

Revelation 13:5-10

The Unleashing of the Beast Pt. 2
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The Beast Will Blaspheme God

Revelation 13:5-6 There was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and **blasphemies**, and authority to act for forty-two months was given to him.
6 And he opened his mouth in **blasphemies against God**, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, that is, those who dwell in heaven.

Daniel 7:8 While I was contemplating the horns, behold, another horn, a little one, came up among them, and three of the first horns were pulled out by the roots before it; and behold, this horn possessed eyes like the eyes of a man and a mouth **uttering great boasts**.

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The Beast Attacks God's People

Revelation 13:7-8 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. 8 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.

Daniel 7:25 He will speak out against the Most High and **wear down the saints** of the Highest One, and he will intend to make alterations in times and in law; and they will be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time.

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Believers Must Accept God's Providence

Revelation 13:9-10 LEB If anyone has an ear, let him hear! 10 If anyone is going into captivity, into captivity he goes. If anyone is to be killed by the sword, by the sword he is to be killed. Here is the patient endurance and the faith of the saints.

Revelation 3:10 Because you have kept the word of My perseverance, I also will keep you from the hour of testing, that hour which is about to come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth.

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The Entrance of the False Prophet

The Rise of the False Prophet

Revelation 13:11-12 Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb and he spoke as a dragon. 12 He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence. And he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed.

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The False Prophet's Lying Signs + Wonders

Revelation 13:13-14 He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth in the presence of men. 14 And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who had the wound of the sword and has come to life.

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False Christs and Prophets

Matthew 24:24 For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.

2 Thessalonians 2:8-10 Then that lawless one will be revealed whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming; 9 that is, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders, 10 and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved.

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The Need to Judge Prophecy

Matthew 7:15-20 Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves. 16 You will know them by their fruits. Grapes are not gathered from thorn bushes nor figs from thistles, are they? 17 So every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. 18 A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit. 19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. 20 So then, you will know them by their fruits.

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The Need to Judge Prophecy

1 Corinthians 14:29-33 Let two or three prophets speak, and **let the others pass judgment.** 30 But if a revelation is made to another who is seated, the first one must keep silent. 31 For you can all prophesy one by one, so that all may learn and all may be exhorted; 32 and the spirits of prophets are subject to prophets; 33 for God is not a God of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.

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Doctrinal Test (Forthtelling)

Deuteronomy 13:1-3 If a prophet or a dreamer of dreams arises among you and gives you a sign or a wonder, 2 and the sign or the wonder comes true, concerning which he spoke to you, saying, 'Let us go after other gods (whom you have not known) and let us serve them,' 3 **you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams;** for the LORD your God is testing you to find out if you love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

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Prediction Test (Foretelling)

Deuteronomy 18:18-22 I will raise up a prophet from among their countrymen like you, and I will put My words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. 19 It shall come about that whoever will not listen to My words which he shall speak in My name, I Myself will require it of him. 20 **But the prophet who speaks a word presumptuously in My name which I have not commanded him to speak, or which he speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die.** 21 You may say in your heart, How will we know the word which the LORD has not spoken? 22 When a prophet speaks in the name of the LORD, if the thing does not come about or come true, that is the thing which the LORD has not spoken. The prophet has spoken it presumptuously; you shall not be afraid of him.

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