

JC Comments on Revelation 13

TEXT	COMMENT
<p>Revelation 13:1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.</p>	<p>Revelation 13:1 This beast rises up out of the sea / water - which is a populated area according to Revelation 17:15; given the consequent characteristics of the beast we know it is the Papacy...Which arose virtually literally in the midst of Europe, the centre and melting pot of power, of peoples and nations, commerce, etc of the then known world; specifically, it arose in (the city of Rome in) Italy...It was the 11th horn or power that arose among the ten nations that arose out of the World Kingdom of Rome. (See Daniel 7 vv. 7, 8 etc.) Those 10 kingdoms represented as on the beast mentioned in Daniel are depicted here as the 10 horns with crowns on them in this first beast in Rev. 1!</p> <p>Revelation 13:1 Cf Revelation 12:3. That speaks definitely of Satan as confirmed / made clear in the very next verse. However, the last part of verse 4 suggests that Satan would work through a human agency to destroy Jesus, the man child; the history surrounding Jesus' birth and the attempt at His life through Herod bears this out. (Matthew 2:17,18 = Jeremiah 31:15) The dragon in 12:3 has crowns on his seven heads cf this dragon with ten crowns on his ten horns. Why the difference?...? Cf the beast in 12 is called a great red dragon and this one isn't - It is just said to rise up out of the sea. Instead of crowns on the heads of this beast it has the name of blasphemy upon its heads. So, what are the heads? (The seven heads are the seven hills upon which the beast sits. Rome was built on seven hills. See https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Seven_hills_of_Rome) Papal Rome succeeded Pagan Rome and had authority over the same area (Revelation 13:2) Name of Blasphemy - Claiming to be God and to forgive sins (John 10:33 & Luke 5:21) - The Pope claims to be God's Vicar on earth & confession of sins is made to the priests, bishops and popes. (A sick, sick satanic system if ever there was one! That's why God's people need to come out!)</p>
<p>Revelation 13:2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.</p>	<p>Revelation 13:2 So, the beast was given power by the dragon, which is Satan, (Revelation 12:9) so it can't represent Satan himself but a power, kingdom, nation or system he establishes and works though - as is the case with the beast in chapter 12 - Satan worked through the kingdom of Rome (to try to kill Jesus as a baby, crucified Him on a cross, etc). See Matthew 2:13 - 18. // This beast is different or strange; a mixture of different beasts seen in nature; leopard, lion and bear. This indicates it has characteristics of those creatures but more so throws one back to the beasts of Daniel chapter 7! (LION with 2 eagles' wings, BEAR with 3 ribs in its mouth with 1 side higher than the other, a LEOPARD with 4 heads and 4 fowl wings and a terrible beast with 10 horns and iron teeth.) BODY OF A LEOPARD - Leopards are known for their stealth and speed in hunting and its ability to even climb trees to catch and devour its prey! Relentless or tenacious in its pursuit of what it wants! It also has spots - not one even colour or pattern; the main part of this beast is complex or multi-faceted; also, the Bible asks "...can a leopard change its</p>

	<p>spots?" (Jer. 13:23) The SOP says Rome never changes See GC 581.1 and 580.3 and LDE 130.2. Rome claims infallibility Hence, Ecumenism will only result in the change of Protestantism! The leopard-like beast in Daniel, with four wings like a fowl represented Greece - So, this beast has much of the elements or characteristics of the ancient Kingdom of Greece, including its many gods and belief system and philosophy/system of education, which it took largely from Babylon and which Rome later adopted!! The many gods of course include the worship of the sun! FEET OF A BEAR: This beast would have characteristics of a bear - Very powerful limbs and claws, voracious appetite; though large can move rapidly and has the proclivity to stand on its hind legs, increasing it's height considerably, a stance it takes often when in battle or when threatened...it will literally, "stand up to its enemies"; it also has a distinctive, bark-like (wuffing or woofing) sound it makes that identifies it; it can also climb trees; it's also known to be a thief! The BEAR aspect of this beast speaks to the Medo-Persian dynasty and all it entails; that includes the element of being unchangeable and infallible - as in "the laws of the Medes and Persians" that cannot change! This composite beast / system stands on and therefore has its foundation in the characteristics of the Medo-Persian Empire! See Esther 1:19 & Daniel 6:8, 12 & 15. 7 into and thereby paralyzes some of its prey; making them incapable of running / escaping / so they can offer no resistance or struggle; the lion can literally just come and gobble them up! (Noise, fear, paralysis - death!) See 1 Peter 5:8 The LION aspect of this beast speaks to Babylon and all it entails ... Including the worship of false gods; denying the God of Heaven; attributing achievements to man's power; desiring to control / have ultimate power; the first / main kingdom or power that God used to chastise His people and that was a world ruling power. This COMPOSITE BEAST will rule the world, as did the three empires from which it has adopted its characteristics.</p>
<p>Revelation 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.</p>	<p>Revelation 13:3 This speaks to the Papacy that had received power, etc from Rome (Emperor Justinian in 533) being wounded to death i.e. having its civil powers taken from it via the arrest and imprisonment of the Pope by Napoleon Bonaparte's army (French) General Berthier on February 20, 1798! This signalled the end of the 1260 years of Papal dominance and persecution of God's people during what became known as the dark ages. However, the wound would be healed; ie the Roman Catholic Church system would again have both civil and religious power and return to its persecuting ways! The world will then be plunged into an antitypical Dark Ages, a time of trouble such as never was! See Daniel 12:1; the Spirit of Prophecy calls it the last act in the drama! See ChS 160.2. The healing started in 1929 when Mussolini (Italian Government/Premier) and Cardinal Gasparri (representing the Pope/Vatican) signed a Concordat on February 11, returning the Papal states of Rome that were seized by the Italian Government in 1870 back to the Vatican State. To date (April 6, 2018) the healing of the wound is very far advanced what with the impact of the continued, very successful counter-reformation of the papacy, led by the Jesuits, emanating from the 2nd Vatican Council held 1962 - 1965; the chief plan/weapon designed and carried forward by the papacy from the Council - Vatican II - was Ecumenism (uniting not only churches but religions!)...the so called Death of Protestantism occurred on Tuesday, October 31, 2017. Essentially, the Lutherans, Catholics and Evangelicals</p>

	<p>(representing churches that are the "daughters of Rome") signed a Document of Unification agreeing to end the protest started by Martin Luther when he nailed his 95 theses on the door of the Wittenberg Catholic Church in Germany on October 31, 1517 i.e. 500 years earlier. (Luther - A German, Roman Catholic Monk; Doctor of the Law; Professor, etc.; turned Protestant and Reformer against the evils of Rome and credited with starting the Protestant Reformation; also a Bible Translator) Coupled with that is the overwhelming worldwide popularity and massive (deceptive) work of the current Pope - Pope Francis, who is a declared Jesuit!! No less; to whom the majority of the nations of the world (or at least the most powerful ones) are looking for the solution to the world's problem and the ushering in of the New World Order/One World Order, as well as the overwhelming support of America for the Vatican. The world is truly now "wondering after the beast". Hence, the wound is well-nigh healed! There can't be much time left before total healing takes place!! [What does the "total" healing mean?] I personally believe there's just a one-text barrier preventing the total healing happening i.e. Revelation 7:3 "Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads". We, God's Remnant People, Seventh-day Adventist Christians, are not ready!!</p>
<p>Revelation 13:4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?</p>	<p>Worshipping the dragon who gave power unto the beast - Satan is being worshipped; he craves for worship although he's a creature! See Isaiah 14:12-14 and Eze. 28:12-19 Often satan is worshipped unknowingly by many as he deceives them by using "front organizations", mainly the papacy-and it has many front organizations that it controls (Freemasonry/Lodges, Illuminati, Kiwanis, Lions Clubs, Salvation Army, Missionaries of the Poor, Food for the Poor, etc.) - as well as through false religions (which satan set up - Hinduism, Islam, etc.) also the educational system, sports & games, fashion, music, etc. Not only is satan worshipped but also the beast! Note: The dragon is primarily satan but secondarily the Roman Empire which it used to perpetrate its evils! The Roman Emperor Justinian pronounced the Bishop of Rome "Chief Bishop" (Pope!) in 533 A.D. and gave him his seat, power and great authority (legislative, army). The questions asked in this world are really rhetorical - At its height of power, no power or nation could stand up to the beast! Same thing will happen again as America gives power to the Beast and its image!! The prophecies cannot be wrong!! Note: Recently Trump has signed a document declaring that Jerusalem is the Capitol of Israel (he referenced what had been in place since 1995) and indicated that the USA will send / have an Ambassador in Jerusalem. What's the significance of that? It is most likely a preparation for the time when satan will personae Christ! See DD 41.4 & 42.1 Satan is likely to appear first in Jerusalem! He has already set up the idea! (The Jews looking for Jesus to appear in Jerusalem! A thousand year reign of Christ is predicted to happen - Christ will rule the world from Jerusalem as his capitol. Etc. Interestingly, that false teaching is held by the SDA Offshoot Group called the Shepherd's Rod!!)</p>
<p>Revelation 13:5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto</p>	<p>This speaks to the mouth of a lion on the beast and corresponds to the mouth on the little horn power in Daniel. See Daniel 7:8, 19-22, 24, 25. Notice that verse 25 speaks of the same time period mentioned here, as "time, times and the dividing of time". (See other mentions of the same time period in order of appearance: Daniel 12:7, Rev. 11:2, 3; 12:6, 14; a total of 7 times!!) This beast is the same as the little horn power - and that's the Papacy! All the</p>

<p>him to continue forty and two months.</p>	<p>characteristics of that power can be easily identified in the rise and operation or behaviour of the Papacy aka The Roman Catholic Church System! Which is not a church at all but the front organization of a system that outrightly worships satan. However, usually only those at the top of the system knows who they are really worshipping! (In Freemasonry 33rd degree & sometimes the 30th to the 32nd) / The front part of the organization really worships the sun - Which is really worship of satan; deception is rife in the system and so, many are thereby innocently trapped in it. Sad indeed. / The papacy persecuted God's people for a period of 1,260 years between 538 and 1798 as predicted! Who's gonna tell the deceived ones? See Revelation 18:1-5, etc. / The blasphemies spoken by this beast power include (1) Claiming to be God. See John 10:33 an eg. "Lord God the Pope", etc. (2) Claiming to forgive sins. See Luke 5:21. A "confessional" is present at every Catholic "Church"!</p>
<p>Revelation 13:6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.</p>	<p>Blasphemy Strong's: 1. Vilification, especially against God. (Vilification - slanderous or malicious defamation; character assassination. Oxford English) 2. Evil speaking. 3. Railing (To criticize loudly and angrily. Collins English.) On the basis of those definitions the blasphemy of the beast is rather extensive and covers attacks on God and His Remnant Church and the Sanctuary. The attacks include traditional and current: 1. Placing Mary as co-Redeemer i.e. in the Catholic Church front organization - but for the Johanan aspect of the system they have Mary as God the Mother i.e. the female entity in the Godhead (which is exactly as it is in all pagan religions). 2. The organization says it's Christian but it's not; it's a pagan sun worship / satan worship cult. 3. Replacing God's Sanctuary system with a lodge temple / witch's coven; its layout facilitates facing east and worshipping the sun! 4. Its head claims, among other things, to be "God on Earth", "Lord God", "Vicar if the Son of God", etc. The Popes accept worship. 5. The system through its head, the Pope and priests, claim to be able to forgive sins. 6. The Pope claims to be infallible; man is sinful and the Bible says all have sinned; because of sin all men deserve death; so, mortal, sinful man cannot be infallible. 7. Current Pope - Francis - says that the Bible is nullified, etc. and will be replaced. 8. The system attacks God's word / truth in many ways - Changing the word of God through false Bibles, forbidding persons to preach the 3 Angels' Messages, the Sanctuary Message, etc.</p>
<p>Revelation 13:7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.</p>	<p>Through the civil power passed on to it from the Roman Empire the Papacy persecuted and killed many millions of people worldwide whom they regarded as heretics! Heresy is anything that does not agree with the Roman Catholic System or Dogma. Anyone that followed the Bible and or their conscience were relentlessly persecuted and murdered. Bibles were destroyed. Anyone found with Bibles were killed and courts of the Inquisition were set up all over the world; millions were betrayed and falsely accused and killed; no class, education, rank, sex, age, etc. were spared!! God's people bore the brunt of Satan's wrath through his human agents (especially the Jesuits) during what was called the Dark Ages, beginning in 538 AD and ending in 1798 AD. Foxe's Book of Martyrs, etc. are replete with stories / accounts of many acts of torture / by various devices perpetrated on God's people.</p>
<p>Revelation 13:10 He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth</p>	<p>"He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints."</p>

with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.	<p>Revelation 13:1 - 10</p> <p>This symbol, as most Protestants have believed, represents the papacy, which succeeded to the power and seat and authority once held by the ancient Roman empire. Of the leopardlike beast it is declared: "There was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies. . . . And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, and His tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations." This prophecy, which is nearly identical with the description of the little horn of Daniel 7, unquestionably points to the papacy. {GC 439}</p>
<p>Revelation 13:8</p> <p>And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.</p>	<p>Worship is what Lucifer desired and end up becoming the dragon, the serpent, the devil and Satan! Satan will take worship any way he gets it, by trickery, force, etc. He will take it from those who are convinced in their minds and choose his way (mark in the forehead) or from those who give in to his system out of fear of hunger, persecution and death; or who think they must be a part of his system in order to survive. The first Angel calls the world to worship and give glory to the Creator GOD; Satan says no, mankind must worship him - Or suffer and die! The worst thing / the end point of what satan can do is to kill the body! But God has the power over death! So, He can give back life to those whom satan kills! Moreover, God has the power to totally annihilate satan!! Ezekiel 28:18</p>
<p>Revelation 13:17</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>If you had bought of Jesus His white robe of righteousness, His eyesalve and His gold tried in the fire - Then you will not accept or receive the Mark of the beast nor its number!</p>

Comparing Daniel 7 and Revelation 13

Little Horn

*And he shall **speak great words** against the most High (Daniel 7:25).*

*and the same horn **made war with the saints** (Daniel 7:21).*

*shall **wear out the saints** of the most High (Daniel 7:25).*

***more stout** than his fellows (Daniel 7:20).*

*they shall be given into his hand until **a time and times and the dividing of time** (Daniel 7:25).*

Beast from the Sea

***speaking great things** and blasphemies (Revelation 13:5).*

*And it was given unto him to **make war with the saints** (Revelation 13:7).*

*war with the saints, and to **overcome them** (Revelation 13:7).*

***power** was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations (Revelation 13:7).*

*power was given unto him to continue **forty and two months** (Revelation 13:5).*

As we compare the two prophecies, we see that the first beast of Revelation 13 and the little horn of Daniel 7 are one and the same, both representing papal Rome.

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SEAT, POWER AND GREAT AUTHORITY.

Revelation 13:2

“And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.”

This is a copy of the decree of the Justinian Code by the emperor Justinian. This Code was put in place in 534 A.D. This decree was made **against those who did not support the Trinity creed. The Papacy used this decree to destroy all those that were found to be non-trinitarian. A group of people were destroyed in 538 A.D. called the Ostrogoths.** Many of us will recognize this group as *the 3rd horn that was uprooted by the Papacy*. After destroying the Ostrogoths in 538 A.D. because of their unbelief in the Trinity Creed. This was what marked the beginning of the 1260 year reign of Church and State terror from 538-1798 when the church and state reign was broken by general Berthier under Napoleon.

While reading this I would like all especially who are non-trinitarian to consider the spirit behind the God of Babylon. (Rev 13:2, 18:2). Religious observances were not allowed outside of accepting the Trinity, and relentless violence was to be used against them. This Code of Justinian gives us the idea of how much freedom God has granted us here today.

This was the formal transfer of power from the Emperor of Pagan Rome to the Papacy.

http://www.thethirdangelsmessage.com/justinian_code.php

Head of Catholic Church becomes Chief Bishop

The following is the text of the letter of the Emperor Justinian, Victorious, Pious, Happy, Renowned, Triumphant, always Augustus, to John, Patriarch, and most Holy Archbishop of the fair City of Rome:

With honor to the Apostolic See, and to Your Holiness, which is, and always has been remembered in Our prayers, both now and formerly, and honoring your happiness, as is proper in the case of one who is considered as a father, We hasten to bring to the knowledge of Your Holiness everything relating to the condition of the Church, as We have always had the greatest desire to preserve the unity of your Apostolic See, and the condition of the Holy Churches of God, as they exist at the present time, that they may remain without disturbance or opposition. Therefore, We have exerted Ourselves to unite all the priests of the East and subject them to the See of Your Holiness, and hence the questions which have at present arisen, although they are manifest and free from doubt, and, according to the doctrine of your Apostolic See, are constantly firmly observed and preached by all priests, We have still considered it necessary that they should be brought to the attention of Your Holiness. ***For we do not suffer anything which has reference to the state of the Church, even though what causes the difficulty may be clear and free from doubt, to be discussed without being brought to the notice of Your Holiness, because you are the head of all the Holy Churches, for We shall exert Ourselves in every way (as has already been stated), to increase the honor and authority of your See.***

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