

MORE ANTICHRISTSPEAK: DANIEL'S DISQUIETING NIGHT VISIONS

"As for me Daniel, my thoughts much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart."^[1]

"When ye therefore shall see the abomination that betokeneth desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place: let him that readeth it understand."^[2]

THE LITTLE HORN, ANTICHRIST, THE MAN OF SIN: THE DESOLATOR WHO ABOMINATES

Waking up from a nightmare is not fun. Sweating, heart racing, glancing furtively for shadowy figures in the night. Dark images of demons dancing in the head. Daniel had a similar experience, 2,500 or so years ago. Only Daniel's nightmare was God-breathed.

Earlier in Daniel's career, he revealed, then interpreted, a dream the Lord had given Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon. An eschatological dream of the end times. The supernatural way Daniel was able to accomplish such an impossible feat was due to the grace of God through the Holy Spirit. The God in Heaven is the revealer of secrets and mysteries, not man:^[3]

"But there is a God in heaven revealing mysteries, and he has made known to Nabuchodonosor [Nebuchadnezzar] what things must come to pass in the last days."^[4]

The *Septuagint* links the *revelation* - ἀποκαλυπτω ^[5] - of Daniel with the *Revelation* of St. John^[6] by using, in essence, the exact same Greek word. In addition, the *Septuagint* uses the same word *mystery* - μυστηριον ^[7] - as used in Revelation 17: *Mystery Babylon*. Thirdly, the dream the king had was of a human *image* - icon, εικων ^[8] - another direct link to Mystery Babylon, the Beast, Antichrist, and image worship.^[9]

There are no Christian scholars in doubt as to certain facts. The image symbolized four world domineering kingdoms, three of which were yet future. A fifth kingdom, comprising ten smaller kingdoms, was to emerge from the fourth Roman kingdom. The head of gold, as interpreted by Daniel, was the Babylonian kingdom; the silver breast and arms represented the Medo-Persian kingdom; the brass belly and thighs symbolized the kingdom of Greece; while the legs of iron were understood to represent the strongest kingdom: the Roman Empire. The certainty of these

facts is not disputed. It is with the identity of the feet and ten toes made of iron and clay that controversy centers. This is another *mystery of iniquity*, which will be explained shortly.

Nebuchadnezzar's dream concludes with a *stone cut out without hands* which smites the feet of the idol, breaking the entire icon to pieces, the pieces of which become powder carried away by the wind. No prophetic interpreter is in doubt as to who the *stone* is.

It can only be Jesus Christ who destroys image worshiping Mystery Babylon and Antichrist at His Second Advent. The Futurist School of interpretation see the ten toes as the 'Revived Roman Empire' headed by Antichrist, which does not take full form until after the fictitious *Rapture*.^[10]

There is only one small glitch in this popular, preposterous theory: there is no *gap* between the legs and the feet. Futurists would have us believe 1,500 years of *gap*, minimum, occur between the legs - the Roman Empire - and the feet - the Revived Roman Empire. But that theory isn't based on reality. The image of a human figure is our basis of reality. There are no gaps in the image. The leg bone's connected to the thigh bone. The thigh bone's connected to the knee bone. The knee bone's connected to the shin bone. The shin bone's connected to the ankle bone. The ankle bone's connected to the foot bone, and the foot bone's connected to the toe bones. Now hear the Word of the Lord through Daniel. No gap. A continuous progression of kingdom after kingdom. This is what actually happened in history. Check it out like a good Berean. And, if the truth be known, upon the Fall of the Roman Empire approximately ten divided kingdoms arose, at various time frames.

By reading any of the standard reference works which delineate history, it becomes self-evident that the Roman Empire subdivided into what amounted to ten separate kingdoms. For example, in the Encyclopedia Britannica, volume 8, p. 846,^[11] listed in the article, *EUROPE*, subheading: 'The Barbarian Invasions', are the ten invaders of the Roman Empire and their resulting new kingdoms:

1. The Visigoths: South side of the Danube, A.D. 376.
2. The Huns: Toulouse and Spain, A.D. 410.
3. The Vandals: Andalusia and Carthage, no date given.
4. The Burgundians: Savoy, east bank of the Rhone, A.D. 435.
5. The Franks: North-eastern Gaul, A.D. 486.
6. The Jutes: South and east Britain, no date given.
7. The Saxons: *ibid*.
8. The Angles: *ibid*.
9. The Ostrogoths: Italy, A.D. 476.
10. The Lombards: Northern Italy and Tuscany, A.D. 568

Is the reader beginning to sense another *mystery of iniquity* at work in *restraining* the truth and knowledge of the ten divided kingdoms which emerged from the fallen Roman Empire?

Also, by no mere accident, in symbolizing the Roman Empire as two iron legs, the Holy Spirit was revealing the division of the empire into East (Constantinople) and West (Rome):

“.....a new Rome arose by the Bosphorus, and Constantinople became the centre of what seemed a second empire in the East (A.D. 324).....and one naturally speaks of the two empires of the West and East.”^[12]

It was to be from the Western Latin Christian Roman Empire that the ten divided kingdoms would emerge. The Eastern Greek-speaking Christian portion of the Roman empire was to have its own set of problems with the numerous, and ultimately successful, invasions by the Saracen Arab Muslims.

Several years later Daniel was to have his disquieting night visions.^[13] They began strangely enough. Four beasts - θηριον^[14] (the same Greek word utilized in the *Septuagint* is utilized in Revelation 13 & 17) - arise from the great sea, i.e. Mediterranean Sea. Daniel's four beasts reflect, precisely, the first four kingdoms identified in the dreamed image of Daniel 2:

- The winged-lion: an historically confirmed symbol of Babylon.
- The bear eating three ribs: the superior Persians defeating the Medes.
- The four-headed, four-winged leopard: the Greek empire which was to be divided among Alexander's four top commanders after his death.
- the ten-horned beast with iron teeth: the strongest kingdom of Rome, with its subsequent ten kingdoms.

In describing the *dreadful and terrible* fourth beast, both the *Septuagint* and King James use the adjectives, *exceedingly strong*. Most amazingly, the Greek word employed for *strong* - ισχυω^[15] - is the exact same Greek word employed for *prevail* in the verse, *the gates of hell shall not prevail^[16] against [My Church]*. In other words, Jesus was linking the ten-horned *exceedingly strong* beast - the Roman Empire and its subsequent ten divided Latin Christian Roman kingdoms - with the gates of Hell, i.e., the demonic ruling powers. These would be the Church's archenemy, but would not be so strong as to conquer it. History bears this out, which we will discuss fully in succeeding chapters.

Not surprisingly, St. John's ten-horned beast exactly parallels Daniel's fourth beast:

- As Daniel's fourth beast rises from the sea, John's beast rises from the sea. Their place of origin is the same -the Mediterranean, i.e. Rome, Italy.
- As Daniel's beast has ten-horns, John's beast has ten horns. Their destinies meet

following the demise of the Roman Empire.

- As Daniel's first three beasts were a lion, a bear, and a leopard, so, too, is John's beast a composite of leopard, bear and lion. Both beasts share common ancestry.
- As Daniel's beast was exceedingly strong, taking dominion, stamping upon the residue with his feet, John's beast is so strong none are able to make war against him successfully.^[17] Both beasts share a passion for war, death and destruction.

Additionally, the Greek word for *Rome* - Ρωμη ^[18] - translates to *strong*. Also, the English word *iron* has as its root meaning, *strong* and *holy*.^[19] Rome is strong, iron is strong. The Papacy is strong, Roman, and 'holy'. What *irony*.

ANTICHRIST, THE MAN OF SIN, IS REVEALED TO DANIEL AS THE LITTLE HORN

It was bad enough experiencing the Roman Empire as a terrible beast in his dream, but for Daniel seeing the *little horn* was unnerving:

"I noticed his horns, and, behold, another little horn came up in the midst of them, and before it three of the former horns were rooted out; and, behold, there were eyes as the eyes of a man in this horn, and a mouth speaking great things."^[20]

Once again, John's *ten-horned beast* directly parallels Daniel's *little horn*:

"And there was a mouth given unto him that spake great things and blasphemies.....And he opened his mouth unto blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle and them that dwell in heaven."^[21]

In the Old Testament *Septuagint* Greek text, *mouth speaking great things*, is identical to the same phrase in the Greek New Testament. Providence, not coincidence.

THE DOMINION OF LITTLE HORN OCCURS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ROMAN EMPIRE IS DIVIDED INTO TEN KINGDOMS

Without working ourselves into a lather arguing the identity of the three horns rooted up by the papal *little horn*,^[22] can there be any disagreement over the *time* and *sequence* of events in the *little horn's* rise to power? First, according to Paul's prophecy (2Thess. 2), the Roman Empire, the *let* or *restrainer* had to be taken out of the way. The Roman Empire was taken out of the way by the invading barbarian armies. Next, according to Daniel 2 & 7, the Roman Empire then had to be divided into ten kingdoms, which actually occurred during the period A.D. 376-568. Thirdly and lastly, the *little horn* would rise to power while those ten kingdoms were *still in existence*. Only the Roman Catholic Papacy fulfills all these requirements.

"...there finally descended, in the fifth century, the avalanche of barbaric invasion. Its impact seemed to split the [Roman] empire into fragmentary [i.e., 10] kingdoms; yet it left the Universal [i.e., Catholic] Church intact..."[23]

The Latin Christian Church, which would claim the Emperor Constantine the Great as its convert, would become the official religion of the Roman Empire: Roman Catholicism. [24] As was stated previously:

"The papacy is the only institution that has existed continuously from the early Roman empire." [25]

Another equivalent way of saying the above is: *The dynasty of ruling popes is the only horn that has existed from the early Roman empire, through its fall and division into ten kingdoms, up to the present day.*

"Then came the age when the papacy was growing out of the ruins of the old Roman empire..."[26]

"[Pope Simplicius'] pontificate saw the disappearance of the western Roman empire. The boy emperor Romulus Augustus was deposed in 476...This elimination of the imperial power in the west served perforce to enhance the prestige of the papacy throughout that half of the world, where it had begun to emerge as the focus of authority ever since Constantine had left Rome for Constantinople." [27]

"The pope borrowed his title of *pontifex maximus* from the emperor: what is far more, he made himself gradually, and in the course of the centuries, the Caesar and imperator of the church." [28]

These extracts from an unbiased authoritative source prove the premise that only one ruling power, i.e., *little horn*, has emerged from the ruins of the Roman Empire fully intact: The Roman Catholic Papacy.

This indisputable fact also poses an immense problem for Futurists who look for a new ten kingdom 'Revived Roman Empire.' If Daniel's ten-horned beast lost its horns; grew back new ones, and out of that kingdom came the *little horn*, this writer would tend to agree with their interpretation. But such is not the case. The beast lost no horns, the *little horn* arose out of the midst of the ten barbarian kingdoms.

THE EYES ON THE LITTLE HORN SYMBOLIZE AN 'OVERSEER' OR BISHOP THE MOUTH ON THE LITTLE HORN SYMBOLIZES A PROPHET

The Greek word for *bishop*, επισκοπος, *episcopos*, [29] is a composite of two Greek words: *epi* and *skopos*, *over* and *watchman*. Together they translate as *overseer*; which we translate into English as *bishop*. The prophet Ezekiel was a *skopos* or *watchman* who was obedient to his calling. The *little horn*, on the other hand, is not.

Also inherent in the *little horn* is the concept of primacy. The little horn holds the primacy,

superiority and first place among all the bishops. It was this particular little horn that 'rooted up' and extirpated the three larger horns. His power had to be great to accomplish such a feat. We have already established the Pope as Supreme Pontiff and Bishop of Rome, Head of the Latin Christian Catholic Church.[29]

Another possible interpretation one might give to help identify the *little horn* is seen in the Great Schism of the West. One of the primary reasons Pope John XXIII. convoked the Council of Constance, A.D. 1414, was to condemn the two antipopes, Gregory XII. and Benedict XIII. What was to be the outcome of the Council no man could have foreseen, only the Lord. John XXIII. was deposed (his crimes and condemnation will be detailed in future chapters), Gregory XII. renounced his rights, and Benedict XIII. was deposed by the Council in July, 1417. Emerging from the ashes of the vacant papacy was one Cardinal Otto Colonna, who had an active hand in removing the three papal horns. The Cardinal took the stage name, Martin V., upon his election as pope in November, 1417.

To further amplify the incredible scope of the *little horn* prophecy as the superior bishop in the church, the Greek word *skopos*, *watchman* is translated into the Latin as *species*.^[30] The term *species* meaning *a seeing, appearance*^[31] is employed by the Roman Catholic Church as a theological term signifying the unchanging appearance of the consecrated Eucharist of the Mass:

"Faith teaches that when the substance of bread and wine is changed into the body and blood of Christ, the *species*, i.e., the appearance or physiochemical properties of bread and wine, remain. So, on the level of experience, the Consecration changes nothing....."^[32]

Thus, the *little horn* which had the *eyes of a man*, the Bishop of Rome, the Head of the Latin Christian Catholic Church, sanctions, promotes and demands worship of a consecrated Host whose appearance and *species* is not changed into the real, actual, substantial body and blood of the Lord. It is over this issue that the eyes of many were opened to the falsity of the claims made by the Roman Catholic Church. This will be documented in later chapters.

Sir Isaac Newton, of apple fame, was a genius in many respects. Astronomer, mathematician, and natural philosopher are some of the offices held by this 17th and 18th century Englishman. Little publicized, however, is the fact of Newton's strong Christian faith and outstanding scholarship in the area of prophecy. Satan does not want that pertinent information to leak out. This author's edition of the Britannica completely bypasses these facts. Let the reader perceive for himself what Mr. Newton believed and taught in his Observations on the Prophecies of Daniel, published in A.D. 1733:

"Kings are put for kingdoms, as above; and therefore the little horn is a little kingdom. It was a horn of the fourth beast, and rooted up three of his first horns; and therefore we are to look for it among the nations of the Latin Empire, after the rise of the ten horns. But it was a kingdom of a

different kind from the other ten kingdoms. having a life or soul peculiar to itself, with eyes and a mouth. By its eyes it was a Seer; and by its mouth speaking great things and changing times and laws, it was a Prophet as well as a King, it is the Church of Rome.

A Seer, *επισκοπος*, is a Bishop in the literal sense of the word; and this Church claims the universal Bishopric. With his mouth he gives laws to kings and nations as an Oracle; and pretends to Infallibility, and that his dictates are binding to the whole world; which is to be a Prophet in the highest degree."^[33]

The 1995 Catechism of the Catholic Church confirms Newton's premise of universal bishopric of the pope:

"¶882 The *Pope, Bishop of Rome and Peter's successor.....For the Roman Pontiff, by reason of his office of Vicar of Christ, and as pastor of the entire Church has full, supreme, and universal power over the whole Church.....*"^[34]

As universal Bishop the Pope oversees the entire Church. As Vicar of Christ, the Pope comes in the name, authority and stead of Christ, and is Antichrist in the replacement, representative sense of the word. That, to the discerning reader, is the fulfillment of the several prophecies at once, all culminating in the Man of Sin, the Roman Catholic Pope.

Baker's Dictionary of Theology defines *prophet* as "one who speaks before in the sense of proclaim, or the one who speaks for, i.e., in the name of (God)."^[35] To speak for God, coming in the name of God would certainly necessitate speaking *great things*. Does the Roman Pontiff claim to come in the name of God? Yes, he does. As the Vicar of Christ, he is His representative on earth, he and his Church declare. Thus, in that one title the Pope fulfills the office of *prophet*. Can a prophet sent by God make an incorrect prophecy? No, he cannot:

"But the prophet which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die. And if thou say in thy heart, How shall we know the word which the Lord hath not spoken? When a prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken....." ^[36]

Simply put, false prophets prophesy lies and misread future events. Their doom is death. As is the destiny of the son of perdition. He goes into perdition. True prophets speak the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. They had better, They are witnessing the will of God through His Word.

The Catholic Church, i.e. , her Magisterium, *watches over* the Word of God:

".....all that has been said about the manner of interpreting Scripture is ultimately subject to the judgment of the Church which exercises the divinely conferred commission and ministry of watching over and interpreting the Word of God."^[37]

In order for the Magisterium to carry out this somber commission 'faithfully,' the Catholic Church and its *little horn*, the Pope, has a *mouth speaking great things*:

"¶890 It is this Magisterium's task to preserve God's people from deviations and defections and to guarantee them the objective possibility of professing the true faith without error.....To fulfill this service, Christ endowed the Church's shepherds with the charism [i.e. gift] of infallibility in matters of faith and morals."

"¶892 The Roman Pontiff, head of the college of bishops, enjoys this infallibility in virtue of his office, when, as supreme pastor and teacher of all the faithful - who confirms his brethren in the faith - he proclaims by a definitive act a doctrine pertaining to faith and morals.....The infallibility promised to the Church is also present in the body of bishops when, together with Peter's successor, they exercise the supreme Magisterium, above all in an Ecumenical Council."^[38]

The Pharisees claimed a similar gift of infallibility. Their teaching was never in error. Not once did they concede to Jesus that He was right and they were wrong. Claiming Apostolic succession from Abraham,^[39] Jesus corrected their erroneous presumption:

"Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will follow. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him."^[40]

Similarly, the pharisaical Roman Catholic bishops and *little horn* claim Apostolic succession from their father, St. Peter.^[41] Illogically, they also claim *infallibility* which Peter never had:

"But he turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offense to me....."^[42]

"Jesus said unto him, Verily, I say unto thee, that this night, before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice."^[43]

There were serious defects in Peter's faith and morals which, by the grace of God, were repented of and forgiven. Not so with the dynasty of popes claiming direct descent from Peter by divine prerogative. But we have already examined, in depth, one great chink in the armor of the Beast and His Church, Mystery Babylon: image worship. God loathes and abhors it. Always has, always will. The Man of Sin, perhaps also best described as the Man of Perpetual Fallibility, decrees, through his 'infallible' Ecumenical Councils, all their images to be sacred and holy and worthy of veneration, adoration and worship. This 'infallible' dogma is a *mystery of iniquity* which few in the Church or world see as a sin despised by God. They believe the theological doublespeak by the Roman Magisterium excusing and justifying idolatry.

We have also delved into the *mystery* called Transubstantiation, which teaches that the priest, having received Holy Orders, is ordained, qualifying him to create God the Son from bread.

This is, perhaps, the height of arrogance, other than presuming to offer to God another, better sacrifice. This the Roman Catholic priesthood presumes to do daily, worldwide, for centuries. Truly, the Man of Sin, Antichrist, and his fellow priests exalt themselves *above all that is called God or that is worshiped*.^[44]

To claim the supernatural attribute of infallibility is to assume and usurp Godhood. To never err is not human. Jesus, the God-man, never erred, though he was tested as we in all things. On the cross He did not ask the Father's forgiveness for His sins. He had none. He asked forgiveness for the elect's sins. Christ promises infallibility in the teaching ministry of the Holy Spirit: *he will guide you into all truth*.^[45] Truth is error-free, the Holy Spirit dispenses error-free truth, thus, the Holy Spirit is error-free and infallible. God the Father is infallible. Jesus said and did nothing but what He saw and heard from the Father.^[46] Jesus is infallible, ergo, His role model, God the Father, must be infallible. To claim to speak for God, yet instead of dispensing scriptural truth, one dispenses sin, lawlessness and abomination, it is, indeed, *a mouth speaking great things against the Most High*.^[47]

The Latin term *ex cathedra* - 'from the seat or chair' - i.e., of eminent teacher or judge, is closely associated with the doctrine of *infallibility*:

"we teach and define as a divinely revealed dogma, that the Roman Pontiff, when he speaks *ex cathedra* - i.e., when, in his character as Pastor and Doctor of all Christians, and in virtue of his supreme apostolic authority, he lays down that a certain doctrine concerning faith or morals is binding upon the universal Church - possesses by the Divine assistance which was promised to him....."^[48]

The *Divine assistance* the Roman Catholic Church claims can be no other but the Spirit of Truth, the Holy Spirit. However, that allegation is nothing less than an outright lie because the Holy Spirit can never contradict Himself. The Spirit will not and cannot condemn image worship one day and applaud it the next. The truth never changes and God is immutable.^[49] Neither can the Holy Spirit contradict Himself concerning Christ's atonement. In Hebrews 10, the Spirit teaches the all-sufficient, perfect, once-for-all sacrifice on the Cross. The *infallible* Pontiff, building a bridge to Hell, sings the nodding faithful to sleep with a satanic lullaby:

*♥ The priest, another Christ, ♣ offers a sacrifice, different, yet the same sacrifice as that offered by the Lord ♥, and in this sacrifice we all partake, that we might be well-pleasing to God. **

This fable is a lie straight from the pit of Hell, for the Holy Spirit clearly states that sacrifices offered after the atonement of Christ denigrates and mocks the blood of Christ, the salvation provided us by the Father, does irreparable insult to the Spirit of grace, the Holy Spirit, and warrants vengeance from the Lord Himself.^[50]

TO CLAIM SPIRIT-INSPIRED INFALLIBILITY WHILE PROPHESYING LAWLESSNESS IS TO BLASPHEME THE HOLY SPIRIT

This is the unforgivable sin. The ultimate insult. The Pope is the Unforgiven. The son of perdition, the Beast who goes into perdition. The Man of Sin and Lawlessness to whom no forgiveness, mercy or compassion is forthcoming from God, the only absolver of sins. The Lord God has set His limits and drawn His line in the sand. He is free to dispense saving grace to whom He will. He has declared in His Word and by His Son there is no forgiveness and saving grace for those who blaspheme God the Holy Spirit.

BLASPHEMY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT MISUNDERSTOOD BY MOST

Granted this doctrine is a difficult one. Let us be prudent in the interpretation.

"As they went out, behold, they brought him a dumb man possessed of a devil. And as soon as the devil was cast out, the dumb spake: and the people marvelled, saying: it was never so seen in Israel. But the Pharisees said: he casteth out devils by the power of the chief devil."^[51]

"He that is not with me is against me. And he that gathereth not with me, scattereth abroad. Wherefore I say unto you, all manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy of the spirit, shall not be forgiven unto men. And whosoever speaketh against the holy ghost, it shall not be forgiven him: no, neither in this world, neither in the world to come."^[52]

A common interpretation of *blasphemy of the Holy Spirit* is along these lines: attributing to the devil the works and miracles of the Holy Spirit. Amazingly, it is just the opposite: attributing to the Holy Spirit the works and words of the devil.

Apparently, names will never harm Jesus or the Holy Spirit. Nothing or no one can stop God's word and works from accomplishing His purpose:

"So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."^[53]

It is the false prophet, allegedly coming in the name and authority of Christ, as Vicar of Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, who 'infallibly' preaches, teaches and binds the faithful to do evil, that is the one Jesus has declared unforgivable:

"Many [false prophets] will say to me, Master, Master, have we not in thy name prophesied? And in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name have done many miracles? And then I will acknowledge unto them, that I never knew them. Depart from

me, ye workers of iniquity [lawlessness].”^[54]

We need to understand that Christ's diatribe was directed at the Pharisees, a type of the Roman Catholic priesthood. Their slur was directed primarily at the Lord Jesus, charging him with sorcery using a familiar spirit. They were accusing Jesus of being a man of sin, *whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders.*^[55] In essence, Christ was a heretic who never held to the orthodox faith of the Pharisees. They never authorized His ministry of preaching, teaching and healing. His words and works could not possibly be of God, no matter how astounding they were. Instead, they were *lying wonders*. Rather than recognize Jesus as the Son of God, they recognized Him as the son of perdition, the seed of the serpent, Beelzebub, as they called him. They attributed His power to Satan, not the Holy Spirit.

Attacks on the Son of God, however, will be graciously forgiven when repented of. But an 'infallible' *mouth speaking great words against the Most High* will not be forgiven. The horn and beast of Daniel 7 who committed such blasphemy was slain, his body destroyed, given to the burning flame.^[56] The same beast, described in Revelation 13:5, was given *a mouth that spake great things and blasphemies, and he opened his mouth unto blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle and them that dwell in heaven.*^[57]

As we continue our study, it should become clearer and clearer to the reader, Lord willing, that literally all that comes out of the mouth of the *little horn* blasphemes God, while alleging Holy Spirit inspiration. The popes, by their decrees and works, go *against - anti -* Jesus Christ. They did not gather the flock, but instead scattered them, persecuted them and murdered them, driving them into hiding. The popes cloak their true identity behind a false facade of Trinitarian orthodoxy, citing the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds.

"But I say unto you, that of every idle word that men shall have spoken, they shall give accounts at the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified: and by thy words thou shalt be condemned."^[58]

If men will give account for every *idle* word spoken, what of the men who speak, preach and teach lawlessness and blasphemy claiming Holy Ghost assistance?

THE PHARISEES ALSO SPOKE *EX CATHEDRA*

"The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat - kathedra."^[59]

The scribes, Sadducees and Pharisees were prefiguring and typifying the Roman Catholic Church hierarchy. Christ was not pleased with these hypocrites, serpents and generation of vipers.^[60] But He is even less pleased with the Roman Catholic Church. Scripture marks them out as Mystery Babylon and their Head, the Antichrist. There is no forgiveness for the son of perdition. Unless those in the Roman Catholic religious system jump off the Beast, grabbing

hold of the Lamb, they, too, are going into perdition.

By claiming the authority of Moses, the religionists could compel and pressure the complacent laity into compliance with their every lawless and tradition-based decree. Christ, lacking Billy Graham's diplomatic skills, did not ingratiate Himself to them. Rather, He judged, exposed, reproved and condemned their hypocrisy. The Pharisees, like the Holy See and its minions, not only did not follow the law of Moses, but did not follow their own man-made laws and traditions. The Roman Catholic Church and its Man of Lawlessness have devised an ingenious plan to circumvent their own heavy burdens of Christ-despising traditions alongside the Master's law of grace: indulgences. An indulgence is a license to sin. It covers all sins, even murder. We will be speaking more on this terrifying subject in later chapters.

THE LITTLE HORN : KING OF THE SMALLEST KINGDOM ON EARTH

The horns on Daniel's fourth terrible beast represent kings and their kingdoms:

"The horn is used as a symbol of power, strength, honor, and grandeur. Sometimes it is a good power, and sometimes an evil power. Sometimes it refers to the strength of a nation [i.e., kingdom], other times to the ruler [i.e., king] of a nation."^[61]

We have already established, through unbiased sources, the identity of the ten horns or kingdoms which emerged from the fallen Roman Empire. The 11th horn which came up in the midst of the ten is described as *little*. This adjective does not reflect the size or stature of the Man of Sin. Rather, it portrays his kingdom.

VATICAN CITY-STATE THE SMALLEST KINGDOM IN THE WORLD THE POPE ITS KING

"Vatican City is the smallest state in the world, occupying 108.7 acres.....It forms an enclave in the city of Rome, on the right side of the Tiber."^[62]

"Sovereignty over Vatican City is exercised by the pope in his function as supreme head of the Catholic Church.....In its governmental form Vatican City is unique in being an elective absolute monarchy.....All laws are a sovereign emanation of the will of the pope, who is the ultimate source of all power."^[63]

Let there be no mistaking the unrefuted fact that the Pope is king and dictator of the Roman kingdom of Vatican City. As absolute dictator his will alone holds sway. The English word *dictator* derives its root from the Latin *dicere*, 'to speak.'^[64] As the ruling, dictatorial *little horn* of the world's smallest kingdom, his mouth *speaks great words against the Most High*, blaspheming the Holy Spirit.^[65]

A little known book which this author uncovered in his research contains a few profound statements confirming the identity of the ruling *little horn* and his kingdom:

"When supper was ended that evening, Frank still had in his mind one problem the day's sight-seeing had not cleared. 'Why is it, Dad,' he asked across the table that was silently clearing, 'that the Vatican State is so very small?' His father sat back and answered thoughtfully - as though speaking more to himself than to his son. 'Very small? Yes; only one-sixth of a square mile, though once it covered the whole of central Italy. Its better this way. Pius XI., the founder of this miniature State, used to say so: *the smaller the better*. But is it too small? The same Pope gave the answer: *When a piece of territory can boast that it contains Bernini's colonnades, Michelangelo's dome, all the treasures of literature and science and art to be found in the archives and libraries and museums and art galleries of the Vatican; when above all there is to be found within it the Tomb of the Prince of the Apostles - one has every right to say there does not exist anywhere else in the world a territory so great and precious*. Yes, Pius was right.'

"Mr. Angelo sipped his after-dinner wine. 'Think of it', he mused, 'this tiny corner contains the greatest cathedral, the greatest palace, and the greatest tomb, in the world. The greatness, of other kingdoms and countries lies in their armies, their ships, their military might, their trade, their economic and political power, but the greatness of the Vatican springs from a higher source: it is moral greatness.'

"Perhaps he saw a look of surprise cross his son's face, for he continued: 'No, son, I am not a Catholic. But I do know the true worth of the Vatican. And I know that this worth derives from the influence of that tall, ascetic man in the white cassock over yonder in his lonely palace. Millions of people - and not Catholics alone - listen to his decisions. Some obey, others do not; but all listen. The decisions from that palace have at times changed the course of history. They may still affect it. It is true that these decisions concern only matters of faith and morals; but social, and economic, and even political questions often depend on moral principles. And many thinking men believe that the voice of the Vatican clearly and fearlessly enunciates the right principles. Yes, the greatness of the Vatican has little to do with its palaces and art, it is of a very different order.'"^[66]

The reader may decide for oneself the bias of the above quotations. Certainly the Vatican PR department could hardly have ghost-written a better piece of propaganda for the ignorant and unwary. Mark the emphasis of the *little horn* as to the Vatican's *greatness*. Surely this is *a mouth speaking great things*.^[67]

THE TERM 'VATICAN' TRANSLATES TO *FOUNDED ON PROPHECY*

The Latin expression *Vaticanus*, Vatican, predates the Pope, the false prophet *little horn*, and Roman Catholic Church by almost 1,000 years. Talk about predestination:

"The Vatican hill was first, as the Latin etymology indicates, a place of prophecies (*vaticinia*), but the Etruscan divines and the great Lucumon, interpreter of the terrible 'will' of the dwarf Tages, and the later Roman augurs, have long passed away. The ancient mount of pagan oracles is no

longer known except as the seat of pontifical infallibility. However, long centuries rolled by before the popes came and established themselves there.”^[68]

“Even the origin of the word 'Vatican' has still not been settled on with any unanimity. One eighteenth-century source has the presumed original Latin - *vaticinii* or *vaticinium* - meaning 'prediction' or 'prophecy,' named for the oracular god Vatican, who was purported to have resided on that fetid side of the river.”^[69]

“According to Varras, the oracle priests of the Etruscans delivered their prophecies, or *vaticini* from the tops of these hills [i.e., Vatican Hill, Monte Mario and Gianicolo].”^[70]

“The origin of the name [Vatican] is uncertain. One theory is that it was derived from *vates*; a seer or prophet, because the Romans gained possession of it from the Etruscans through an oracular response.....; another from *vaticinis*; which means prophecies or oracles.”^[71]

The Latin translation of 'Vatican' is *Vaticanus*. The English word 'vatic' meaning 'prophetic, characteristic of a prophet'^[72] is derived from the Latin root *vates* meaning 'a prophet, soothsayer, seer.'^[73] The Latin noun *vaticanator* also means 'soothsayer, seer, prophet.'^[74] To this day, 2,600 years from the days of the Etruscans, Vatican Hill continues to be the sacred ground from which false prophecies and fabricated oracles of the gods are spoken. The *little horn* having *eyes like the eyes of a man* and *a mouth speaking great things* holds the office of infallible, divinely-inspired *seer, prophet and soothsayer*.

Thus, *Vaticanus* may be understood to be comprised of 'vatic' + 'anus.' Vatic or *vates* is associated with prophets and prophecy, while the Latin word *anus* is defined as 'the fundament, a base on which a structure is erected.'^[75] This directly corresponds with the prophecy of Zechariah 5:5-11:

"And the angel that talked with me went forth, and said to me, Lift up thine eyes and see this that goes forth. And I said, What is it? And he said, this is a measure that goes forth. And he said, This is their iniquity in all the earth. And behold a talent of lead lifted up: and behold a woman sat in the midst of the measure. And he said, this is iniquity [ανομία, lawlessness]. And he cast it into the midst of the measure, and cast the weight of lead on the mouth of it. And I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, [Zechariah is a seer, a prophet] and behold, two women coming forth, and the wind [πνευμα, spirit of Antichrist] was in their wings; and they had stork's wings: and they lifted up the measure between the earth and the sky. And I said to the angel that spoke with me, Whither do these carry away the measure? And he said to me, To build it a house in the land of Babylon, and to prepare a place for it; and they shall set it there on its own base."^[76]

There are too many parallels in this prophecy to dismiss it as uncertain. Zechariah the seer and prophet of God has given us his revelation of Mystery Babylon, the Roman Catholic Church:

- He describes her as a woman, as does John in Rev. 17. The Roman Catholic Church calls herself *Holy Mother the Church*.
- He describes her as being sealed with lead. Lead is impenetrable. Not even X-rays can penetrate it. John's revelation uncovers or unseals her. Her identity has been known by the saints for at least 1,000 years.
- He sees her being lifted up between heaven and the earth. John describes her as a Queen whose wealth and grandeur cause wonderment. The Roman Catholic Church is both wealthy beyond measure and the mediator and dispenser of salvation, its priests mediating between the laity and Godhead.
- He sees two unclean spirits - two lying witnesses - guide her to her destination, Babylon, a pseudonym for Rome. John calls her *Mystery Babylon*.
- Zechariah's angel foretells a house will be built for it. It is the same expression in the Greek that Jesus uses, *I will build my church*, οικοδομεω.[77] It translates literally *to build a house*. The inference being Christ builds a house, His Church, as does Satan imitate and build his house, the false Church, *Mystery Babylon*.
- The woman, the false church is being set on her own base. This relates back to *Vaticanus*, 'vatic' + 'anus'. The 'anus' or 'fundament' or 'base' on which the house is built is not Christ, but *her own*, i.e. , in opposition to Christ. St. John sees the woman sitting on a beast, the Roman Pontiff and *little horn* seer prophet.

THE SERPENT ALSO A SEER PROPHET

To further add to the impossibility of all these 'coincidences' being purely by chance, the Hebrew word for 'base' in Zech. 5:11 is *nekhosheth*.^[78] This word is directly related to *nawkhash*^[79] meaning 'to prognosticate, divine, use enchantment.' These are the multi-talents of the seer, soothsayer, prophet, sorcerer, and is the Hebrew root for *nawkhawsh*.^[80] serpent. As in Garden of Eden variety. Thus, like father, like the son of perdition. Father is a lying prophet, son is a lying prophet. The *base* upon which the woman of Zechariah's vision rests is false prophecy, speaking great words against the Most High.

PAPAL BULL AGAINST QUEEN ELIZABETH CITES LITTLE HORN'S POWER TO 'PLUCK UP BY THE ROOTS'

The phrase *pluck up by the roots* used in Daniel 7:8 (KJV) describes the strength and power of the *little horn*. Pius V., in his Bull deposing Queen Elizabeth of England, A.D. 1570, employs the exact same expression:

"He that reigns in the highest, to whom has been given all power in heaven and earth, entrusted the government of the one Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church (outside of which there is no salvation) to one man alone on the earth, namely to Peter, the chief of the Apostles, and to Peter's successor, the Roman Pontiff, in fullness and power. This one man he set up as chief over all nations and all kingdoms, to pluck up, destroy, scatter, dispose, plant and build..."[81]

THE LITTLE HORN RULES FROM THE TIME OF FALL OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE UNTIL THE RETURN OF CHRIST IN JUDGMENT

"I beheld til thrones were cast down, and the ancient of days did sit whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: a thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened. I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spoke: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame."[82]

"And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth, and their warriors gathered together to make battle against him that sat on the horse and against his soldiers. And the beast was taken, and with him that false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that received the beast's mark, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast into a pond of fire burning with brimstone....."[83]

These two parallel passages, the first from Daniel 7, the second from Revelation 19, describe the eternal doom of the little horn, the beast, the son of perdition, Antichrist. What is of paramount importance to us is the *time and duration* of Antichrist's reign. Futurists looking for a secret Rapture would have us believe Antichrist's rule extends 7 years after Christ has come for His Church:

"Between the sixty-ninth week, after which Messiah was cut off, and the seventieth week [i.e., 7 years: one year for one day], within which the 'little horn' of Dan. 7 will run his awful course, intervenes this entire Church-age."[84]

But Daniel proves this hypothesis wrong. The fourth beast, the Roman Empire, gives rise to ten fragmented barbarian kingdoms. In the midst of these the *little horn rises* to pluck up three of the ten horns or kingdoms. Following this is the judgment of the *little horn* and then the setting up of God's kingdom (Dan. 7:7-14). Thus, the Church age and the *little horn's* reign run parallel until the Second Advent of Christ. The little horn dynasty of papal kings has run approximately 1,500 years or so. The little horn's character as the persecuting *Antichrist* began approximately 1,000 years ago. A seven year reign of an unknown Antichrist is patently absurd and

unscriptural.

In case there are any Doubting Thomas readers, the Angel gives Daniel the interpretation to his night vision. The four beasts are four kings, i.e., kingdoms. The fourth beast with his ten horns, then eleven horns, then eight horns, including the little horn's persecution of the saints, is followed by the Millennial Kingdom. Period. At the judgment *they take away his dominion*. The dominion of the little horn is presently 1,500 years, not seven. He will continue until the Second Advent of Christ (Daniel 7:15-27). No 2,000 year gap. No hole in the time continuum. No future unknowable Antichrist to come. He's here, despite the prognostications of the drunken sleeping prophets.

CURRENT EXAMPLES OF THE PAPAL LITTLE HORN'S FALSE ORACLES

I. The Doctrine of the Immaculate Conception, 1854, Pope Pius IX.:

".....we, with the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ [i.e., coming in the name of Christ], the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and with our own [i.e., authority, name. Cf John 5.43], do declare, pronounce and define that the doctrine which holds that the Virgin Mary was, in the first instant of her conception, preserved untouched by any taint of original guilt, by a singular grace and privilege of Almighty God, in consideration of the merits of Christ Jesus the Saviour of mankind - that this doctrine was revealed by God [i.e., the Holy Spirit] and therefore is to be firmly and steadfastly believed by all the faithful. Wherefore if any shall presume (which God forbid) to think in their hearts anything contrary to this definition of ours...they do by this subject themselves to the lawful penalties if they shall dare to signify, by word or writing...what they think in their hearts."[85]

May the observant reader note Pius IX. comes in the name of Christ and in his own name and authority. Both of these characteristics of Antichrist were told beforehand by Christ. By claiming divine inspiration, blasphemy of God the Holy Spirit is committed. Also, do not disregard the threat of using the secular authorities against those who dare think, speak or write contrary to this infallible oracular prophecy. It is exactly this characteristic of Antichrist that justifies persecutions and holy wars against the saints. Despite the strong warning, this writer must speak and write the truth:

THE VIRGIN MARY IS A SINNER GUILTY OF CHILD ABANDONMENT

"And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned home, the child Jesus bode still in Jerusalem, unknowing to his father and mother."[86]

As any parent can attest, raising a child is fraught with its own particular set of difficulties. This author remembers when his son was missing on the Venice boardwalk for thirty minutes while roller skating. Thankfully, he eventually skated back to his family, unharmed and unaware of our concern. The thought of not missing him for a full day before setting out in search for him

makes no sense. How could a responsible parent not know her precious son, the Messiah no less, was not in the caravan? Of course, Joseph is as much to blame as Mary. But the Roman Catholic soothsayers do not prophesy Joseph's Immaculate Conception nor his Assumption into Heaven. Which is why we single out Mary's lack of parenting skills.

It took Mary three days to find her Jesus. Instead of apologizing profusely for being a neglectful parent, Mary accuses Jesus of ill treatment of His parents. Abandoning her son is one thing, but not accepting responsibility and asking forgiveness is another. Mary is guilty on all counts. Thus, in this one incident alone, she is a sinner in need of the gracious salvation her son provides for repentant sinners.

II. The Doctrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 1950, Pope Pius XII.:

"From this general law [i.e., death and corruption of the body], nevertheless, God willed that the Blessed Virgin Mary should be exempt. Because of an altogether singular privilege she conquered sin by her Immaculate Conception, and consequently she was not liable to the well-known law of remaining in the corruption of the grave, nor was she bound to await the end of time for the redemption of her body...the Blessed Virgin Mary's bodily Assumption into Heaven...the heavenly 'glorification' itself of the virginal body of God's loving Mother...is a truth which was revealed by God and which must therefore be firmly and faithfully believed by all the children of the Church.

".....Since our Redeemer is Mary's Son, being most perfectly observant of the divine law He could not but honor, not only His eternal Father, but also His most beloved Mother. Now since He was able to adorn her with the great honor of preserving her, unimpaired, from the corruption of the grave, we must believe that He really did so...by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ [i.e., coming in the name of Christ], of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and Our own authority [cf John 5:43], We proclaim, declare and define that it is a divinely revealed dogma [i.e., by the Holy Spirit], that God's Immaculate Mother, the Ever-Virgin Mary, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.

"Hence, if anyone - which God forbid - should willfully dare to deny or to call into doubt what We have defined, let him know that he has completely forsaken the divine and Catholic Faith."^[87]

By now the reader must be seeing the unmistakable marks of the *little horn's* false prophecies:

- Coming in the name and authority of Christ as His Vicar.
- Coming in his own authority.
- Claiming God-breathed revelation, blaspheming the Holy Spirit.
- Countermanding the clear teaching of Scripture and the Holy Spirit.
- Teaching, as righteous, that which is evil.
- Binding his teaching on the faithful, to be universally believed under penalty of

anathema and worse.

- Wickedly bestowing, through robbery, the attributes of God the Son upon the No-Longer-Virgin, sinful creature, Mary:
 1. Christ is born without sin, Mary must be born without sin
 2. Christ is a virgin, Mary must remain a virgin.
 3. Christ died sinless, Mary must have died sinless.
 4. Christ saw no corruption, Mary must have seen no corruption.
 5. Christ is glorified, Mary must be glorified.
 6. Disbelieving the doctrines of Christ is heresy, so must disbelieving the doctrines of the Blessed Virgin as declared by the Church be heresy, punishable to the full extent of ecclesiastic and civil laws.

Again, this writer places his life and limbs in jeopardy by asking the musical question:

IF THE VIRGIN MARY HAS BEEN TRANSFIGURED AND ASSUMED INTO HEAVEN BODILY, WHY DIDN'T HER SON, ST. JOHN, SEE HER THERE?

Let us not forget Mary is also the mother of the Apostle John.^[88] But does the Catholic Church recognize that small fact? No, she does not. If John saw the transfiguration of Jesus,^[89] why would he not see the transfiguration of his mother, Mary? And if he did see such an event, why did he not write about it? Perhaps he didn't have permission to write of it. But did he not write, in detail, about witnessing the very sacred and holy throne of God? Why then not write of Mary's glorification, a much lesser event? But more to the point, John wrote everything he saw and heard in his Revelation epistle, with one exception: The seven thunders of Chapter 10. Yet there is nary a mention of the glorified, deified Blessed Virgin, Mother of God, Queen of the Universe. How can that be? The Catholic Church's prophets and seers have been prophesying for centuries her exalted position in Heaven. Yet she was not there in the Revelation. Not in the Throne room with God. Not with her Son, the Lamb. Not when He receives the scroll, a momentous occasion. Not when He opens the seals. She's nowhere to be found in the multitude of saints who came out of great tribulation. She's not numbered among the 144,000. She doesn't blow any trumpets, nor pour any vials. She is not present when the prayers of the saints are offered before the throne. Is it possible not one prayer was for her ears?

Perhaps she is the Woman with Child in Revelation 12, you may ask? If she is, why the secrecy? This would have been a perfect time for the Holy Spirit to proclaim, infallibly, the doctrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin! And wouldn't John have expressed joy and relief at seeing his long departed mother? After all, he expressed wonder and amazement at the great whore, *Mystery Babylon*. The whore even had her name written on her forehead: MYSTERY BABYLON THE GREAT THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND

ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. If the Woman of Revelation 12 was Mary, shouldn't her name, MOST BLESSED EVER-VIRGIN HOLY MOTHER OF GOD QUEEN OF HEAVEN, be written on her forehead too?

III. Mary - Queen of the Universe, 1954, Pius XII.:

"Already from the earliest centuries of the Catholic Church, the Christian people have addressed suppliant prayers and hymns of praise and veneration to the Queen of Heaven, both when they had reason to rejoice and particularly when they were beset by serious troubles. The hope placed in the Mother of the Divine King, Jesus Christ, has never failed. There has never been a weakening of that faith by which we are taught that Mary, the Virgin Mother of God, reigns with her maternal heart over the entire world, just as she is crowned with the diadem of royal glory in heavenly blessedness.

".....since a century was being completed from the time our predecessor of immortal memory, Pius IX., proclaimed and defined the great Mother of God had been conceived without any stain of original sin, We instituted this current Marian Year.....the principal shrines of Mary have been visited and are still being visited by many throngs of Catholic pilgrims gathered in prayer.....we may especially call to mind the radio message which we addressed to the people of Portugal, when the miraculous image of the Virgin Mary, which is venerated at Fatima, was being crowned with a golden diadem. We ourselves called that image the messenger of the 'royalty' of Mary.

"We have decided to institute a liturgical feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary as Queen.....The Council of Ephesus portrays Mary as Queen and empress seated upon a royal throne adorned with the royal insignia, crowned with the royal diadem and surrounded by the host of the angels and the saints in heaven and ruling not only nature and its powers but also over the machinations of Satan.....The Roman Pontiffs, favoring this devotion of the people, have often decorated with a crown, either personally or through representatives, the images of the Virgin mother of God which were already distinguished by public veneration.

"Now, the Most Blessed Virgin Mary is to be called Queen not only by reason of her divine maternity, but also because by the will of God she has had an outstanding part in the work of our eternal salvation.....As Christ is our Lord and King by a special title because He redeemed us, so the blessed Virgin is our Lady and Queen because of the unique way in which she has co-operated toward our redemption by giving of her own substance, by offering him willingly for us, and by desiring, praying for, and bringing about our salvation in a singular manner.....

"From this association with Christ the King she obtains a splendor and eminence surpassing the excellence of all created things. From this association with Christ comes the royal function by which she can disperse the treasures of the Divine Redeemer's Kingdom. Finally, from this association with Christ comes the unfailing efficacy of her maternal intercession with the Son and with the Father.....she obtains what she seeks. And she cannot fail..

"Therefore, let all Christ's faithful glory in the fact that they are subject to the rule of the Virgin Mother of God...We by our Apostolic power, decree and institute the feast of Mary as Queen to be celebrated throughout the entire world every year on May 31. And likewise we command that on that same day there be renewed the consecration of the human race to the Immaculate Heart of

the Blessed Virgin Mary.....May her shrines be filled with a multitude of people, and may her feasts be celebrated. May her Rosary be found in the hands of all.

“Let no one speak vile words against that name.....Such talk is the sign of the vile mind. And let no one dare say anything lacking undue reverence to her.”^[90]

The mindful reader will mark, besides the veiled threats against schismatics, heretics and infidels, that the Blessed Virgin is called the *great Mother* of God by the papal pseudo-prophet. Mystery Babylon is described as both *great* and a *mother*. Coincidence or prophecy fulfilled? In addition to encouraging the 'faithful' to visit and venerate the images, temples, and shrines of the Virgin, we have been told by the High Priest of Christianity the added 'revelation', by the Spirit undoubtedly, that Mary the Mother of God not only birthed God the Son, but also *co-operated toward our redemption*. A shame Scripture forgot to mention that tiny detail. In the final analysis we must ask the Vatican seers:

IS THERE ANYTHING THE BLESSED VIRGIN CANNOT DO?

This is a reasonable question to ask the prophets. They tell us:

- She has never failed those who pray to her when beset by serious troubles. Hope placed in Mary never fails. To never fail is to never make a mistake. To never make a mistake is to be infallible. To be infallible is to be perfect. To be perfect is to be God. Mary must be a God. The Great Goddess Mary.
- She co-operated toward our redemption by offering Christ willingly for us. If Mary was born without sin and never sinned, why then did she not offer herself along with Christ, making the atonement twice as effective, saving more souls?
- She always intercedes with unfailing efficacy for us with the Son and the Father. If Mary is the Queen of Heaven, and as such reigns over the entire universe, the world and every creature in it, including nature and Satan, why does she need to go to the Son and the Father? She has omnipotent powers in her own right to do as she pleases. And besides, how does she find time for her personal life being as busy as she is listening to and answering the millions of prayers of the faithful day and night, night and day?

Another consideration that must be gleaned from the prophecy cited is the *little horn's* power to *change times and laws*.^[91]

HOW THE PAPAL LITTLE HORN CHANGES TIMES AND LAWS

By his own authority, the Vatican *little horn* changed the year 1954 to the Marian Year. The entire calendar year and the human race was placed under subjection to and in worshipful

obedient honor of Our Lady, Holy Mother of God. Regardless of the will of the human creatures. Though it is unlawful to worship the creature, according to the teaching of Holy Writ and the Holy Spirit, that trifle doesn't phase the lawless Man of Sin. The *little horn* has infallibly decreed and prophesied in the name of the Most High God, that prayers, praise and devoted adoration can and must be paid the Queen of the Universe, the Queen of Angels. To do so is 100% legal and good for the eternal soul. For it glorifies, pleases and honors the Son and the Father. The Holy Spirit revealed it through His prophet, the Supreme Pontiff Maximus, as holy truth. Trust him. He can't be wrong. As the creature is worshiped, the Creator is also worshiped. So prophesieth the *little horn with eyes like the eyes of a man and a mouth speaking great things*.

The vaticinator of the Vatican has also changed May 31st to a feast day dedicated to the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin. It's celebration is to be nothing less than worldwide. But there is a much more important feast day which the Roman Catholic Church changes every year, infallibly: Resurrection Sunday, commonly called Easter.

THE IMPOSSIBILITY OF GUESSING THE DATE OF EASTER

Let's play a game called GUESS THE DATE OF EASTER. We'll begin with a recent year, 1990. How many of the readers can recall the date of Easter, 1990? It was April 15. With that piece of information the reader is now asked the date of Easter, 1991. Presumably it would be near or on April 15, Income Tax Day. Wrong. It was celebrated on March 31. With those two dates revealed, let us attempt to calculate the date of Easter, 1992. Presumably it should fall between March 31 and April 15. Wrong. It was celebrated April 19. Confused? Blame the little horn. He thought to change the time of Resurrection Sunday centuries ago. Below is further documentation of the numerous changes Resurrection Day has undergone in this decade:^[92]

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>LATIN CHURCH</u>	<u>GREEK CHURCH</u>
1993	April 11	
1994	April 3	
1995	April 16	
1996	April 7	April 14
1997	March 30	April 27
1998	April 12	April 19
1999	April 4	April 11
2000	April 23	April 30

Of tremendous interest is the fact of the different dates celebrated by both the Western Latin and Protestant Churches versus the dates celebrated by the Eastern Orthodox Greek Churches. The West follows and obeys *the times of the little horn*, while the East does not. The beginnings of this Great Schism can be traced back to Nestorius, Patriarch of Constantinople, A.D. 428-421.

A zealous advocate of orthodoxy, Nestorius had dealt harshly with the Arians, Novatians and other sects, when a new cause emerged to fan his righteous flames: the practice within the Eastern Church of calling the mother of Jesus, Θεοτοκος, *God-bearer*, i.e., 'Mother of God'. This incensed Nestorius, causing him to write a sermon which included the following apology contra the title:

"Let no one call Mary the mother of God, for Mary was a human being; and that God should be born of a human being is impossible."[93]

Pope Celestine I. favored the title *Mother of God* and issued orders for Nestorius to retract his erroneous teaching under pain of excommunication. On June 22, 431, at the Council of Ephesus, Cyril of Alexandria and 159 other bishops declared Nestorius and his doctrines anathema and excommunicated him.[94]

Siding with Nestorius proved problematic for sympathetic priests. The Council decreed them deposed and stripped of their office.[95] Those clergy who were excluded from the priesthood by Nestorius were reinstated by the Council.[96]

According to Dominican priest and Church Councils expert, the Rev. Schroeder, Nestorius' accursed doctrines consisted of the following:

"Jesus of Nazareth and the divine Word are two distinct persons. What is divine and human in Christ is united by a union that is external and moral. The Word dwelt in the man Jesus, the son of Mary, as in a temple. The incarnation is nothing more than the indwelling of the Word in a man. The Word was not born of a virgin, nor did the Word suffer, but he suffered in whom the Word dwelt. God cannot be born, neither can He suffer and die. Accordingly, Mary is not the Mother of God, but of a man, of Christ. Were she the mother of God, then the Word would have had a beginning in her. Moreover, the mother must be of the same nature as the son; wherefore either Mary is a Goddess or she is the mother only of a man. This is briefly what St. Cyril called the blasphemy of Nestorius."[97]

This author challenges the reader to remember when the last time a sermon was preached on how, exactly, the Word became flesh. Perhaps after we have explored the far reaches of the universe, dated the moment of Creation, plumbed the depths of the human mind, diagramming its inner workings, we'll then tackle the esoteric and incomprehensible answer as to how God and man exist together in the person of Jesus Christ. Not so the bishops of the 5th Century. They found it no small riddle to unravel. There they were 1,500 hundred years ago with no Information Superhighway to guide them, yet they were allegedly defining, infallibly, the co-existence of the Godhead in flesh. Go figure.

Hearing Nestorius' arguments for the impossibility of a perfect, sinless, eternal God who suffers and dies or of a human Mary giving birth to God, where is the inconsistency and heresy? Either Mary is a Goddess or she isn't. The Roman Catholic Church has certainly voted her a Goddess,

which is evident in the *ex-cathedra* Bulls cited earlier. Thus, Nestorius' concerns were well justified. To this day, Nestorius is viewed a heretic in many Evangelic and all Catholic circles.^[98] This is one of the many *mysteries of iniquity*.

THE SAME CHURCH THAT DECLARED NESTORIUS ANATHEMA AND MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD, QUEEN OF HEAVEN, NOW TEACHES MAN WILL BECOME GOD

Yes, it's true. Just as the serpent declared to Adam and Eve. In it's latest Catechism, the teaching cannot be clearer or more horrifying:

"For the Son of God became man so that we might become God."^[99]

"The only-begotten Son of God, wanting to make us sharers in his divinity, assumed our nature, so that he, made man, might make men gods."^[100]

Does the thoughtful reader hear Antichrist, that Man of Sin and Lawlessness, the little horn, *speak great words against the Most High?*

CHANGES IN THE CATHOLIC LITURGICAL CALENDAR HABITUAL

This is an area that holds many *mysteries*. Daniel tells us the little horn is addicted to *changing times and laws*. He cannot stop. No reasons are given for the changes. They just are. Don't ask questions, obey. The job of the servant is to serve, not to think or ask questions. Does the servant know the mind of his master?

In this author's possession is a mint condition 1961 edition of the St. Joseph Daily Missal. Although, according to it's handwritten dedication by Jodi to Jackie it should have been used regularly, Jackie never opened it once. Also in this author's possession is a 1997 official Roman Catholic Liturgical Church Art Calendar. Would the reader agree that a calendar's purpose is to show *times*? Specifically, the *times* we call days, weeks and months of a specific year. It can be useful in identifying religious *times*, such as the enigmatic day Easter falls on. However, just as Daniel the Prophet predicted, the *little horn thinks to change times*. Habitually. So, in order to keep up with the little horn's ever-changing mind, the faithful must be in constant touch with their Liturgical Calendar.

THE VANISHING

As we have seen earlier in this chapter, in 1954 little horn, Pope Pius XII., inaugurated, as law, May 31 a feast day in honor of Our Lady's Queenship, almost 2,000 years after the fact. The 1961 St. Joseph Daily Missal is in agreement with that date and Feast, citing May 31 THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.^[101] But on that date the 1997 Church Art Calendar celebrates the Visitation of Mary instead. A completely different event. What

happened? It's vanished. Secretly Raptured into Feast Day Heaven. For no apparent reason. Other than the new *little horn thought to change times and laws*.

THE MYSTERY OF THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

For those who worship the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, one would imagine this feast to be a major cause of celebration in the Roman Catholic Church. One which the little horn would never think to change. Think again. Pope Urban IV. is the little horn who instituted this lawful feast in 1264. However, it was not celebrated worldwide until the little horn, Pope Clement V., confirmed it at the Council of Vienna, 1311. It became the principal feast in the Roman Church by the 15th century, the procession of the Host being an integral part of the pageantry. This feast has been celebrated on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday for centuries.^[102] The 1961 Missal confirms the feast date. However, lo and behold, the 1997 Calendar shows no feast celebrated that day whatsoever. Trinity Sunday still exists, but on the following Thursday it is no more. The new date is Sunday, June 1. The little horn has thought to change both the month, the time of the day of the month, and the time of the day of the week. No small feat for the little horn after centuries of tradition. Incidentally, if any reader doubts the faithful of the Church of Rome are taught to worship bread as God, in 1997, the words of the Opening Prayer are recited in the June portion of the current Calendar:

"We worship you, Lord Jesus, in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood."^[103]

THE VISION OF THE LITTLE HORN MORE STOUT

One of the many marks, characteristics, signs, fruit and works of the false papal prophet seer little horn is a bolder, greater look, vision and oracle than all the other ruling horns.^[104] As Supreme Pontiff continuing the line of the ancient Roman Pontifex Maximus Caesars, his divine word is by far bolder. For Caesar never claimed to come in the authority and name of Christ Jesus, the God of the Christians, when he ordered their death. The Pope of Rome, however, did.

DOCUMENTED EXAMPLES OF THE INSOLENT, ARROGANT AND HAUGHTINESS OF THE PAPAL LITTLE HORN, THE LAWLESS ONE

Because the ecclesiastical language of the Roman Catholic Church is Latin, a dead language, its 'infallible' Canon Law is sealed to 99.99% of Christians. By the grace of our great God, however, He has opened up Mystery Babylon's laws, decrees and writings (*there is nothing covered that shall not be revealed*) through men of God who were once held captive in Babylon Rome. Such a man is Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury, no small position in the Church of England. Before Cranmer was martyred - by decree of the little horn claiming the name of Christ - for the righteous cause of Christ, A.D. 1556, he wrote extensively for the Protestant Reformed faith and against the Roman Catholic faith. The following tenets extracted

from Roman Catholic Church Canon Law were translated by Mr. Cranmer into the English vernacular for the purpose of *shewing the extravagant pretensions of the Church of Rome* to the layman who cannot read Latin, thereby exposing the identity of Mystery Babylon and the stout papal little horn, the Beast, to the true Church at-large:

"He that acknowledgeth not himself to be under the bishop of Rome, and that the bishop of Rome is ordained by God to have the primacy over all the world [i.e., world dominion], is an heretic, and cannot be saved, nor is he [of] the flock of Christ."^[105]

"All the decrees of the bishop of Rome ought to be kept perpetually of every man, without any repugnance, as God's word spoken by the mouth of Peter [i.e., a mouth speaking great things in the name and authority of Jesus by the power of the Holy Spirit]; and whosoever doth not receive them, neither availeth them the Catholic faith, nor the four evangelists; but they blaspheme the Holy Ghost, and shall have no forgiveness."^[106]

"The see of Rome hath neither spot nor wrinkle in it, nor can it err." [i.e., infallible, by the power of the Holy Spirit, and sinless].

"The bishop of Rome is not bound to any decrees [i.e., lawless, above the law], but he may compel [i.e., by threat of torture, confiscation of goods, and death, if necessary], as well the clergy as laymen, to receive his decrees and canon laws."

"The bishop of Rome hath authority to judge all men [world dominion], and specially to discern the articles of the faith [i.e., chief teacher of the Christian Church], and that without any council, and may assoil [i.e., absolve] them that the council hath damned [i.e., change laws]; but no man hath authority to judge him, nor to meddle with any thing that he hath judged, neither emperor, king, people, nor the clergy: and it is not lawful for any man to dispute of his power." [i.e., lawless, above the law]

"The bishop of Rome may excommunicate emperors and princes, depose them from their states [i.e., pluck up other horns by the roots] and assoil their subjects from their oath of obedience to them, and so constrain them to rebellion." [i.e., change laws in other lands]

"The emperor is the bishop of Rome's subject, and the bishop of Rome may revoke the emperor's sentence in temporal causes [i.e., change laws in other lands]

"It belongeth to the bishop of Rome to allow or disallow the emperor after he is elected; and he may translate the empire from one region to another." [i.e., pluck up horns at will.]

"The bishop of Rome may be judged of none but of God only [i.e., lawless, above the law]; for although he neither regard his own salvation, nor no man's else, but draw down with himself innumerable people by heaps unto hell; yet may no mortal man in this world presume to reprehend him [i.e., although the Pope be the very son of perdition, Antichrist, yet he is above the law and must not be criticized]. Forasmuch as he is called God, he may be judged of no man; for God may be judged of no man. [i.e., although the Pope sitteth in the Temple of God showing himself that he is God, he is above the law of God.]

"The bishop of Rome may open and shut heaven unto men." [i.e., the power of the keys.]

"It appertaineth to the bishop of Rome to judge which oaths ought to be kept, and which not." [i.e., change laws]

"And he may absolve subjects from their oath of fidelity, and absolve from other oaths that ought to be kept." [i.e., change laws through interdiction]

"The bishop of Rome is judge in temporal things, and hath two swords, spiritual and temporal. [i.e., world dominion over the Church and secular ruling horns]

"The bishop of Rome may give authority to arrest men, and imprison them in manacles and fetters." [i.e., Daniel 7.21 *I beheld, and the same horn made war with the holy ones, and prevailed against them.*]

"Princes ought to obey the bishops, and the decrees of the church, and to submit their heads unto the bishops [i.e., little horn to rule other horns], and not to be judges over the bishops [i.e., little horn above the law]; for the bishops ought to be forborne, and to be judged of no laymen."

"All manner of causes, whatsoever they be, spiritual or temporal, ought to be determined and judged by the spirituality." [i.e., little horn to have dominion over other horns.]

"Whosoever teacheth or thinketh of the sacraments otherwise than the see of Rome doth teach and observe, and all they that the same see doth judge heretics, be excommunicate. And the bishop of Rome may compel, by an oath all rulers and other people to observe, and cause to be observed, whatsoever the see of Rome shall ordain concerning heresy...and who will not obey, he may deprive them of their dignities." [i.e., Daniel. 7.25: *And he shall speak great words against the Most High, and shall wear out the holy ones of the Most High...*]

"He is no manslayer which slayeth a man which is excommunicate." [i.e., change laws: *Thou shalt not kill.*]

"A penitent man can have no remission of his sins, but by supplication of the priest." [i.e., change laws: 1 John 2:1.]

Curiously, several of these tenets from Canon Law are cited from what are called *Distinctions*. A distinction is defined as 'a mark of special recognition.'^[107] This is another characteristic, mark, sign, fruit and work of the Beast, the Man of Lawlessness: Laws which are distinctly *anti* the Word of God.

THE PAPAL LITTLE HORN IS THE ONLY BISHOP WHO HAS HABITUALLY MADE WAR WITH THE HOLY ONES AND PREVAILED AGAINST THEM ^[108] SINCE THE FALL OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE

PERSECUTION OF THE TRUE CHRISTIANS A MARK OF THE PAPAL LITTLE HORN

In later chapters we will detail several unspeakable crimes against humanity, the true Church, which have been perpetrated by the persecuting little horn, his bride, the Roman Catholic Church, Mystery Babylon, all in the name of Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The mark and characteristic of the little horn, Antichrist, persecuting and murdering the saints is not only predicted by Daniel. We see it in St. John's description of *the beast having seven heads and ten horns*:

"And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them."^[109]

The same beast is recounted earlier with the *two witnesses* having the same ministry of death:

"And when they have finished their testimony, the beast that came out of the bottomless pit [i.e., the son of perdition] shall make war against them and shall overcome them, and kill them."^[110]

The bride of the scarlet-colored beast, Mystery Babylon, is seen *drunk with the blood of saints, and with the blood of the witnesses of Jesus; and in her was found the blood of the prophets, and of the saints and of all that were slain upon the earth.*^[111]

This is the greatest *mystery of iniquity*. The persecution, torture and murder of millions of innocent believers in the family of God by the so-called Vicar of Christ and his Latin Christian Catholic Church. All done in the name of Christ by the power and approval of the infallible Holy Spirit. The expression declaring the little horn *shall wear out the saints of the Most High*^[112] is indicative of the length of time of the persecution. Daniel knew it would extend until the return of Christ. This is what troubled Daniel. It was the great tribulation. 'Great' in terms of the duration. 'Great' because of the numbers killed. 'Great' because of who was doing the killing. It was and will continue to be inflicted by the little horn who has a mouth speaking *great* things.

JESUS PROPHECIES THE SAINTS WILL BE MURDERED BY ANTICHRIST WHO COMES IN HIS NAME

"Then shall they put you to trouble - θλιψις, tribulation - and shall kill you..."^[113]

The *they* spoken of are the false Christs of verse 5 who come in Christ's name: the papal Antichrists.

"They shall excommunicate you: yea, the time shall come, that whosoever killeth you, will think that he doth God service."^[114]

In the above prophecy, Jesus also confirms the great persecution and tribulation will come from inside the professing Christian Church. The heathen non-Christian cannot excommunicate. It is only the professing Christian leader in authority who has that power. Review the Canon Law extracts cited earlier. Note the one which reads: *The bishop of Rome may excommunicate emperors and princes.....* Also mark the law which condemns and excommunicates all who do not believe as the Church of Rome believes regarding her seven sacraments. Excommunication from the communion of the saints and the one, holy, apostolic, Catholic Church is so rampant

from the time of the Middle Ages, that it may be considered another one of the many characteristics, marks, signs, fruit, and works which identify Antichrist and Mystery Babylon.

**PERSECUTION OF THE SAINTS - THE GREAT TRIBULATION -
BEGINS WITH ADVENT OF LITTLE HORN ANTICHRIST
AND CONTINUES UNTIL ADVENT OF JESUS CHRIST**

This is precisely the timeline given us by Daniel in chapters 2 & 7. In Daniel 2, the ten toes [i.e., the ten kingdoms which rise after the fall of the ancient Roman Iron Empire] continue in existence until they are broken by the *stone cut without hands*, i.e., the 2nd Advent of Christ. No gap.

Roman Iron Legs → 10 toes composed of iron and clay → destroyed by stone cut without hands.

In Daniel 7, there are several instances of the same timeline:

- Verse 8 reveals the little horn emerging from the midst of the ten horns, i.e., the same ten toes or ten kingdoms of Daniel 2. Verse 9 portrays judgment, i.e., the 2nd Advent of Christ, the Day of the Lord, when the little horn, also called *the beast*, is judged and thrown into the Lake of Fire. No gap.

Fourth beast → ten horns → rise and reign of little horn → judgment of little horn → Millennial Kingdom.

- Verse 20 is the interpretation of the vision by the Angel: 10 horns increase to 11 horns, then drop in number to 8 horns. Daniel then beholds the little horn's persecution and war against the saints (verse 21), i.e., the great tribulation, *until the Ancient of Days came* (verse 21) in judgment and the saints *possessed the [Millennial] kingdom*. No gap.

Fourth beast = Roman Empire → 10 horns → 11 horns → 8 horns → reign of little horn resulting in great tribulation for the saints, a duration of a time and times and half a time → judgment of little horn → Millennial Kingdom.

Daniel 2 is the outline of world history from Israel's Babylonian captivity until the 2nd Advent of Christ. No gaps. Daniel 7 is also the outline of world history with the important addition of the revelation of the little horn prophet, Antichrist, who persecutes and kills God's people, the true Church, for a duration of a time and times and half a time, until he, in turn, is destroyed by Christ. No gaps.

TIME, TIMES, ½ TIME NOT 3½ YEARS BUT 1260 YEARS

This is not a moot point of little significance. Futurists theorize an extremely short but intense period of tribulation for the saints not raptured into Heaven: 3½ years.^[115] They understand, correctly, the term *time* to represent one year comprising 360 days. However, they neglect to extrapolate the 360 day year into 360 years: each day for one year. This erroneous teaching can be refuted both scripturally and by their own writings:

"And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee each day for a year."^[116]

"After the number of the days in which ye spied out the land, even forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, even forty years..."^[117]

Thus, a time and times and half a time = 3½ years, each year consisting of 360 days. Calculating each day for one year:

1 time = 360 days = 360 years.

3½ times = 360 years x 3½ = 1260 years.

Without a sound understanding of biblical terms error of immense proportion creeps in destroying the possibility of a correct interpretation, no matter what the passage in question. In studying the book of Revelation comprehending the time factor will be crucial to accurately identifying the symbols and their meaning. This will be investigated in the next chapter. In looking at Daniel 9 we will uncover an inconsistency in the Futurist interpretation whereby they claim 1 time = 1 year, not 360 years.

HOW TO RECONCILE LITTLE HORN'S PREVAILING OVER THE CHURCH WITH THE PROMISE OF CHRIST THAT HE WON'T PREVAIL

There appears to be a contradiction between Daniel's vision of little horn *prevailing* - ισχυω in the *Septuagint* - over the saints, and Christ's promise that Satan and Antichrist, i.e., the gates of hell or ruling demonic powers, *shall not prevail over it*, i.e., the true Church of believers. The answer lies in the instructions Christ gives His disciples prior to sending them forth to evangelize:

"And fear ye not them [i.e., little horn and his church] which kill the body, and be not able to kill the soul. But rather fear him, which is able to destroy both soul and body into hell."^[118]

This is yet another prophecy describing the great tribulation resulting in the deaths of God's

people by other so-called 'Christians'. Their bodies will be killed but their souls will be saved. Thus, the enemy will not prevail ultimately. Hidden in the subtext of this prophecy is another prophecy concerning the enemy's false claim to possess the power and authority to destroy the souls of heretics in hell.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH FALSELY CLAIMS POWER TO DAMN SOULS TO HELL THROUGH EXCOMMUNICATION

We are not to fear the Church of Rome, according to Jesus. Even though she fraudulently claims authority to send souls of so-called heretics to destruction:

"Who ever shall affirm that the ungodly is justified by faith only.....let him be accursed."

"Whoever shall affirm that men are justified solely by the imputation of the righteousness of Christ.....or that the grace by which we are justified is only the favour of God: let him be accursed."

"Whoever shall affirm that justifying faith is nothing else than confidence in the divine mercy, by which sins are forgiven for Christ's sake; or that it is that confidence only by which we are justified: let him be accursed."

"Whoever shall affirm that he shall most surely, certainly and infallibly enjoy the great gift of perseverance unto the end.....let him be accursed."

"Whoever shall affirm that justification received is not preserved and ever increased, in the sight of God, by good works; but that works are only the fruits and evidences of justification received, and not the causes of its increase: let him be accursed."

"Whoever shall affirm that the Catholic doctrine of justification as stated by the holy council in the present decree, does in any respect derogate from the glory of God and the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord.....let him be accursed."^[119]

These excommunicatory curses are issued by the Roman Catholic Church against orthodox Protestants. Calling us heretics doomed to damnation by their decree, they usurp the power and authority of the Lord God Almighty. This is an identifying mark, characteristic, sign, work and fruit of Antichrist, the Man of Sin: exalting himself and shewing himself to be God. Another identifying mark of Antichrist, the Man of Sin, is evidenced here by his teaching that righteousness is sin and sin is righteousness.

VEILED REFERENCE TO ANTICHRIST IN DANIEL 8

"And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up. And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practice, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify

himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand."^[120]

The kingdom spoken of in verse 23 is the fragmented Greek kingdom. Antiochus Epiphanes is not the king of fierce countenance alluded to because his desolation of the Holy Place was destroyed by hands. Specifically, by the hands of the Maccabees. However, the nation of Greece is still here, fulfilling the prophecy of Daniel 7:12, the prolonging of the lives of Greece, Persia, and Iraq.

The king alluded to is a seer prophet who understood *dark sentences*, i.e., oracles of the gods. He would be a revealer of the *mysteries of God*. This is exactly the ministry of the little horn, the beast Antichrist, carrying and ruling *Mystery Babylon*. His *fierce countenance* parallels the little horn of chapter 7, whose *look was more stout than his fellows*. Like the thief, *he shall destroy*. And like the Man of Sin, he shall destroy through signs and *wonderful lying wonders*. Like the little horn, he shall prevail over the saints and *destroy the holy people*. Like the Man of Sin who *exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshiped*, this king will *magnify himself in his heart*. His platform and doctrine will be one of *peace* deceiving many, but like the false prophets who prophesy *peace and safety*, sudden destruction will come upon him.^[121] And like the little horn who speaks great words against the Most High, this king *shall also stand up against the prince of princes*. As the little horn was destroyed by the *stone cut without hands*, this king *shall be broken without hands*.

There is also a further strong suggestion that the papal Antichrist is alluded to in another portion of verse 25: *he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand*. Let us hear the words of Protestant prophecy expert and Church historian, Rev. J. A. Wylie, published 110 years ago:

CHAPTER X.

'SIGNS AND WONDERS' OF CHRIST AND ANTICHRIST

"This was to be a notable characteristic of the Antichrist, 'whose coming', says the apostle (2 Thess. ii 9), 'is with signs and lying wonders.' These words were fitted to turn the eyes of the early Christians back upon the prophecy of Daniel, in which it had been foretold of the Antichrist that he should 'practice and prosper' (Dan. viii. 12). The phrase is suggestive of imposing by delusive arts upon the senses and understanding of men, and so gaining an ascendancy over them. Of a like meaning is the phrase which occurs farther on (v. 25) in the same chapter, 'he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand.' Still clearer on this point are the prophecies of John, not yet given, it is true, but which were to close the volume of inspiration, and be the guide of Christians in the next age, in their outlook for the Antichrist. 'And he doeth great wonders', says John, speaking of the second beast or ecclesiastical organization of the Antichrist, 'so that he maketh fire to come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men. And he deceiveth them that dwell on the earth, by the means of those miracles which he hath power to do. (Rev. XIII. 13-14).

"This is in full agreement with Paul, who had already warned the primitive church that Antichrist would

make his appearance as a miracle-worker. Let us reflect how imperative it was on the Antichrist that he should claim the power of working miracles. Had he come as an open enemy, he would have had no need to pretend to such power; but, coming as the substitute and vicar of Christ, he must necessarily in this and in other points, imitate him whose substitute and vicar he professed to be.

"The coming of Christ was signalled by mighty signs and wonders. The glory of miracle illustrated every step of His progress through the towns and villages of Galilee and Judea....The Papacy, as the Vice-Christ, has, in like manner, sought to announce its advent, and certify its mission by the performance of 'signs and wonders.' Scarce is there a miracle recorded of the Son of God which the Church of Rome does not profess to have wrought. She pretends to have opened blind eyes, to have unstopped deaf ears, to have cured fevers, agues, palsies, madness, to have cast out devils, to have driven away pestilence, stayed the ravages of blight, and done things which it were too tedious to mention. Extending still farther the sphere of her miraculous operation, she has entered the realms of the grave and shown that there too she wields power by pretending to give life to the dead. Certain of her 'saints' have possessed the 'gifts of miracles' in an eminent degree, and their 'lives' are one long record of prodigy and wonder....In short, the Church of Rome claims to have wielded the same unbounded power over both the visible and the invisible world which Christ did, and to have imitated Him in all things, save the meekness of His spirit, the purity of His doctrine, and the holiness of His life."^[122]

Does the astute reader see the parallel between the signs and lying wonders of the Roman Catholic Church described by Rev. Wylie 110 years ago, and the Charismatic Ecumenical Movement of the present day? It is this author's hypothesis that the Charismatic Movement is *preparing the way, by cunning deception*, for Christians to receive and believe the Roman Church's numerous signs and lying wonders, such as Transubstantiation, baptismal regeneration, prayers to the canonized saints, the Queenship of Mary, and the Headship of the Pope. If Charismatic Christianity can swallow 'Holy Laughter' and such ministries as Benny Hinn, why should they not believe the Catholic priest creates God in the Eucharist? Suppose the next Pope had a plenitude of charisma and was able to slay the faithful in the 'Spirit', prophesy words of knowledge, and lay hands on the sick, a la Oral Roberts, et al. Would he not be more popular than Hinn or Roberts ever imagined? Could not the masses be convinced that his claim to create Christ and sacrifice Him in the 'Holy' Mass is reasonable, given his 'miracles' they had already witnessed?

DANIEL'S 70 WEEKS PROPHECY MISUNDERSTOOD BY FUTURISTS: NO GAP JESUS CHRIST SHALL CONFIRM THE NEW COVENANT WITH MANY

Secret Rapture-believing Futurists understand the 70 weeks referred to in Daniel 9:24 are 70 weeks of years: 7 days = 7 years. 7 years x 70 = 490 years.^[123] They refuse to be consistent, however, in applying the same year-day principle to Daniel 7:25, 12:7, and Revelation 12:14. This is a serious mistake.

Futurists can compute Christ's entrance into Jerusalem on that fatal Palm Sunday to the nanosecond. They have discovered the date of a decree to rebuild Jerusalem that fits perfectly

into their Futurist prophetic scenario: Christ was cut off exactly 483 years after the decree, leaving a seven year 'week' to be fulfilled by a future Antichrist who desecrates the rebuilt Jewish Temple.^[124] However, there is no universal agreement among unbiased sources this date is set in stone.^[125] The KJV states *after three score and two weeks* [these follow the seven weeks of verse 25] *shall Messiah be cut off* (v. 26). The next verse explains when that horrific event happens: in the middle of the next 7 years. The *he* referred to in verse 27, *he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week*, is the Messiah of verse 26. The covenant specified is the New Covenant of Christ's blood which was shed for many. The *Septuagint* translates the word *covenant* as *διαθηκην*, which is the exact same Greek word used in the Gospel accounts of the Lord's Supper.^[126]

The focus and subject of Daniel 9:24-27 is the successful atonement and reconciliation provided by our righteousness, the Messiah. He is the covenant-maker cut off in the midst of the 70th week of years. Once Christ died for our sins, was buried, and raised for our justification, the ceremonial temple sacrifices and oblations ceased for believers and were no longer needed to typify that which was finished and perfect.^[127]

'THE PRINCE THAT SHALL COME' A TYPE OF ANTICHRIST

Antichrist is typified in the person of Titus, *the prince that shall come* (v. 26). Titus, a Roman, came in the authority and name of Caesar and the Roman Empire with one objective: to destroy Jerusalem and the Temple. The Antichrist comes in the name and authority of Jesus Christ and the Latin Roman Church with one objective: to destroy the people of God, the Temple of God. Both Titus and the papal Antichrist are seated in Rome, the city of seven hills.

'THE DESOLATE' A NAME OF ANTICHRIST: THE DESTROYER

In verse 26 the Romans and their prince, Titus, came to desolate, i.e., destroy. In verse 27b, the *he* of *he shall make desolate*, i.e., destroy, is the same subject as verse 26, *the prince that shall come*. Christ's first advent was not to destroy, but to save and reconcile. Thus, He is not the desolator referred to in verse 27b. Antichrist is meant here, The Destroyer. Gabriel reveals to Daniel another symbol of the little horn: *the desolate* or *desolator*, i.e., Destroyer. This Destroyer will spread and multiply idolatrous abominations in his Church, the counterfeit Temple, so as to make it a desert and wasteland. These abominations will grow and prosper until the 2nd Advent of Christ, at which time their judgment will come to pass.

There is no gap in this prophecy. These things have come to pass and are still taking place today. The papal Antichrist's ever-spreading abominations render his Church and faithful desolate, vessels fitted for destruction.

FUTURISM A CUNNING DECEIT DESIGNED TO KEEP CHRISTIANS IN THE DARK

By teaching a future 7 year period occurring after a secret Rapture of the Church, at which time Antichrist is revealed, these Church leaders do a vile disservice to the testimony of the martyrs of Jesus. In effect, they call these godly Christians blatant liars who died for the wrong cause because the Pope is not Antichrist and his Church is not Mystery Babylon. The Futurist teachers also presume to teach that no debased abominations have occurred in the past, totally ignoring 2,000 years of essential Church history. Without hearing the sound of a warning trumpet, the average Christian will have no reason to suspect something is very wrong in the Church, that critical truth has been covered-up, revised, or concealed. Rather, the sheep will have no reason not to continue to be focused on themselves, their selfish wants and needs. They will continue to send hard-earned money to ministries which pretend to hold *the power of the keys of blessings*. Sadly, it is much more comfortable to seek phony blessings than it is to seek somber, bittersweet truth that can challenge one's cherished belief system.

FUTURISM THE INVENTION OF A JESUIT TO OPPOSE PREVAILING VIEW IDENTIFYING THE POPE AS ANTICHRIST, HIS CHURCH MYSTERY BABYLON

Armed with the identity of Antichrist and his Church, the Protestant Reformers were zealous in their separation from the great Whore and fervent in their proselytizing. These mighty Christians knew it their duty to sound the warning trumpet. Many, too numerous to count, lost their lives in doing battle with the Beast. We will be documenting the lives and beliefs of the martyrs in later chapters. Our attention must first be drawn to the origins of Futurism:

"The originator of this interpretation [i.e., Futurism] was Francisco de Ribera, whose commentary appeared in 1591.....Ribera held that the first five seals [of the Apocalypse] refer to the primitive Church down to the reign of Trajan. The last seals and the rest of the book have to do with the end-time."^[128]

"Francisco Ribera (1537-1591), of Salamanca, Jesuit scholar, writer and critic.....[received] a doctorate in theology. Joining the Jesuit order in 1570.....About 1590 Ribera published a 500-page commentary on the Apocalypse, denying the Protestant application of Antichrist to the Church of Rome."^[129]

The reader should be made aware that the Roman Catholic Jesuit Society of Jesus (founded by Ignatius Loyola, A.D. 1540) came in the name of Jesus to counter the Protestant theology of the Reformers and win converts to Catholicism. They are of the Ultramontane school, their objective being the furthering of the cause, authority and dominion of the papal beast. The Jesuit role in the several Roman Catholic Inquisitions was no light thing, resulting in their suppression by their own Church. Nineteenth century Protestant prophecy scholar and minister, Rev. E. B. Elliott, summarizes the history of Futurism in the 4th volume of his HORAE

APOCALYPTICAE:

"The *futurist* Scheme, as I have elsewhere stated, was first, or nearly first, propounded about the year 1585 by the Jesuit Ribera; as the fittest one to turn aside the Protestant application of the Apocalyptic prophecy from the Church of Rome. In England and Ireland of late years it has been brought into vogue chiefly by Dr. S.R. Maitland and Mr. Burgh; followed by the writer of four of the Oxford tracts on Antichrist. Its general characteristic is to view the whole Apocalypse, at least from after the Epistles to the Seven Churches, as a representation of *the events of the consummation and second advent*, all still future: the Israel depicted in it being the *literal Israel*, the *temple*, Apoc. XI., a literal rebuilt Jewish temple in Jerusalem; and the Antichrist, or Apocalyptic Beast under his last head, a *personal infidel Antichrist*, fated to reign and triumph over the saints for 3½ years. (the days in the chronological periods being all *literal days*), until Christ's coming shall destroy him.....And here is in fact a great advantage that they have over the Praeterists [i.e., those who hold to the fulfillment of the Apocalypse with the Fall of the Roman Empire!], that instead of being *in any measure* chained down by the facts of history, they can draw on the unlimited powers of fancy, wherewith to devise in the dreamy future whatever may seem to them to fit the sacred prophecy.....

".....We read in Amos (iii. 7), 'Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.' (This principle is seen time and again in Scripture): His mode having been to give the grand facts of prophecy in the first instance, and then, as time went on, to furnish more and more particulars and detail.....[Elliott then summarizes the Lord's prophetic dealings with Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, David, Isaiah and Jeremiah].....Daniel's memorable prophecy of there being appointed yet 70 weeks, or 490 years, until Messiah should come, and be cut off though not for himself, and the Jewish city and sanctuary be destroyed by a Prince that should arise: this very prophecy which *Christ himself*; after coming at the time so defined, expanded, when speaking to his disciples on Mount Olivet.....And now when the prophetic Spirit spoke again, and for the last time, by the mouth of his apostles, more especially of the apostle St. John, what do the Futurists contend for, but that God's whole system is to be supposed reversed; that in regard, not of smaller events, or events in which the Church was but slightly concerned, and of magnitude such as to blazon the page of each history of Christendom, the whole 1800 years that have passed subsequently are to be viewed as a blank in prophecy; the period purposely skipped over by the Divine Spirit, in order at once to plunge the reader into the events and times of the consummation."^[130]

ANTIOCHUS EPIPHANES A TYPE OF ANTICHRIST

"And out of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceedingly great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land. And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them. Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and the daily sacrifice was taken away from him, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down."^[131]

"And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and they shall take away the daily sacrifice, and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate."^[132]

"When ye therefore shall see the abomination that betokeneth (signifies) desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place: let him that readeth it understand it."^[133]

The first two Scriptures quoted are speaking of Antiochus IV., Epiphanes, Seleucid king, 176-164 B.C.^[134] The third Scripture contains the prophetic words of Jesus Christ, almost two hundred years after the events prophesied by Daniel. Thus, Jesus is not speaking of Antiochus Epiphanes, the type. He is speaking of Antichrist, the antitype, or fulfillment of the type. In a sense, Titus, *the prince that shall come* to destroy the sanctuary is alluded to here. But Titus did not set up his gods in the holy place and command the people to worship them. Antiochus IV. and the dynasty of papal Antichrists are guilty of that abomination. The Papacy is still guilty. Today. At this very moment.

Described as a *little horn*, Antiochus is immediately typed as an antichrist. The expression *waxing great* is actually the root meaning of the Roman title *Augustus*.^[135] Thus, both the Papacy and Antiochus are related to the powerful ruling Roman Caesars: the Popes continued the ancient Roman Imperial priestly line of *pontifex maximus*, while Antiochus predated the family line of Caesar Augustus. Both Antiochus and the Popes invaded Jerusalem, the Popes during the numerous Crusades of the Middle Ages. Antiochus is described as *magnifying himself to the prince and host of heaven*. This parallels the *little horn* of Daniel 7 *speaking great words against the Most High* and the *Man of Sin's exaltation* in 2Thessalonians 2. We have already discussed at length the blasphemous claims and usurpations of divine rights the papal false prophet, Antichrist, has seized.

To further add to the list of 'coincidences', Antiochus' forefathers all bore names of religious significance:

SELEUCID DYNASTY

Antiochus I. Soter, meaning *Savior*.

Antiochus II. Theos, meaning *God divine*.

Antiochus III. the Great, meaning *highly esteemed, venerable*.

Antiochus IV. Epiphanes, meaning *manifestation of a god*.

There is a direct correlation with Epiphanes, a *manifestation of a god*, and the Man of Sin who *as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself* [i.e., manifesting] *that he is God* [i.e., Epiphanes: manifestation of a god]. Additionally, the dynasty of papal Antichrists all have names attached that have similar significations:

PAPAL DYNASTY

Pope Gregory I., the Great, meaning *esteemed watchman* [of the Lord's flock].

Pope Leo I., the Great, meaning *esteemed lion* [of the tribe of Judah].

Pope Soterus, meaning *savior*.

Pope Innocent III., meaning *guiltless, justified*.

Pope Boniface VIII., meaning *doer of good works*.

Pope Theodore II., meaning *gift of God*.

Pope Christopher, meaning *bearing Christ*.

Pope Paschal II., meaning *Passover* [lamb of God].

Pope Pius IV., meaning *devout, clean, pure*.

WHAT WAS THE ABOMINATION COMMITTED BY ANTIOCHUS?

Scotfield tells us he 'profaned the temple and terribly persecuted the Jews.'^[136] Mr. Zodiates describes it as 'desecration of the temple.'^[137] The Encyclopedia Britannica states:

“Finally on the 15th day of the Hebrew month Kislev (December), 167 B.C., the 'abomination of desolation,' namely the altar of Zeus, was set up in the Temple of Jerusalem.”^[138]

“It was a question perhaps not so much of installing a new religion as of attempting to merge the local religion into the...pagan cult. With this in mind, the God of the Jews was identified with the Olympian Jove, whose image (perhaps in the likeness of Antiochus himself) was set up for adoration over the altar in the Temple.....it was considered the Abomination of Desolation (cf. Dan. xi., 31).”^[139]

The *Apocrypha* account of I. Maccabees is quite telling:

'BULL' OF ANTIOCHUS DECREES LAWLESSNESS AND BLASPHEMES THE MOST HIGH

“[Jerusalem's] sanctuary was laid waste [i.e., desolated] like a wilderness, her feasts were turned into mourning, her Sabbaths into reproach, her honor into contempt.....Moreover king Antiochus wrote to his whole kingdom, that all should be one people, and every one should leave his laws: so all the heathen agreed according to the commandment of the king. Yea, many also of the Israelites consented to his religion, and sacrificed unto idols, and profaned the Sabbath.

LITTLE HORN ANTIOCHUS THINKS TO CHANGE LAWS

"For the king had sent letters by messengers ['angels' in the Greek] unto Jerusalem and the cities of Juda, that they should follow the strange laws of the land, and forbid burnt offerings, and sacrifice, and drink offerings, in the temple; and that they should profane the Sabbaths and holy days: and pollute the sanctuary and holy people: set up altars, and groves, and chapels of idols, and sacrifice swine's flesh, and unclean beasts: that they should also leave their children uncircumcised, and make their souls abominable with all manner of uncleanness and profanation: to the end that they might forget the law, and change all the ordinances.

DEATH DECREED FOR HERETICS, BISHOPS LEAD INQUISITION

"And whosoever would not do according to the commandment of the king, he said, he should die. In the selfsame manner wrote he to his whole kingdom. and appointed overseers ['bishops' in the

Greek] over all the people, commanding the cities of Judah to sacrifice, city by city. Then many of the people were gathered unto them, to wit, every one that forsook the law; and so they committed evils in the land; and drove the Israelites into secret places, even wheresoever they could flee for succor.

"Now the fifteenth day of the month Casleu, in the hundred and forty and fifth year, they set up the abomination of desolation upon the altar, and builded idol altars throughout the cities of Juda on every side; and burnt incense at the doors of their houses, and in the streets.

BIBLES BURNED AND FORBIDDEN, DEATH TO DISSIDENTS

"And when they had rent in pieces the books of the law which they had found, they burnt them with fire. And wheresoever was found with any the book of the testament, or if any consented to the law, the king's commandment was that they should put him to death. Thus did they by their authority unto the Israelites every month, to as many as were found in the cities.

INFANTS, CHILDREN, WOMEN AND MINISTERS SLAUGHTERED PROPERTY CONFISCATED

"Now the five and twentieth day of the month they did sacrifice upon the idol altar, which was upon the altar of God. At which time according to the commandment they put to death certain women that had caused their children to be circumcised. And they hanged their infants about their necks, and rifled their houses, and slew them that had circumcised them.

MANY ARE MARTYRED WHO REFUSE TO WORSHIP THE BEAST AND HIS IMAGE

"Howbeit many in Israel were fully resolved and confirmed in themselves not to eat any unclean thing. Wherefore they chose rather to die, that they might not be defiled with meats, and that they might not profane the holy covenant; so then they died. And there was very great wrath upon Israel.^[140]

It was not until this author thoroughly researched Church history that he could make the link between Antiochus Epiphanes, his profane sacrifices, his persecution of the Jews and the papal Antichrists, their profane sacrifice of the Mass, their persecution of the true believers through the Inquisition. How educated Christian scholars could not make the connection is a *mystery of iniquity*.

Additionally, history reports that, like the usurping papal Vice-Christ, Antiochus *seized* the Seleucid kingdom from his older brother, Demetrius.^[141] And, let us not forget, that both the Papacy and the Seleucids are *dynasties*.

Despite the overwhelming similarities between Antiochus Epiphanes and Antichrist Holy Father in their spirit, words and works, there is one vital discrepancy: Antiochus did not persecute, torture, maim and murder in the name of Christ Jesus. The Popes did. Which does the reader see as the greater evil? Which does Christ Jesus?

THE ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION USHERS IN THE GREAT TRIBULATION

When the Lord addressed his disciples concerning the abomination of desolation in Matthew 24, there is a mysterious admonition for the reader to '*understand*'. For years this author was taught by the so-called prophecy 'experts' that the Antichrist would enter the rebuilt Jewish Temple 3½ years after covenanting with the Jews, break the covenant, installing an idol in his image and demand it be worshiped. This act was the abomination of desolation. Now this writer understands why Jesus makes this singular remark to *understand*. Inherent in the Greek text is the concept of *recognizing* and *distinguishing between*. These terms come under the category of *discerning*. Satan, his Vicar, and his bride have been extremely successful in removing *understanding* of the abomination of desolation. Discernment and critical thinking have been set aside by Church leaders for two centuries now. They no longer recognize the *signs of the times*. The parallels between the historic account, in 1 Maccabees, of the Antiochus persecutions, and the numerous historic accounts of the Inquisition perpetrated by the papal beast, Antichrist, and his Church, Mystery Babylon, are astounding, to say the least. However, the Abomination set up by Antiochus had a duration of a few years, while the Abominations set up by the Papacy have run the course of centuries and millennia. Yet this truth has been covered up, consistently, for two centuries. Why? How? This is a *mystery of iniquity*.

This writer will document, in coming chapters, the persecution of the saints by the little horn, that Man of Sin: the Pope of Rome. For centuries upon centuries. Killing babies, both unborn and newborn. In a maniacal effort to exterminate the seed of the Woman. Torturing the weak, lame and handicapped. In order they *tell the truth*, i.e., confess their heresy. Upon which confession the heretics are *handed over to the secular arm* for due punishment, i.e., to be burned alive while the Roman Catholic prelates, rulers and citizens observe, acting out their faith.

It was with the Eucharistic controversy, Transubstantiation, that dissension in the ranks of Roman Catholics became more widespread. There had always been a remnant of true believers, however, who separated from the Church of Rome from the time of Sylvester and the so-called Donation of Constantine. These sects evolved into those called Paulikians (Paulicians), Cathari, Albigenses and Waldenses. All will be discussed in future chapters. Their witness for Jesus being of paramount importance in understanding the great tribulation.

It was the Vicars of Christ who led the millions of innocent lambs to the slaughter over the centuries, and this fact alone is sufficient reason for Jesus to describe it as the *great* tribulation. *Great* because no such atrocities have ever occurred to God's elect before this nor will occur after it. Once the saints recognized The Destroyer who desolates through the overspreading of abominations, they wasted no time and energy in exposing his true identity: Antichrist. This infuriated the Papacy and Roman priesthood. The Dragon unleashed his fury like a flood, forcing the Church to go underground when possible. Futurism and Praeterism were invented

by the Roman Church to counteract and misdirect the Protestant interpretation of the papal Antichrist and Babylonian Church of Rome. Despite their strenuous efforts, the true believers discerned the false Christs of the Roman Catholic Church - the popes, bishops and priests - and refused to partake of the sacrificial Mass, idolatry, prayers to the saints, infant baptism, confirmation, confession, worship of the cross and so-called relics, and the sacrament of marriage sealed by Mystery Babylon. In addition, they translated the Holy Bible into their common language and preached the true Gospel despite ungodly laws by the Roman Church prohibiting such activities. They would not submit to and obey the Roman Pontiff as Head of the Church. They knew only one Head, Christ Jesus. For this they were hunted down, savagely, by the Dogs of the Lord: the Dominicans. Despite the infallible decree of the Man of Lawlessness, 'Saint' Dominic is neither a saint nor in heaven, since unrepentant murderers are not admitted.^[142]

THE WILLFUL KING OF DANIEL 11 TYPIFIES ANTICHRIST, LITTLE HORN, MAN OF SIN, AND THE PRINCE THAT SHALL COME

Comparing the marks, characteristics, signs, fruit and works of the willful king of Daniel 11:36ff., we find striking similarities between the little horn of Daniel 7ff., the Man of Sin of 2Thess. 2, Antichrist of 1John, and The Prince That Shall Come of Daniel 9:26b and 9:27b:

1. Willful: Contrary to the obedience of Christ to the Father, Antichrist is said to do as he pleases, opposing God.
2. Exalt and magnify himself above every god: the Man of Sin also opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called god.
3. Speak marvelous things against the God of gods: the little horn speaks great words against the Most High.
4. He shall prosper [i.e., be successful] till the indignation be accomplished for that that is determined [i.e., decreed by the sovereign Lord] shall be done: the prince that shall come, the Destroyer, will desolate and destroy until the consummation [i.e., 2nd Advent of Christ], and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate [i.e., Destroyer Antichrist].

Furthermore, there is the description of the willful king *not regarding the desire of women*. This correlates with Paul's description of the spirit of Antichrist in 1Timothy 4:3, *forbidding to marry*. The Council of Trent reaffirmed the Church of Rome's innumerable ordinances proscribing marriage in the priesthood and religious orders:

"Whoever shall affirm, that persons in holy orders, or regulars who have made a solemn profession of chastity [one of the three vows necessary for entrance into religious life], may contract marriage, and that the contract is valid, notwithstanding any ecclesiastical law [of lawlessness] or vow; and that to maintain the contrary is nothing less than to condemn marriage;

and that all persons may marry who feel that though they should make a vow of chastity, they have not the gift thereof; let him be accursed....."

"Whosoever shall affirm, that the conjugal state is to be preferred to a life of virginity or celibacy, and that it is not better and more conducive to happiness to remain in virginity or celibacy than to be married: let him be accursed."^[143]

The Council of Trent curses, anathematizes, excommunicates and decrees the soul of the Apostle Paul be destroyed in everlasting damnation and hellfire for revealing the devilish doctrine that marriage is not to be forbidden. Antichrist shall think to change the laws of nature, forbidding the religious to marry. As we progress in our study of Antichrist, we shall see its miserable failure and the lasciviousness such lawless decrees have promoted through the centuries.

Citing Daniel 11:37, Protestant Reformer Bishop John Jewel exegetes in total agreement with Church Father St. Jerome, of the early 5th century, and translator of the Latin Vulgate Bible:

"Mark what St. Paul speaketh hereof: 'They shall forbid to marry.' Of whom speaketh he? Of Antichrist and his disciples. They shall forbid lawful marriage, as unholy, and as a state of life unfit for their holiness. Yet Christ Jesus, the Son of God, did never forbid it. His apostles were married and had wives.

"This, saith Paul, is a mark of antichrist; by this shall he be known. Forbidding of marriage is a doctrine of devils; not of Christ or of God, but of devils. It is a gulph, it is a sea, it is a world, it is a hell of iniquity; and the vilest villainy that ever crept into the church of God. Jerome, expounding the words of Daniel, *He shall have no regard to the desires of women*, saith, 'The better exposition hereof is to apply these words to antichrist, for that he shall pretend chastity that he may deceive many.'

"This is the mystery of iniquity. This is the practice of antichrist. He shall come with a cloke of counterfeited chastity, not with true chastity, both in body and also in spirit, but with counterfeit chastity, and so shall deceive the hearts of many."^[144]

Furthermore, Bishop Jewel identifies this willful king and little horn as a Christian *bishop* citing Pope Gregory I. as his unbiased authority:

"Some have said [Antichrist] should be a Jew of the tribe of Dan: some, that Nero the bloody tyrant should rise again and he should be antichrist; some that he should be a mighty persecutor, which should range and rage over the whole world, raze towers and castles, set on fire the church and oratories, and kill whomsoever he meeteth [much like Hitler]. Hippolytus saith, he shall be begotten by the devil, and himself shall be a devil. These devices were imagined and written many hundred years before, as everybody were best able to devise. But these are fables, and have no ground. To say the truth, antichrist shall neither be a Jew, nor Nero, nor one begotten by the devil. He shall be a Christian, he shall be a bishop, and a holy father, and a bishop of great shew and countenance in the world.....

"But how may this be known, that we may be certain of it? For you will charge my sayings with

partiality, as if what should be spoken by me might proceed of displeasure and malice. Who then hath so spoken and written, that we might believe him? Hear Gregory himself [Pope Gregory the Great], a bishop of Rome, what he recorded of this matter well-nigh a thousand years ago: 'The king of pride,' that is, antichrist, 'is even at hand; and an army of priests is prepared; which is a wicked or horrible thing to be spoken of.' Lo, both the king, which is antichrist; and his guard to wait upon him, a company of priests and clerks, of monks and friars to attend upon him. And upon whom shall an army of priests attend, but upon a bishop?

"If you say this is no plain proof, but forced and wrested, because he nameth not a bishop, but a king of pride, hear him again: 'I speak it boldly, whosoever calleth himself the universal priest, or so desireth so to be called', (as doth the pope), 'in the pride of his heart he is the forerunner of antichrist.' In this place he doth not only tell us antichrist shall be a bishop, but also what manner of bishop. He shall be a bishop, and that bishop shall claim universal authority: such a bishop as shall say, 'It is of the necessity of salvation that every soul be subject to me;' which shall say, It is plain that the church is one, because in the universal church there is one supreme head, that is, the pope."^[145]

As *king of pride*, the papal little horn and willful king usurps Christ's Headship of the Church by claiming the title of *Pope*, meaning Universal Bishop and Father of the Christian Church. His puffed-up pride and self-exaltation are also well described by the adjective *stout*. Remember that little horn was more *stout than his fellows?*^[146] Curiously, *stout* can also be translated *plenitudinous*.^[147] It is this interpretation that directly reflects Canon 5 of the 4th Lateran Council, A.D. 1215:

"Renewing the ancient privileges of the patriarchal sees, we decree with the approval of the holy and ecumenical council, that after the Roman Church, which by the will of God holds over all others pre-eminence of ordinary power as the mother and mistress of all the faithful, that of Constantinople shall hold first place so that after their bishops have received from the Roman pontiff the pallium, which is the distinguishing mark of the plenitude of the pontifical office, and have taken the oath of fidelity and obedience to him....."^[148]

Incredibly, the mark of the beast Antichrist, the Roman Pontiff, is described as plenitudinous, fulfilling the prophecy of the little horn who is more stout than his fellows. This Canon gives both the Pope and his Western Latin Roman Church, the Whore, primacy and preeminence over the entire Christian Church.

THE GOD OF FORCES HONORED ARE THE PATRON SAINTS

The substitutionary aspect of Antichrist is reflected in Daniel 11:38: *But in his stead shall he honor the god of forces*, i.e., in his place, in Christ's place, as the Vicar of Christ. The Hebrew word from which we translate *forces* also means *defenses*:^[149] i.e., that which defends, guards and protects. Patron Saints are objects of prayer for their supposed protective powers. They are the Guardian Angels of the Roman Catholic Church. The Blessed Virgin Mary is the highest and most excellent patron saint existing in the Roman Catholic Church's never-ending hierarchy

of patron saints. One of her many titles is that of *Tower: Tower of David, Tower of Ivory*.^[150] As such she is considered to be a strong fortress in time of trouble. The term *patron* derives from the Greek *pater*, i.e., 'protector'.^[151]

"And a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour [read: glorify] with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things."^[152]

Antichrist will honor a god whom his forefathers, St. Peter and St. Paul, knew not: the Transubstantiated Holy Eucharist, Jesus Christ's Real Presence. The Reverend Edward Bishop Elliott's exegesis on this particular verse is worth quoting for his keen insight:

"As to the *transubstantiated bread* god, the creation of his own matchless priestcraft; respecting which, in accordance which seems to me really marvelous with the prophetic language here used by Daniel, he has established the rule that it must 'be glorified,' or have rays of glory surrounding it, of gold and silver and precious stones, wherever practicable in the crystal monstranza in which it is elevated for the adoration of the people; such glory as best becomes the divinity....Gesenius says on the verb *honour* or *glorify*, the noun cognate to which is used in verse 38; the *glory of Jehovah*: that is, the shining splendour which surrounds the Deity when he appears to men, called by the Rabbis the *Shekinah*....The Romish Dr. Rock, in his *Hierurgia* i. 64, describes the *Ostensorium* as a species of vessel employed for showing the blessed sacrament (or consecrated wafer) to the people, to receive their worship; and that it is composed of a stem which supports a crystal case, surrounded with rays of glory."^[153]

See PLATE 2 for Elliott's engraving of papal procession with Monstrance.

The New Catholic Encyclopedia agrees with Elliott's perceptive comments of 150 years ago. Prophetically, the *Ostensorium* is derived from two Latin words: *monstrare* and *ostendere*, both meaning 'to show.' It would be impossible not to see the connection with 2Thess. 2:4: [Antichrist, the Man of Sin] *sitteth in the temple of God showing himself that he is God* by the fact of his 'creating' Jesus Christ in the unleavened Blessed Sacrament, displaying Him before the faithful in the Monstrance. Additionally, the Monstrances shown in the Encyclopedia are both gold and silver gilded having rays of glory, fitting the description stated by Daniel above. The Host fits into a *lunette*, a part of the Monstrance, which by Church law must be gilded.^[154]

The Roman Catholic Church causes her Patron Saints to *rule over many*.^[155] The patron saint who rules over, protects and is the special advocate for Ireland is St. Patrick. His Holy Feast Day, set aside for his worship by the entire Church, is celebrated in drunken revelry, March 17. St. Anne, the Mother of Our Blessed Lady, is the patron saint who rules over, protects, and is the special advocate for Christian mothers. Her Holy Feast Day, set aside for her adoration by the faithful, is celebrated July 26. Saint Joseph is the patron saint who rules over, protects, and is the special advocate for the Universal Church. His Holy Feast Day, set aside for his veneration by the faithful, is celebrated March 19. The patron saint who rules over, protects, and

is the special advocate of the United States is Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception. Under this title the Blessed Virgin Mary is worshiped by the American faithful, as well as the faithful around the globe, on December 8.^[156]

The Roman Catholic Church has several lesser saints who rule over specific areas of the believers' lives. One such saint is St. Anthony, formidable foe of heresy and patron saint of Padua and Portugal. His special domain and heavenly ministry is *finder of lost articles*. Multitudes of the faithful can attest to his providence over misplaced car keys. St. Anthony is honored in reverence on his Holy Feast Day of June 13. St. Jude, who has a hospital named after him, is especially worshiped for his one-of-a-kind on-going ministry, despite being dead for 2,000 years. As advocate of impossible and lost causes, his name is called on above all others. Satanic principalities of darkness shudder at the mere mention of this saint's name. When all else fails, the faithful have a friend in St. Jude, always. His Holy Feast Day is celebrated the world over on October 28.

Unquestionably, Mary is the supreme god of forces, the patron saints. As Queen of the Universe nothing is excluded from her dominion and rule. Its extent is as vast as Christ's. She is the *royal dispenser of grace*. *Mary rules with a Mother's love*.^[157] Pius XII. consecrated the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, calling her *Queen of the world*, petitioning her in order that her *love and patronage may hasten the triumph of the kingdom*.^[158]

EXCERPTS FROM OFFICIAL PRAYERS TO ST. JOSEPH

To give the reader a sense of the magnitude and plenitude of power and grace which has been attributed to St. Joseph, a god of forces, by the Roman Catholic Church, the following excerpts of the official prayers designated to this patron saint are given:

"O Glorious St. Joseph.....You have been chosen for assistance [sic] for the whole Church Militant. Protect, in a special manner, with true fatherly love, the Sovereign Pontiff and all the bishops and priests in communion [i.e., under obedience] with the See of Peter. Be the protector of all who labor for souls amid the trials and tribulations of this life; and grant that all the nations of the earth [i.e., Protestants, Jews and pagans] may submit [i.e., come under the yolk and authority of the Holy See] with docility [i.e., without putting up a fight] to that Church out of which there is no salvation [i.e., all Christians not in communion with and under obedience to the Church of Rome are accursed to everlasting torments]. Dearest St. Joseph.....I dedicate myself to your service [I worship and serve you as your unquestioning slave], that you may ever be my Father [i.e., in addition to God the Father, who has too busy a daily schedule to hear and meet His children's needs], my Protector and my Guide in the way of salvation.

".....Full of confidence in your power, I fly to you, and beg your protection.....To You, O blessed Joseph, do we fly in tribulation.....and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities. O most watchful Guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ.....O our most mighty protector.....from heaven assist us in this our struggle with the power of darkness.....shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection....."^[159]

The patron saints are, indeed, gods of forces viewed as strongholds, fortresses, and places of safety for the faithful to *fly to* in times of tribulation and demonic attack.

THE WILLFUL KING PREDICTS THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE POPE

"And the king shall do according to his will....."^[160]

Sovereignty is an attribute of God Almighty. There are several key concepts inherent in the word. One is the fact of being above and over all others. Another is the fact of being independent of all others. Free from their influence or control. A third is that of effectiveness.^[161] A sovereign God does according to His will and never fails. The sovereign Pontiff, the Lord Pope, would claim these prerogatives:

"[The Pope's] office as vicar of Christ and pastor of the whole Church, the full, supreme, and universal authority over the Church, which he can always freely exercise.....The pope, as head of the body, remains free to decide....."^[162]

The sovereign Pontiff is free from restrictions in ruling the Church. Just like a God. He is first in rank. His laws, decrees and bulls must be implemented. Always with efficacy. We have already seen that as absolute monarch of the Vatican City-State, the Supreme Pontiff rules according to his will. Thus, in respect to fulfilling the mark, characteristic and sign of doing *according to his will*, the sovereign Pontiff, the Pope of Rome, the absolute monarch of the Vatican City-State, wholly satisfies this requirement.

THE PAPAL LINE OF DEMARCATION: DIVIDING THE LAND FOR GAIN

".....and shall divide the land for gain."^[163]

In the 15th century, Portugal and Spain, both Roman Catholic horns of the papal Beast, dominated the seas and went seeking for plunder. Under the guise of 'Christianizing natives', the real intent of Columbus was to fill the coffers of these respective countries, becoming rich and world-famous himself. However, Spain and Portugal's monarchs found themselves in a bitter feud over the booty, needing a mediator to *divide the land for gain*. Pope Alexander VI., ruler of the known world as Vicar of Christ, was the perfect person for such an arduous and ambitious task:

"[It is agreed] that a boundary or straight line be determined and drawn north and south, from pole to pole, on the said ocean sea, from the Arctic to the Antarctic pole....."^[164]

All lands east of the dividing line belonged to Portugal and all lands west of the dividing line belonged to Spain. Truly, the papal willful king divides the land for gain.

DANIEL A SEALED BOOK, REVELATION AN UNSEALED BOOK

"But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased."^[165]

"And he said unto me: seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book. For the time is at hand."^[166]

Daniel 12 was declared a closed book to Daniel, his contemporaries, and generations which followed. The Book of Revelation, on the other hand, is designated an open book, whose time is at hand, to be read, taught and preached from John's time until the Return of Christ. Yet Futurists of the Scofield school of prophecy tell us its application is in the distant future, after the secret Rapture of the Church, and has not been relevant to the Church for the past 1,900 years:

"It is noteworthy that the church is not mentioned in chapters 5-18.....Chapters 4-19 are believed to synchronize with Daniel's Seventieth Week. The great tribulation begins at the middle of the 'week: and continues three and a half years."^[167]

Scofield and Futurists link Rev. 4:1 with the secret Rapture of the Church.^[168] They believe there to be a huge gap between the 69th and 70th weeks described in Daniel 9:24-27. They claim after the crucifixion of Christ, God has been silent, letting the saints and martyrs of Jesus fend for themselves without any prophetic Scripture to guide and counsel them. But we have shown how in Daniel's view of world history, (Chapters 2 & 7), there is no gap in God's prophetic time clock. The ten toes emerge from the two Roman legs and are eventually shattered by the *stone cut without hands*. The ten horns emerge from the head of the Roman beast, followed immediately by a little horn, who is eventually judged and condemned at Christ's 2nd Advent. No gap. One leads to another, naturally. However, Daniel would be a closed book until history fulfilled the will of God's prophetic utterances. By the time of the early Church Fathers, approximately 800 years later, knowledge was increasing and theories were forthcoming regarding the identity of the *little horn*. But with the book of Revelation such was not the case. Extant are the writings of Ante-Nicene Fathers who frequently commented on Revelation and the identity of the beast, within 100 years of its publication.^[169] We will discuss a few of those interpretations in the next chapter.

NONE OF THE WICKED SHALL UNDERSTAND, BUT THE WISE SHALL UNDERSTAND^[170]

This promise given to Daniel is similar to the admonition of Matthew 24:15 pertaining to the abomination of desolation, *let the reader understand*. Wisdom and understanding is also connected to discerning the mark, name and number of the beast (Rev. 13:17): *Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast...*

NO WISDOM IN CONTEMPORARY ANNOTATED BIBLES

This is a sad commentary on the signs of the times. Wisdom and understanding of God's prophetic Word have all but disappeared. How is that possible? It is a *mystery of iniquity*.

SCOFIELD CLUELESS AS TO IDENTITY OF LITTLE HORN

Scofield views Daniel's *little horn* of Chapter 7 as typified by Antiochus IV. Epiphanes, the 'prince that shall come' of Daniel 9, the (willful) king of Daniel 11, the 'abomination' of Daniel 12 and Matt. 24:15, the 'man of sin' of 2 Thess. 2, and the 'Beast' of Rev. 13. Nowhere does he equate the Papacy with the little horn or offer any solution whatsoever.^[171]

ZODHIATES' HEBREW - GREEK KEY STUDY BIBLE: CLUELESS ON LITTLE HORN

Mr. Zodhiates denotes the eyes of the little horn as 'supernatural intelligence and ability.' He sees the correlation of the mouth speaking blasphemies against God with the beast in Rev. 13, but does not venture a guess as to its meaning. He views the ten horns as future, as is the Antichrist 'little horn'. Thus, he places a gigantic gap, unwarranted by Scripture, into the interpretation. Not once does Mr. Zodhiates identify the Roman Pontiff with little horn, leaving his readership completely ignorant of the truth.^[172]

NEW GENEVA STUDY BIBLE: CLUELESS ON LITTLE HORN

Taking a diplomatic stance of neutrality, neither hot nor cold, the New Geneva Study Bible offers the possible solution to the identity of the ten horns as being *a second phase of the fourth kingdom, a Revived Roman Empire*, thereby misdirecting the reader to believe a gap exists between the development of the supposed two sets of ten horns. However, not once does Daniel, or the Angel who interprets, put this erroneous 'spin' on the vision. Not neglecting the identification of the little horn with Antichrist, the New Geneva takes a tentative position on this point by revealing to the ignorant readership *many interpreters suggest that the little horn represents the Antichrist*. It then continues to mislead by stating authoritatively, *this would be the first reference in Scripture to the Antichrist*. That is simply not true. There are references to Antichrist throughout the Old Testament, including the Garden of Eden. Nowhere in this annotated Bible is there mention of the Supreme Pontiff as the little horn. Nor is any other solution forthcoming.^[173]

BAKER'S DICTIONARY OF THEOLOGY: CLUELESS ON LITTLE HORN

Seeing an Antichrist link between Daniel's little horn and the beast from the sea of Rev. 13:1, Baker's Dictionary doesn't offer a papal solution, or any other solution, to their mutual identity. However, in its overview of *Christian Interpretation*, the Dictionary is light years ahead of the

other scholars named above by at least citing *the reformers equated Antichrist with the papacy, as had some medieval theologians.*^[174]

THE NEW AMERICAN STANDARD OPEN BIBLE: CLUELESS ON LITTLE HORN

The NASB Futurist bias is evident in its Preface notes to Daniel. Nowhere is the little horn even mentioned in its 4 page outline and notes. Antichrist is non-existent also.^[175] This Open Study Bible is closed to the true interpretation of prophecy.

CONCLUSION: DANIEL STILL SEALED TO MAJORITY OF CHRISTIANS MYSTERY OF INIQUITY WORKING SUCCESSFULLY

Ask the Christian next door for the identity of the *little horn* and one will probably receive a blank stare. The term *little horn* is foreign and inaccessible to most, let alone his identity. This is the fault of a defective leadership who hold the teaching and prophetic offices. How can the sheep learn but that a teacher teach them? If the teachers teach unsubstantiated fables, willfully suppressing historical truth known for centuries, how can the sheep 'watch' or 'take heed'?

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