

## Revelation 13:1-10

<sup>1</sup>And the dragon stood on the sand of the seashore.

Then I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and on his horns *were* ten diadems, and on his heads *were* blasphemous names.<sup>2</sup> And the beast which I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were like *those* of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. And the dragon gave him his power and his throne and great authority. <sup>3</sup>*I saw* one of his heads as if it had been slain, and his fatal wound was healed. And the whole earth was amazed *and followed* after the beast; <sup>4</sup>they worshiped the dragon because he gave his authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, “Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?” <sup>5</sup>There was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies, and authority to act for forty-two months was given to him. <sup>6</sup>And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, *that is*, those who dwell in heaven.

<sup>7</sup>It was also given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them, and authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him. <sup>8</sup>All who dwell on the earth will worship him, *everyone* whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been slain. <sup>9</sup>If anyone has an ear, let him hear. <sup>10</sup>If anyone *is destined* for captivity, to captivity he goes; if anyone kills with the sword, with the sword he must be killed. Here is the perseverance and the faith of the saints.

## Intro

- Ch.12 – Satan
- Now, Ch. 13 - his *man*: “Antichrist”, “Beast”, “Man of Sin”, “Son of Destruction” ...
- Daniel 7, 8, 9, 11
- 2 Thes. 2 - He will begin the Tribulation
- Rev. 6:1-2 - He began the Tribulation

*A shadowy sinister unnamed man*

### *Rev:13:1-10*

- v1 1. “the seashore”: looking west
2. “beast”: a pagan nation or pagan ruler (Dan. 7).
3. “the sea”: the Gentile world
4. In his historic appearance
- 10 horns, 7 heads
  - (Ch.17)
  - “5 ... 1 ... 1 to come”
  - 10 kings: the 7<sup>th</sup> kingdom to come. “Revived Rome”
  - And one man is “given all authority”. A man & a Kingdom
- v2 5. A revived Rome using O.T. imagery
- 6 Note: Satan - “Gave, Gave, Given, Given, Given”
- 7 He gave (exousia) “authority”
- Position
  - Exaltation
  - Power from authority
- v3 8. The world follows him ...”amazed”...as at a miracle
- Classic pre-mil theory
  - Walvoord’s theory.....revived Rome
- v4 9. Satan gives authority to the beast and elevates him as divine (2 Thes.2:3-4)

*Thus as men worshipped him, they worshipped Satan.*

### How is this true?

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- v5 10. Because Anti-Christ scorns God for 3 ½ years
- v6 Scorns His name, the Bible, and His people
- v7 11. Because of persecution; Death for whoever opposes.
- v8a 12. All nations will recognize him as supreme and for a brief time (7 yrs) the world will submit to him.
- To his military might (6:1-2)
  - To his economic power (“666”)
  - And his religious brilliance (“the harlot”)
- “The harlot” has a Satanic false prophet who will call men to embrace her...then to deny her and worship anti-Christ as God.
- Which will bring “woes” from God
  - A rebellion from the East
  - And a war at Megiddo
- v8b-9 13. The elect will not follow (Jn. 10 “The sheep know my voice”)
- v10 14. As they know justice will come