *sēmeia*, "signs," which is also used in John's Gospel for the miracles of Jesus.) In the presence of the people this second beast will even make fire come down out of heaven to the earth. This is clearly in imitation of the great miracle when Elijah called the people of Israel to a decision between the Lord and Baal. Elijah, at God's instruction, called fire down from heaven, something the priests of Baal could not do -(1st Kings 18:22-39). This second beast, however, by Satan's power will bring down fire from heaven as a sign-miracle. As in the case of Elijah, and unlike the fire from the mouths of the two witnesses of 11:5, no one will be burned by the fire. But the people will be impressed. Even in a scientific age there are gullible people who follow false prophets and are deceived by false miracles that do not glorify God.

Chapters 19:20 and 20:10 refer to the second beast as the false prophet. His deceptive miracles are intended to mislead mankind. -(See 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2:9-12.) Israel was warned that even if a prophet performed miracles and signs, if he turned people away from the worship of the true God, he was still a false prophet -(Deuteronomy 13:1-3). True prophets speak for God and encourage people to serve Him and follow Christ.

It may be that the second beast who is the false prophet will encourage an ecumenical church which will draw together all religions and make them worship the first beast, the Antichrist. His deceptive miracles which will counterfeit Biblical miracles and even attempt to counterfeit the supernatural ministry of the Holy Spirit will help accomplish this. -(See 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2:9, 10 where the Bible says the coming of the man of sin or lawlessness will be accompanied by the working [energizing] of Satan with all sorts of deeds of mighty power and miraculous signs and lying wonders, and with every kind of wicked deception [especially seduction from wealth and from the deceitfulness of sin] in them that are already perishing; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.)

**13:14.** By means of the sign-miracles it will be permitted to work, the second beast will deceive (mislead) the inhabitants of the earth (that is, the unbelievers who are on the earth), for they are already on the broad road to destruction. Jesus warned that false prophets and false christs would arise -(Matthew 24:24). The Antichrist and his false prophet will be the climax of all of that kind of deception, but the people will not realize the miracles of the false prophet are deceptive. They will accept his miracles as proof of

the beast's claims that he is a god, the real Christ. In fact, he will talk the people into making an image of the beast (or to be dedicated to the beast) who had the sword wound and lived (was healed or maybe was resurrected). It will probably be a giant statue like that made by Nebuchadnezzar for the worship of himself -(Daniel 3:1). The people will probably place the image of the beast (the Antichrist) in the temple to be rebuilt in Jerusalem -(Daniel 9:27; Matthew 24:15; 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2:4). Thus the image will become a focal point for the false worship of the beast.

**13:15.** The second beast will receive power (evidently from Satan) to give life to the image of the beast (is it possible it is by trickery?). By doing this the false prophet will be able to claim divine power for himself and for the first beast, the Antichrist. This will be his greatest deception, for the gullible people will consider him deity. Then the prophecy of 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2:10, 11 will be fulfilled, that "because they received not the love of the truth,... God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie."

By an indwelling breath or spirit the image will speak. This will surely encourage the people left in the world to continue believing that Antichrist is what he claims to be. The image will give a decree demanding that all who refuse to worship the image of the first beast, the Antichrist, are to be killed. This further reinforces the demand of the false prophet and shows that those who resist the Antichrist and continue to worship the Lord Jesus will be martyred for their faith. -(See 6:9; 14:12, 13; 17:9-17.) Thus, it is clear that Antichrist will not follow a secular, humanistic, atheistic philosophy. He will want religion, but he will use religion to exalt himself as a god, as did the ancient kings of Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, and Rome.

The World Health Organization (WHO) has released a proposal backed by two major globalist organizations that serves as a blueprint for governments to implement a worldwide vaccine passport verification system. The document, called "Digital Documentation of COVID-19 Certificates: Vaccination Status," funded by none other than the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the Rockefeller foundation, describes the technical guidance for governments to roll out the program to usher in a global digital ID — in the name of COVID, of course.

This document lays out an approach for creating a signed digital version of a vaccination record for COVID-19 based on a core data set of key information to be recorded, and an approach for the digital signature. The document leverages existing free and open standards, and is driven by the ethics, use cases and requirements for Digital Documentation of COVID-19 Certificates: Vaccination Status (DDCC:VS). The document is like 75 pages long.

This document is therefore software-agnostic and provides a starting point for Member States to design, develop and deploy a DDCC:VS solution for national use in whichever format best suits their needs (e.g. a paper card with a one-dimensional [1D] barcode or

QR code stickers, or a fully functioning smartphone application developed internationally or locally).

The primary target audience of this document is national authorities tasked with creating or overseeing the development of a digital vaccination certificate solution for COVID-19. The document may also be useful to government partners such as local businesses, international organizations, non- governmental organizations and trade associations, that may be required to support Member States in developing or deploying a DDCC:VS solution.

The DDCC:VS is meant for use at schools, at work, for international travel, and for contact tracing initiatives.

The document also shows its proposed vaccine passport template, with a QR code featured on the front, but further in the app shows personal information about the number of vaccines received. A similar vaccine passport project in the works, called CommonPass, is also backed by the Rockefeller Foundation and the World Economic Forum (WEF). It's notable how the only groups actively pushing for global vaccine passports are also the main proponents of the so-called Great Reset, a post-human plan outlined by WEF founder Klaus Schwab which seeks to deindustrialize the West, abolish private property, introduce biometric surveillance, and move humanity to a diet of bugs in the name of fighting climate change.

Although the so-called released document implies it is new, given that the Rockefeller Operation "Lockstep" program was prepared in 2010, I would bet that it is waiting for endorsement by the 194+ states of the world body of the UN.

**13:16.** The second beast will make no exceptions in his demand that all receive the mark of the first beast on their right hands or on their foreheads. Everyone, no matter what his wealth or social position, will be forced to submit. By the series of contrasts "small and great, rich and poor, free and bond (slave)" the Bible emphasizes all are included, and no one is left out.

This mark of the beast will be Satan's substitute for the mark put on the forehead of the 144,000 in 7:3. The 144,000 were sealed to identify them as belonging to the Lord. The mark of the beast will identify those who take it as followers of the beast and therefore under Satan's control. From Bill Gates own patents, articles, description, it has been determined that Luciferase under an infrared scanner will yield this image confirming if one has the Mark. It will be powered by the Luciferace enzyme and Graphene Oxide from the body's existing heat as a power source that is self-charging.

The word "mark" (Greek *charagma*) was used of a mark or stamp which could be engraved, etched, branded, cut, or imprinted. It was used of brands on camels and stamped marks on documents as well as impressions on coins. There is no known evidence, however, that any such mark, brand, or stamp was used in John's day or in

the persecutions that continued to occur until the time of the emperor Constantine. No such mark of loyalty was placed on those who submitted to the worship of any of the emperors of Rome. This is an objection against the preterist view that claims the Book of Revelation was fulfilled in the First Century.



The nature of the mark of the beast or the method by which it will be applied is not described. However, once it is applied it is permanent and cannot be removed. Those who accept it will do so because they have rejected Jesus Christ and His righteousness and are deceived by the Antichrist and his false prophet. Several of the Lord's last statements stressed that believers would be or have to contend with deception, and that has been the case with the "gene" therapy of what is being promoted as vaccines.

**13:17.** By means of the mark of the beast the Antichrist will be able to control the economy of the entire world, for no one will be able to buy or sell without the mark. Nothing like this happened during the Roman persecutions. Nor has this happened throughout history, which is an objection against the historicist interpretation of the Book of Revelation. The nearest example would be numbers the Nazis tattooed on Jews during the Holocaust of World War 2.

This domination of world economy will be used as a further incentive to take the mark of the beast. Since it is identified with the name of the first beast and the number of his name, the mark seems to be identified with his nature and character. It may be that taking the mark will also symbolize submission to both the Antichrist and the false prophet, and thus to both the government and world religion of the Antichrist. It would seem also from verse 15 that if anyone refuses to take the mark of the beast he will be sought out, discovered, and martyred. The result will be complete control of the entire world by the Antichrist.

With the tyrannical overreach by Democratic governors from states like New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan, and California since March of 2020 and following, we have been exposed to a series of unconstitutional violations of basic human rights. Early on force was exerted upon the churches by banning Easter worship in 2020. In metropolitan Louisville, KY, even outdoor parking lot worship services was met with a strong police presence. The public was encouraged to "snitch" on churches attempting to defy the governor banning church services. Churches were singled out as objects of government tyranny at the beginning of the lockdown phase.



**13:18.** Verse 18 of Revelation 13 is one of the most debated verses in the entire book because of widespread disagreement over the identification and meaning of the number **666**. It will be shown that the interpretation of Revelation 13:16–18 is not as straightforward and there is no straightforward answer. Instead, the hermeneutics behind this issue is very complex – different perspectives come into play as shall be discussed in this article. The exact meaning behind the "Mark" of the Beast' is difficult to fully understand in its historical context. In my series, 666/999 5G, the Mark of the Beast, and the UPC Code, Chapter 15, I brought current a study that went way back into how the term developed and evolved over 6,000 years of history to where it has emerged as a key symbol in Bible prophecy of the present day.

Traces of the notions of a mark are already found in Isaiah 44:5 (the mark of belonging to the Lord on the right hand) and Ezekiel 9:3–11 (mark on the forehead of all those who moan and groan over all the abomination practiced in the city of Jerusalem). In Psalms of Solomon 15:6–9, the mark of the believer (indicating salvation) is contrasted to the unbeliever's mark (indicating destruction). The 20<sup>th</sup> century appearance of this

Mark began in 1974 when the grocery industry adopted the Universal Product Code, or UPC barcode. With the decoding of the human genome in 2003 it became possible to express animal and human DNA in the format of the UPC barcode. This had remained unknown to the public until the introduction of the DNA gene-editing device called CRISPR-Cas9 in 2013. With CRISPR came the ability to produce "designer babies" and scientists becoming like God in the creation process.



Stadel (2016) gave four common interpretations of  $\chi \acute{a} \rho \alpha \gamma \mu \alpha$  Firstly,  $\chi \acute{a} \rho \alpha \gamma \mu \alpha$  could refer to insubordinate slaves and captured soldiers being tattooed on the arm with either an owl, a galloping horse or an ivy leaf, or inscribed with their new master's seal. Secondly, it could refer to an imperial seal with the image and name of a Roman emperor, implying technical legal understanding of the word. Thirdly, reference could be to the Roman coin, with an image of a Roman emperor, for both private and public commerce and fourthly, it could refer to the Jewish practice of wearing phylacteries.

Stadel (2016) concluded that these interpretations are of no help to understand the meaning of Revelation 13:16 because of the following reasons.  $\chi \dot{\alpha} \rho \alpha \gamma \mu \alpha$  for subordination was more of a disgrace than a sign of loyalty. The imperial seals used were meant for specialized imperial records and not for public or commercial usage. Moreover, the mark in Revelation 13:16 is on the person's right hand or forehead and not on a coin; and Jewish phylactery was typically worn on the left arm rather than the right (see Exodus 13:9 and Deuteronomy 6:8).

This verse indicates God-given wisdom is necessary for understanding the meaning of the mark, and the "name" or character of the beast. However, the number **666** has become very controversial and has stirred more speculation than almost anything else in the Bible.

This chapter has highlighted seven activities. There is an exciting movement from the aorist tenses in 13:1–8 to imperfects in 13:11 to present tenses in 13:12–18, undoubtedly for more extraordinary vividness in describing the ongoing work of the Antichrist and his false prophet. The verb  $\pi o i \epsilon \omega$  occurs nine times in verses 12–16. As a main verb, it emphasizes the implausible activity of the false prophet highlighted seven activities. on behalf of his master.

The dragon gives his authority to the first beast (13:2b) and that beast gives his authority to the second. This ' $\dot{\epsilon}\xi ou\sigma i\alpha v$  ...  $\pi\tilde{\alpha}\sigma\alpha v$ ' (v. 12) refers to the complete transfer of authority from the Antichrist to his agent to accomplish his nefarious work  $\dot{\epsilon}v\dot{\omega}\pi iov~\alpha\dot{u}\tau o\tilde{u}$ , as his commissioning, and under his authority.

13:12 The second beast engages in seven activities.

Firstly, he exercises the authority of the first beast.

Secondly, he causes the earth to worship the first beast.

13:13 Thirdly, he caused the earth and all inhabitants to worship the first beast.

13:14 Fourthly, the beast deceives humankind utilizing his miraculous signs. He tells them specifically to make a statue of the first beast.

The performing of  $\sigma\eta\mu\epsilon\tilde{\imath}a$   $\mu\epsilon\gamma\acute{a}\lambda\alpha$  was a significant focus of his 'work', which is the third  $\pi\sigma\iota\epsilon\tilde{\imath}$  in the passage. This was the counterfeit miracles mirroring those performed by Elijah and Jesus Christ as well as the two witnesses of 11:5–6. Exodus 4:17; 7:9–10; 10:1–2 described Moses as a prophet who performed miraculous signs, and Elijah and Elisha are also counted amongst those who produced spectacular miracles. The Gospel, according to John, is built around Jesus'  $\sigma\eta\mu\epsilon\tilde{\imath}o\nu$ , which provided a theological pointer to the significance of Jesus as the Christ.

Counterfeit miracles, signs and wonders typify false teachers and prophets throughout history -(Deuteronomy 13:1–4 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2:9). In particular, the false prophet parodies Elijah, who called down fire from heaven both at Mount Carmel -(1<sup>st</sup> Kings 18:36–39) and with the soldiers sent to arrest him -(2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 1:10–14). Like Elijah, the false prophet calls down fire from heaven ἐνώπιον τῶν ἀνθρώπων. This may not be a religious act but rather a public-relations performance intended to promote allegiance to the false trinity. The use of prophetic power by the false witness is for self-aggrandizement, to be seen and worshiped by the people -(e.g. Jeremiah 23:9–14; Ezekiel 13:1–23). The modern-day beast system can call down fire from heaven in the form of aircraft laser-guided missiles and munitions. A combatant's cell phone contains a GPS chip and can act as a GPS homing device to target a person for elimination. As the illustration on the next page shows, a lethal invisible bullet from a **5G EMR** satellite can do the very same thing!

13:15 Fifthly, he animates the image of the beast that earth dwellers make so that it can even speak and destroy those who refuse to worship it.

13:16–17 Sixthly, he causes the whole world to take the mark ( $\chi \acute{a} \rho \alpha \gamma \mu \alpha$ ) of the beast; then (seventh) he makes business transactions impossible for those who do not possess the mark of the beast. According to many scholars, the receiving of the

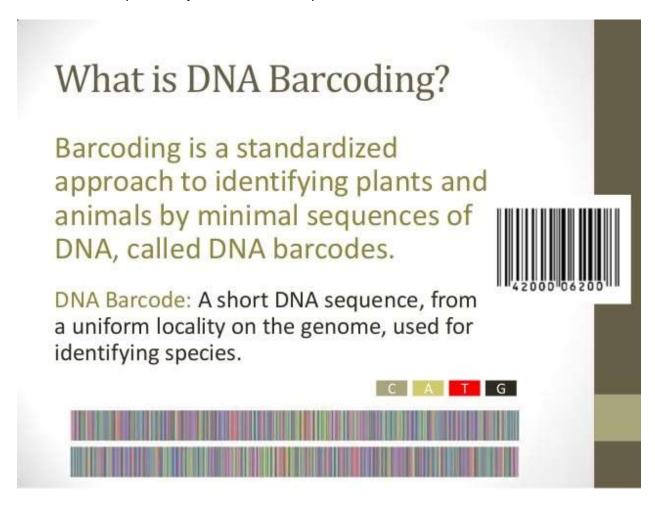
χάραγμα was to identify their allegiance to the Antichrist. The emphasis is on πάντας, meaning every human being, unbeliever and believer. Every subgroup of humanity is pointed out with the article's repetition before each to stress the individual groups. The three pairs of social categories emphasized are the small and the great, the rich and the poor, the free and the slave.



In all the occurrences in Revelations, the indication is clear that God does not play favorites and that there is no distinction between the haves and the have-nots before God or the satanic realm. This Scripture pericope points to the false trinity's pretension that the beast is the Christ. The beast's mark that the second beast causes the whole world to receive is the number of a human being. It adds up to 666. The revelation of this number prior to the appearance of the beast sensitizes humankind to its significance; in revealing it ahead of time, God imparts wisdom to those who will heed his revelation to reject the mark. The Holy Spirit speaks through intuition and when one senses something is awry one is always wise to side on a position of caution!

Before the invention of Arabic numbers (1, 2, 3, etc.) the Jews and Greeks often used letters of the alphabet for numbers. The first 10 letters were used for the numbers 1 through 10. The next letter, 20; the next, 30; and so on. It has been a popular pastime to add up the letters in names to try to come out with a total of **666**. Some have taken Nero Caesar, put it into Hebrew letters (*Neron Kaisar*, which is not the normal way of spelling it), and have obtained a total of **666**. However, the Book of Revelation is Greek in the original, so this system is incorrect. Thus, there are no real grounds for applying it to Nero.

Throughout history people have tried to find **666** in almost every dictator or evil emperor that has come along. By various systems the number has been applied to men such as Hitler, Mussolini, and Stalin, even to some United States presidents. Some have assigned this number to the Pope. They came up with the correct figure by using the inscription, dedicated to the Pope, which is inscribed around the top of the wall inside St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. It is said that adding up just the letters that represent Roman numerals, the total comes to **666**. There is nothing in the Book of Revelation, however, that specifically tells us to add up the numbers in the name of the beast.



Biblically, the number 6 has always been associated with man. The significance of **666** is that the number 6 is the number of man. Man was created on Day 6 of creation – another 6. God also created the serpent that deceived man on the same 6th day. (See Genesis 1:24-31)

In my series noted above, both the Vatican and Prince Charles of Wales does = **666**. Visual graphics of both follow on the next page. The very title of Prince Charles of Wales = **666** in three languages: English, Greek, and Hebrew. The image on the next page is from a Spanish language speaking church in Brazil. Catholic sources more than a century ago reported this inscription engraved inside the papal tiara. I submit to

the reader that these two men are the two beasts. The use of the term beast can be interpreted to represent individuals, kingdoms, or inanimate objects such as electronic computer.

# **EM HEBRAICO**



60+30+10+6+40+60+30+200+90+20+10+60+50=666

# PRONUNCIA EM INGLES

# NASICH CHARLES ME WALES

140+380+40+106=666

# **EM INGLES**

# PRINCE CHARLES OF WALES

70+90+9+50+3+5+3+5+1+90+30+5+100+60+6+0+1+50+5+100=666



The key, however, seems to be the phrase that says "it is the number of a man" (literally, a number of mankind). Many Bible expositors believe the number 6 is the number standing for mankind. They also think 3 is the number of the Trinity. The threefold repetition, 666, could therefore simply mean the Antichrist is a man who believes he is a god or who declares himself to be a god. (See Revelation 13:8; 2 Thessalonians 2:4.) With the ecumenical movement of Vatican II, post-1965, any words of criticism of the Roman Catholic Institution ceased in the interests of the ecumenical unity. Vatican II was a Jesuit plan to seduce Protestants to become one again with Rome. That said, the church sacrificed Biblical meaning that has not changed from its original writing. We cannot simply disregard the Word of the Bible as a matter of courtesy from what has been revealed to us in the Scriptural evidence. Most of the institutional church did become captive to Jesuit ecumenism through Vatican II. A case in point: Before 1965 Protestants were referred to as "heretics", but post 1965 Protestants are called "lost brethren."

We need to remember, that the "Mark" of the Beast has four perspectives or aspects that are interconnected. Keep this in mind as we peel back the Greek text through our in depth analysis:

- 1.) The Mark of the Beast has a political aspect.
- 2.) The Mark of the Beast has an economic aspect.
- 3.) The Mark of the Beast has a religious aspect.
- 4.) The Mark of the Beast has a physical image.

It will be important and certainly will become self-evident as to the importance of these four perspectives if we are to determine a full understanding of what Scripture states, infers or implies in our understanding of the days in which we are the throws of.

We now move on to the second and third occurrences of the seven references to the "Mark" of the Beast.

"And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand," –(Revelation 14:9)

"And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name." –(Revelation 14:11)

#### Chapter 14

**14:1.** Before dealing with the final judgments of the tribulation period, the Book of Revelation presents a positive note. Chapter 14 brings a striking contrast to chapter 13. It goes to a mountaintop with a glorious picture of victory. It moves ahead to give a preview of the time when Jesus, as the Lamb of God, will stand in victory and triumph

on Mount Zion in Jerusalem, the capital of Christ's millennial kingdom. While the Antichrist is setting himself up as a god in Jerusalem, it seems the Bible cannot wait to let us know the kingdom and glory of the beast is as nothing compared with that of the Lamb. The forced worship which he will demand is as nothing compared with the new song the followers of the Lamb will sing before the throne.

With Him are 144,000. In contrast to those who will take the mark or name of the beast, these saints will have the name of the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ on their foreheads. Their minds and hearts are identified as belonging to Him. They have been changed, glorified, and made like Jesus. They are overcomers. They are those who come to faith in the Lord Jesus Christ during the Seven Year Tribulation period.

There is a great deal of controversy about who these saints are. Some believe they are the same 144,000 mentioned in chapter 7. Others think they are faithful believers of all history. Some believe the number 144,000 does not represent a limited number but that it means fullness here, so that it includes all true believers.

**14:2.** John seems to be on the earth at this time, for he hears a voice coming from heaven. The sound like many waters and like a great peal of cracking thunder are reminders of 1:15 where the voice of Jesus sounds like many waters and 6:1 where the first seal is opened and one of the living creatures speaks. The plural used here, however, seems to indicate these are the combined voices of many in heaven.

Then John heard the sound of a multitude of harpists playing their harps to accompany their singing. The harps are the Greek *kitharais* or lyres. The sound of the music also comes from heaven just as the sound of the great voice did. It seems to be the combined voices and music of a mighty choir and orchestra.

**14:3.** The harpists John heard were singing what seemed to be a new song. However, like the "new songs" in the Old Testament, it was a song of God's goodness and His salvation -(Psalms 33:3; 40:3; 96:1; 98:1; 144:9).

This verse indicates the sound of their singing was not only coming out of heaven, it was coming from harpists-singers who were in front of the throne and before the 4 living creatures and the 24 elders that John saw first in chapter 4.

The harpist-singers are not angels. No one could learn that new song but the 144,000 who were redeemed from the earth. Therefore, the harpist-singers are the 144,000. At this point they are singing their new song before the throne in heaven. Verses 2-5 give the background to help identify the 144,000 who will appear with Christ on Mount Zion after He returns in glory and triumphs over the Antichrist and his armies.

Some consider the 144,000, "*redeemed from the earth,*" to mean all believers who have been purchased by the blood of the Lamb who died for them. Other scholars believe this multitude is the first fruits of Israel, mentioned in chapter 7.

**14:4.** The 144,000 are further identified as virgins who have not defiled themselves with women. The word "defiled" speaks of something impure, polluted, filthy. Therefore, it can hardly mean that all these 144,000 have never been married. The Bible makes it clear that "marriage is honorable in all, and the bed undefiled" -(Hebrews 13:4). On the other hand, many Canaanite, Greek, and Oriental shrines were all around the seven churches of Asia. Many of these promoted fertility cults where sexual prostitution was carried on in the name of religion. Along with this was astrology, spiritualist mediums, and the occult.

The Bible, in both the Old and New Testament, considers all these things as defiling. Some Bible scholars, therefore, understand "defiled with women" to refer to spiritual and moral defilement. That is, the 144,000 have not defiled themselves with the false cults and false religions that have arisen from time to time and are multiplying in the last days of this age. Rather, they are faithful followers of Jesus who have been redeemed through Christ and have been cleansed by His blood and made completely free from their old sins and guilt. Then, as they have walked in the Spirit in sanctification and submission, their lives have been characterized by holiness and obedience.

These 144,000 have separated themselves from the world and the apostate church - (see 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 6:17). They have left all to follow God's Lamb, the Lord and Saviour -(Mark 8:34; John 14:21). They are completely dedicated to Christ, for they put no limits on how or where they will follow. They go wherever He goes.

Again John emphasized that they have been redeemed from among mankind. This time he added that they are first fruits unto God and to the Lamb. "First fruits" came to mean "the very best," or, "the highest quality." They are all made first fruits, special, because they are redeemed. The price has been paid. They are cleansed.

- **14:5.** The 144,000 who will be with Christ on Mount Zion are further identified as virgins because in their mouths was found no guile, no lies, none of the deception so characteristic of the devil. -(Compare 21:27-22:15.) The redeemed 144,000 are also without fault, unblemished, blameless as they accompany themselves on their harps and sing their new song before the throne of God. The same word is used to describe Jesus. But it is also used to describe true believers whose sins and guilt are gone. (See 1st Thessalonians 5:23.) Because sins and guilt that are forgiven are gone, white as snow -(Isaiah 1:18), purged away -(Isaiah 6:7), blotted out -(Isaiah 44:22), in the depths of the sea -(Micah 7:19), cast behind God's back -(Isaiah 38:17), separated from the believer as far as the east is from the west -(Psalm 103:12), the redeemed are justified and in God's sight just as if they had never sinned.
- **14:6.** The Bible now returns in another vision to the theme of judgment. John, from where he was on earth, and in vision saw another angel (a good angel of the same kind he had seen before). This angel was flying in mid-heaven, with one purpose: to preach

the good news of the eternal gospel to all on the earth, so no one left will be able to say on the judgment day that he has never heard.

The everlasting gospel is the same gospel proclaimed by the apostles and recorded in the New Testament. There is no other gospel. The apostle Paul said, "But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed" -(Galatians 1:8, 9). Even in the midst of the Tribulation God will still be seeking people who will turn to Him. The message of the gospel is always redemptive, and it calls people to a recognition of God's love, His sovereignty, This is an essential point to consider for anyone that has taken any of the toxic poisonous "gene therapy" vaxxes. His holiness, and is an appeal to worship Him. God alone is the One who created the universe, and He alone deserves the worship of those He has created. Anthony Patch emphasizes this factor many times over.

- **14:7.** The message of the angel will emphasize that God is not only the Creator but also the Judge, so it is well suited to the time of judgment during which it is given. It is the same genuine gospel preached by the apostles and has the same object: to influence people to repent. Even at this late hour of the Great Tribulation there will be an invitation to receive God's grace and salvation.
- **14:8.** Still in the same vision John saw that after the angel finished his work of proclaiming the good news of the everlasting gospel and warning all the people on earth, another angel followed, probably also flying in the mid-heaven. He proclaimed that the great city Babylon had fallen. The words of this angel are the same as that of the messenger who brought to Isaiah the news that the Babylon of his day had fallen, suddenly and totally destroyed by Sennacherib, in the manner Isaiah had prophesied, thus bringing a fulfillment that Isaiah saw as a harvest -(Isaiah 21:9, 10).

The words "that great city" are a reminder of Daniel 4:30 where Nebuchadnezzar in his pride said, "Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honor of my majesty?" In ancient times Babylon was the great city, the center of religion and commerce for Mesopotamia. The Assyrians made it one of their capitals in Isaiah's day before Sennacherib destroyed it. When it was rebuilt it soon assumed its place of leadership in heathen religion and world economy. It became a type pointing ahead to the Babylon of Revelation.

In John's vision the reason for Babylon's fall was that she had caused all nations to drink the fury of her sexual immorality. "Giving to drink" was used in Bible times of irrigating a field or saturating something with a liquid. So these words refer to Babylon's having saturated the nations of the world with such an appetite for sexual immorality and sexual deviation of all kinds that the desire for such things became a fury. Though the preceding angel preached or proclaimed the everlasting gospel and showed that even the judgments were intended to encourage people to worship God, most did not do so.

The Babylon of Daniel's day called on his three friends to join others in the worship of the golden image and threw them into a fiery furnace when they refused to worship anyone but the true God. The Roman Babylon of John's day persecuted Christians who refused to worship the emperor of Rome. The Babylon of Revelation refers to a worldwide political and religious system of the Antichrist that will torment and kill those who do not worship him.

This is not a different fall of Babylon from that prophesied in chapters 17 and 18. Those chapters give more details of this Babylon, which seems to be more than a city. It either heads or represents the whole world system in its political, religious, and commercial aspects or it suggests America. It is a message of warning and mercy, declaring that the religious system mankind has accepted has fallen. Note that it is a call to repentance but of short duration.

**14:9.** As the vision continued John saw a third angel with a further warning of the severity of the judgment to come. He too spoke with a loud voice for all to hear. <u>His message was that there will be no escape from the judgment to come for anyone who worships the beast and his image and takes a mark (of the beast) on his forehead or on his hand. By taking the mark and worshiping the beast and its image, they will seal their doom forever and ever. What a contrast this is with the temporary torment and death the Antichrist will bring on those who do not take the Mark of the Beast.</u>

**14:10.** The whole world that has been permeated with Babylonian immorality and corruption and that has drunk of Babylon's wine of passionate immorality and then worshiped the beast and its image and took its mark, will drink another type of wine. They will drink the wine of God's fury, mixed in the cup of His wrath, and they will drink it undiluted. "Fury" (Greek, thumou) is used of anger, wrath, and rage, and its outpouring is a common figure in the Old Testament. "Wrath" (Greek, orgēs) is the outpouring of God's anger against sin and evil. Both words indicate how serious God regards sin. The two words together bring emphasis to God's holy and righteous judgment against sin. Because God loves the world and because He knows what sin does, He hates sin, and His holiness demands that sin be judged. For that reason, those who practice sin and evil, who make sin their lifestyle, must suffer the wrath of God in judgment.

The pronouncement of this third angel is probably the most terrifying message found anywhere in the Bible concerning the fearful and final destiny of the lost. Throughout history believers have been held up as objects of public derision. Even so, the damned in the world to come must bear their judgment of "shame and everlasting contempt" - (Daniel 12:2). It will be in the view of the entire universe as a demonstration and warning of the final results of sin. The Lamb who was slain for our sins and who was once judged by men will now Himself to be the Judge -(cf. Matthew 26:64).

Let it be said, however, that there is no hint here of the attitude described in Jewish apocalyptic writings that the saints will gloat and triumph over the ungodly in their

misery. For a Christian to do this would be unchristian. Remember Jesus' forgiveness of His enemies even as He hung in torment on the cross.

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**14:11.** Those who worship the beast and its image and receive or take the mark of its name will never have any rest day or night, for the smoke of their torment will go up for ever and ever. Some have taught that the torment of the wicked is only temporary. But

the Bible says the fire is unquenchable -(Matthew 3:12; Mark 9:43, 45; Luke 3:17). By its very nature it can never be extinguished. Its purpose is for eternal punishment.

One group teaches that the lake of fire will annihilate the sinners, so they will go out of existence. Still another group teaches that the purpose of the lake of fire is for purification, so that sinners and even Satan will be purified and saved in the end. But if it were possible for the lake of fire to bring salvation to sinners, why did Jesus have to die? This doctrine denies the necessity of the Cross.

The entire Bible shows that the Cross and the resurrection of Jesus are central in God's plan. If there is salvation through the lake of fire, then Peter was wrong when he said concerning Jesus, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" -(Acts 4:12). That their smoke goes up unto the ages of the ages is the Greek way of saying forever and forever. No wonder Jesus asserted there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth when those in outer darkness realize they have missed the indescribable joys of heaven -(Matthew 25:30, 41).

**14:12.** Why did the Lord have John record the messages of these three angels? It was not simply for the benefit of the people who will still be alive during the Tribulation. Rather, these messages are intended to give encouragement for the endurance of the saints, saints who continue to keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. They are saints because they are born-again believers who have dedicated themselves to the worship and service of God. They make the will of God as revealed in His Word their lifestyle. The faith of Jesus is undoubtedly an objective genitive here and means they keep their faith in Jesus.

There were saints in John's day who needed to be encouraged by the fact that God will finally bring judgment on the world that rejects Christ and the gospel. All through the Church Age persecuted saints have been encouraged to endure suffering by what they read in the Book of Revelation. Christians in many parts of the world are being persecuted today and have been so since the beginning of the church. They need this message that encourages them not to give up, even in the face of possible martyrdom, for God will judge those who refuse the gospel. His justice will prevail.

**14:13.** Again in this vision John heard a voice from heaven. This time it was directed to him personally, and he was given the command to write. The final message of this vision is a word of encouragement. Some expositors do not apply this message to the people living during the Tribulation, saying it was a message for the Christians of John's time and also for all believers throughout Church history. From John's day on to the time of the end the dead who die in the Lord (that is, in fellowship with the Lord and in spiritual union with Him) are blessed or happy. The word is plural to indicate a fullness of blessings. The same word is used in the Beatitudes in Matthew 5. It means a happiness that does not depend on circumstances, because it comes from the fullness

of the blessings of the Lord. These blessings and the happiness and joy that goes with them are eternal and will be wonderful beyond anything that can be imagined today.

The confirmation from the Holy Spirit is that those who "die in the Lord" will indeed rest from their labors. Their labors on earth are over, but since their works were in line with God's plan of redemption they will be treasures in heaven that will bring great reward at the judgment seat of Christ. This was an encouragement for those in John's day and also for believers today.

However, even if the admonition applies to believers of any era, other scholars adopt a different view because of the context, e.g., the term "from henceforth." They assert the meaning is that the trials will be so great it would be better to be martyred than to live through the Tribulation.

**14:14.** Now John saw a new vision. This time the vision was undoubtedly a prophecy of the judgments which will occur at the end of the Tribulation as described in 16:12-16 and 19:11-20. As John looked up from the earth he saw a white cloud. Sitting on the cloud was one *"like unto the Son of man."* This is language that refers back to Daniel 7:13 where Daniel in night visions saw *"one like the Son of man"* who came with the clouds of heaven. Jesus identified himself to His disciples as this Son of Man whose coming in power and great glory will cause all the tribes of the earth to mourn -(Matthew 24:30). Later, when He was on trial before the Jewish Sanhedrin He told them the time would come when they would see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of (God's) power and coming in the clouds of heaven -(Matthew 26:64). Jesus identified himself with Daniel's vision of the Son of Man. The high priest called His words blasphemy. But John's vision confirms that Jesus is Daniel's Son of Man who will receive the Kingdom. He will come in victory and triumph.

The golden crown on His head indicates His royal power and glory. In Zechariah 6:9-13 crowns were put on the head of the high priest. It pointed to the fact that Christ would first do His priestly work and afterward would be crowned as King and Judge. He accomplished His priestly work of atonement on the cross. Now He is at the right hand of the Father interceding for believers.

When He returns the sickle in His hand will be for the purpose of judgment. John's vision is a reminder of what Jesus said in John 5:22, 23, "The Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son." He is still the Lamb who offered himself for the sins of all people of all times and places. But He warned that sinners will find Him coming as Judge when He returns.

**14:15.** In his vision John saw still another angel (of the same kind as before) appear. This one came out of the sanctuary in heaven. This indicates He was an emissary representing the holiness of heaven's Holy of Holies, the holiness and righteousness of God himself. He too cried out with a loud voice, apparently loud enough for those on earth to hear, but he addressed the one sitting on the cloud. The one like the Son of

Man must send out his sickle and reap. There can be no more delay. The time of reaping has come. The harvest of the earth is not merely ripe, it has literally dried up and withered. So this is not a harvest of good fruit. It is rather like the cutting off of dried up branches that have no life in them. The people it affects are all spiritually dead. They have been deceived by the Antichrist. They are ripe for this harvest of judgment that will come at the end of the Tribulation.

**14:16.** Now that the time for the judgment has come, the Son of Man sitting on the cloud does not hesitate. With one decisive move the sickle will reap the earth. This does not mean that He will do it all himself. Other passages show He will use angels for at least part of the work of judgment. -(See Matthew 25:41)

Too many have pictured Jesus only as meek, mild, and gentle. He is indeed filled with love, and as the Good Shepherd He is gentle. But He is not weak. He is tender and longsuffering. But when the time comes, He will not fail to bring the judgments of a holy God. The harvest of the earth will be reaped, and when He puts in the sickle it will be too late to repent. All too often since the late 1950s the balance between Law and Grace was removed, the pendulum moved toward a softer Social Gospel. Prior to the 1950s emphasis was on the individual's salvation of one's soul.

**14:17.** John saw still another angel coming out of the sanctuary in heaven, the glorious presence of God in the Holy of Holies. He also had a sharp sickle. This draws attention to the fact that angels will have a part in the final judgments of the Tribulation. It may be that this angel describes in a general way what will be accomplished by the seven last plagues which will be poured out by the seven angels described in the next two chapters. These plagues are the outpouring of the wrath of a holy God against sin and evil.

**14:18.** Next, John saw another angel coming out from the altar with power and authority over fire. He too will be involved in the carrying out of the judgments. Which altar is not stated, but the altar of incense is most probable. It speaks of the prayers of the saints. Those prayers will be answered by the outpouring of the fires of God's wrath on the sinful world.

This angel cried out with a loud voice to the previous angel who had the sharp sickle. He must put in his sharp sickle. He must gather the bunches of grapes of the vine (or vineyard) of the earth, because its grapes are ripe. That they are ripe means there can be no more delay. The time of judgment has come. The day of salvation has passed.

Even though they are ripe, it does not mean any of them are good fruit. Isaiah used the figure of a vineyard when speaking of Judah and Israel in the love song of the vineyard - (Isaiah 5:1-7). God had done His part in preparing the vineyard and in planting the very best vines. Yet, instead of bringing forth good grapes they produced bad grapes, literally, stinking grapes. God looked for Israel and Judah to produce justice (Hebrew, **mishpāt**), instead, there was oppression (Hebrew, **mispāch**). He looked for

righteousness (Hebrew, *tsedāqāh*), instead, there was a bitter cry for help (Hebrew, *tseʿāqāh*). This called for judgment on Israel and Judah. He would allow the wall of His protection to be broken down. Enemies would come in and bring His judgment.

The figure of rotten, stinking grapes also fits the earth as a whole at the end of the age. The harvest of grapes as a picture of judgment that must precede restoration and salvation is also found in Isaiah 63:1-6. There Isaiah spoke of One who "speaks in righteousness, mighty to save." Then Isaiah asked the question, "Wherefore art thou red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the winevat?" The answer came, "I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment. For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come." Thus, the prophecy is not without hope. The time of the judgment is compared to a day, and the time of the redeemed is compared to a year.

Joel 3:11-15 also pictures this in connection with the judgment of the heathen nations at the valley of Jehoshaphat ("the valley where Jehovah judges"), the valley where God's decision of judgment will be manifest. Thus, Joel prophesied the command "Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe: come, get you down; for the press is full, the vats overflow; for their wickedness is great." God brought partial judgments in the past. They were warnings. But now more complete judgments must come.

**14:19.** The angel that comes out of the heavenly sanctuary will swing his sickle into the earth and gather the entire vine of the earth and throw it into the great winepress of the wrath (fury) of God.

In Bible times a farmer would carve out a vat or trough in a stone outcrop near his vineyard and use it as a winepress. The grapes would be put in the vat and people would jump up and down on them with their bare feet. The Old Testament -(Isaiah 63:2, 3) used the treading out of the wine as a figure of speech for God's bringing of judgment and the fury of His wrath on the ungodly.

This vision looks ahead to the judgment at the end of the Tribulation when Christ returns. It is another way to picture what 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 1:7-9 describes as the time "when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance (that is, render justice) on them that know not God" (including those who are willfully ignorant because they reject the truth).

**14:20.** Several passages in the Old Testament compare the wrath of God to the use of a winepress. One of them is Jeremiah 25:15-38 where Jeremiah described God as emptying the cup of His wrath on Babylon and on all nations that had rebelled against God. They were all overripe for judgment. God is not mocked -(Galatians 6:7, 8). The prophets warned many nations of their day of terrible judgments of God that would come upon them. These judgments on human lust for power that denied God's power

point ahead to a future judgment of the world, the Antichrist, and his kingdom. No one knows how close the Day of the Lord is, but it will come in God's time. The Old Testament indicates that past judgments were indications of God's holy wrath and assurance that judgment will come when the time is ripe. Surely that time is soon to come, for a world that rejects God is inviting disaster. –(See Psalms 97:3-5; 110; Proverbs 2:21, 22; Isaiah 34:8; 63:1-6; 66:15-17; Jeremiah 25:30-33; Matthew 13:40; Luke 17:34; Revelation 19:15).

The treading of the winepress will take place outside the city. This seems to mean outside the city of Jerusalem. The place may be what the Old Testament prophet Joel called the Valley of Jehoshaphat, which means the valley where Jehovah judges. -(See Psalm 110:6; Matthew 25:31).

The "wine" that comes from the grapes of the vineyard of the earth is human blood. Thus the treading out of the grapes speaks of tremendous slaughter. It may be another way of picturing the battle of Armageddon. -(See Zechariah 14:1-4; Revelation 16:16; 19:17-19.)

The blood will flow (or some take it to mean the blood spatters) as it comes out to the height of horses' bridles, and it gradually diminishes until the flow ends at a distance of 1,600 furlongs (220 yards each). This figures out to 352,000 yards or 200 miles, which equals 320 kilometers.

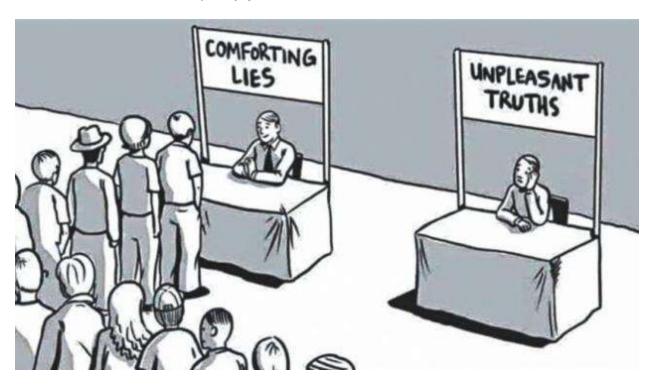
We move on to the fourth reference to the "Mark" of the Beast found in Revelation 15:2.

"And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God." –(Revelation 15:2)

## Chapter 15

- **15:1.** In John's next vision a great and wonderful sign appeared in heaven—seven angels having the seven last plagues. These are called the "last plagues" because in them the wrath and fury of God is "filled up," completed against the sins of the world that has come under the rule of the Antichrist during the Tribulation. In verse 7 these plagues are called the judgments of the "seven golden vials." The "vials" were not small vials but great large bowls. John described these judgments beginning in chapter 16. They seem to be the outflow of the judgment of the seventh trumpet -(11:15).
- **15:2.** Now the scene has changed again and John saw into heaven before the throne as in chapter 4. Standing on a sea or lake of glass or crystal, mingled with fire, were those who were victorious over the beast, over his image, over his mark, and over the number of his name. They had kept their faith when threatened by the demand to worship the beast and its image and by the demand to take the mark of the beast. All of them had harps of God, which probably means God-given harps or supernatural harps.

**15:3.** Moses was the faithful servant of God -(Hebrews 3:5). He was used by God to bring plagues on Egypt, and through him God accomplished Israel's great deliverance. After God brought the Israelites through the Red Sea and destroyed the army that was pursuing them, Moses led them in a great song of praise -(Exodus 15:1-18). His sister Miriam led the women as they danced for joy, playing their tambourines and singing a response to each of the verses of the song -(Exodus 15:20, 21). The keynote to the song was the Lord's triumph and the fact that He had become their salvation -(Exodus 15:1, 2). The song sung in heaven anticipates God's final victory over the beast and celebrates believers' triumphal joy in heaven.



It is also the song of the Lamb, because He is the Judge of all the enemies of God's people, and He is the One who brings eternal salvation to His saints. It is a song that both the saints of the Old Testament and the saints of the New Testament will now be able to sing.

The song first glorifies the great, wonderful, marvelous works of the Lord God Almighty. He is the same El Shaddai who revealed himself to Abraham and who has been powerfully fulfilling His covenants and promises throughout the ages. His ways as well as His acts are just or righteous and true or faithful. Even His acts in judgment reveal His holy character and His genuine righteousness. As the psalmist David recognized, "The Lord is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works. The Lord preserveth all them that love him: but all the wicked will he destroy" -(Psalm 145:17, 20).

**15:4.** The persecuted saints who are now glorified have a right to sing their song of victory. Their cause is just. Though the fullness of the victory has not yet come, they anticipate it, knowing that nothing can stop the Holy God from carrying out His purposes. His holiness not only means He is separated from all sin and evil, it also means He has separated himself to the task of bringing in the final victory and eventually the new heaven and the new earth.

Their song also anticipates the fact that "all nations" (that is, the saved out of all nations) will come and worship before the same Lord God Almighty they are now worshiping. -(Compare Isaiah 2:2-4 where many people will come to learn from the Lord in order to walk in His paths.) This too was made possible by the Lamb. Jesus left the glory He enjoyed with the Father in heaven, humbled himself by taking the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men. He humbled himself even further and became obedient to death, to the most shameful kind of death ever known, the cross-kind of death. This is why God has exalted Him (see Philippians 2:9-11).

At the same time "all nations" will also recognize that God's judgments are righteous and are in line with true holiness and justice. -(See Psalm 98:2, 3, 9.) Because of this they will humble themselves and give Him all the praise and glory due to Him.

**15:5.** Next John in a new vision saw the sanctuary of the tent of the testimony (the tent of witness) in heaven was opened. The language used here is like that used of the tabernacle in the wilderness with its inner sanctuary or Holy of Holies (holiest place of all) where stood the Ark of the Covenant which was the receptacle for the Ten Commandments. The "testimony" or witness in the earthly tabernacle referred to the tablets of stone that were the essence of the covenant -(Exodus 32:15; Deuteronomy 10:5).

"Temple" in the King James Version is the Greek *naos*, a word here meaning the "heavenly sanctuary". Another word, *hieron*, is used of the entire temple with its courts. The temple in Jerusalem was built on the same plan as the tabernacle, but the picture here is given in terms of the tabernacle. But the people were familiar with the Pentateuch (first five books of the Old Testament) and that the tabernacle was built according to the pattern God gave to Moses on Mount Sinai. The tabernacle and its service were the "*shadow of heavenly things*" -(Hebrews 8:5). But Jesus is now our High Priest, who is now interceding for believers. However, this vision indicated the situation was about to change.

Usually the open sanctuary speaks of access to God. Actually, the sanctuary was opened forever when the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom when Christ died on the cross. For believers, Jesus is still the new and living (resurrected) way into the presence of the Father in the very Holiest of All -(Hebrews 10:19, 20). But here John saw the sanctuary was open so the judgments of God might come out against mankind's sins and their rejection of His holy Word.

**15:6.** As John continued to observe this vision he saw a great procession. Seven angels came out of the sanctuary, that is, out of the very presence of the glory and throne of God. As angels, they were powerful spirit beings who are God's messengers.

The white robes speak of their sinlessness. But the white robes combined with the golden belts around their breasts are also identified with the dress reserved for priests and kings. These angels, representatives of God and Christ, will be sent from heaven to bring more of God's righteous judgment on the earth. They will bear the seven plagues, the last series of judgments of the Tribulation.

**15:7.** Now one of the four living creatures that John saw first in chapter 4 comes forward. As a guardian of God's throne and as a representative of God's creation that longs for the coming Kingdom, it is appropriate that he take part in the events which prepare the way for that Kingdom - He comes with seven golden vials, not small vials but great, large bowls full of the wrath of God. There seems to be a contrast here to the golden vials or bowls of 5:8, where the bowls were full of incense that represented the prayers of the saints. Some see a connection here and take this to mean that the bowls of God's wrath are necessary in order to make possible the fulfillment of the prayers of the saints.

The living creature gives the golden bowls of divine wrath to the seven angels. They will become God's agents to bring the last series of judgments on the remaining sinners of the world before Jesus comes back to earth. He will then win a triumphant victory over the Antichrist and his armies before establishing His kingdom on earth.

**15:8.** In his vision John saw smoke that was a revelation or manifestation of God's glory and mighty power filling the sanctuary. A similar manifestation of the glory of God once made it impossible for Moses and Aaron to enter the tabernacle in the wilderness - (Exodus 40:34, 35; compare Isaiah 6:4; 1 Kings 8:10, 11; the clouds and smoke are parallel in meaning). This smoke represented the glory and holiness of God and made it impossible for anyone to enter the sanctuary until after the seven angels completed their work of pouring out the seven bowls of the seven plagues. Since no one could enter the sanctuary, it meant there could be no intercession to stop the judgment. God had been patient and longsuffering, but the time for these righteous judgments had come, as it must. There could be no more postponement.

We now move to the fifth occurrence of the "Mark" of the Beast.

"And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image." –(Revelation 16:2)

**16:1.** This chapter describes the outpouring of the seven last plagues John saw in this vision. The seven angels waited until a loud voice out of the sanctuary commanded them to go and pour out the seven bowls of the wrath or fury of God upon the earth. - (Compare Isaiah 6:6.) The voice John heard seems to be the voice of God or Jesus Christ, since no one else will be allowed to enter the sanctuary until the bowl judgments are over. The Greek word order also seems to emphasize the power and authority of the voice.

Evidently these judgments follow in rather rapid succession shortly before Jesus returns to bring an end to the Antichrist and his rule. The trumpet judgments will be partial judgments, limited in their effect -(8:7-12). The bowl judgments will be more severe, more complete judgments, without the limits placed on the trumpet judgments. In fact, they are stated in such a way that no one left on earth, even in the deepest caves or the most hidden valleys, will be able to escape the effects of at least some of them. These unprecedented plagues of divine wrath, sent by God himself, indicate that the tribulation period is sweeping onward to its final climax.



**16:2.** When the first of these seven angels pours out his bowl on the earth those who had accepted the mark of the beast receive marks of a different sort. They had turned

their backs on the worship of the true God and chosen to worship the beast and his image with all its satanic involvements. Now, this plague brings a bad, foul, and angry sore on them, men and women alike.

It is not an ordinary sore, but is abscessed, ulcerated, and malignant. Such sores were called "a sore botch that cannot be healed" -(Deuteronomy 28:35). Job's "boils" (Job 2:7) were probably ulcerous sores of an infectious nature. They not only itched and hurt, but had a terrible odor, darkened his skin, and so disfigured him that his friends hardly recognized him -(Job 2:8, 12; 7:5; 17:1; 30:30).

The same word used of the sores caused by the outpouring of the first golden bowl is used in the Septuagint translation of Exodus, of the plague of boils "breaking forth with blains (blisters full of corrupt matter)" in the plagues of Egypt -(Exodus 9:8-11). Thus this plague is similar, but it is even worse and more painful than those suffered by Job and by the Egyptians. Some interpreters wish to treat this plague as speaking of moral corruption, but the results and the pain show literal sores are meant.

**16:3.** The outpouring of the second bowl will bring a second plague which will cause the sea to become as the blood of a dead person. This may mean it is not actual blood, but is like the corruption, stench, and appearance of the blood which has drained out of a corpse and is in the process of coagulating and decaying. This judgment of God will come on water that is so important to life, just as it did in the trumpet judgments, but in a more widespread form. The blood which under the Law represented the life -(Leviticus 17:11) here will become the means of judgment and death.

This was similar to the first of the 10 plagues that came upon Egypt when Moses lifted up his rod and struck the waters of the River Nile -(Exodus 7:20-25). There, all the fish in the river died. But this plague will be far worse than the plague in Egypt. John saw that every living soul (soul of life) that was in the sea died because of the terrible pollution. "Living soul" is the same phraseology translated "living creature" in Genesis 1:21, 24. It is used of fish, animals, and people, because all creatures have individuality and physical life. "Soul" in this verse is therefore not used in a theological sense.

Some interpreters wish to limit the "sea" in this verse to the Mediterranean; However, in view of the fact that these seven last plagues are severe and are not limited, the word "sea" seems to be more general, including all the oceans and seas. Some interpreters wish to treat this plague as symbolic, with the sea representing the nations in general. However, this would mean every person in the world would die in this plague, and that is not the case, for other plagues follow. Consequently, the plague must affect literal seas and oceans and sea creatures.

**16:4.** When the third angel pours out the third golden bowl of God's wrath, the third plague will cause the rivers, streams, and springs to become blood also. There is no limit here as there was with the third trumpet judgment. All the sources of water for drinking and for washing are turned to blood. The Bible does not tell us the results, but

this plague must bring suffering and death, for a human being cannot live long without water. The only possible solution to the problem will be finding a means of filtering out the water. But only relatively few will benefit from this, so there must be great suffering for humans and beasts alike.

**16:5.** John now heard the angel of the waters interject a justification for this terrible plague. Previously the Book of Revelation has spoken of angels who have power over winds (7:1) and power over fire (14:18). Now another angel is introduced. This is the only place where he is mentioned. Some suppose this angel is one who has been given control over the waters of the earth. Others suppose this angel is the third of the seven angels, the angel who will pour out this bowl of God's wrath on the waters.

This angel does not complain about the judgment of God. Instead, he recognizes that God is righteous. He knows also that God is the Eternal One, who always is, was, and shall be. Because of who He is He will be true to His own righteous nature, and the angel recognizes that God has demonstrated His nature by judging the followers of the Antichrist who are still left on the earth.

**16:6.** God's righteousness and justice are seen also by the fact that these who have nothing left but blood to drink were themselves shedders of blood. They were all part of a world system that has shed the blood of saints and prophets. The saints refer primarily to the New Testament believers who lived lives consecrated to God and dedicated to His worship and service. Stephen was the first martyr. Many thousands of believers have been faithful unto death throughout the centuries from that day to this. Many more are yet to be added to their number.

Prophets are speakers for God. Primarily, this seems to refer to New Testament prophets who have been used regularly by the Spirit to strengthen, edify, and encourage believers in the local churches. Like the Old Testament prophets, they risked their lives, and many lost their lives for the sake of Christ and the gospel.

**16:7.** John heard another voice out of the altar confirming the message of the angel of the waters. The speaker is not identified, but he is probably another angel. He affirmed also that no one can question God's acts of judgment for they are true and righteous. - (Compare Psalm 19:9.) He is the Lord God Almighty. He is who He is, and He has the power to carry out judgments that show the kind of righteous and holy God that He is. The same El Shaddai who provided for the needs of Abraham and gave him promises is also the Mighty to save, and the Almighty Judge.

The world does not understand the "exceeding sinfulness of sin." -(See Romans 7:13.) Nor does it understand the holiness of God that separates Him from all sin and evil so that He has an intense hatred of sin. Though God is also loving, His love must work in line with His holiness. Those who reject His provision for salvation through the blood of Jesus must be punished. In other words, sin must be dealt with. Those who do not deal with their sin at the Cross by confessing it and accepting God's forgiveness,

must have their sin dealt with in judgment. -(See John 3:19; Hebrews 1:9; Psalm 119:137.) This is not something arbitrary. It is part of the nature of reality.

**16:8.** The first three plagues will affect the earth, air, and water. The fourth plague will be poured out on the sun. The God who created the sun has power over it as well. He can use it also to bring part of these final judgments. So the sun is given power to scorch the earth. This does not mean that by some natural process the sun will begin to give out more energy such as through the solar eleven year cycles. This miracle of judgment will be accomplished by the power of God. Fire in the Bible often speaks of judgment -(Isaiah 24:6; Malachi 4:1; and Matthew 3:10-12, for example). The fire here will aggravate the suffering caused by the ulcerated sores on the skin of those who have taken the mark of the beast.

It may be also that this heat will melt the ice at the poles, raising the sea level and causing further devastation to many parts of the earth. (Compare Amos 9:5, 6). Douglas B. Vogt in his book, 'God's Day of Judgment' discusses the subject of how another polar reversal will occur as the Sun will nova in October, 2046. Douglas B. Vogt shows how the Bible confirms that the Sun novas on precise 12,068 year cycles. If anyone is interested in his Biblical findings there are videos on YouTube under his name and his recent video: "The Biggest Secret The Government Doesn't Want You To Know." God has a clock cycle for the universe according to Doug's work at the Diehold Foundation.

- **16:9.** The great heat of this plague will burn mankind like fire or like a terrible fever. The pain will drive them, not to repentance, but to a vile blaspheming of the name of God. They will realize that God, not Satan, not the Antichrist or his false prophet, has control over these plagues. But they will give God no glory, for they will stubbornly refuse to recognize their sin against Him, and they will refuse to repent. By choosing to follow Satan, the Antichrist, and his false prophet, they will believe the big lie of the Antichrist's claims -(2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2:10). They will continue to love darkness and reject the light of God's truth.
- **16:10.** The fifth angel will pour out his golden bowl on the headquarters of the beast. The Bible does not say where the throne of the beast is. Some suppose it will be Babylon, some think it will be Jerusalem or Rome. As a result the kingdom of the Antichrist will become totally dark. It will be like the plague of darkness on Egypt (Exodus 10:21-23). Darkness as judgment is mentioned a number of times in the Bible (Isaiah 60:2; Joel 2:2; Nahum 1:8; Mark 13:24, 25). This darkness will bring a disruption of the Antichrist's rule. It will also prevent those who are suffering from the previous plagues from getting any relief for their pain. In fact, their pain will be so intensified they will gnaw their tongues in agony.
- **16:11.** For the second time during these bowl judgments of the seven plagues Revelation records that the people "blasphemed the God of heaven" and refused to repent of their wicked deeds. They will recognize their pain (suffering) and their sores

are God's judgment on them, but this knowledge will only harden their hearts and minds against Him. They are still under the terrible deception of the Antichrist and his false prophet. But the phrase "God of heaven" reminds us of the promise in Daniel that the God of heaven will set up a Kingdom that will shatter and consume the kingdoms of the present world system and will be a Kingdom that will stand forever -(Daniel 2:44, 45).

It is implied that repentance could stop the judgments, but no one will repent. Not only is there physical darkness because of this plague, the sufferers' minds are also darkened; they will not perceive the truth. The righteous judgments of God will only increase their rebellion. It should be clear also that no judgment, no purgatory, not even the lake of fire will bring repentance to those who have rejected the mercies of God and His great salvation.

**16:12.** The Euphrates was considered the great river of the Middle East during all of Old Testament times. It was the northeastern limit of the land promised to Abraham and his descendants -(Genesis 15:18), and it was the eastern limit of the Roman Empire in New Testament times. When the sixth angel pours out his golden bowl the Euphrates will dry up. The Old Testament prophets drew attention to the drying up of waters as a means of divine deliverance, especially in connection with the crossing of the Red Sea and the Jordan. But occasionally they spoke of a drying up of waters as divine judgment -(Isaiah 11:15; 42:15; Zechariah 10:11). In this case, however, the drying up of the Euphrates will mean it is no longer a barrier for the kings of the East (the Orient) to come with their armies in the direction of Israel and the valley of Megiddo. Satan with his power will drive them into joining together and taking part in a great conflict at the end of the Tribulation. -(See Isaiah 11:15; Genesis 15:18; Joshua 1:3, 4.). The sixth bowl then is part of the preparation for the Battle of Armageddon described in chapter 19. It will be a great struggle, but it will end in victory for the Lamb.

**16:13.** After the way is prepared for the kings of the east to come, the serpent, the beast, and the false prophet will be ready to go into action. The serpent is undoubtedly the seven-headed dragon or serpent described in chapter 12 and identified with the devil and Satan in 12:9. The beast is the Antichrist. Now the second beast, the beast out of the earth or the land -(13:11-17), is named for the first time as the false prophet. Out of each of their mouths comes a foul, unclean spirit, each like a frog. They are not frogs, but frogs are their symbol. What a contrast to the Holy Spirit who came like a dove from heaven upon Jesus and then into Him!

Because "the unclean spirits like frogs" come out of the mouths of the unholy trio, they seem to represent the sending forth of some means of communication to the world. They are to make known the lying message of this trio in a deceptive but persuasive way.

**16:14.** These frogs are far worse than the plague of frogs that came upon Egypt - (Exodus 8:2-11; Psalm 105:30). Frogs were unclean animals under the Law. These frogs are loathsome, unclean spirits, demon spirits who keep performing miraculous

signs. They go out unto the kings of the earth, that is, of the entire inhabited world (including the kings of the east mentioned in connection with the plague described in verse 12), to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. Through their miracles and through the tremendous influence they exert on the minds of the rulers of the world, they will convince them to join with the Antichrist in the final battle of the Tribulation, a holocaust that will involve the whole world.



The miracles performed by these demon spirits seem to be the climax of what Jesus warned against when He said, "There shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect" -(Matthew 24:24). But, as 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2:8-10 states: "And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved." These demon spirits will concentrate on winning over the kings or rulers of the world. Their miracles will stir them with a bloodthirsty zeal for war. There will be no nations

neutral in this war, this final battle of the Tribulation, a battle that will be part of the great day of God's judgment.

**16:15.** At this point Jesus interjects a warning that is in line with His warnings given in the Gospels. "Coming as a thief" means coming unannounced and at an unexpected time. This is the third "blessed" in Revelation. Believers must watch, be on guard, be alert. "Keepeth his garments" means avoiding the stains of sin. "Naked" can mean "without outer garments, without proper covering," so in this passage it means without the white robes of Christ's righteousness. The sins that people try to hide will then be apparent to all. Instead of rejoicing with Christ and sharing in His triumph, they will shrink back in shame.

**16:16.** The rulers of the whole world will be gathered together to the place called Armageddon, which is the Greek transliteration of the Hebrew *Har Megiddôn*, "the Mountain of Megiddo." Although Joshua captured the king of Megiddo, the tribe of Manasseh failed to occupy the city or the surrounding area -(Judges 17:11, 12). It guarded the pass used by ancient caravans and armies as they moved from the central valley or plain of Esdraelon to the coastal plain of Sharon on their way to Egypt. Deborah and Barak, whose story is told in the Book of Judges, won a great victory in this area -(Judges 4:12-23). Many other battles in ancient times were fought here also -(2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 9:27; 23:29, 30). Even in modern times it has been the scene of great battles. Armageddon will become the center for the battle of that great day of God Almighty, the battle at the end of the Tribulation. At the battle's end Jesus will return to earth in power and glory, with flaming fire to destroy the wicked -(2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 1:7-10; compare Revelation 19:11-16).

This final battle will fulfill many Old Testament prophecies -(Deuteronomy 32:43; Jeremiah 25:31; Joel 3:2, 7-17; Zephaniah 3:8; Zechariah 12:11; 14:2-5). This battle will end when Jesus returns in power and glory and with a word defeats the Antichrist and his armies -(Revelation 19:19-21; Zechariah 14:1-5). -(See also Psalm 110:5; Isaiah 66:15, 16; 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 1:7-10.) Earthquakes will also bring destruction on the whole world at this time -(Revelation 16:18, 19; Jeremiah 25:29-33).

**16:17.** When the seventh angel pours out the last bowl of God's wrath upon the air, thus filling the atmosphere with God's judgment, a loud voice from heaven's temple, from the very throne of God, will cry out, "It is done." The voice is that of God or Jesus Christ. The meaning is that the seventh plague will finish this sevenfold outpouring of the wrath of God upon the earth. Actually, the following verses describe what this plague brings upon the earth.

**16:18.** Voices, lightning, and thunder preceded the seals, the trumpets, and the bowls - (4:5; 8:5; 11:19). The sixth seal also pictured a great earthquake that seemed to involve the entire crust of the earth -(6:12-14), and may be a preview of this same earthquake. Earthquakes will also precede the trumpets and the bowls. With this final plague of the seven angels there will come voices, then a terrible storm with continuing thunder and

lightning, followed by a great earthquake. The voices will probably repeat the judgment of God on the world system now dominated by Satan who is the prince of the power of the air -(Ephesians 2:2), and especially the divine judgment about to fall on the Antichrist and his kingdom. God used storms to bring judgment in Old Testament times. The prophets spoke of thunder and lightning bringing further judgments -(Psalm 50:3, 4; Isaiah 24:17-21; 29:6; Joel 3:16; Haggai 2:6, 7).

The severity of the earthquake is emphasized by a fourfold repetition. It will be great, greater than any earthquake since mankind was on the earth, so mighty, and so great. There have been many great earthquakes in past history. In this century the 1908 earthquake in Messina, Italy, killed 76,483 people. The 1920 quake in Kansu Province, China, killed about 200,000 people. The 1923 quake in Tokyo, Japan, killed 99,331. The 1911 New Madrid earthquake in Missouri was felt as far away as Savannah, Georgia. But this earthquake will affect the whole world. This prophesied earthquake will exceed all of these and will undoubtedly change the topography of the entire earth. In view of the shocking effect of recent earthquakes, it is hard even to imagine what this will do to the people left on the earth.

**16:19.** Commentators have given various interpretations as to the identity of "the great city." Because the name "Babylon" appears here, some believe that a rebuilt Babylon will become a world center for commerce and religion and will meet the fate described in chapter 18. Others believe it is Rome which was the center of world power in John's day. New York City has also been suggested for good reasons.

Still others consider it to be Jerusalem, which has been identified as "the great city" (11:8). It has already been one-tenth destroyed by an earthquake -(11:13), and it is felt this is a literal earthquake which divides Jerusalem. They consider it could be the fulfillment of the Zechariah 14:4 prophecy.

Babylon the Great being remembered before God does not mean God had forgotten it. This is Old Testament phraseology which means God now comes into the situation to do something about it (see Eising, "zākhar," Theological Dictionary of the Old Testament, 4:69-72). To that end it will be given the cup of the wine of the fury of God's holy wrath. The focus of all God's judgment here is on the "great Babylon." This is so important that both chapters 17 and 18 give more details of its fall. The world will see a demonstration that God's universe is a moral universe, for God will pour out His wrath on a world system that has rejected Him. Specifics of chapters 17 and 18 allude to the U.S.A.

- **16:20.** The removal of islands and mountains seems to mean the topography of the earth will be changed in preparation for the coming kingdom. Some believe it means a restoration to conditions like those before the worldwide flood of Noah's day.
- **16:21.** In addition to the great earthquake a plague of hail will bring another part of nature into use for judgment and further destruction. Hail has been used by God, as

described in Exodus 9:24 and Joshua 10:11. It is prophesied in Isaiah 28:2 and Ezekiel 38:22. But this hail will be far worse than any hailstorm in the past, for the hailstones will weigh a talent, that is, about 75 pounds each. Again, there is no repentance, for the human beings left on earth will blaspheme God because of the hail. The hail signs become signs to watch. To my knowledge, the largest reported hailstones were slightly larger than grapefruit size. With that lets move on to the sixth reference to the "Mark" of the Beast.

"And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone." –(Revelation 19:20)

## Chapter 19

**19:1.** "After these things" indicates another vision is being presented. Chapters 17 and 18 deal primarily with the fall of the Babylonian world system. Chapter 19 deals with the final defeat of the Antichrist at the end of the Tribulation in connection with Christ's triumphant return in glory and power. He will bring judgment on the Antichrist and his armies and reign on earth with the believers.

This vision is introduced, not by an angel, but by the loud voices of a combined choir in heaven saying or singing a Hallelujah chorus, sung in response to 18:20, the just overthrow of Babylon. *Alleluia* is from the Greek form of the Hebrew *halelûyāh*. (The Hebrew *halelû* is a command to praise. *Yāh* is the abbreviation for the personal name of God, for which the Jews in New Testament times substituted the title "Lord." Thus, hallelujah simply means "*praise the Lord!*"). It occurs here for the first time in the New Testament and occurs four times in this chapter -(verses 1, 3, 4, 6). The "people in heaven" begin by singing praise to God, recognizing Him as their God in a personal way, attributing to Him salvation, glory, honor, and power. He has manifested them all.

**19:2.** Praise is given to God for His judgments which, in line with His nature, are always true, righteous, and just. The Babylon of Old Testament times was a wicked city, but it was also an empire and a world power that worshiped false gods and persecuted God's people. In New Testament times Rome was also a city and an empire, a world power that stood against God and persecuted God's people. In the Middle Ages the Roman church attempted to step into the place of a political power and persecuted those who rejected its unscriptural doctrines and practices.

Some believe that during the Tribulation the great whore or harlot Babylon will be a revived Roman Empire. Others prefer to understand it as a rebuilt Babylon on the Euphrates River. Still others see it as some great religious and commercial center which will take leadership at that time. Most likely it includes the whole Babylonian world system represented by the image in Daniel 2 and the wild beasts in Daniel 7. The important thing to notice is that it will be necessary to judge and destroy the great whore

or harlot Babylon in order to make room for the reign of Christ and His pure and spotless bride, the Church.

God's judgment of the great whore or harlot Babylon brought divine vengeance on its fornication or moral and spiritual prostitution, by which it corrupted (seduced and destroyed) the earth (that is, the people on the earth). It also avenged the blood of all God's servants martyred by the anti-God world system. When the fifth seal was opened, the martyrs under the altar in heaven cried out for just vindication. They were given white robes and told to remain quiet for a little season until other martyrs would be added to their number (6:11). Now the little season has come to an end. The multitude of people in heaven rejoice that the divine judgment of Babylon has vindicated and avenged them with justice. But they served a God who said, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay" (Romans 12:19; Deuteronomy 32:35).

19:3. The second hallelujah also comes from "much people in heaven." It seems even more emphatic and dramatic. It is prompted by the completeness of the just overthrow and judgment of the great Babylon world system. Though this overthrow is accomplished by the beast (the Antichrist) and the 10 kings (rulers, kingdoms, vassals) who are joined with the Antichrist, the judgment is from God. God used them just as He used Assyria -(Isaiah 10:5-12) and Babylon -(Habakkuk 1:6). As a reminder of God's justice and of the total destruction of the city, the smoke of Babylon goes up for ever and ever. When Isaiah was dealing with Edom as a representative of the nations who were against God, the prophecy against Edom (*Idumea*) also called for a judgment where the smoke would go up forever -(Isaiah 34:2, 5, 6, 9, 10). Thus the same thing is said of Babylon as a representative of the world system, or as the world system itself. (Some take the idea of the smoke ascending forever to mean even though Babylon disappears the smoke of its destruction keeps on going further and further from the earth into the distant galaxies and on and on forever.)

**19:4.** The 24 elders and the 4 living beings in heaven respond to the hallelujahs of the "much people in heaven" by falling down before the throne of God and worshiping Him, saying "Amen," and by adding their own "Hallelujah" as they honor God for His justice and the righteousness of His judgment. They are still worshiping God in this last mention of them.

'Āmēn is another Hebrew word, a great word of positive response that can be translated "truly" in most cases. It comes from a root word that carries the basic idea of certainty or support. It is the response of faith that recognizes what has been said is sure, absolutely certain. Some today look at these prophecies as something which is only possible. They might hope that God will fulfill them, but they are not sure. The "Amen" of the 24 elders and the 4 living creatures shows that they put their full approval on what God has done and on the certainty that His judgment is just and all He does is right.

- **19:5.** Again John heard a voice coming out of the throne with the command that all the servants of God are to keep on praising Him. Some believe the voice is that of one of the four living creatures who are there at the throne and others think it is another angelic voice. The servants (slaves) of God are further identified as all those who fear Him, that is, who reverence, worship, and serve Him. "Servants" here is the ordinary Greek word for slaves. They are love slaves devoted to Him.
- **19:6.** The fourth hallelujah comes in response to the command from the throne to praise our God. Praise is deserved because He is the Lord, because He is omnipotent (all powerful), and because He is on the throne and now is about to begin the reign on earth through Christ.

Some think this fourth hallelujah (as well as the third) is the voice of the angelic hosts. But because they mention salvation (verse 1) it is more likely that the believers are meant. All the faithful will thus be in that number who respond to the angel's call to keep on praising our God. The praise here is louder and more joyful than the previous praise. The sound of this fourth hallelujah is like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder. He is worthy of praise for He is the Lord, He is our God in a personal way, He is almighty.

**19:7.** A further and most important vindication of God's people will be the Marriage Supper of the Lamb, a great wedding banquet fulfilling the parables, prophecies, and typology of the relationship of the Church to Christ. This is a further reason for rejoicing. When this takes place all the universe will know that the Church is what the Bible says the Church is, the bride of Christ. It will bring great honor and give great glory to God the Father as a culmination of His great plan of redemption.

It will be a time for gladness that is full of joy and delight. There will be great rejoicing and shouting for joy. The anticipation of this great event causes believers to rejoice even now. The reality will be joy beyond our present imagination.

The Bride here is called the "wife" as a recognition that she has already entered into a close, loving, personal relationship with Christ. The same relationship is also symbolized by calling Christ the Head and the Church the body of Christ -(Ephesians 1:22, 23; 4:15, 16; 1 Corinthians 12:12-27). When the Marriage Supper of the Lamb is ready the "wife" has already made herself ready. This is a very important point.

Note that the time is after the judgment of "the great whore," the false woman who is here contrasted with the true Church. This is also just at the close of the Tribulation. Thus the Lamb's wife includes all the redeemed, including those martyred during the Tribulation.

**19:8.** In heaven the "wife" is already fully clothed in fine linen, clean and white, thus free from all impurity. The fine linen represents the "righteousnesses" of the saints. The Greek for righteousness is plural here and thus speaks of the righteous deeds of

the saints (all believers). That is, these robes do not represent the imputed righteousness of Christ in which we stand justified before God, although it influences us to act righteously. They rather represent the acts of faith and righteousness that we do as the result of our relationship with Christ. They are the outworking's of the gift of salvation and the gifts of the Spirit which we receive freely from Him. These are empowered and administered by the Holy Spirit, but believers can only accomplish them as they cooperate -(Matthew 25:35-40; 1 Corinthians 14:32).

This clothing of white linen reminds us of Christ's desire that His believers could come before Him "not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing" -(Ephesians 5:27). There is also a contrast here to the false woman, the great prostitute Babylon who corrupted, seduced, and destroyed the earth with her depraved moral and religious fornication or prostitution. The Church shows she is different because she prepares herself by good works that glorify God and bear witness to Christ -(Acts 1:8; Ephesians 2:10).

**19:9.** The same angelic voice now commands John to write. Some think this means that John was to give a special word to the seven churches of the Roman province of Asia. More likely, it is to all churches. The great and the mighty of this world may ignore believers, but the believers are the blessed ones, for they are called to the Marriage Supper of the Lamb and will partake of its joys that will last forever.

The word "called" here implies that these blessed ones have not only received the invitation, they have accepted it. The marriage supper will celebrate the fact that the Church shall "ever be with the Lord" -(1st Thessalonians 4:17). God's love that sent Jesus to die on the cross for believers' sins made it possible for them to be saved from perishing in the lake of fire. It also made it possible for them to respond to that love and enter into and share the joy and triumph of the Lord. But entering into a living relationship with Jesus must be as individuals, not as a body or a group. These promises of the Marriage Supper of the Lamb are the true savings of God.

**19:10.** The wonder, the glory, and the hope inspired by this vision so overwhelmed John that he fell at the feet of the angel in an attitude of worship. The angel rejected this immediately. He was only a fellow servant sent to serve John -(Hebrews 1:14). Only God is worthy of worship. All the attention should be given to Jesus, just as the Spirit of prophecy in both the Old and New Testaments focuses its testimony or witness on Jesus.

"The testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy" means that the purpose of prophecy is to bear witness to Jesus, to exalt Him, and to reveal His redemptive work. It does not exalt the prophet. With 28% of the Bible being prophecy, the relevance of prophecy becomes self-evident and scoffers are negated.

**19:11.** The Bible does not describe the Marriage Supper of the Lamb here. Instead, it goes ahead in still another vision where John saw the heaven already opened and

Jesus returning on a white horse, which means He comes as a mighty conqueror, the triumphant King of kings, and Lord of lords. He comes as the Mediator bringing the Father's victory and God's judgment which are necessary in order to clear the way before bringing in the Kingdom.(Compare Matthew 13:41-43; 2 Thessalonians 1:7; 2:8.) As "Faithful and True" He comes establishing truth and justice. -(Compare Psalm 96:13.) God's people have been waiting for this ever since God began to reveal His covenants and promises.

Jesus comes from heaven in righteousness; that is, <u>He comes in relation to the fulfillment of God's promises and covenants</u>. Righteousness in the Old Testament is often connected with faithfulness to God's covenants. In the New Testament it refers to His faithfulness. He is trustworthy. Full confidence can be placed in Him. That He is called "True" puts further emphasis on the same dependability. It also draws attention that He is true in contrast to the false prophets and false teachers of the world, but especially in contrast to the Antichrist and his false prophet. He is real in contrast to all the false gods and false things the world worships. His second coming is thus very real and will be a definite historical event. The New Testament makes it very clear so that it cannot be spiritualized away.

His purpose is first to judge and make war -(compare John 5:30; 2 Thessalonians 1:7, 8). But all He does is in line with truth and carries out the truth already revealed in God's Word. Because the world under the Antichrist has turned its back totally on the true God and on the salvation He has provided through Christ's death and resurrection, their sin must be dealt with in judgment.

**19:12.** Eyes as a flame of fire indicate that nothing will escape Christ's righteous judgment. No one can hide from Him. The many royal crowns (royal diadems) show He comes as King of kings to make David's throne eternal and to fulfill the many prophecies that He shall reign on the earth. They also show that Jesus is the fulfillment of the typology expressed in Zechariah 6:9-15. As Zechariah prophesied, the One called the Branch -(in fulfillment of Isaiah 11:1-10) will not only be King, but will reign as Priest upon His throne. He is already King at the Father's right hand, but He will be King on earth.

The name (or names, the word may be collective including a number of names no human being knew) speaks of the inner glory and divine nature He shares with the Father -(Luke 10:22; John 17:5). The name or names were probably written on each of the diadems. The "names" of God and Christ are never mere empty designations. They are expressions of the divine nature and character. The fact that no one has known them and still does not know them except Jesus Christ Himself means more than the names are secret. It means rather that no one knows them in their own personal experience. In other words, no human being shares these divine qualities which are inherent in the divine nature of Jesus. He is the unique Son of God, the Son of God in a special, one-of-a-kind way.

- **19:13.** The vesture dipped in blood shows He is the same Jesus who shed His blood, rose from the dead, and ascended into heaven -(Acts 1:9). "Dipped in blood" can also mean spattered by the blood of His enemies because He has come and judged them. --(See also Isaiah 63:1-6.) He is further identified for all to see as the Living Word of God -(John 1:1, 14).
- **19:14.** The armies which were in heaven follow Jesus into this final Battle of Armageddon. They also ride white horses, for they already share in His triumph. Some think these armies are angels. However, 17:14 shows that believers, if not the whole army, are certainly included in it. Their clothing of fine linen, white and clean, identifies them with the "wife" of the Lamb (19:8). The emphasis on the fact that their clothing is clean also draws attention to their being made righteous and clean through the blood of the Lamb.

The Bible is full of assurance that when Jesus returns in glory to judge the nations, every faithful believer will be with Him. The plain statement in 1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 4:17 gives the assurance that those caught up to meet the Lord in the air will "ever be with the Lord."

**19:15.** This verse gives three pictures of the terribleness of the judgment that Jesus will bring when He returns in triumph. The sharp sword out of the mouth of the rider on the white horse will smite (strike down, slay) the nations. The sharp sword represents "the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God" -(Ephesians 6:17).

The sharp sword smiting the nations is parallel to the shattering of the nations with a rod of iron -(Psalm 2:9). To rule with a rod of iron is literally to act the part of a shepherd with a rod of iron and means to destroy the enemies of the sheep. -(See 2:27; 12:5.) This must be done before Jesus Christ brings in the Kingdom. Many prophecies show that the Kingdom must be brought in through judgment. -(See also 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 2:25; Hebrews 13:20.)

The third picture emphasizes the same thing in an even stronger way. Treading the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God is a picture of a harvest of judgment that is deliberate and continuous until the judgment is complete. -(Compare Matthew 24:29, 30; Isaiah 64:1, 2; Zechariah 14:3, 4.) The severity of the judgment to come will demonstrate how much God hates sin. He is indeed a God of love and is longsuffering and patient. Because of this His love is reaching out to sinners. He wants them to come to repentance -(2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 3:9). But His patience does not mean He tolerates sin. The Day of Judgment must eventually come (2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 3:10).

**19:16.** The One who is the Living Word is also King of kings and Lord of lords. This name is in plain sight for all to see. The apostle Paul recognized earlier that this name belonged to Jesus -(1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 6:15). John has previously stated that Jesus will overcome -(17:14).

Bible Scholar Beasley-Murray believes the name is written in two places: on His robe and on His thigh, a practice not uncommon in the ancient world (*New Century Bible, Revelation,* pp. 283f.). It is true that He will not wear an ordinary sword, for He will win the victory with the sword of His mouth, the powerful Word of God. *"On his thigh"* probably means on the robe spread over His thigh as He rides on the white horse.

Believers remember with joy that Jesus came as a baby. Believers remember with gratitude that Jesus died on the cross, and that God raised Him from the dead for their justification. But He is no longer the babe in the manger. He is no longer on the cross. He is risen, ascended, glorified, and exalted at the right hand of the Father as the believers' Advocate interceding for them -(1<sup>st</sup> John 2:1). He is the King *now*. Every believer has accepted Him as Lord. But they look with anticipation for the day when He will return as King of kings and Lord of lords.

**19:17.** The next vision John was given presents a striking contrast to the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. It reveals an angel already standing in the sun, which may mean he was actually in the sun, or it may mean the light of the sun was focused upon him. He is there as a messenger of God, for the Battle of Armageddon will soon be over. This angel calls loudly for all the birds that fly in the mid-heaven to come to another great supper. The "supper" of the great God refers to another result of the Battle of Armageddon. It is a supper for all the birds, but especially for the vultures and other birds of prey. The language used to describe this vision reflects a number of prophecies of the Old Testament, though not all of them may refer directly to this battle. -(See Jeremiah 51:27-36; Ezekiel 39:17-20; Joel 3:9-15; Zephaniah 3:8; Zechariah 14:3-5; Revelation 14:14-20; 16:13-16; 17:14.)

**19:18.** The birds of prey will not distinguish between the victims of the Battle of Armageddon. They will feast on the flesh of kings, captains (captains of thousands, tribunes, generals), mighty warriors, horses, and horsemen, and all kinds of people who will follow the Antichrist into this battle, whether they are slave or free, small or great, unimportant or important. None of them will have an honorable burial. There will be no tombs with their names inscribed, no monuments erected to their memory.

Donald Barnhouse points out the similarity of the description here to that in Ezekiel 39:17-20 and takes this to mean that the battle of Gog and Magog described by Ezekiel and the Battle of Armageddon are the same. Others, however, think there are too many differences and that Ezekiel 38 and 39 refer to a battle at the beginning of the Tribulation or just preceding it.

**19:19.** The birds of prey are called in anticipation for the battle. They will be ready and waiting when the wild beast (the Antichrist) comes into the great valley just south of Nazareth. The Antichrist will be accompanied by his false prophet and the kings (and other rulers) of the nation's left in the world at the end of the Tribulation. These kings were already subject to the Antichrist -(17:13). At the end of the Tribulation they will be summoned and brought together by demonic spirits sent from the mouth of the

Antichrist and his false prophet. The armies of all the nations left in the world will thus join together under the Antichrist's banner to defy the Christ who comes on His white horse of triumph accompanied by His true followers.

Demonic agencies will actually do what God wants by gathering the nations to the region of Armageddon to prepare for war. -(See Jeremiah 25:32, 33; Joel 3:2; Zephaniah 3:8; Zechariah 14:2, 3; Revelation 16:12, 16.) The war will end with the defeat of the Antichrist and his armies. God's judgment will also affect the rest of the world -(Jeremiah 25:29-33).

Many of the false teachers of the world say good will gradually overcome evil. Many say that more and better education will bring peace and continued prosperity in a better world. Many well-meaning Bible believers take only the promises of hope and suppose that the gospel will convert the world before Jesus comes. There will indeed be good ground where the seed of God's Word will bear fruit. There will be times of refreshing right down to the time of Jesus Christ's return -(Acts 3:19). But it is contrary to the plain teachings of the Bible to suppose that the world as a whole will be converted. It really reflects the naïve thinking that Lucifer's claims of Isaiah 14:14. Rather, the world as a whole will follow the Antichrist and take the mark of the beast. Thus, Jesus must come in judgment when He comes to reign.

**19:20.** The battle will not last long. The wild beast (the Antichrist) and his false prophet will be captured (seized and taken into custody). The false prophet is the last of a long line of false christs and false prophets who have shown deceptive signs and wonders, as Jesus himself foretold would happen -(Matthew 24:24). His miracles will deceive many -(Revelation 13:13-15; 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2:9, 10). Done in the presence of the Antichrist they will deceive those who receive the mark of the beast and who become worshipers of his image. But the miracles of the Antichrist's false prophet will not enable him to escape. He too will be taken. Then both the Antichrist and his false prophet will be thrown alive into the lake of fire burning with sulfur.

Though the lake of fire was prepared for the devil and his angels, these agents of Satan actually precede him into it. Satan will not be cast into it until after the thousand years are over -(20:10). At that time the Antichrist and his false prophet will still be there, still in torment. The rest of the wicked dead will be cast into it after the Great White Throne Judgment -(20:15). However, basing their view on 14:9-11, some believe it possible that those who took the mark of the beast will suffer the same fate as the beast and the false prophet.

The lake of fire is the final state of the wicked. In the King James Version of the New Testament two words, *hadēs* and *geenna*, are translated "hell." A third term, *tartaroō*, is translated "cast into hell" (*Tartarus*). *Hades* refers to the intermediate state where the wicked go now when they die -(Matthew 11:23; 16:18; Luke 10:15; 16:23; Acts 2:27, 31; Revelation 1:18; 6:8; 20:13, 14). It sometimes translates the Old Testament Hebrew word *sheôl*. *Tartarus* is apparently the depths of Hades, for it is also an intermediate

state -(2 Peter 2:4). *Gehenna*, however, is the final state, and the fires of Gehenna refer to the lake of fire -(Matthew 5:22, 29, 30; 10:28; 18:9; 23:15, 33; Mark 9:43, 45, 47; Luke 12:5; James 3:6).

**19:21.** The rest of the followers of the Antichrist will not escape. The remnant of the kings of the earth and their armies will be slain. All Jesus will need to do is use the sword of His mouth; that is, He will speak the Word of God, and the sword of divine judgment will strike them all down.

These are all people who rejected the truth of the gospel that was preached during the Tribulation by an angel from heaven who proclaimed the everlasting gospel "to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people" -(14:6). Thus, all of these who are slain at Armageddon will have heard the gospel. But because of their rejection of Christ they are given "strong delusion, that they should believe a lie; that they all might be damned who believed not the truth" -(2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2:11, 12). They are among those who have turned away from Christ because their deeds are evil -(John 3:19, 20). By their unrighteous lifestyle and the lusts of the flesh that they practice, they have cut themselves off from any possibility of having any inheritance in the kingdom of God -(1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 6:9-11; Galatians 5:21). This brings us to the seventh reference to the "Mark" of the Beast.

"And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years." –(Revelation 20:4)

### Chapter 20

**20:1.** Chapter 20:1-10 deals with the judgment of Satan, which will take place in two stages: first a thousand-year imprisonment, then, after a short time of release, his eternal judgment in the lake of fire.

The first stage will be initiated by an angel from heaven who comes with the key to the abyss and a great chain in his hand.

**20:2.** Daniel 2 shows that the present world system must be completely destroyed and swept away before the new order of Christ's kingdom can be established on earth. Revelation 19 shows that the Battle of Armageddon at the end of the Tribulation will bring the fall and end of the Antichrist and his false prophet. Chapter 20 shows the real troublemaker has been Satan all along. He is the adversary who is identified as the dragon, or snake, behind the Antichrist and his false prophet. He is further identified as the same old serpent who tempted Eve. He is also the devil (the slanderer). As the slanderer he spreads lies and false charges about God's people. As the adversary he

opposes believers in all their battles for the Lord and for truth and right -(Ephesians 6:12, 16). The earth cannot know the blessings of Christ's kingdom until Satan is out of the way.

After Christ's victory over the Antichrist and his armies Satan himself will be taken and bound for a thousand years.

**20:3.** After he is bound, Satan will be cast into the abyss, where he will be shut up, locked up, and sealed over. This will not allow him any activity on earth for the thousand years. During that time he will no longer be able to deceive the nations, nor will he have any influence on them or on anything else in the world for the entire period of the Millennium. Thus the Millennium will be completely free from all the lies and impulses to evil that come from the one who is the father or author of lies -(John 8:44). "Millennium" is a term derived from the Latin *mille* meaning "thousand," and *ennium*, "years." It will be a time very different from the present age. God will restore Israel to her land and give her a spiritual restoration as well -(Isaiah 54:11-14; 58:8; Ezekiel 36:33-38; 37:1-28; Zechariah 9:16). The desert will be restored to fertility and beauty -(Isaiah 41:19, 20; 51:3). Even the animals will be changed -(Isaiah 11:6-9), and undoubtedly even the atmosphere will be cleansed from all pollution.

"Nations" is a word often used in the Bible for the "Gentiles" who were outside of God's people and alienated from Him and His covenants and promises. The word "nations" here seems to mean those who followed Jesus and accepted His teachings as proclaimed by the apostles, prophets, evangelists, and pastor-teachers. John uses the same word in 21:24.

After the thousand years are over Satan will be released from the abyss for a short time. He will still be able to deceive those who desire to rebel against God's divine will and authority. Satan has always been a deceiver from the beginning -(Genesis 3:13; compare Matthew 24:24; 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2:9, 10).

The "abyss," also called the "bottomless pit," is translated "the deep" in Luke 8:31 and Romans 10:7. It is "bottomless" only in the sense that it is unfathomable to the human eye and only God knows its limits. But it is capable of being sealed so Satan cannot leave it during the thousand years of the Millennium.

**20:4.** Verses 4-6 speak of the reign of Christ with His saints during the thousand years of the Millennium. It will bring the fulfillment of many prophecies -(Psalm 2:8; Isaiah 9:6, 7; 63:1-6; Jeremiah 23:5, 6; Daniel 2:44; Hosea 3:4, 5; Amos 9:11-15; Micah 4:1-8; Zechariah 8:1-9; Matthew 19:28; Acts 15:16-18; Revelation 2:25-28; 11:15).

Verse 4 deals with two groups of people. The first are those souls (that is, persons) who sit on thrones to judge (that is "rule," as the word so often means in the Old Testament). These are probably the believers from all churches of the Church Age who remain faithful and are overcomers, that is, conquerors, winners -(2:26, 27; 3:21). They will

include the resurrected saints and those who were still alive on earth at the time of that resurrection and the Rapture, all of whom will be with Christ when He comes to destroy the Antichrist's rule and establish the millennial kingdom -(Revelation 19:14; cf. Matthew 24:31; 13:30, 41-43). Among them will be the 12 apostles of the Church judging (ruling) the 12 tribes of Israel -(Luke 22:30). Israel will undoubtedly occupy all the land promised to Abraham -(Genesis 15:18).

The second group includes those who were said to be faithful to Christ and who were martyred during the Tribulation -(6:9; 12:17).

The two groups will be joined together to reign with Christ for a thousand years - (Matthew 19:28; 2 Timothy 2:12; Revelation 2:26, 27; 3:21; 5:10; 20:4-6). This will be a time of peace and blessing with righteousness prevailing everywhere -(Isaiah 2:2-4; Zechariah 9:10; Micah 4:3). The Holy Spirit will do a work of restoration. Even the natural world will reflect the order, perfection, and beauty God intended His creation to have -(Isaiah 14:7, 8; 35:1, 2, 6, 7; 51:3; 55:12, 13; Psalms 96:11-13; 98:7-9; Romans 8:18-23). The animal world will also be changed -(Isaiah 11:6-8; 65:25; Ezekiel 34:25). However, those born during the millennial reign of Christ on earth will still find it necessary to make their choice to follow Christ in faith and obedience. Even under these ideal conditions, some will rebel and disobey. Thus there will still be punishment and death -(Isaiah 65:17-25). These will be sent to the lake of fire with the rest of the wicked dead after the Millennium is over -(20:9, 10, 15).

Scholars differ as to whom John writes of here. Some believe there is only one group, the martyrs. Others add a main group of believers as well as the martyrs. The Bible shows that the Old Testament saints will be part of this main group -(Isaiah 26:19-21; Ezekiel 37:12-14; Daniel 12:2, 13). To these a third view adds a group of living saints who have survived the Tribulation. According to dispensationalists one group is the 24 elders who are said to reign on the earth (5:10). They say Christ is the first fruits of the first resurrection -(1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 15:23); the raptured and resurrected saints are the main harvest -(1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 4:13-18); then the resurrection mentioned here is the gleanings or completion of the first resurrection.

**20:5.** "The rest of the dead" includes all those not in the two groups mentioned in verse 4. That is, they are the wicked dead who died in their sins without ever accepting the saving grace of God. They will not live again, that is, be resurrected, until after the thousand years of Christ's kingdom on earth are over. Then they will be resurrected and brought before the Great White Throne for their final sentencing to the lake of fire.

"This is the first resurrection" means that those mentioned in verse 4 complete the first resurrection. Jesus spoke of two resurrections in John 5:29. He identified the first resurrection as the resurrection of life. It is for those who have done what God meant for them to do in accepting Christ and living for Him. The second resurrection is a resurrection of judgment for those who have done evil through unbelief. Just as the Old Testament prophets did not show the time difference between the first and second

comings of Christ, so Jesus in this passage did not show the time difference between the two judgments. Not until <u>Revelation 20</u> was it revealed that there will be at least a thousand years between them. In the Gospel of John Jesus was simply emphasizing the contrast between the two resurrections for the sake of encouraging people to live for God.

**20:6.** The fullness of God's blessing will belong to those who have part in the first resurrection, which is the resurrection of the just -(Luke 14:14). They are also holy, that is, dedicated to God and His will, for they worship and serve Him in spirit and in truth. Because their resurrection is like Christ's resurrection they rise to die no more. The second death will therefore have no power over them. They are king-priests, royal priests; priests of God and of Christ who will reign with Christ during the Millennium.

The word "blessed" here is in strong contrast to the word "miserable" used in 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 15:19. There Paul emphasized that the believer's resurrection and Christ's are closely tied together. If believers are not going to rise, then Christ did not rise. If He did not rise the faith of believers would be meaningless, and their sins would not be taken away. Christians would thus be miserable in the sense that it is a miserable, pitiable thing to build one's faith on something that did not happen. But He did rise! His resurrection is a well-attested fact of history.

**20:7.** The Book of Revelation gives no further details of the Millennium, probably because previous prophecies are sufficient. For example, after revealing there will be a new heavens and a new earth Isaiah goes on to say the present Jerusalem will first have its fulfillment in a time of peace and joy -(Isaiah 65:17-25, where the word "but" at the beginning of verse 18 is a strong adversative and indicates a strong contrast with the previous verse).

After the thousand years Satan will be loosed. Why he must be loosed can only be surmised. One reason may be that it is a final vindication of the justice of God. Also in every age man has been given the power to choose whom he will serve. This will be mankind's final test. Will he choose God or Satan? Some might say that surely since people know how wonderful Christ's reign will be they would all accept Him. But here it is clear that after a thousand years of Christ's glorious reign, some will follow Satan at their first opportunity. Undoubtedly those born in the Millennium are born with the innate sin nature. This shows they are rebels at heart. In justice, God can do nothing but separate them from His blessings forever in the outer darkness.

**20:8.** Satan will probably deceive himself into believing he can yet defeat God. As the great deceiver he will be allowed to go out and successfully deceive those who still want to exalt themselves against Jesus Christ and His righteous rule and reign.

This will be Satan's final attempt to deceive, and those who follow him will take part in his final defeat. Never again will there be any rebellion against God and His love.

Once again many will take the broad way of rebellion. Like so many during the ages of the past, they will reject God and His Word. They will refuse to learn from the examples of God's judgments on Adam and Eve, on the world of Noah's day, on Sodom and Gomorrah, on Egypt, on Israel, on Assyria, Babylon, Rome, and so many others.

The nations are identified here as Gog and Magog. The terms Gog and Magog are borrowed from Ezekiel chapters 38 and 39. The battle here is quite different, however. It may be that a comparison is being made meaning these people are acting like Gog and Magog.

**20:9.** The armies of Satan will surround the camp (headquarters) of the saints and the beloved city (Jerusalem). There will be the godly remnant, just as there has been in every age. Jesus and the apostles foretold that many during the Church Age would depart from the Faith and leave the Church to go into all kinds of false doctrines and false cults -(Matthew 24:10-12, 24; 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 1:15; 4:1-4). The godly remnant will remain faithful and live in righteousness even in the midst of apostasy. So the saints of the Book of Revelation will be faithful whatever Satan may attempt to do.

God will send fire from heaven to devour the armies of Satan. So Satan will not be able to bring an end to Jesus Christ's reign of peace. All the Old Testament prophecies testify His reign will be eternal. His kingdom will continue on into the new heavens and the new earth.

**20:10.** Not only will Satan's attempt fail, Satan's power and his deceptions will come to their final end when he is cast forever into the lake of fire and burning sulfur. Never will he be able to escape from its torments. Never again will he be able to accuse, deceive, tempt, oppose, or be an adversary to anyone. He will be finally and forever out of action. In the lake of fire Satan will join the beast (the Antichrist) and the false prophet. They will have already been there for over a thousand years. They are still the same, still in torment. Clearly, the fires of the lake of fire have not cleansed, purified, or changed them. Only the blood of Jesus and the power of the Spirit can change anyone in a way that will affect his eternal destiny. It is also clear that after the thousand years they are still in existence. They have not been annihilated, but will continue in torment, along with Satan, for ever and ever throughout eternity.

**20:11.** With Satan gone, the time comes for the final judgment of the wicked and the bringing in of the eternal state with the new heavens and the new earth. The Great White Throne is white because it is pure and holy and radiates the majesty and glory of God. It is God's final judgment throne. Yet the One who sits on it here must be the glorified King of kings and Lord of lords, the Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus declared that "the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son: that all men should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father" -(John 5:22, 23). Jesus must be the one Mediator between God and man in this final judgment, just as He is now the one Mediator between God and man in redemption -(1st Timothy 2:5), and just as He was the one Mediator in creation -(John 1:3).

So great is the glory manifested at the Great White Throne, and so great is the fire of divine judgment that even the physical universe cannot stand before Him in His manifest presence.

There are different views of what is meant by the phrase "the earth and the heaven fled away." Some think they will go out of existence to make room for a completely new creation. Others aver they will go through a transformation and re-creation process.

There are strong arguments for both positions. If the universe is indeed to go out of existence it must be admitted it could not be more clearly stated than it is here. But on the other hand similar language is used in 6:14, yet a thousand years later the earth is continuing to exist -(see 2nd Peter 3:6, 7). Also many passages in both the Old and New Testaments speak of a renewal and restoration of this whole creation.

Perhaps Professor Robert Mounce is correct when he says: "Whether it simply passes away or is melted by fire is of minor import." What we do know is that this creation will be changed with a new heavens and a new earth.

**20:12.** Standing before the throne are the dead, including "the rest of the dead" mentioned in 20:5, plus any who may have died during the Millennium, plus those who died when the fire from heaven destroyed the armies marshalled by Satan (20:8, 9). "The dead" are the small and great, which here must mean all the unbelievers, all the unsaved, all the lost of all the past ages of history, regardless of their station in life. The godly of the Old Testament and the believers of the Church Age, as well as the martyrs of the tribulation period cannot be included, for they will not be "dead" at this time. They will be alive forevermore, with new immortal bodies that cannot die or even decay -(1st Corinthians 15:52-54). It seems the wicked dead will also receive some sort of body in this second resurrection, the resurrection to judgment and to shame and everlasting contempt -(Daniel 12:2; John 5:29).

Though the wicked dead will stand before God, their judgment is still committed to Jesus. The books will be opened, and they will be judged according to the written record of their works. Their works will include their rejection of Christ and their following of Satan. But all their works will be included in the divinely kept records. The believer's sins are blotted out when they are confessed. Even the sins believers are unaware of are cleansed, forgiven, and gone -(1<sup>st</sup> John 1:7, 10; 2:1). But that is not true of those whose sins have not been forgiven. Even the secret sins they thought no one knew about will be there on the books -(Luke 8:17). There is no question but that their sentence will be eternal doom in the lake of fire.

There are those who speculate that any who are saved after the judgment seat of Christ during the Tribulation may also appear here for rewards, though the Bible does not say so here or elsewhere.

**20:13.** In order to further emphasize the fact that none of the wicked will escape this final Great White Throne Judgment, the Word says the sea will also give up the dead who were in it. Though their bodies were not preserved in a tomb, resurrection in the Bible is always bodily in nature. They will have a bodily resurrection so they can appear before God's throne to receive His sentence of judgment. Because death and hell will also give up the dead that were in them, it is clear that all the wicked dead of all past ages will be brought up before the Great White Throne also.

Again it is emphasized that they will all be judged individually by their works. All their works will be judged according to the principles of the gospel, with due consideration for their motives. There will be a difference in the sentencing and the degree of punishment, but not in the length of time of their punishment (<u>Luke 12:47, 48</u>). The fire of the lake of fire is by its very nature unquenchable, and their torment will last for ever and ever.

**20:14.** Since the final judgment removes all the wicked and rebels, and Satan himself is cast into the lake of fire, there will be no further sin or death. Thus death and hell (Greek, *Hadēs*) are cast into the lake of fire. That is, the lake of fire is the only place in the universe where death will exist. Hades, as the place of intermediate punishment with its fires, will be absorbed into the lake of fire.

**20:15.** Since death in the Bible means separation, the second death is the final separation from God and from all He has prepared for those who love and serve Him. In the final analysis, there are only two destinies: eternal death or eternal life. Those who are not in the Book of Life will not inherit eternal life but will end in the lake of fire.

Jesus used the word *Gehenna* as a term for the final destiny of the wicked. Gehenna is a Greek form of the Hebrew word meaning "*the Valley of Hinnom*," a narrow ravine to the west and south of Jerusalem. During the decline of Judah's kingdom, apostate Israelites offered their children in a fiery sacrifice to the Ammonite god, Molech -(2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 23:10; Jeremiah 7:31). Because of the defiling effect of this idolatry, in New Testament times Jews used it as a city dump. A fire was always burning there, and it was full of putrefying matter.

The Bible is very careful to emphasize that the final destiny of the lost is terrible beyond imagination. It will involve tribulation, anguish, weeping, and gnashing of teeth - (Romans 2:9; Matthew 22:13; 25:30). It is a furnace of fire (Matthew 13:42, 50), causing eternal loss or everlasting destruction -(2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 1:9). Its fires, by their very nature, will be unquenchable -(Mark 9:43), and the smoke of their torment will go up for ever and ever, so the inhabitants will have no rest -(Revelation 14:11; 20:10).

The New Testament encourages believers to live with a conscious and continuing concern for those who are living in sin and doomed to eternal loss if they do not repent. This is still the greatest reason for carrying the good news of the gospel to the uttermost part of the world.

When I first began writing this article in early November, 2020, I was largely focused on **5G EMR** wireless energy and its being the real virus, I was only addressing those passages where we come across the "Mark" of the Beast. Between March and October of 2020, a series of events were leading me to believe that the vaxxes would be the "Mark" of the Beast. The official narrative was virtually full of holes and inconsistencies; the recovery rate from the alleged Covid-19 confirmed there was no pandemic, let alone an epidemic.

I began to track the daily statistics by the beginning of December, 2020. The madness about social distancing, face diapers, lockdowns, and the growing mass psychosis, along with many reports from health professionals, and world researchers had been destroying the narrative and yet the government and health spokes people were simply lunacy. Concurrently with all of that, many professionals were being deplatformed from the many social platforms. Their reports were getting singled out as fake news, despite many like Dr. Joseph Mercola has been a reputable voice in the health field for almost 30 years, and this led to asking questions about why dialogue and discussion was virtually being banned.

Reports from those who attended the Davos 2020 meeting in January were all about the Global Reset promoted by the World Economic Forum were inadvertently screaming "Global Governance" in ways not previously expressed. It was if the elite had hit the gas pedal to the floor.



The CDC VAERS program put out weekly adverse reaction data every Friday, and as the weeks rolled by we could see that the Vaxx reports indicated the shots were killing people, causing mothers to miscarry their babies in alarming numbers but the vaxx program continued on, they chose not to suspend the vaxx program, it did not take long to see this was a Genocidal Depopulation plan. I started writing a weekly summary, titled Mass Murder, tracking CDC VAERS data, the issue of side effects to the vaxxes.

Many people have their own ideas about what it is. However, we must understand, that there are three or four aspects to how the "Mark" of the Beast will affect

society. Humans have four aspects to our being: heart, mind, soul, body -(Mark 12:30; Luke 10:27).

In all four of these streams of influence we can see aspects of how the "Mark" of the Beast will have influence upon humanity. My intuition early on was being confirmed on a daily basis in the media, the claims of point men and women on behalf of the call for vaxxes.

- 1.) The Mark of the Beast has a political aspect. Control
- 2.) The Mark of the Beast has an economic aspect. Finance
- 3.) The Mark of the Beast has a religious aspect. Worship
- 4.) The Mark of the Beast has a physical image. Enslavement

While the Medical Community, the Scientists, and the Global Elite billionaires are busy trying to implement the financial aspects of the Mark of the Beast, the real agenda comes from the Vatican's long-standing goal of forming a One World Religion under the Vatican. Pope Francis has been out there running the vaxx public relations campaign in the connection with Klaus Schwab and the Global Reset plan. During the past five years Francis has called for a global government with open borders and boundaries. Shortly after his election, he invited the invasion of Europe by Muslims from Islamic nations and refugees from African nations. France became the center of the firestorm created by Francis, with weekend strikes, protests, and fire bombings on the streets of Paris. I was looking for a link that could explain the sudden collapse of sovereign nation boundaries. How was it that Pope Francis, George Soros, and Klaus Schwab seemed to be so concerned about immigrants from the third world countries.

The Pact of the Catacombs was passed in 1965, combined from many of the prelates of Vatican II, and many of the Curia decided to adopt new titles doing away with the Papal religious authority. They began to get rid of the monarchy figure at every level and adopted in 2013 the position the church would be of the poor. Francis used the Synod of 2019 at the Amazon Synod to become an institution with a commitment to bring an advent of a new social order or the New World Order of Freemasonic "brotherhood of man" to the world.

Who is the master mind of the Pact of the Catacombs? It was Hélder Pessoa Câmara OFS (1909–1999), a Brazilian Catholic archbishop. A self-identified socialist and a priest to the slums, he was the Archbishop of Olinda and Recife, serving from 1964 to 1985, during the military dictatorship in Brazil. He was declared a Servant of God in 2015 by Pope Francis. Câmara was an advocate of liberation theology. It was Pope Francis that declared Bishop Camara a saint and began the process to make him a saint in the church. The essence of Vatican II is that the Jesuits set out to continue to undermine the religious and spiritual role of the Roman Catholic Institution. It was Bishop Camara who personally influenced a young Klaus Schwab. We are witness of the economic revolution being hatched from the catacombs of Rome by avowed Marxist and communists.

Historically, the Jesuits had been dissolved on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1769. The Jesuits were resolute to destroy the RCC for their being banned, and subsequently became committed to destroying the Church from within, and through Jesuit Liberation Theology, and Vatican II in 1965, the Vatican incrementally replaced the Kingship of Jesus Christ with what I would call it a Catholic version of the Salvation Army. It took the Jesuits 250+ years to bring about the replacement of Jesus Christ as the King and to replace Him with Mary as the Queen of Heaven, and I am not talking about Mary the mother of Jesus of Nazareth. The Jesuits and Freemasonry are Satanic at the core however, they use the church as a platform to advance their agenda.

Most people consider Jesuits as traditional Roman Catholic priests, and that is not the case Jesuits are not permitted to baptize communicants in the church and are not permitted to conduct or officiate at marriage weddings. It has often been said that the Jesuits are the pope's Marines. The Vatican employed the Jesuits to wage a counter-Reformation effort to destroy the Protestant Reformation.

Jesus warned that the punishment for engaging in idolatry, and demon-worship is death. Revelation 2: "20 Notwithstanding I have a few things against you, because you suffer that woman Jezebel, which calls herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols. 21 And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not. 22 Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds. 23 And I will kill her children with death; and all the assemblies shall know that I am he which searches the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

The Greek word for "in" in the above verses is "epi" from where we derive the "EpiPen." The EpiPen is something that punctures the skin! As a matter of fact, Revelation 13:18 gives us a clue that this "mark" is sub-dermal, meaning beneath.

The outer layer of the skin is called the epidermis which the Mark is injected into that area beneath the surface of the hand, and the microneedle patch will leave its needle point array in place so that future "booster" shots will deliver their toxic nanoparticles as directed.

**#5516. chi** *xi stigma* (*khee xee stig'-ma*) the 22nd, 14<sup>th</sup> and an obsolete letter (4742 as a cross) of the Greek alphabet (intermediate between the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>), used as numbers; denoting respectively 600, 60 and 6; **666** as a numeral:- *"six hundred threescore and six"*. The word "stigma" means to "stick" to "prick" or punch as a mark:

Below is a picture of the first RFID microchip that was promoted as the Digital Angel in 2001 by VeriChip. Through miniaturization, the RFID microchip evolved into what is now an invisible nano-dot. Millions, if not billions, of these nano-dots are in the so-called vaxxes. At this point in time, analysis has shown that all major Vaxxes contain

such toxic elements as Graphene Oxide, the spike protein PEG, and Polysorbate80. All are toxic elements harmful to human organs.



The second identifier of the RFID chip being a part of the Mark of the Beast is the fact that it contained a Lithium Battery. When, and if the Lithium leaks, it causes a grievous sore! The nanodots of today are energized by use of the host's body heat. The word "Vaccine" comes from the Latin word "vacca" (cow), as Vaccines were originally created for "cowpox". Ironically, many people are placing their trust in "Vaccines" much like ancient Israel, when they trusted in the "Golden Calf." The idea of vaccines came from the Jesuit–trained English, self-proclaimed physician Edward Jenner, and later glorified by Louis Pasteur, a fraud himself, who never was able to validate his germ theory.

Henry Kissinger (one of the wicked global elite members) was quoted in the photo below as calling humans "the herd." It is no wonder that Vaccines stems from the word "cow."

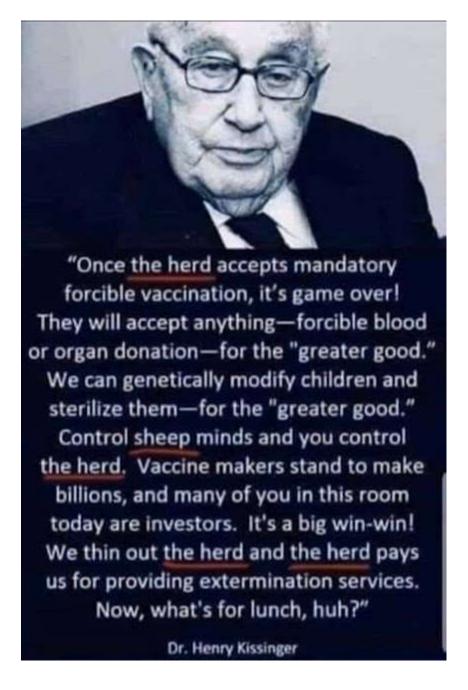
Instead of trusting in for protection, many are giving in to these fear-tactics that are being perpetrated on the masses by the media. The Global Elite see the human population like worthless cattle, which is why they want to depopulate the world. In their greed, they see all the problems in the world (such as sickness, disease, wars, famine, pestilences) as a problem related to an over-populated earth.

Bill Perkins of Compass International last month did an etymology study of the White Horse of Revelation 6. He discovered the word for "bow," which is Strong's #G5115 in the Greek Concordance. The word is "toxon."

The Greek word *toxon* means "bow" or "arrow." From this came the Greek *toxikon*, meaning "a poison in which arrows are dipped." *Toxikon* was borrowed into Latin as

**toxicum**, which gave rise to the Latin verb intoxicare, "to poison." The English word intoxicate comes from this Latin verb. From the root were we get our word for **toxic**, **toxicology**.

Revelation 6:2 uses the word "crown." The word corona in corona-virus is a Latin word that means "crown." In Greek the word for "crown" is "stephanos" like the martyr Stephen (Stephanos) in the book of Acts! The word "virus" comes from Latin meaning "poison."





Could this syringe be the "**bow**" that injects the poisonous arrow (needle) with the Corona-virus Vaccine? The Corona-virus Vaccine was created by Bill Gates to depopulate the world! Were you aware that Bill Gates predicted the Corona-virus worldwide in 2015 at one of his TED Talks?

Not only that, but he also predicted that HE would be the savior of the pandemic! There is a lot more to Bill Gates than meets the eye!

Bill Gates has made it his life's agenda to reduce the world's population using Vaccines! His father was president of Planned Parenthood and his Jewish mother was herself, a bank executive for a Rothschild bank! Mary Maxwell Gates was a regent at the University of Washington since 1975. That year she became the first woman to serve as a director of First Interstate Bank and the first woman to serve as the president of the King County's United Way. Gates was later appointed to the board of the United Way of America.



BILL GATES COMMENTS ON COVID-19 VACCINE ENFLAME "MARK OF THE BEAST" WORRIES IN SOME CHRISTIAN CIRCLES

You may be having a difficult time understanding how a Vaccine can be a "The Mark of the Beast." There is a Giant Computer in Brussels Belgium with the acronym of "The Beast." This computer stores all the private information of every human being on the planet, including all the money transactions you have made throughout your life-time. Additionally, every person on the planet has been assigned an 18-digit Identification number with the prefix of "666", followed by your 6-digit Date of Birth, and then your 9-digit Social Security Number. This personal identification number will enable the B.E.A.S.T to track you and spy on every move you make! Most everyone has three means of location: Social Security #, Postal Zip Code, and a checking account bank routing number. Each of these means of location are 9-digits long, 999/666.

The Covid-19 Vaccine contains the QuantumDot/Hydrogel ID2020, which has Nanodot Microchips designed to turn you into a Cyborg, a hybrid-human computer! Taking the Vaccine will remotely connect you by **5G EMR** Wi-Fi to the BEAST System located in Brussels!

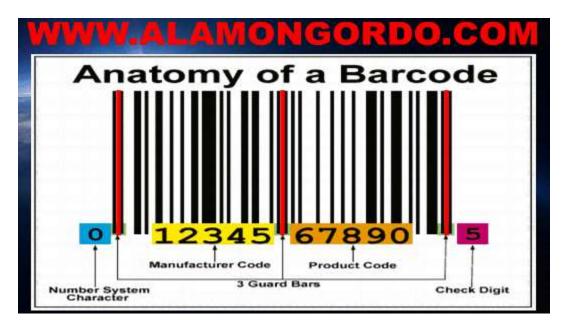
Once you take the Mark of the Beast, you will not be able to repent, or remove the RFID chip from your body. Why? Because the DARPA nanoparticles when injected into the body, attaches itself to your bones, tissues, and internal organs. It literally changes your DNA! It replicates itself throughout the entire body.



Celeste Solum who used to work for FEMA for 20 years revealed a great deal about the World Economic Forum. The WEF web page is several hundred layers deep. Celeste is a born-again believer in Jesus Christ now. However, during her employment with FEMA, she was supportive of the New World Order Agenda, and she learned a lot of things that will absolutely upset your world! In this interview, Celeste Solum says this DARPA QuantumDot/Hydrogel will changes you from being a human being, (created in the image of our Creator), into a Cyborg! A cyborg is part human, and part artificial intelligence man-made machine which become controllable through **5G EMR** wireless energy!

<u>Celeste Solum - "DARPA Deployment Of Hydrogel Mark Of The Beast" - News Update</u> 3/4/20

More than twenty years ago, In September of 1996, I showed my Wednesday night church Bible study group a VHS video on the "Mark" of the Beast and how the "666" was part of the Universal Product Code. It was invented by George Lauer, an IBM engineer primarily as a means to electronically track inventory. He said there was no religious meaning in his creation. The primary reason for its purpose and selection was because "666" could be read right-side-up or right-side-down by a cashier's scanner in the grocery store. A "6" is a "9" upside down. The sample below explains the basic elements of the UPC bar code. It is rather simple at the surface, but there is much more below the surface rendering relative to how a UPC bar functions. We do not need to go into the mathematical algorithm aspects which are part of the computer's software. Earlier in this article I shared how each of us can be tracked through our genetic DNA as a digital bar code.

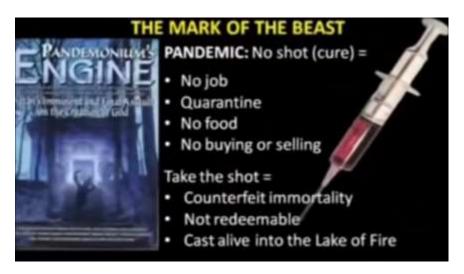


Steve Quayle stated on his web page a few years ago, there was a Christian gentleman who was investigating this Beast computer. He made several YouTube videos that provided great details about this Beast computer and those who had worked directly with this computer. The witnesses who had come forward had mentioned that this computer knew more about them than they knew about themselves. Several of the people who had been in direct contact with this Beast computer decided to seek professional therapy in order to cope with the repercussions that come from being exposed to AI that knows every detail of your life.

I would provide more information regarding this individual and his research, but sadly, all his videos have been removed from YouTube and he is now serving a lengthy prison sentence based on false, trumped-up charges. The quantum Beast computer has been said to be able to process more data in a second than all 7.5 billion human minds that currently exist on earth. The problem lies in the fact that there has never been an internet connection that could keep up with the quantum Beast computer. Now enters 6G. A 6G connection would be able to process all the data that is required to turn Elon Musk's Nurealink into a reality. The minds of everyone who accepts this Neuralink will be uploaded into the 6G cloud that will be centered at the quantum Beast computer. This begs the question; What exactly is the quantum Beast computer and how does this all play out pertaining to these end times in which we live?

There has been disinformation spread on the internet pertaining to the quantum Beast computer. It is said that a sophisticated computer in Brussels, Belgium, was identified as the beast computer sometime around 1973. This computer is said to be three-stories tall and capable of tracking the buying and selling activities of every person on earth.

This story can be traced back to an author named Joe Musser and his book which is titled 'Behold a Pale Horse' (not to be confused with the 'Behold a Pale Horse' that was written by Milton William Cooper and published in 1991). This computer was a fictional part of Musser's story. Because of this people tend to dismiss the idea of a Beast computer offhand without any further investigation. However, as I mentioned above, there is a man who is currently serving a lengthy prison sentence for bringing a computer that is called "The Beast" into the public eye. Though I can't recall his name I did watch these videos before they were removed from YouTube. The description of this Beast computer, given by the whistle-blowers who were willing to talk, in no way resembles the computer that is mentioned in Joe Musser's Behold a Pale Horse. While Joe's book was published in the early '70s the Beast computer mentioned in the scrubbed YouTube videos was supposedly created sometime after the year 2000. Joe's computer is described as being three-stories tall but the computer mentioned on YouTube was described as being in a single-story room and somewhat resembling what most can relate to as a D-Wave computer. This computer was connected to several interlinked large screens that were beyond HD in clarity and used to give the Beast computer the ability to communicate as well as play back captured scenes from the lives of any given person.



If anyone had any doubt that the so-called Vaxxes are the "Mark" of the Beast, that was dispelled once they began to use terms like "No Jab, No Job", "No Jab, No Food", "No Jab, No Buying or Selling", "No Jab, No Medical Services", and one of the most recent ones was "No Jab, No Social Security Payments". As the global elite are becoming desperate in keeping control they are becoming concerned as the virus narrative is unraveling, we are hearing about more variants, etc. Push back is coming from municipal workers, school bus drivers, unions, and large groups. The public are slowly becoming aware of what is happening, although they do not understand the larger agenda, the fact is they are awakening from the one-sided propaganda that silences all other views of the science issues. 27 U.S. Air Force pilots turned their resignation in to their wing commanders on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. The Pentagon issued dates for dead line to be vaxxed, November 15<sup>th</sup> for all active duty personnel, and December 15<sup>th</sup> for

active reserve duty personnel. This will seriously jeopardize the military's ability to maintain performance level and its ability to respond to issues of national security, and treaty agreements with Taiwan, South Korea, Japan, and Israel, as well as NATO. Requiring the vaxx, which is still EAU (Emergency Authorization Use) is illegal under U.S. regulations when existing therapies are available. It is also a violation of the 1947 Nuremberg Treaty to be subjected to an unapproved vaxx. This DoD mandate will not help military recruiting, especially with the blunder or traitorous abandonment of thousands of U.S. military and civilians in Biden's withdrawal from Kabul, Afghanistan.

Researcher Anthony Patch has confirmed the existence of at least two Quantum Computers in existence. I have a background in computer programming, but I am unqualified to discuss Quantum Computing in any detail. I'm of old school programming where data is in bytes, 0's or 1's. I left the computer programming shortly after we converted the KJV Bible to electronic computer format for searching in 1964. As Steve Quayle shared the information on the BEAST in Brussels, Belgium, I have no doubt that such a computer does in fact exist. It is well within the scope of such a system to control each and every living person on the planet.

Anthony Patch in his publication, *'Entangled'* has provided a solid connection with the "Mark" of the Beast is in fact the toxic poisons in the "Gene" Therapy of the alleged vaxxes being pushed up the public, especially when we know Covid has a recovery rate of 99.99% for all but the elderly and infirm. The following link is from Anthony Patch and corroborates the point the Vaxx is the "Mark" of the Beast.

# **Project Rooftop - Anthony Patch**

https://anthonypatch.com/patreon/From the Rooftop.pdf
Project Rooftop What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what

Although there are different experiments contained within the larger scam of the Corona virus, there is no doubt the end game is to tag humans as cattle.

The people behind the program used the **Hegelian Dialectic** to orchestrate their diabolical plan. The **Hegelian Dialectic** uses the concept of "**Thesis – Antithesis – Synthesis**" to bring about change or to modify group behavior. In this case, we can express the Dialectic as "**Problem – Reaction – Solution**". First, the powers at be <u>created a problem</u>, then sit back and <u>watch the reaction</u>. Then they <u>offer the solution</u> that will pacify the people and achieve their goal with minimal effort. I just posted an article I did a few days ago that explains how the public was fear-mongered by a novel rogue virus which was really a simple cold. You can read the details in my article <u>Cruise Ship Déjà vu Again</u>.

Click on the link above or go to my web page <u>www.pastorbobreid.com</u> and it appears at the top of the first page or close to it.



WE ARE NOT LIVE STOCK TO BE TREATED AS A BAR CODED COW!

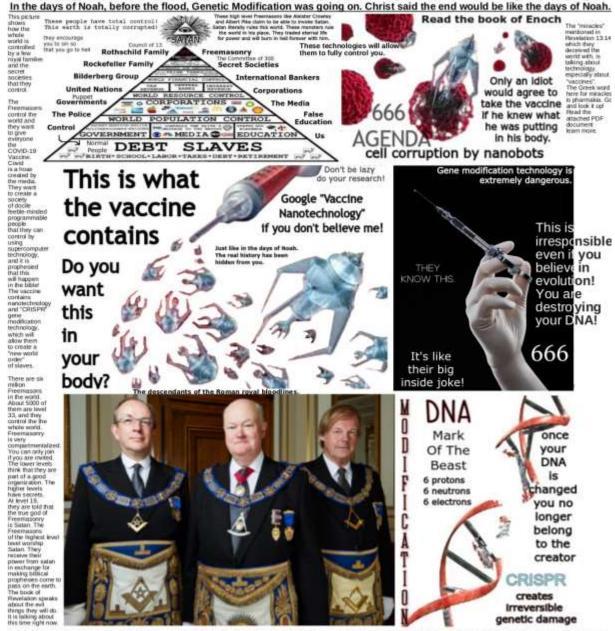
some serious research about these things. Your soul depends on it.

## THE MARK OF THE BEAST 666

#### An ancient prophesy coming to pass at the hands of the corrupt elite. READ THE LAST BOOK OF THE BIBLE. IT'S TALKING ABOUT THIS TIME RIGHT NOW.

The vaccine contains Nanotechnology and CRISPR gene editing technology. It is a weapon of control.

The Vaccine contains Nanotechnology and CRISPR Gene Modification Technology. If you don't believe me, Google search it! This technology is so powerful that over a million people have already died after taking this vaccine. There's a big cover-up going on.



This is the prophecy. They even called it Patent # 666. Satanic Freemasons control this world and they love to mock people.

The world is controlled by 33rd degree Freemasons who worship Satan. They want complete control over people now.

This is what is inside of the vaccine. It is not really a vaccine, they just call it a vaccine so that they can give it to you.

Covid-19 is a media hoax. They needed a way to give everyone on earth what the Bible calls the mark of the beast.

Nanotechnology and CRISPR Gene Modification, activated by 5G. It will be activated soon. Then things will change.

The nanotechnology in the vaccine will allow them to truly control people once they activate the global 5G network.

MICROSOFT PATENT # 666 Revelation 13:15-18

Revelation 14:9-11

Once you inject their vaccine, your body is legally theirs. Literally, And there are big imp They are the descendants of the same political royal families who killed Christ for speaking out against them. They are psychopaths! In 2022, if you do not take the vaccine they will call you a terrorist, and soon after you will be imprisoned or killed. But if you take it, you will go to hell on judgment day. 75 A most important source of truth about the fraudulent crime against humanity is David E. Martin. David E. Martin is the most important person today in the exposing of this crime against humanity. He is CEO of M:CAM, a company that investigates patents, patent applications, on behalf of financial investors seeking to validate potential inventor claims and worthiness of investment venture capital. As such he has been investigating the vaccine companies and their claims since 2000. M-CAM ® has been an international intangible asset underwriter and analyst firm spanning work in innovation finance, trade, and intangible for over two decades. He has proven that SARSV2 and Covid-19 are a synthetic biology created in a computer and is not a natural virus. Dr. Martin's work confirms the virus and its so-called vaxxes are what validates the premise that the vaxxes are the "Mark" of the Beast of the Bible. I have listed all of Dr. Martin's electronic platforms for the reader. He has exposed the pharmaceutical companies scam through their patents and documentation to conspire against humanity to do harm for financial gain. Because the Department of Justice is corrupt, the public needs to share his work and demand prosecution under the RICO Act. https://www.m-cam.com/about

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Blessings and Maranatha!

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