

Revelation 17, this kingdom, is represented as a woman.
The descriptions of the beast are as follows:

1. IT BLASPHEMES AGAINST GOD. Revelation 13:1, 5, 6; Daniel 7:25
2. IT IS A PERSECUTING POWER. Revelation 13:7; 17:6; Daniel 7:25
3. IT HAS SOUGHT TO CHANGE GOD'S LAW. Daniel 7:25
4. IT IS LOCATED ON SEVEN MOUNTAINS. Revelation 17:9
5. ITS NUMBER IS 666. Revelation 13:18

There is only one kingdom on earth which matches all the descriptions listed above. There are many sincere individuals in this kingdom. Many are in it not realizing its true purpose. However, before the return of Jesus Christ, these individuals will see this kingdom for what it really is, will leave it and refuse receiving its mark.

I now come to the most painful part of this tract which is to reveal this kingdom with the use of supporting facts. Before I do this, let me however state, that I have nothing against individuals in it, but I am against its practices. This kingdom is the Roman Catholic Church kingdom whose headquarters is at the Vatican in Rome with the Pope its head.

The Roman Catholic Church kingdom also known as the Papacy, matches the descriptions outlined above for the following reasons:

1. BLASPHEMY

The Papacy blasphemes when its Priests and the Pope claim to have the power to forgive sin, a power which belongs only to God. See Michael Muller, *The Catholic Priest* pp. 78, 79.

Another act of blasphemy is that its Popes claim to have the power to be able to change Christ's Laws.

See *Decretal, de Translatic Episcop. Cap.*

2. PERSECUTION

This kingdom is responsible for the death of over 60 million Bible believing Christians during the Dark Ages. This period ran from about 538 to 1798 A.D. See Fox's *Book of Martyrs* and John Dowling, *The History of Romanism*, seventh edition, pp. 541, 542.

3. CHANGING OF GOD'S LAW

The Papacy has changed God's Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday. Consider the following statement by Roman Catholic, Thomas Enright:

"Prove to me from the Bible alone that I am bound to keep Sunday Holy. There is no such law in the Bible. It is a law of the Holy Catholic Church alone. The Bible says, 'Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy'. The Catholic

Church says, 'No'. By my divine power, I abolish The Sabbath day and command you to keep holy the first day of the week. And lo! The entire civilized world bows down in reverent obedience to the Command of the Holy Catholic Church".

That which differentiates the true God from all others, is the fact that *He is the Creator*. In keeping the seventh day sabbath, one is acknowledging the authority of the true God. The sabbath commandment reads: "Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy....for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed (made holy, honour as holy) it." Exodus 20:8-11.

In changing that which God has set up for us to remember Him as the Creator, the Catholic Church could only be seeking to transfer our allegiance from the true God to some other god.

4. SITUATED ON SEVEN HILLS

The Vatican is found in the city of Rome which is built on seven hills. See *Encyclopedia Americana, International Edition (1975) Vol. 23 p. 659.*

5. ITS NUMBER IS 666.

Every Pope carries the title: VICARIUS FILII DEI which means 'Vicar of the Son of God', or 'Vicar of Christ'. Adding the numerical

values of the letters in this title as shown below, totals 666.

V	=	5	F	=	0	D	=	500
I	=	1	I	=	1	E	=	0
C	=	100	L	=	50	I	=	1
A	=	0	I	=	1			501
R	=	0	I	=	1			
I	=	1						53
U	=	5						+ 501
S	=	0						112
		112						666

*Note - originally, 'U' and 'V' were the same, hence 'W' is pronounced 'double U'.

THE MARK OF THE BEAST

By her own confession, the mark of the Papacy is found in the following statement by H.F. Thomas:

"Of course the Catholic Church claims that the change (changing of the sabbath from Saturday to Sunday) was her act. And the act is a *Mark* of her ecclesiastical (church) power and authority on Religious matters".

The mark of the beast is therefore Sunday observance, HOWEVER, individuals who presently worship on Sunday, do not have the mark of the beast. Individuals receive the mark of the beast only after Sunday observance has been set up by law as will be explained in the next section.

THE SETTING UP OF THE MARK OF THE BEAST

Very, very soon from now, due to an increase in calamities and natural disasters worldwide, it is going to be argued that these calamities and disasters are the result of mankind doing too many day to day activities on Sunday such as sports and shopping. The logical move therefore to prevent these calamities and disasters would be to make sure that men and women cease doing their regular activities on Sundays, and instead, observe this day as sacred.

To make sure that this observance is done by all, political leaders will be influenced to enforce Sunday observance BY LAW. This law will be set up in every country on the face of the earth.

When this law is set up, Christians who believe that SATURDAY is the LORD'S DAY and not SUNDAY, will under the power of the Holy Spirit, point men to God's true sabbath and outline the error of Sunday observance. Individuals who continue to observe Sunday and not Saturday after this error has been clearly outlined to them, will then receive the MARK OF THE BEAST and be forever lost. See Revelation 14:9-11.



HOW TO AVOID RECEIVING THE MARK OF THE BEAST

My dear friend, to avoid receiving the mark of the beast, you will have to have spiritual strength which only God can give. God has this strength available to all who will accept the gift of His only Son, *Jesus Christ*.

Will you accept Jesus today?
Will you confess to Him that you are a sinner and accept His forgiveness?

I pray that you will accept Him today and begin that preparation through prayer and Bible study which will be necessary to face the coming crisis.

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GOD'S WARNING MESSAGE OF LOVE

"Let no man deceive you..."

My dear friend, a crisis never seen before in history is soon to break upon planet earth. This crisis will shake every nation and will involve every man, woman, boy and girl.

In this crisis, all the forces of evil will be gathered against all the forces of good. This crisis will be based upon a conflict between the Law of God and the Law of Man. The focus of this crisis will be the setting up of "*the mark of the beast*"

To disclose who or what this dreaded beast is, his mark, how his

mark will be enforced and how to avoid receiving this mark, is the purpose of this tract.

WHO IS THE BEAST?

In the book of Daniel chapter 7 verse 23 of the Holy Bible, it states that *a beast represents a kingdom*.

The descriptions of the beast whose mark will be enforced upon mankind is found in the books of Daniel and the Revelation. In the book of Daniel chapter 7 verses 23 and 24, this same beast is symbolized as a horn emerging from that kingdom which gave rise to it. In