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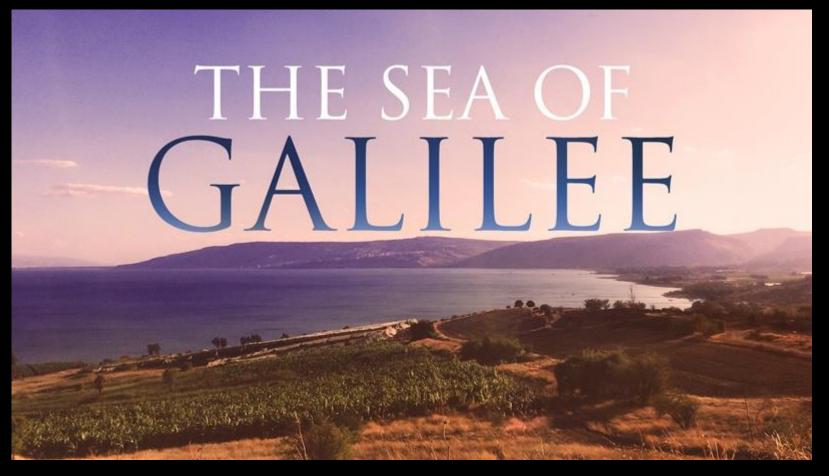
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The Seven Trumpets Judgements Timeline





The Seven Churches Timeline

Church Era Years

Ephesus 33-100

Smyrna 100-313

Pergamos 313-538

Thyatira 538-1517

Sardis 1517-1755 Philadelphia 1755-1844

Laodicea 1844-2nd Advent

Roman Empire

Roman Catholic Church

Jesuits Of Rome

7 Seals

















7 Trumpets























Differences between the seven trumpets and the seven plagues

Trumpets

6 plagues symbolic. 1 plague literal First 4 plagues affect 1/3 earth First plague - hail, fire and blood Second plague - 1/3 sea becomes blood and 1/3 of the creatures die Third plague - 1/3 of all waters are bitter Fourth plague - 1/3 of sun, moon, stars are struck and 1/3 of a day is darkness Fifth plague - smoke from pit, darkness. Locusts torment for 5 months Sixth plague - Angels (spirits) loosed from Euphrates. Horsemen kill 1/3 of men. Seventh plague - Gospel concluded, events extend to the end of the Millennium

Plagues

Six plagues literal. 1 plague symbolic
First 4 plagues are worldwide
First plague - a foul and loathsome sore
Second plague - the sea becomes
as the blood of a dead man.

Third plague - all drinking water turned to blood Fourth plague - the sun is more active, men are scorched with fierce heat

Fifth plague - Papal kingdom is filled with darkness

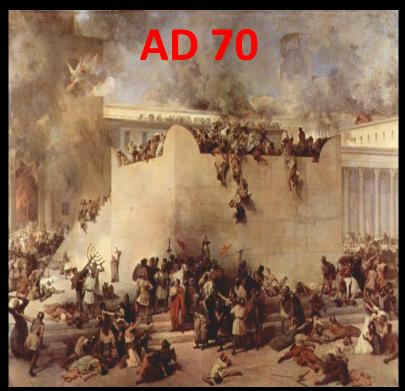
Sixth plague - Euphrates dried up and evil spirits unite the whole world against God.

Seventh plague - a great earthquake.

Cities of world fall. Ends at Second Advent.

7 Trumpets & The Three Enemies of Jesus

1st Trumpet – Destruction of 1st Enemy: Jews
2nd Trumpet – Destruction of 2nd Enemy: Imperial/Pagan Rome
3rd to 7th Trumpet – At 2nd Coming Destruction of 3rd Enemy: Papal Rome









Destruction of Pagan Rome: Jesus 2nd enemy



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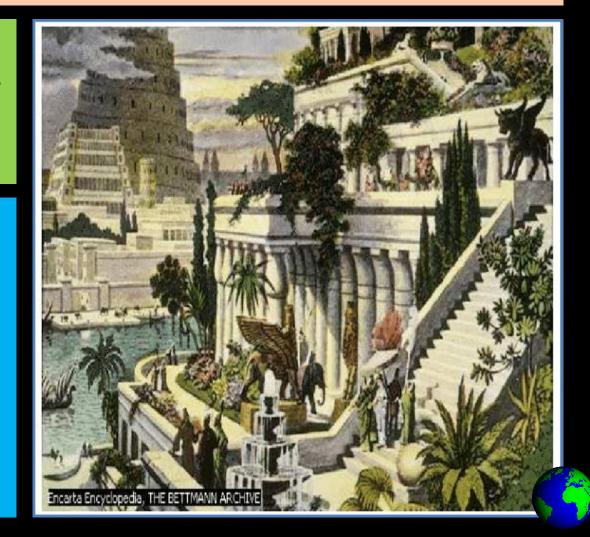
An Important Principle

Galatians 6:7 has the principle: Whatever a person or a nation sows, that they will also reap.

In Isaiah 10:5, 6 we are told that Assyria was God's instrument to punish His apostate people and then He punished Assyria for treading down His people (10:12)

Nebuchadnezzar was God's servant to punish apostate Israel (Jeremiah 27:6, 7) and then Nebuchadnezzar will be punished for treading down God's people.

Jeremiah chapters 50 and 51 describe how God punished Babylon for oppressing His people (Jeremiah 50:11, 15, 17, 18, 28; 51:24, 34, 35, 49, 50)



Why is Pagan Rome the second Enemy of Jesus?

In Pilate's Judgment Hall - Pilate washed his hands

When the Saviour was brought into the judgment hall, Pilate looked upon Him with no friendly eyes. The Roman governor had been called from his bedchamber in haste, and he determined to do his work as quickly as possible. He was prepared to deal with the prisoner with magisterial severity. Assuming his severest expression, he turned to see what kind of man he had to examine, that he had been called from his repose at so early an hour. He knew that it must be someone whom the Jewish authorities were anxious to have tried and punished with haste. DA c77, p274-275



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Jesus in front of Herod – the one slayed John the Baptist

Herod's conscience was now far less sensitive than when he had trembled with horror at the request of Herodias for the head of John the Baptist. And he now threatened Jesus, declaring repeatedly that he had power to release or to condemn Him. Herod's face grew dark with passion. Turning to the multitude, he angrily denounced Jesus as an impostor. If You are an impostor, death at their hands is only what You merit; if You are the Son of God, save Yourself by working a miracle.

"Herod with his men of war set Him at nought, and mocked Him, and arrayed Him in a gorgeous robe." The Roman soldiers joined in this abuse. All that these wicked, corrupt soldiers, helped on by Herod and the Jewish dignitaries, could instigate was heaped upon the Saviour. Yet His divine patience failed not. DA c77 p732.



Why is Pagan Rome the 2nd Enemy of Jesus?

The Roman soldiers - mock Jesus repeatedly

Pilate's soldiers took Jesus into the governor's palace. They stripped off his clothes and put a scarlet robe on him. Then they made a crown out of thorny branches and placed it on his head, and put a stick in his right hand. Then they knelt before him and mocked him. "Long live the King of the Jews!" they said. They spat on him and hit him over the head with the stick. Then they led him out to crucify him.

"The soldiers threw lots to decide who would get his clothes. Whilst the leaders made fun of Jesus.

36 And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar, **37** And saying, If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself. Luke 23



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The Burning Mountain

In prophecy mountains represent kingdoms (Daniel 2; Isaiah 14:13; Psalm 48:1, 2; Isaiah 4)

Jeremiah 50:3, 9, 10, 41, 42: An enemy from the north comes against Babylon and demolishes and destroys her.

Jeremiah 51:25: The Destroying Mountain will become a burnt mountain. The divine passive used here indicates that this is God's judgment.

The fact that the mountain is GREAT brings to mind Babylon the Great (Rev. 16:19; 17:1, 5; 18:2, 21).

Ezekiel 35:1-7 describes the judgment of God upon Mount Seir, which would lead to the shedding of blood.



A mountain, symbolizes a kingdom, a political power...:

The stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth. (...) The God of heaven shall set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed. Daniel 2:35,44 «Son of man, set your face toward the mountains of Israel, and prophesy against them, and say, "You mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord God; Thus said the Lord God to the mountains, (...) Behold, I, even I, will bring a sword on you, and I will destroy your

«Son of man, set your face against mount Seir, and prophesy against it, and say to it, "Thus said the Lord God; Behold, O mount Seir, I am against you, and I will stretch out My hand against you, and I will make you most desolate. I will lay your cities waste, and you shall be desolate, and you shall know that I am the Lord."» Ezekiel 35:2-4)

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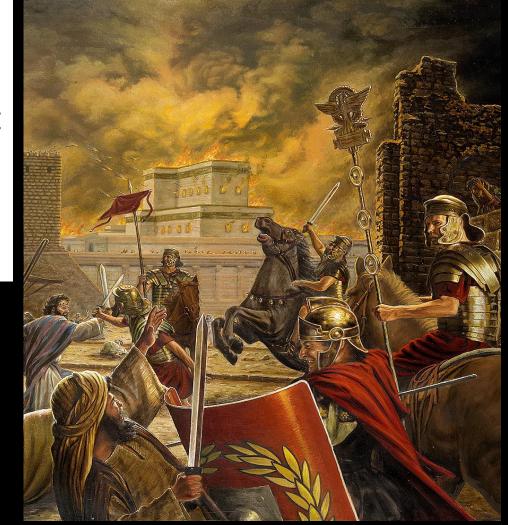
Symbolism of the Sea

Jeremiah 51:42: The waves of the came over Babylon when she was destroyed. In the Bible, waters symbolize the tumult of nations and peoples (See Isaiah 27:12, 13; Isaiah 60:5; Revelation 17:15; 51:59-64; Revelation 18:21)

The question is:

What kingdom destroyed Jerusalem, and desolated God's people and then in turn suffered the punishment of God?

The answer is Rome.





Creatures in the Sea - Fish

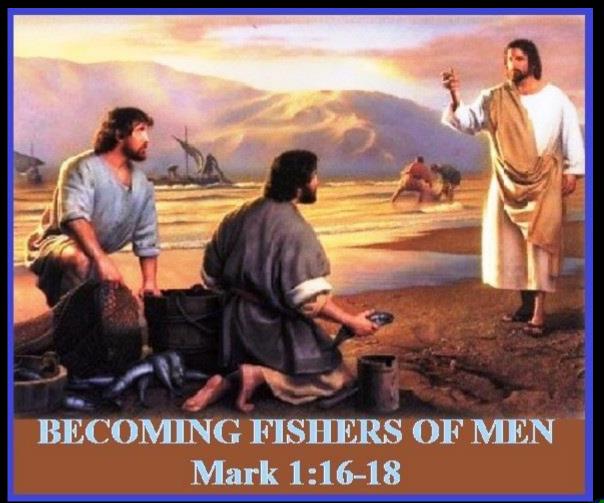
Habakkuk 1:14-17;

Ecclesiastes 9:12;

Ezekiel 29:3-5;

Men are compared to fish

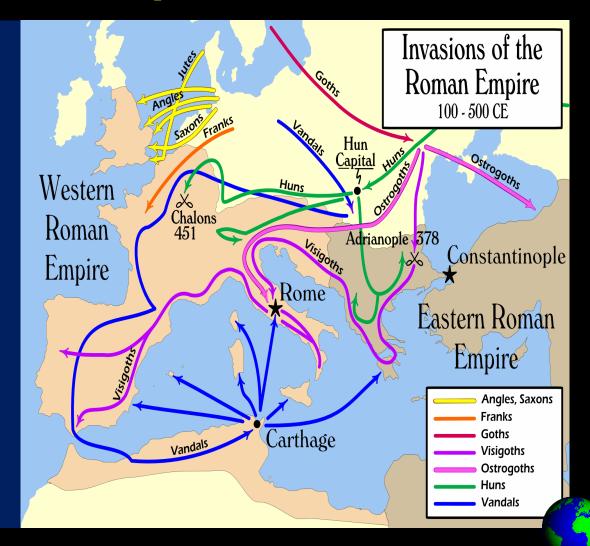
19 And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men. Matthew 4





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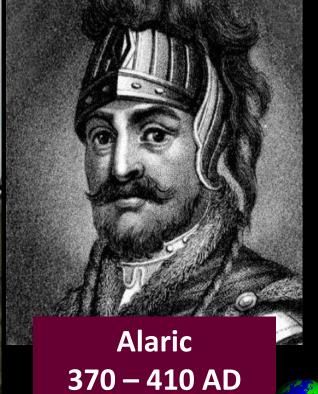


Military Conquests Destroy Rome: Alaric - Goths

The Goths led by Alaric, came from the northeast of Europe, from around the Baltic, where they were pressured by other peoples migrating from the east. Alaric led them all the way into Greece, and they ravaged the countryside as they passed.

The Goths began to move towards the warmer climes of the Roman Empire and thousands had settled in Illyricum (the third section of the Empire - now the southern Slavic states) where they were employed as mercenaries by the Romans to help defend the frontiers.





Military Conquests Destroy Rome: Alaric - Goths

Alaric's course was to Italy, as he told an Italian monk. He felt a secret and preternatural impulse which directed and even impelled his march to the gates of Rome. As his march advanced, terrible omens and prognostications preceded him. "The Christians" says

Gibbon, "derived comfort from the powerful intercession of the saints and martyrs." (This reveals the apostasy of the Christians.) Thrice, in fulfillment of his destiny, he descended from the Alps onto the Italian plains, marking his course at each step as the awe-struck historians of the times tell us, in country and in town with ravage, conflagration and blood, till the gates of Rome itself were opened to the conqueror and the Gothic fires blazed around the capitol.

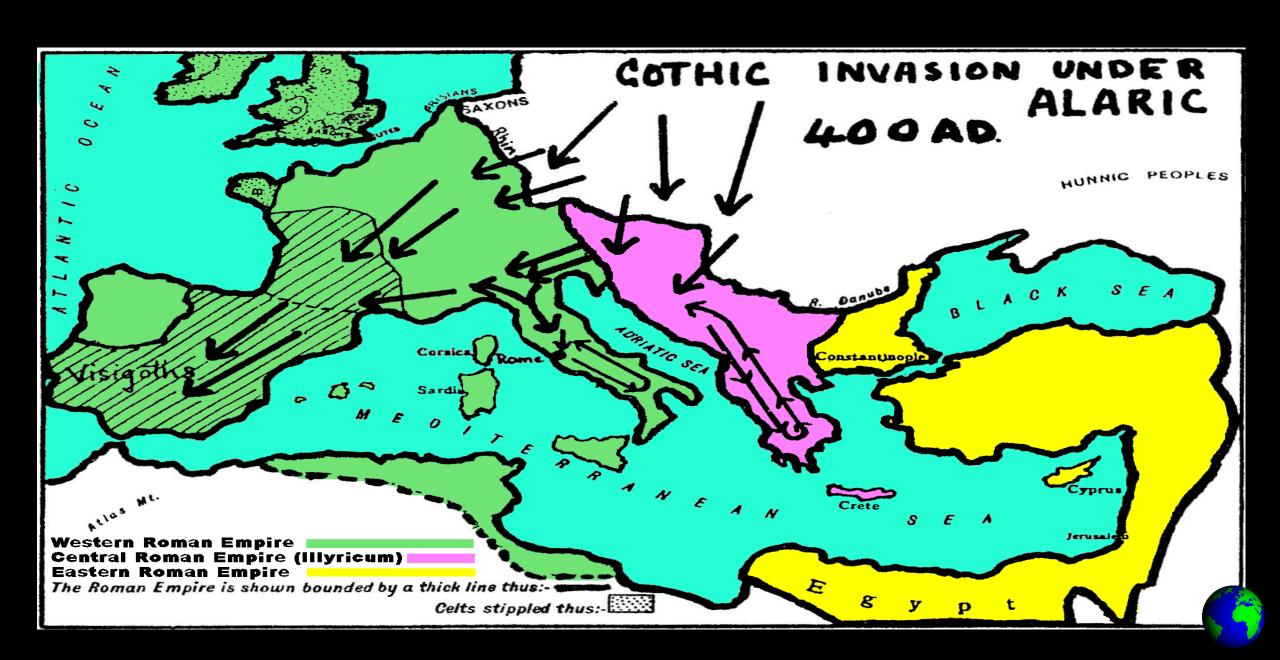


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The first sore and heavy judgment which fell on Western Rome in its downward course, was the war with the Visigoths under Alaric. After the death of Theodosius, the Roman Emperor, in January, 395, before the end of the winter the Visigoths, under Alaric, were in arms against the empire.

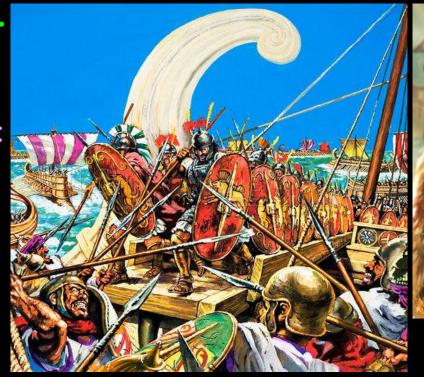
The Huns, whose territory lay east of the Ostrogoths, occupied mostly the country now known as Russia. In A.D. 395, they made war upon the Ostrogoths, and forced them into the territory of the Visigoths, The Ostrogoths submitted to the Huns for awhile, but we afterward find them independent.





The remainder of the Goths - the Vandals - continued on to Gibraltar, crossing the straits and entering Northern Africa. There they established themselves with their capital at the site of ancient Carthage. Their leader was a man called Genseric, a Christian. Under his rule the Vandals became Christian, holding to the Arian faith. This faith was in

conflict with the apostate Catholic Church. While the Vandals developed a strong kingdom they could not extend their borders southwards because of the desert Boundaries They turned towards the sea, building a strong navy which began to ravage the coasts of the Mediterranean. Because they were anti-Catholic, the **Vandals attacked the Catholic** centers, especially in Western Rome.





It is significant that Genseric, like
Alaric the Visigoth, believed himself
to be an agent of divine wrath.
Thomas Hodgkin records:

The fleets...became under Genseric's guidance, the first naval power on the Mediterranean....
At length the work of ravaging the coast became almost monotonous



and the choice of a victim hard. Once, when the fleet had weighed anchor and was sailing forth from the broad harbor of Carthage the helmsman turned to the king and asked for what port he should steer. "For the men with whom God is angry" answered the Vandal king and left the winds and the waters to settle the question who were the proper objects of the wrath of heaven.

In 455, just at the time the people of Rome had risen against the Emperor Maximus, and stoned him and thrown his body into the river, Genseric arrived with his warships.

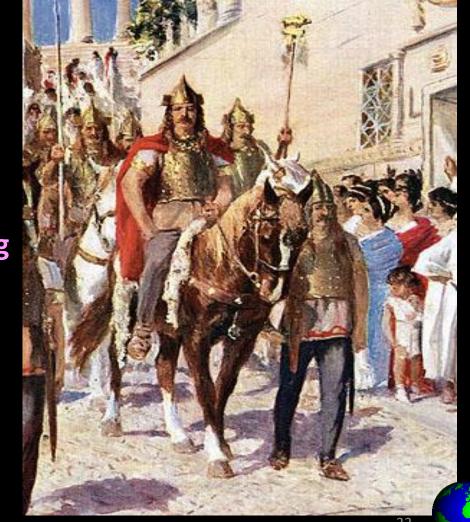
He came into the city and ravaged it, taking away all the wealth he could find, including the things from the Temple at Jerusalem that had been brought there by Titus when Jerusalem was destroyed in AD 70.

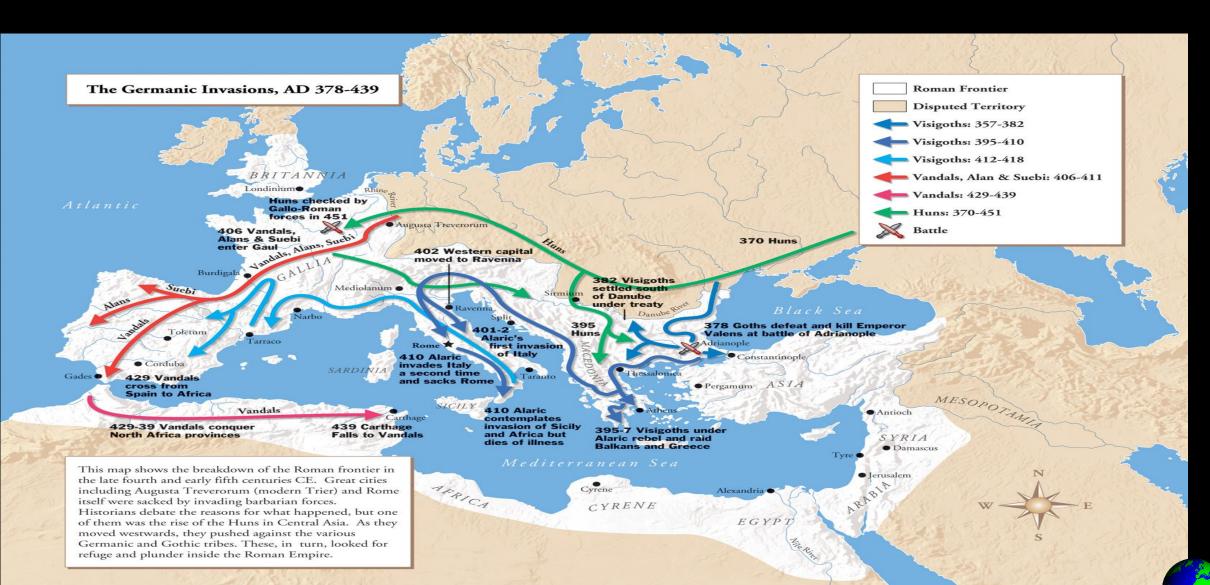


Finally, Leo the emperor of Rome decided to make himself a large navy to try and defeat Genseric's war ships. Money was gathered with difficulty and a huge navy was built. For this purpose a fleet left Constantinople A. D. 468, and arrived before Carthage. It consisted of 1113 vessels, at a cost of 5,200,000 pounds sterling, soldiers & mariners about 100,000

They sailed down to Carthage, where Genseric's fleet was and could have conquered it. But the clever Genseric said he would surrender and asked for 5 days to 'make terms'.

All he did was gather his forces and attack the Emperor's fleet. During the battle, Genseric would take large barges full of burnable material and towing them close to the Roman ships, would set them on fire and let them sail into the other ships setting them on fire also. How true the idea of a 'mountain of fire being thrown into the sea' really was. **Genseric destroyed the Roman fleet and before his** death saw the western part of the Roman Empire totally destroyed.





Military Conquests Destroy Rome: Attila - Huns

Attila, with his thousands of Hun warriors, invaded the Roman Empire in 450 AD.

...after a short space of time, as Orosius related, the race of the Huns, fiercer than ferocity itself, flamed forth. Notice the expression, flamed forth, which reminds one of a blazing meteor.

The rise of the great power which threatened European civilization in the fifth century was as sudden and rapid as its fall. This invasion is the most in our people's discourses, of all those which the barbarians have made upon us; and is the most talked of among the common people...and now all the countries which were within the Apennine mountains and the Alps, were full of flight, of depopulation, slaughter, slavery, of burning and despair.



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Not merely the degenerate Romans, but the bold and hardy warriors of Germany and Scandinavia, were appalled at the numbers, the ferocity, the ghastly appearance, and the lightning-like rapidity of the Huns.... His own warriors believed Attila to be the inspired favorite of their deities and followed him with fanatic zeal. His enemies looked on him as the pre-appointed minister of Heaven's wrath against themselves. ...during the retreat from Orleans a Christian hermit is reported to have approached the Hunnish king and said to him, "Thou art the scourge of God for the chastisement of the Christians". Attila instantly assumed this new title of terror which henceforth became the appellation by which he was widely and most fearfully known.

In the reign of Attila, the Huns again became the terror of the world... that formidable Barbarian who alternatively insulted and invaded the East and the West, and urged the rapid downfall of the Roman Empire.



Attila unknown – 453 AD

Military Conquests Destroy Rome: Attila - Huns

There was a huge drunken feast at a wedding and the next day when Attila did not appear from his room, his men left him alone for a while, thinking he didn't want to be disturbed.

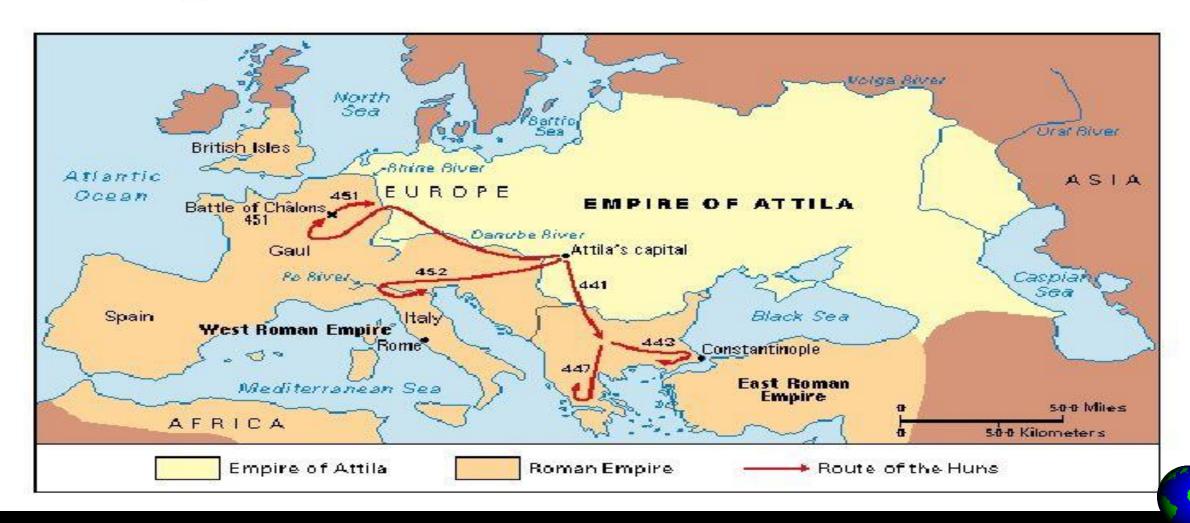
Finally when he did not answer their loud cries, they went to see what was wrong. He was found dead, as the result of an artery in his throat having burst and he drowned in his own blood. This is what alcohol can do.

Remember the other conqueror that died as a result of a drunken feast?

Alexander the Great.



Empire of Attila the Hun 450s C.E.



Military Conquests Destroy Rome: Odoacer - Ostrogoth

The Heruli invaded Italy in 476 AD and Odoacer gave orders that the office of the Emperor of Western Rome was to be abolished. As a response the reigning Emperor abdicated and Odoacer became king of Italy.

Odoacer was the first Barbarian who reigned in Italy, over a people who had once asserted their just superiority over the rest of mankind. The disgrace of the Romans still excites our respectful compassion..



Military Conquests Destroy Rome: Odoacer - Ostrogoth

This trumpet shows the blotting out of the Pagan Roman government in A. D. 476. The Emperorship was gone from Rome and an Ostrogoth king Odoacer, ruled there, but some power remained in the Eastern part, Constantinople, where the imperial symbols had been taken and an Emperor still reigned. The imperial Roman power, of which either Rome or Constantinople had been the seat, whether in the West or the East, was no longer recognized in Italy. The power of the Caesars was unknown in Italy, and a Gothic king reigned over Rome.





Military Conquests Destroy Rome: Odoacer - Ostrogoth

The Emperors traditionally had a lot of gear, "Regalia", that they wore and used on special occasions like their oronations.



In 476, Odoacer took the imperial regalia (crown, orb, sword, scepter, shoes, purse, gloves, robes, and cross) from Romulus and sent it all to the eastern emperor. Odoacer said he didn't need the imperial gear, because he was simply going to be the King of Italy.

And that was the end of the Roman Empire.

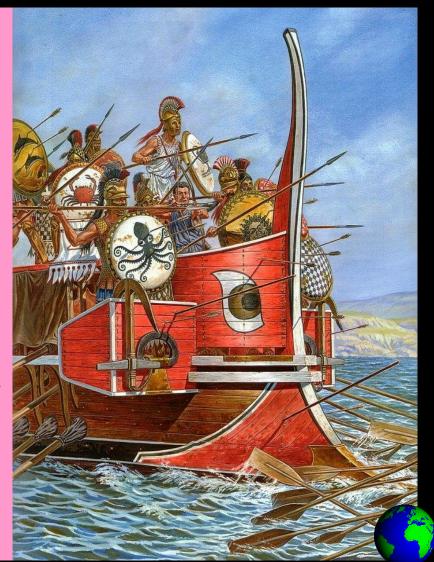


Odoacer 433 – 493 AD



Destruction of Imperial Rome - Summary

The barbarians invaded between 378 and 476. In 378, the Visigoths wiped out an entire Roman army including the Roman Emperor Valens. In 410 they ravaged Rome, the first time that anyone had done this in 800 years. In 455 the Vandals ransacked Rome for a second time. They vandalized the city for two weeks, systematically and persistently. They looted everything of value they could lay their hands on. They carried off to Carthage the solid-gold seven branched lampstand, the very one that in 70 A. D. Titus had carried off to Rome from the temple in Jerusalem. Genseric, the leader of the Vandals was a human predator. The empire persecuted the Jews, Christians such as Ignatius and Polycarp and heretical Christians such as the Arians. God now came in judgment against Rome.



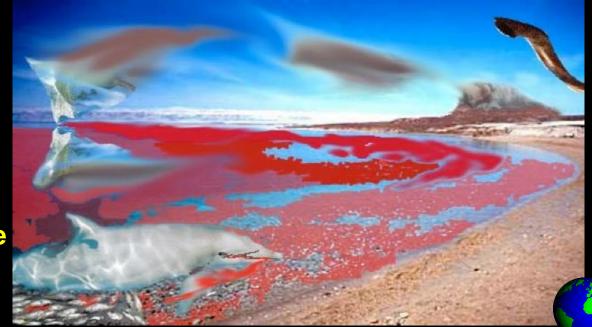
... and a burning mountain is a persecuting kingdom that will be destroyed:

«Keep not You silence, O God: hold not Your peace, and be not still, O God. For, see, Your enemies make a tumult: and they that hate You have lifted up the head. They have taken crafty counsel against Your people, and consulted against Your hidden ones. They have said, "Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance." (...) As the fire burns a wood, and as the flame sets the mountains on fire; so

persecute them with Your tempest.»

- Psalm 83:1-4,14,15

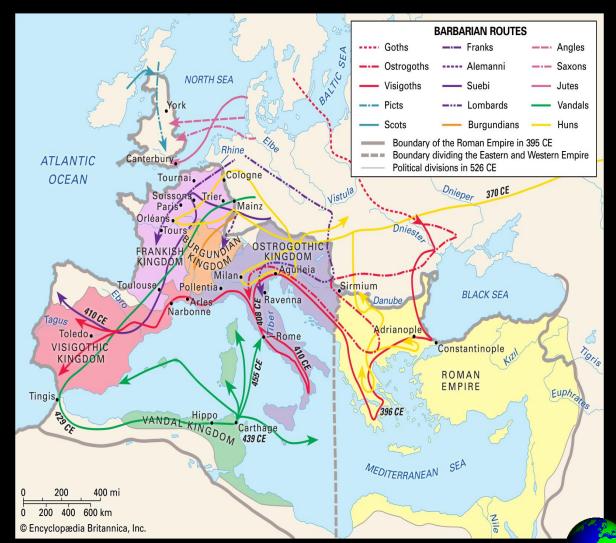
«Bow Your heavens, O Lord, and come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke. Cast forth lightning, and scatter them: shoot out Your arrows, and destroy them. Send Your hand from above; rid me, and deliver me out of great waters, from the hand of strange children; whose mouth speaks vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood.» - Psalm 144:5-8



Just a quick look at how Daniel dovetails in with Revelation - they are really one prophetic whole - although they are written centuries apart!

The prophecy said that Rome would be divided into ten parts. It was not going to be conquered by another world kingdom, and that is just what happened.

But at first when the Roman Empire began to collapse, there were more than 10 'kings' attacking it. There were eighteen. But some disappeared, moved away, joined with other nations, or were wiped out until only ten remained.



From the northern to the southern limits of the Western Empire, these ten, as they stood

in 476 at the extinction of the Empire, were as follows:

- 1. The Angles and Saxons in Britain.
- 2. The Franks in all Gaul (France).
- 3. The Alemanni in North Switzerland.
- 4. The Burgundians in west Switzerland & southeast Gaul.
- 5. The Visigoths in southwest Gaul and Spain.
- 6. The Suevi in that part of Spain which is now Portugal.
- 7. The Ostrogoths in what is now Austria.
- 8. The Lombards in Noricum
- 9. The Heruli in Italy.
- 10. The Vandals in North Africa, with capital at Carthage

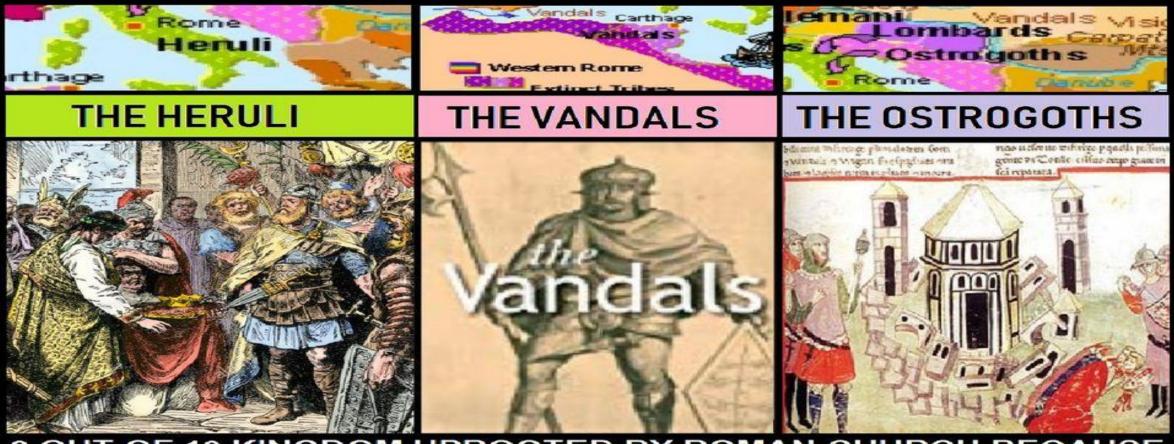
Now before Papal Rome could fully get its power, three of these nations had to be 'plucked up by the roots'. The three that were removed were the Vandals, the Ostrogoths and the Heruli. They were destroyed by 538 AD and the Papacy then ruled where the Caesars had ruled before. Bible prophecy always comes true; exactly!



Three of the four barbaric powers pictured here attacking the roman empire, were uprooted and destroyed by the "Little Horn" power of Daniel 7 (v.8), which represents the Papacy. They were the Vandals (Geneceric), Ostrogoths (Alaric) and Heruli (Attila). All of this panorama or war and bloodshed prepared the way for Papal Rome to appear as Pagan Rome was destroyed.

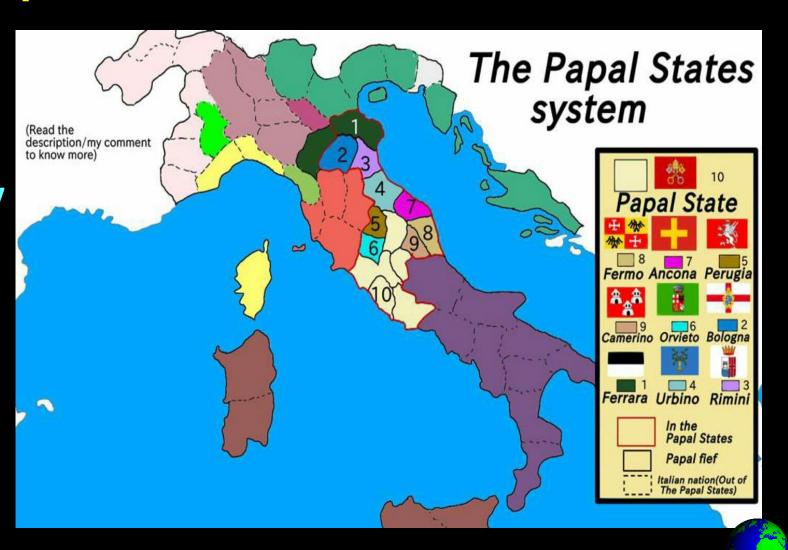


Daniel 7:8-I considered THE HORNS, and, behold, there came up among them ANOTHER LITTLE HORN, before whom there were THREE OF THE FIRST HORNS PLUCKED UP BY THE ROOTS.



3 OUT OF 10 KINGDOM UPROOTED BY ROMAN CHURCH BECAUSE THEY REFUSED TO ACCEPT THE ROMAN TRINITY DOCTRINE

Thus the Papacy, described in Daniel 7 & Rev. 13, came on the stage of world affairs to establish a Counterfeit Day of Worship (Sunday) and elevate tradition above the Bible. Satan produced a great worldwide system of False Religion to make war against the church. The Papacy influences about one third of the world population today!



Justinian transferred the power in Rome to the Bishop of Rome, and worked to promote the growing power of the Papacy. This fulfilled a prophecy we will study later; "and the Dragon (here Pagan Rome) gave him (the papacy) his power, and his seat (city of Rome) and great authority." Revelation 13:2 It is amazing how long and complicated history events are told in a few words in the prophecies. "And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings." Daniel 7:24.





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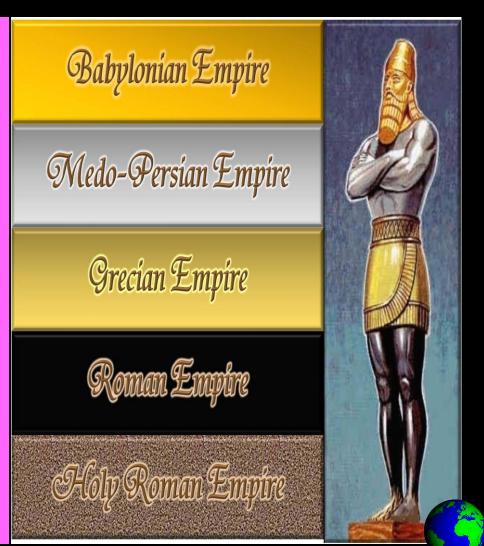
We are faced with another destructive religious delusion!

The vast empire of Rome crumbled to pieces, and from its ruins rose that mighty power, the Roman Catholic Church. This church boasts of her infallibility and her hereditary religion, yet she received her seat from Rome and changed the living waters of the gospel into wormwood.



The Rise of Papal Rome: Jesus 3rd enemy

In all the great lines of prophecy pagan Rome is followed by papal Rome. This is true of Daniel 2 (iron legs are followed by an amalgamation of iron and clay in the ten toes). In Daniel 7 the dragon beast sprouts ten horns and then is followed by the little horn (Daniel 7:23, 24). In Daniel 8, the little horn grows horizontally (Pagan Rome) and then it grows vertically into heaven (Papal Rome). In Revelation 12 the ten horned dragon beast attempted to kill the man child and then the same ten horned dragon persecuted the woman for 1260 days (Revelation 12:1-6, 13-16). In Revelation 13:1- 10 the ten horned dragon gives his throne, power and authority (Revelation 13:2) to the beast who then rules for 42 months and in II Thessalonians 2 the man of sin rises only after the restrainer is removed. Thus if the second trumpet represents the fall of the Roman Empire it stands to reason that the next trumpet would be the apostasy that followed.



Now the scene turns to the 3rd of the 7 trumpets

10 And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters; 11 And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter. - Revelation 8





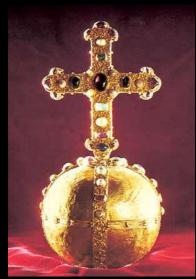
The falling star of this trumpet cannot refer to the original fall of Satan from heaven because that happened at the very beginning before creation week. It cannot refer to him falling at the cross either because the events of the third trumpet transpire well into the Christian era after the fall of Jerusalem (first trumpet) and the Roman Empire (second trumpet).

But the fall of this star represents or portrays the great apostasy that defiled the church from within when Papal Rome arose to power from the shambles that the barbarians left in the Roman Empire.



The fallen star is the power behind all these destructive religious delusions. There came a time when paganism in the Roman Empire fell before the advancing form of Christianity. As more and more power was transferred upon the pope we see that "the dragon had given to the beast 'his power, and his seat, and great authority."- Revelation 13:2. That is, Satan elevated to power and then began to work through the papal system, just as he had formerly worked through the Roman Empire.







The crucial question is this: what principle allows us to say that the fallen star represents Satan and also represents the fall of Papal Rome? The answer is twofold:

In the first place, it will be noticed that both Daniel 7 and Revelation 13 tell us that the little horn and the beast persecuted the saints for three and a half times or 42 months. But in Revelation 12 the picture is parallel but different. There we are told that the work of persecution was performed by the dragon for three and a half times or 1260 years (Revelation 12:6, 13-14). Thus by comparing Daniel 7 and Revelation 13 with Revelation 12 we clearly discern that Satan's fall at the beginning is similar to the fall of the little horn and the beast.



Second, in II Thessalonians 2:3, 4 we are explicitly told that the man of sin would exalt himself to the height of God even to the point of sitting in the temple of God claiming to be God. This is virtually identical to what Satan attempted to do at the very beginning when he was cast out of heaven (Isaiah 14:12-14). In fact, we are told that this Antichrist would be energized by Satan (II Thessalonians 2:9)

LOOK WHO IS SITTING ON A THRONE BETWEEN TWO CHERIBIM AS IF HE IS GOD.



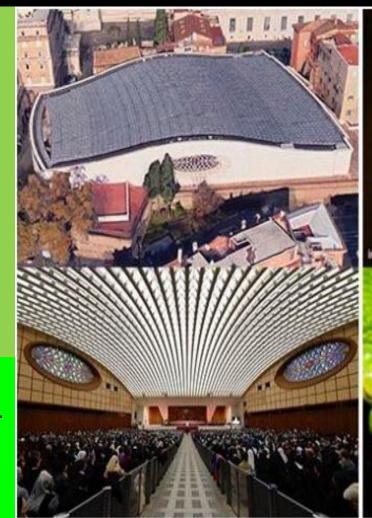
"There is one pointed out in prophecy as the man of sin. He is the representative of Satan. Taking the suggestions of Satan concerning the law of God, which is as unchangeable as His throne, this man of sin comes in and represents to the world that he has changed that law, and that the first day of the week instead of the seventh is now the Sabbath. Professing infallibility, he claims the right to change the law of God to suit his own purposes." 7BC p. 910

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The backdrop to the idea expressed above is that Satan does not work directly but rather works through his seed or body to accomplish his purposes. What he was not able to accomplish in heaven he does on earth through his vice-regent. As Christ works through His seed or body to accomplish His purposes, so Satan does the same with His body or seed.

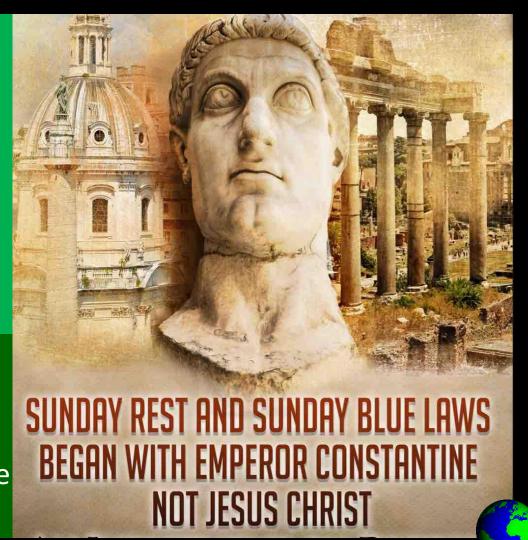
And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel. - Genesis 3:15





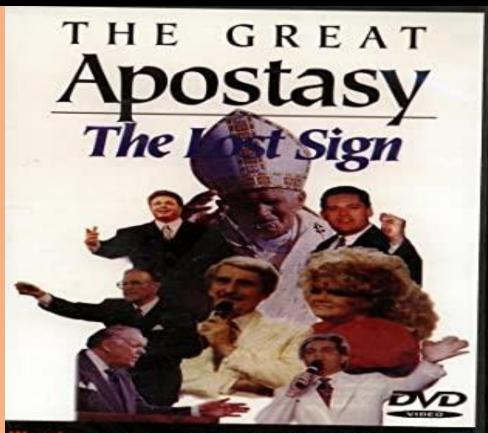
"This compromise between paganism and Christianity [in the days of Constantine] resulted in the development of the man of sin foretold in prophecy as opposing and exalting himself above God. That gigantic system of false religion is a masterpiece of Satan's power--a monument of his efforts to seat himself upon the throne to rule the earth according to his will.

"To secure worldly gains and honours, the church was led to seek the favour and support of the great men of earth, and having thus rejected Christ, she was induced to yield allegiance to the representative of Satan--the Bishop of Rome." SR p. 327



Pen of Inspiration - The Falling Star

"These things saith He that holdeth the seven stars in His right hand." Revelation 2:1. These words are spoken to the teachers in the church--those entrusted by God with weighty responsibilities. The sweet influences that are to be abundant in the church are bound up with God's ministers, who are to reveal the love of Christ. The stars of heaven are under His control. He fills them with light. He guides and directs their movements. If He did not do this, they would become fallen stars. So with His ministers. They are but instruments in His hands, and all the good they accomplish is done through His power. Through them His light is to shine forth. The Saviour is to be their efficiency. If they will look to Him as He looked to the Father they will be enabled to do His work. As they make God their dependence, He will give them His brightness to reflect to the world." AA pp. 586, 587



Warning: This video is not for a head-in-the-sand Christian who believes critical thinking is a sin. This is for the tough-minded believer who is not afraid to test all things, holding fast to that which is good 1 Thes. 5:12

The Burning Lamp

- The word "lamp" (lampades) in Revelation 8:8 refers to a burning torch.
- It is used in John 18:3 to describe the Pharisees who came with torches to arrest Jesus.
- It is also used in Acts 20:8 to describe torches where the apostle Paul was preaching at night.
- In Isaiah 62:1, 2 the righteous are compared to a lamp that shines in the midst of darkness.
- In II Corinthians 4:5, 6 the preaching of the gospel is compared to a light shining in darkness.
- In Matthew 5:14-16 the word candle (lampades) is used to describe the light that is shed by God's people in a world of darkness.

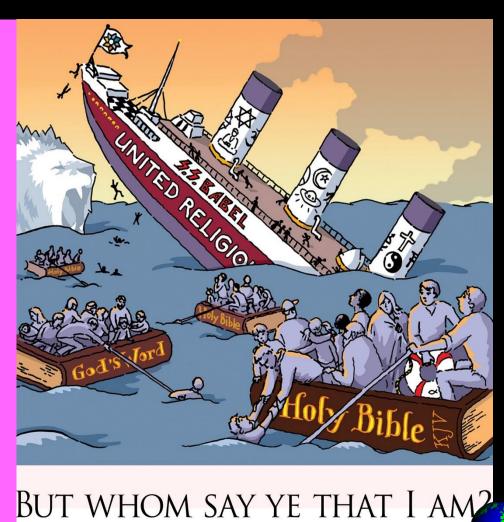
LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE BEFORE MEN, THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD WORKS AND GLORIFY YOUR FATHER IN HEAVEN.

MATTHEW 5:16



The act of falling represents apostasy

Several texts use the word "fall" to describe apostasy. Among those are found Isaiah 14:12; Revelation 2:5; Romans 11:11; I Corinthians 10:12 and Hebrews 4:11. In Revelation, the same word is used to describe the apostasy of end time Babylon (Revelation 14:8; 18:2). It bears repeating that it is impossible to fall unless you first were standing. This means that the church originally was standing in a right relationship to God but then fell into apostasy.

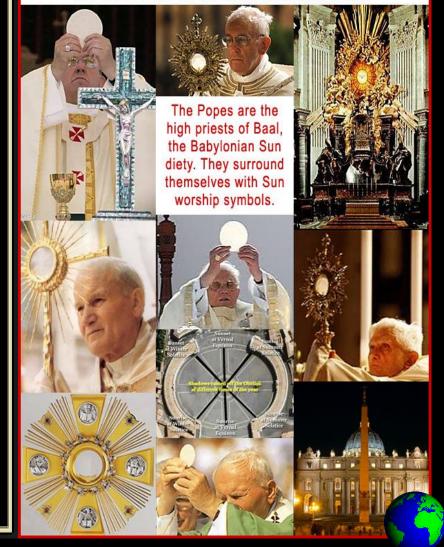


A definition of Apostasy

It is a making shipwreck of the faith (1 Tim. 1:19). It is the heart's departure from the living God (Heb. 3:12). It is a returning to and being overcome by the world, after a previous escape from its pollutions through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Pet. 2:20). There are various steps which precede it. First, there is a looking back (Luke 9:62), like Lot's wife, who though she had outwardly left Sodom, yet her heart was still there. Second, there is a drawing back (Heb. 10:38): the requirements of Christ are too exacting to any longer appeal to the heart. Third, there is a turning back (John 6:66): the path of godliness is too narrow to suit the lustings of the flesh. Fourth, there is a falling back, which is fatal: "that they might go and fall backward, and be broken" (Isa. 28:13).

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And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. Revelation 17:5



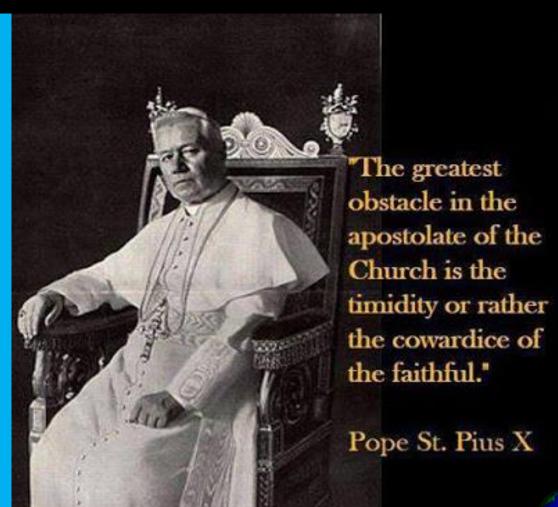
Rivers and springs of Water

- The fountains of waters are different than the raging waters of the sea (Isaiah 17:12, 13). The fountains of waters are the life giving waters that restore and perpetuate life.
- Psalm 23:2, 3: When the Good Shepherd leads us beside still waters He restores our soul [life].
- Deuteronomy 8:7, 8: Springs of waters represent life and abundant prosperity,
- Revelation 7:17: God will lead His people to drink from springs of waters and they will thirst no more.
- Revelation 21:6; 22:17: Jesus will give His people living waters to drink from.
- Revelation 16:4: When the waters become blood, everything in the waters dies.



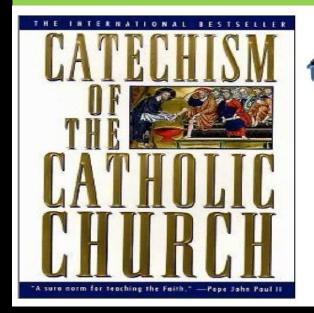
Rivers and springs of Water

"The people of God, His chosen kingdom, are not as a stagnant pool. They are as a river, constantly flowing, and as it advances, becoming deeper and wider, until its life-giving waters are spread over all the earth. Whenever the gospel of God is received, its grace heals the maladies that sin has produced. The Sun of Righteousness arises with healing in His beams. Light, strength, and refreshing come from the Lord, and the good fruit borne bears witness to a work of righteousness. -- Manuscript 33, April 27, 1903, "God's Purpose for His Church." UL p. 131



And the name of the star is called Wormwood:

The Greek word Apsinthos, which is rendered with the English "wormwood", is believed to refer to a plant of the genus Artemisia, used metaphorically to mean something with a bitter taste. The English rendering "wormwood" refers to the dark green oil produced by the plant, which was used to kill intestinal worms.



But in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. Matthew 15:9



Wormwood and Apostasy

- In Deuteronomy 29:17, 18 gall and wormwood describe the terrible consequences that would ensue if Israel fell into apostasy.
- Amos 5:7: When righteousness in the earth is forsaken, the result is wormwood.
- Amos 6:12, 13: When justice and righteousness are forsaken, the result is wormwood and gall.
- Jeremiah 23:15, 16: "Therefore thus says the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets: 'Behold, I will feed them with wormwood, and make them drink the water of gall; for [because] from the prophets of Jerusalem profaneness has gone out into all the land.'



"the roots of modern apostasy lay in scientific atheism, dialectical materialism, rationalism, illuminism, laicism, and Freemasonry which is the mother of them all." Pope Pius XII at a pastoral conference on May 23, 1958



The Defiled Waters with Wormwood

- Proverbs 25:25, 26 explains that a man who gives in to idolatry becomes a polluted spring.
- Proverbs 13:14 explains that the teaching of the wise is as a fountain of life. But if they become fools, their teaching becomes toxic.
- Jeremiah 2:13: God's people preferred the broken cisterns to the fountains of living waters.
- The waters are polluted and poisoned when the gospel is adulterated: Proverbs 25:26;
 Jeremiah 6:7
- Acts 8:21-23: Simon Magus is spoken of as being filled with bitterness because of the covetousness of his heart.

'... a great movement of **APOSTASY** is being organized in every country for the establishment of a ONE-WORLD CHURCH which shall have neither dogmas, nor hierarchy, nor discipline for the mind, nor curb for the passions, and which, under the pretext of freedom and human dignity, would bring back to the world the reign of legalized cunning and force, the oppression of the weak, and of those who toil and suffer.' Pape St. Pius X @beholdthymothe

Fulfilment: The rise of Papal Rome

The rivers and fountains of water are symbolic of the "waters" of life which Christ offers to all who come to Him, if they partake of this "living water" they will never thirst, they will have eternal life. But the Papal system filled those waters with "wormwood" and made them bitter. Polluting the sweet waters of the gospel of truth and life, with wormwood doctrines that lead only to death. And many died of the poisoned doctrines. It is the wine of the wrath of her fornication.

The warning here is not so much for immediate physical destruction, but a warning against spiritual and eternal destruction. It's a warning that people need to seek out truth as for a priceless treasure and not simply follow the "accepted" modes of Christianity. For Satan, clothed in garments of Christianity and working through a Christian system, is offering poisoned water.



The Defiled Waters with Wormwood

"The priests and rulers, the scribes and Pharisees, destroyed the living pastures, and defiled the wellsprings of the water of life." DA p. 478

"Satan was seeking to corrupt the doctrines of the Bible. I saw that at last the standard was lowered, and that the heathen were uniting with the Christians. Although these worshipers of idols professed to be converted, they brought their idolatry with them into the church, only changing the objects of their worship to images of saints, and even of Christ and of Mary His mother. As the followers of Christ gradually united with them, the Christian religion became corrupted and the church lost its purity and power." EW p. 211

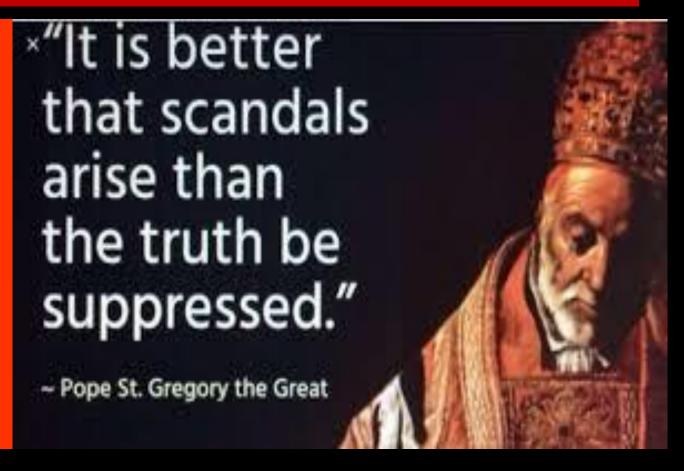


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The Defiled Waters with Wormwood

Almost as damaging are those who simply remain silent out of fear:

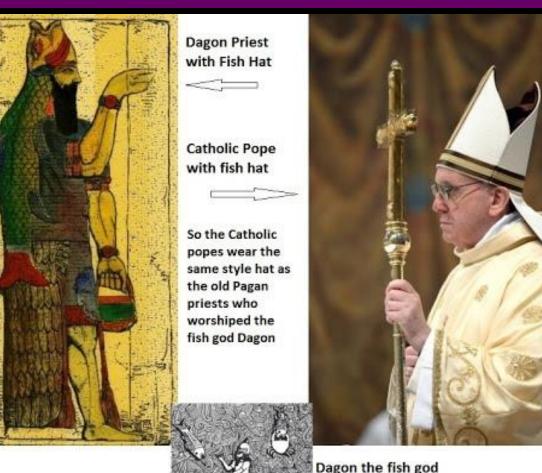
Pastors who lack foresight hesitate to say openly what is right because they fear losing the favour of men. As the voice of truth tells us, such leaders are not zealous pastors who protect their flocks, rather they are like mercenaries who flee by taking refuge in silence when the wolf appears... When a pastor has been afraid to assert what is right, has he not turned his back and fled by remaining silent? —St. Gregory the Great, *Liturgy* of the Hours, Vol IV, p. 342-343



People die spiritually when they drink the waters

Many died spiritually because the living waters were defiled. - II Peter 2:18-22

"There are really three objects of judgment in the third trumpet: the star, the springs and rivers, and the people who drink the water. In a sense, each phrase of this three-fold judgment is the catalyst for the next. It is because the star falls that the rivers and springs are turned into wormwood. The bitterness of these waters leads, in turn, to the death of those who drink the water."

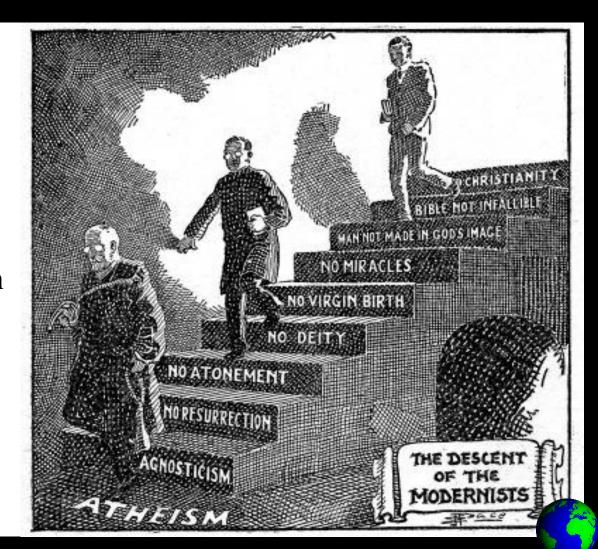


People die spiritually when they drink these waters

The third trumpet: revealed Christianity's poisoned truth during the rise of the Papal system.

It parallels with the 3rd seal: the black horse, the weigh scales, the high prices for wheat, barley, depicting that people need to carefully weigh the evidence in order to find truth -- truth is hard to find, there is a famine for the "bread of life".

It is also coincides the 3rd church: Pergamum is the place where Satan's throne is found. A king sits on a throne so we must conclude that Pergamum is the seat of Satan's kingdom.



Do not look for SALVATION in the Papal System

"In unfolding the sins of his life to a priest,-an erring, sinful mortal, and too often corrupted with wine and licentiousness,--his standard of character is lowered, and he is defiled in consequence. His thought of God is degraded to the likeness of fallen humanity, for the priest stands as a representative of God. This degrading confession of man to man is the secret spring from which has flowed much of the evil that is defiling the world and fitting it for the final destruction." GC p. 567



- 1. In our statement "That They May Have Life," we call upon political leaders—
- 2. In our statement "In Defense of Religious Freedom," we insist the "free exercise"
- 3. In our statement "The Two Shall Become One Flesh," we call upon public officials—



A STATEMENT ON PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND PUBLIC OFFICE

by <u>Evangelicals and Catholics Together</u> – 8th September 2020



The Return - National Day of Prayer and Repentance

"The Return" is set to take place 40 days before the presidential election, and on the 400th anniversary of the sailing of the Mayflower. As a time of biblical ten-day period beginning with the Feast of Trumpets and ending with the Day of Atonement, (September 18-28) known as the Days of Repentance.

"The Return" is for all believers from all denominations and backgrounds.

"I believe this is the moment," Cahn said.
"If we don't do this now, we may pass the point of no return." **Jonathan Cahn**(Messianic Jewish pastor) is co-chair of the event and called it a "solemn assembly" based on 2 Chronicles 7:14.



"It's going to be on the National Mall in Washington, DC, on September 26th," Cahn said. "But it's also going to be <u>around the world and around the country</u> for those who can't make it, <u>it's going to be streamed to their homes, their churches</u>, they can have their own event. <u>The point is, this is a crucial moment</u>."

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Pope to UN: Rethink the future of our common home

The COVID-19 pandemic is a trial, but also "a time to choose what matters and what passes away, a time to separate what is necessary from what is not", **Pope Francis told world leaders** on Friday 25th September 2020, in his virtual address to the UN **General Assembly.** The pope expressed strong support for multilateralism, that is, the partnership between multiple countries pursuing a common goal.





The pope will sign his third encyclical at the tomb of St. Francis in Assisi on Oct. 3, the day before the feast day of the famous friar.

"This year, amid crises that have shaken our world, we're awakened to the urgent need to heal our relationships with creation and each other. During the season this year, we enter a time of restoration and hope, a jubilee for our Earth, that requires radically new ways of living with creation."

"the pandemic has brought us to a crossroads."
--Pope Francis, 2020 Season of Creation Message

Each year, since the publication of the Encyclical <u>Laudato Si'</u> (<u>LS</u>, 24 may 2015), 1st September is celebrated by the Christian family as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Christians worldwide renew their faith in the God of creation and join in prayer and work for the care of our common home. – Pope Francis 1st September 2020

Global compact on education - On 15th October 2020*, Pope Francis has invited to the Vatican the proponents of the main religions, the spokespeople of international organizations and various humanitarian institutions, of the academic, economic, political and cultural world.

I am very pleased that the theme chosen by the ecumenical family for the celebration of the 2020 Season of Creation is *Jubilee for the Earth*, precisely in this year that marks the fiftieth anniversary of Earth Day. In the Holy Scriptures, a Jubilee is a sacred time to remember, return, rest, restore, and rejoice. – Pope Francis 1st September 2020



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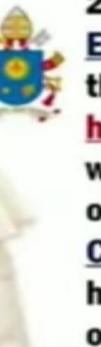






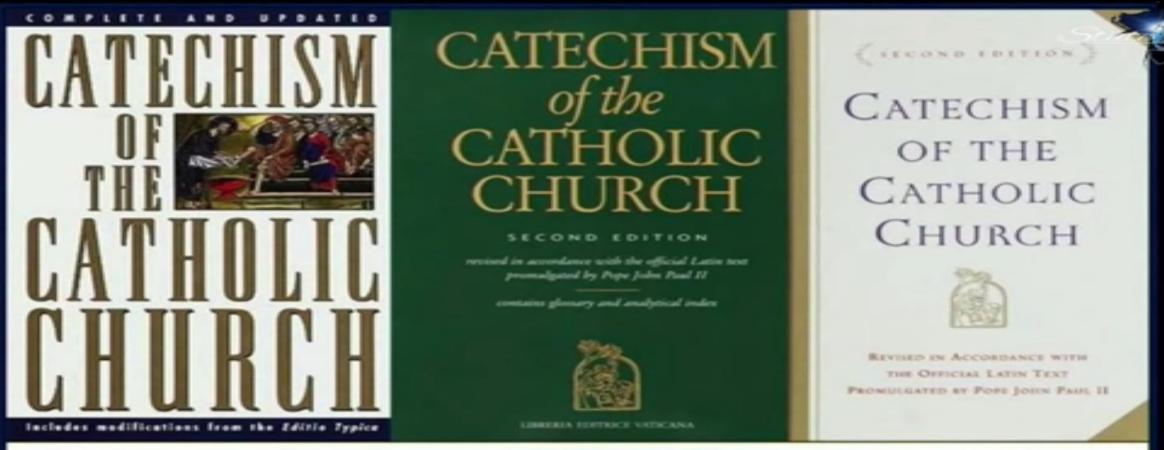
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Laudato Si - Climate Change Encyclical

237. "On Sunday, our participation in the Eucharist has special importance. SUNDAY, like the Jewish Sabbath, is meant to be a day which heals our relationships with God, with ourselves, with others and with the world. SUNDAY is the day of the Resurrection, THE "FIRST DAY" OF THE NEW CREATION, whose first fruits are the Lord's risen humanity, the pledge of the final transfiguration of all created reality. IT also proclaims "MAN'S ETERNAL REST IN GOD"... The law of weekly rest FORBADE WORK ON THE SEVENTH DAY."



2188: In respecting religious liberty and THE COMMON GOOD of all, Christians should seek recognition of SUNDAYS and the Church's holy days as LEGAL HOLIDAYS.







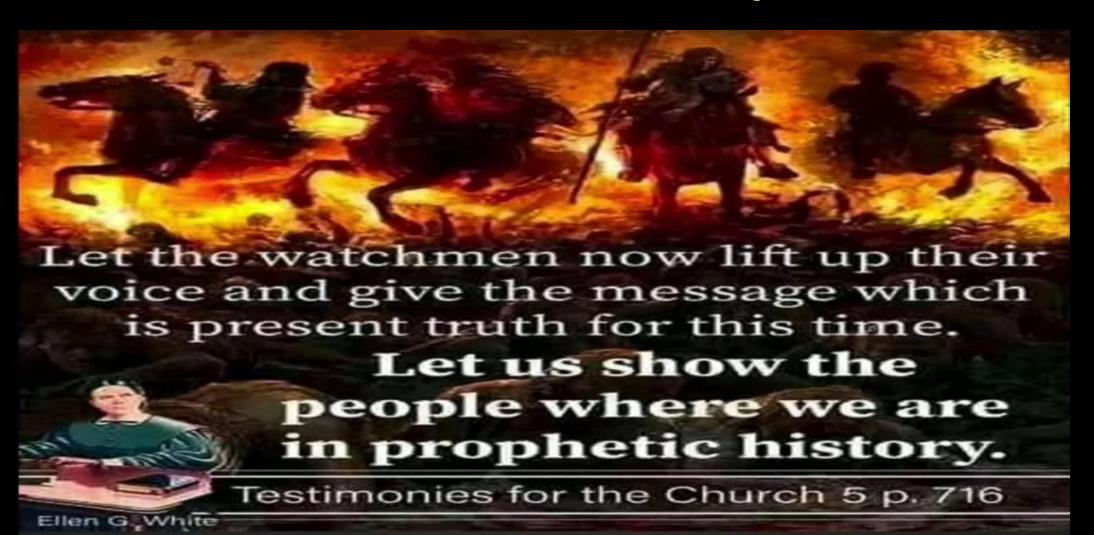
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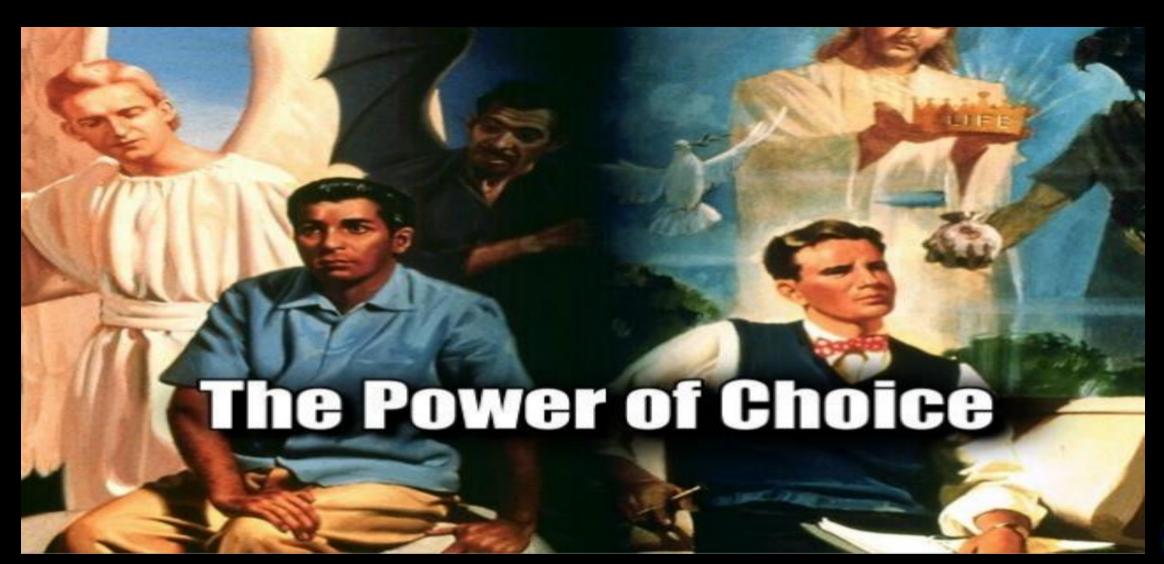




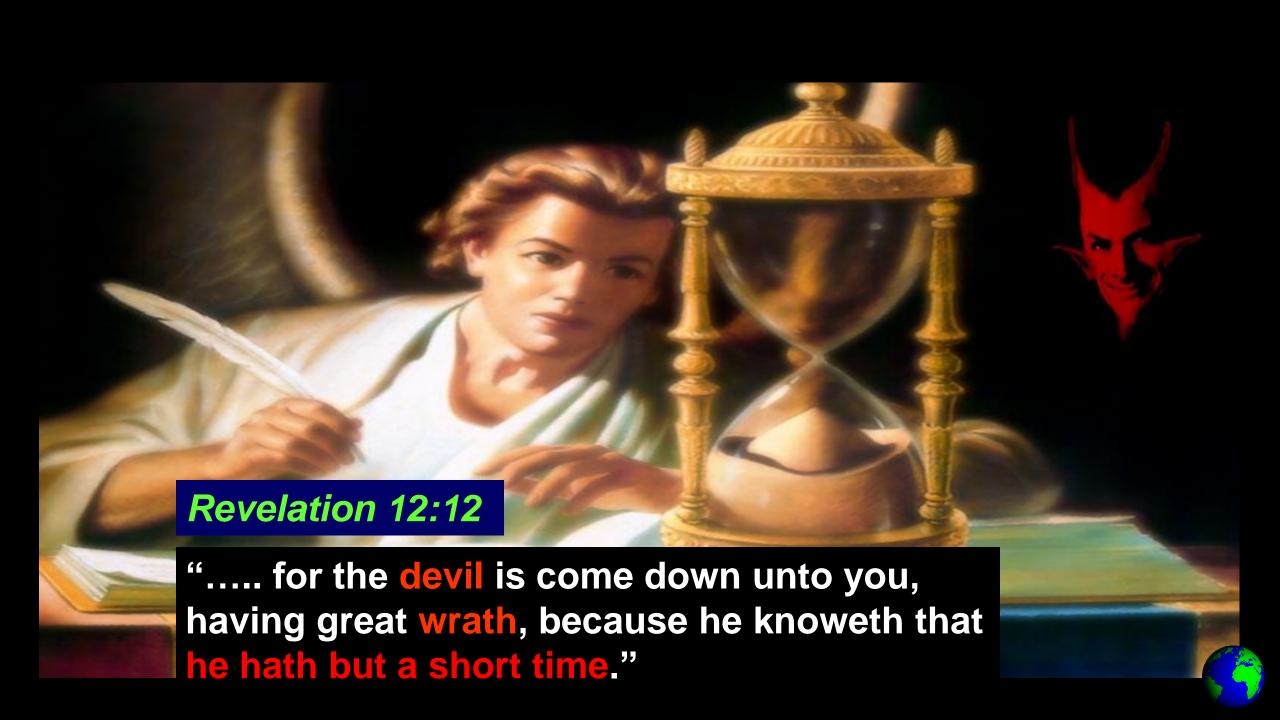
Concluding remarks

The overcomer is the individual Christian who enjoys special benefits in eternity for refusing to give up his faith in spite of persecution during life on earth.

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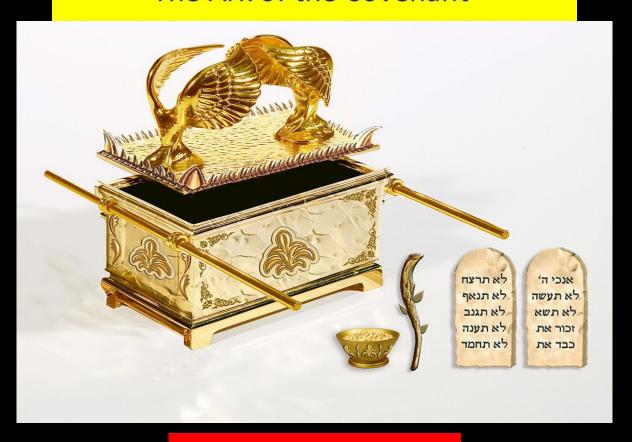
Enter The Ark of Hope

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

- John 10:16



The Ark of the Covenant



Psalms 77:13

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. -Revelation 3:20





