

THE ANTICHRIST RIDES AGAIN

Revelation 13:1-10

Introduction:

- A. In review let us look to verse 7 of chapter 11. The beast out of the bottomless pit (the antichrist) has made war on the two witnesses and killed them. WHEN God raised the two witnesses from the dead and caught them up into heaven, 7,000 world leaders were killed in the great earthquake – among them was the antichrist.
- B. The great dragon – Satan – and his angels have been cast out of heaven. (12:7-9)
- C. Those who dwell in heaven have been called upon to rejoice, but to those who live on earth a woe has been spoken. (12:12)
- D. The woe is spoken because the devil has come down with great wrath because he has but a short time to work his evil.
- E. Now, chapter 13 again speaks of the beast – the antichrist – working with the dragon – the devil – in bring great wrath upon the earth.

I. THE RESURRECTION AND THE RENEWED POWER OF THE ANTICHRIST BEAST

- A. V. 1 The antichrist beast rises out of the sea – the sea of humanity, or out of the sea of the dead.
- B. Vs. 3, 12, 14 all reveal that that the antichrist beast had been wounded unto death and has been brought back to life by the power of the dragon – the devil.
- C.V. 2 declares that the dragon devil gave the antichrist beast power and his seat and great authority.
 - A. It is quite evident that the dragon devil continues to be the prince of the power of the air on earth giving power and authority to whomever he chooses.
 - B. The antichrist beast surely is riding again.

II. THE ATTITUDE OF THE END TIME WORLD OF HUMANITY

- A. V. 3 All the world wondered after the beast – the antichrist. He had been killed and now was alive. Amazed, admired, and astonished are other translations used to reveal how the world's people felt toward the beast.
- B. V. 4 All the world shall worship the dragon, the devil, and the antichrist beast.
- C. V. 4 All the world will ask, “Who is like unto the beast antichrist? Who is able to make war against him?”

III. THE DEVIL GIVES POWER TO THE ANTICHRIST

- A. V. 4 The dragon devil gave power to the beast antichrist.
- B. V. 5 A mouth was given to the antichrist beast. He will be a master of speech – a great orator speaking arrogant, proud words and blasphemies against all that is good.
- C. This power would be for forty and two months – three and one half years – last half of the tribulation period.

IV. THE WORK OF THE ANTICHRIST BEAST

- A. V. 6 He blasphemes God, His Name, His tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.
- B. V. 7 He will make war with the saints and overcome them.
- C. V. 7 He will have power over all kindreds and tongues and nations –world wide power.

D. V. 7 All who dwell on the earth shall worship the antichrist beast EXCEPT those who are saved – whose names are written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the earth.

V. THE SAINTS OF GOD WILL STAND APART FROM THE WORLD.

A. V. 8 the saints will not worship the antichrist beast, nor the dragon devil.

B. V. 10 Many of the saints shall be placed in captivity – many killed.

C. V. 10 The saints shall patiently stand for the faith – even unto death – much like those who died during the dark ages.

CONCLUSION: v. 9 –If any man have an ear, let him hear.