



Mission of The False Prophet

Revelation 13:11-18

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Revelation 13:11

Rise of Third Person Of Diabolic Trinity

11 Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth, and he had two horns like a lamb and spoke like a dragon.

Rise of Third Person Of Diabolic Trinity

Revelation 13:11

1.

Arises out of the
Earth —
Jewish Origin (?)

2.

Disguised as a lamb
(Greek → Arnion)
With two horns

3.

Speaks like a
Dragon

Impressive Miracles

Revelation 13:12-15

¹² And he exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence, and causes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. ¹³ He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men. ¹⁴ And he deceives those who dwell on the earth by those signs which he was granted to do in the sight of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who was wounded by the sword and lived. ¹⁵ He was granted *power* to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed.

Impressive Miracles

Revelation 13:12-15

- ❖ Authority derived from Beast out of the Sea
- ❖ Primary purpose secures worship of first Beast whose deadly wound is healed
- ❖ Method of operation –Miraculous Spectacles

Impressive Miracles Continued

❖ Warning
about Signs
and Wonders

1 Corinthians 1:22

For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom;

Matthew 12:39

But He answered and said to them, “An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah.

Matthew 24:24

For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect.

Impressive Miracles continued

- ❖ Deception to the point of Idolatry
- ❖ Artificial Intelligence (AI) the ultimate expression – Breath and life speech demanding worship on pain of death

The Mark of the Beast

Revelation 13:16-18

16 He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads,

17 and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

18 Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man: His number *is* 666.

MARK OF THE BEAST



- ❖ The Mark on right hand or forehead

Greek → χάραγμα

Charagma

- ❖ Economic Sanctions
- ❖ He is Human
- ❖ His number is 666

Two Major Issues

A. *The Significance of 666*

1. A designation of failure, therefore evil
2. Should we be afraid now?

Two Major Issues Continued

B. Signs and Wonders

- 1) Focus on Christ, His Incarnation, Atonement, and Teaching.
- 2) Always determine the doctrinal positions of "miracle workers."
If they are in violation of Scripture at any point, reject them.
- 3) Be especially alert to "signs and wonders" that hinge on or involve the exchange of money and goods.

(2 Kings 5:1-27; Acts 3:6)

Two Major Issues Continued

B. Signs and Wonders

- 4) The greatest miracle and the sure manifestation of the power of God is always regeneration, conversion to Christ, or the new birth.
- 5) When uncertain, always seek discernment from the Biblical text and from the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
- 6) Remember that the Scriptures teach that the deceit and false miracles will increase as the world moves toward the eschaton.