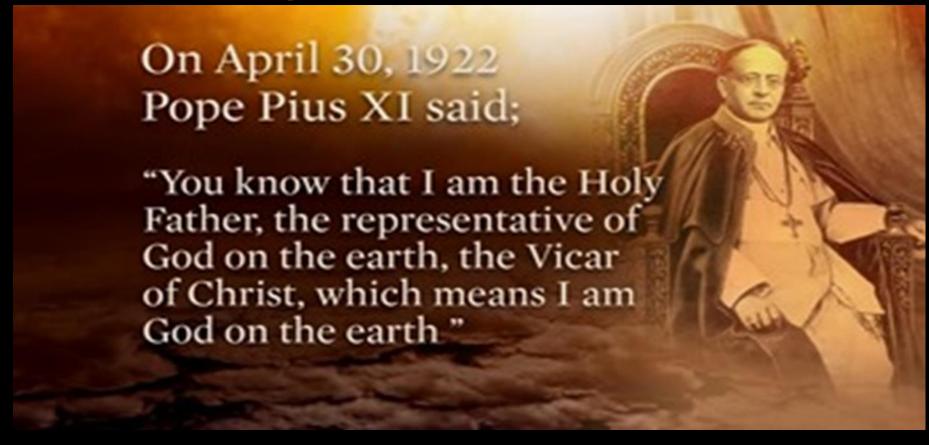
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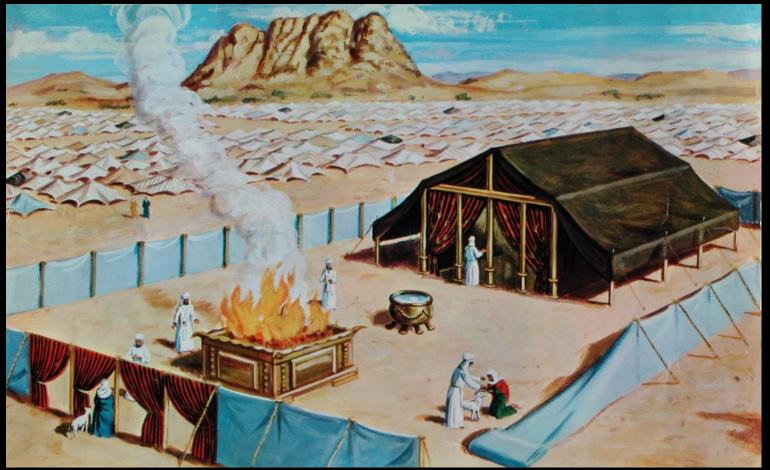
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And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them.

Exodus 25:8

Psalms 77:13



Health Snippet - Onions

Health Benefits of Onions (Seek Medical Advise)

Allium cepa: bulb-shaped vegetables that grow underground. Onions may have several health benefits, mostly due to their high content of antioxidants & sulfur-containing compounds. Commonly used as a flavouring or side dish, onions are a staple food in many cuisines. They can be baked, boiled, grilled, fried, roasted, sautéed, powdered, or eaten raw.

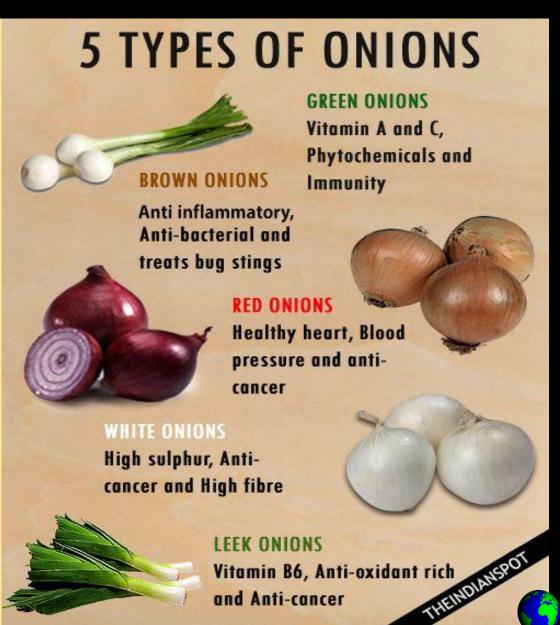
Nutrition Facts and Health Effects:

The main nutrients in 100 grams of raw onions are: Calories: 40, Water: 89%, Protein: 1.1 grams, Carbs: 9.3 grams, Sugar: 4.2 grams, Fibre: 1.7 grams & Fat: 0.1 grams.

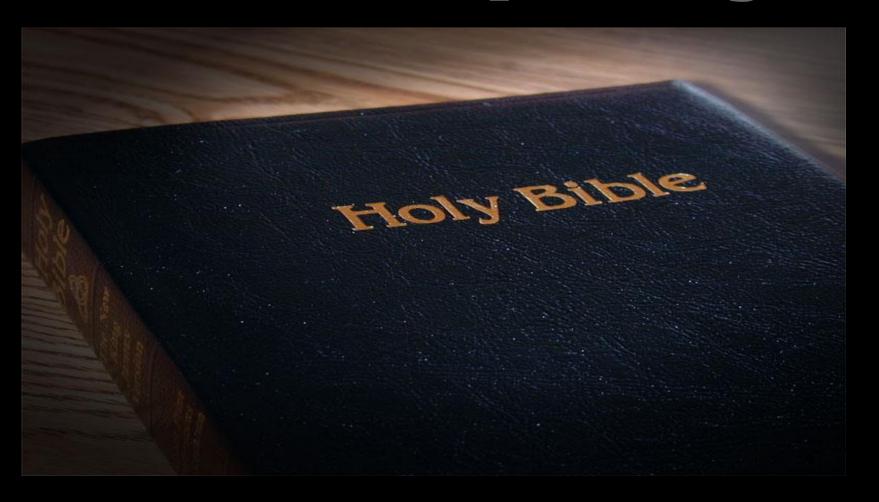
- Carbohydrates make up about 9–10% of both raw and cooked onions.
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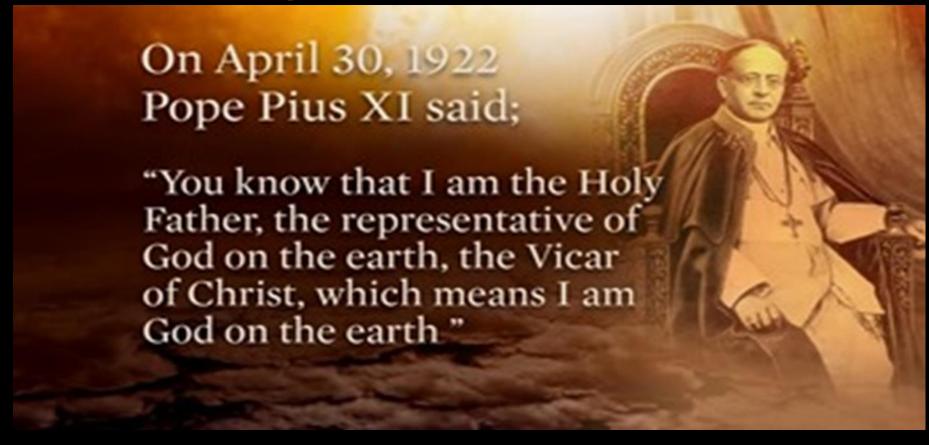
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LOOK WHO IS SITTING ON A THRONE BETWEEN TWO CHERIBIM AS IF HE IS GOD.





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Introduction

For the sake of brevity, the wars between the Catholic empire and the Vandals may be taken as an illustration of the extermination of the other two kingdoms-that of the Heruli and the Ostrogoths. Justinian was the reigning emperor, and most of the work was done by Belisarius, this same general, between the years 533 and 538. SDP 233.1

The last contest with paganism was in 508 when the Britons accepted Christianity; the "daily" spoken of in Daniel had been taken away. By 538 the way was clear for the papacy to sit enthroned in Rome. The new capital established by Constantine left Rome that it might be occupied by the head of the church. The new religion-Christianity-we have seen mingled with paganism, which it crushed, and gave birth to the papacy. The new policy, a union of church and state, gave civil aid to that paganized Christianity called the papacy. The harvest of the seed sown in the days of Constantine was reaped in the reign of Justinian, whose military and civil power supported "the abomination that maketh desolate." SDP 233.2





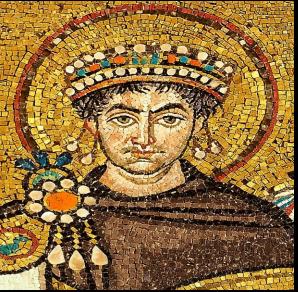
Flag of the Holy Roman Empire



A striking feature of this history is the fact that the very code of law which Rome has bequeathed as a legacy to later times, is the work of this same Justinian. Is it to be wondered at that the laws of this emperor, who reigned at the time when the papacy was formed, and who was the one who supported it by arms, should contain some principles of the papacy? Fisher says, "Humane principles are incorporated into the civil law, but likewise the despotic system of imperialism." The laws of Justinian form the basis of national laws to-day; likewise the religion of Justinian is the recognized religion of most countries to-day. SDP 233.3

Constantine and Justinian were the two men instrumental above all others in forming the papacy, and giving it civil power. The contest between Arianism and the orthodox Catholicism was the means of enthroning the papacy. A power soon to be recognized as the personification of all tyranny swayed the sceptre of Rome, and the followers of the One who proclaimed a covenant of peace to Israel, would for the period of 1260 years struggle for existence. Every principle of truth was crushed, and with 538 was ushered in the Dark Ages. SDP 234.1







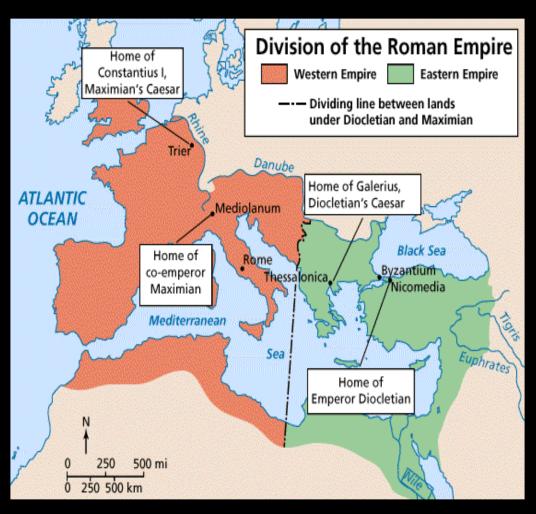


As the year 457 B. C. was an important date in Jewish history, so 538 A. D. is a milepost in the history of the Christian church. The former, dating from the decree to restore and build Jerusalem, marks the beginning of one great prophetic period, the 2300 days of Daniel 8:14. The latter, which witnessed the setting up of the papacy, is the date from which to reckon that other prophetic period, "a time and times and the dividing of time," or the twelve hundred and sixty days of Daniel 7:25. It is the period during which the little horn, that plucked up three of the ten divisions of the Roman empire, should bear sway. It is to the beginning of this period, the year 538, that the thirty-first verse of Daniel 11 brings the history. SDP 235.1

The fully developed papacy was not the work of one nor of two years any more than the universal power of Babylon, Medo-Persia, or Greece was an immediate acquisition. As those kingdoms grew in power, so papal Rome grew in power. According to Revelation 13:2, the dragon gave the beast his power and his seat and great authority. The work of Constantine and Justinian in gaining power for this new organization was parallel to the conquests of Cyrus, Alexander, and Caesar in their conquests for their respective nations. SDP 235.2



The seat of the pagan Roman government was removed to Constantinople, thereby giving room for the papacy to be seated on the throne in the city on the Tiber. As territory and a capital were gained gradually, so the authority of the papacy was a gradual acquisition. Each of the four universal kingdoms had a distinct policy, which was followed throughout its existence. Likewise the papacy had its policy just as clearly defined. The working of this policy in its inception is best seen in Alexandria. It was there that the two streams, paganism and Christianity, mingled their waters. The papacy had birth on the banks of the Nile: Egypt was the mother who nursed it, and as it grew, it breathed in the miasma of its surroundings. First, Christians interpreted the Bible according to pagan thought, and paganism appearing to be vanquished, in reality became the conqueror. SDP 235.2





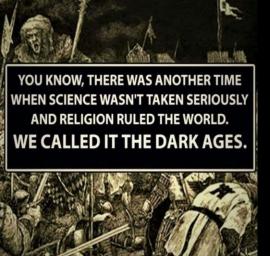
Then the teachings of the Word were changed. In order to compromise with pagans, idol worship was introduced into the Christian church; the second commandment was dropped from the Decalogue, and the tenth was divided to preserve the number. The fourth, the keystone to the law of God, a memorial of creation and redemption, was so altered as to exalt the enemy of God above God himself. Later, the whole Bible was discarded, and as that detector of sin was suppressed, vileness and iniquity became uncontrollable. This, however, was not the whole policy of the papacy, but only one of the stones in the foundation of the structure that was being reared. SDP 236.1



The head of the church, who was likewise a civil ruler, was exalted more and more above his fellows, until a complete ecclesiastical hierarchy was formed. By decree of a general council the head of the church was declared infallible. But even before, this faith in the new church, and especially in the *head* of the church, took the place of faith in Christ. The Virgin Mary and saints became mediators for sinful man, and forgiveness was granted by the head of the church. Righteousness by works led to long pilgrimages, penance, and relic worship. Everlasting punishment was held as a threat above the heads of the common people. The darkness deepened. The inquisition was instituted to force men's conscience. Kings upon their thrones were compelled to recognize the superior authority of the power of Rome, and failure to do so meant the removal of their crowns. Subjects were absolved from allegiance to their sovereigns, and so complete was the obedience of nations to Rome, that no man dared lift his hand in opposition. SDP 236.2

A darkness beyond comprehension settled over all the world. The light had been extinguished when God's Word was banished. "The noontide of the papacy was the world's moral midnight." SDP 237.1







The power which should speak great words against the Most High, and wear out the saints of the Most High, was allotted 1260 years in which to work; but so cruel was that power that the time was shortened, lest none should survive the persecution. It was Egyptian or Babylonian bondage for the Christian church. But even as God had some in Egypt and Babylon who were followers of the light throughout the period of darkness, there was ever a little company of believers who held the Scriptures dear to their hearts, and who obeyed the commandments. SDP 237.2

The Waldenses could trace their ancestry back to the days of Paul, and from Asia Minor, where that apostle first preached, to the wild retreat in the mountains of Italy, there were faithful Sabbath keepers. The power on the throne might change the day of worship, but there were always some who obeyed God rather than man. As Gabriel told Daniel, "They that understand among the people shall instruct many; yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil." Though thousands fell because they dared lift the voice against the powers that be, yet God watched their numbers and counted each one who gave his life. SDP 238.1



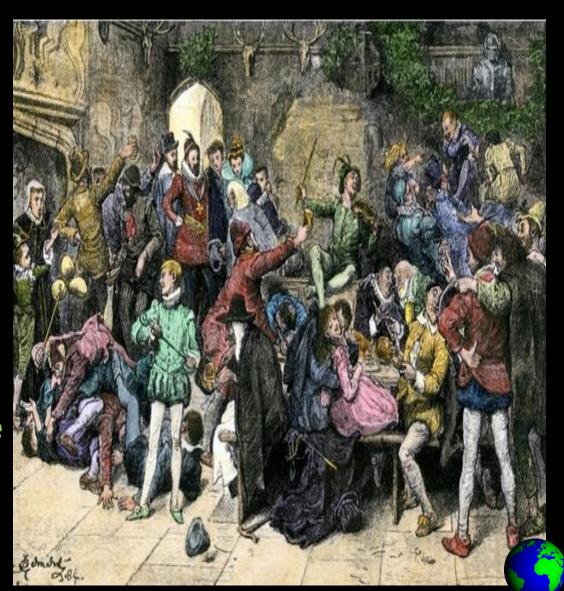
Daniel 11:34 - A Little Help

Daniel 11:34 Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries.

They shall fall - some say 50,000,000 Christians died, some say 100,000,000. Foxe's book of martyrs says 500,000,000 Christian died.

They shall be holpen with a little help - Revelation 12:16 says, "And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth."

Millions of Christians were martyred during this time because they chose to obey the Bible instead of the decrees of Popes and church councils. The mountains of Europe and the wilds of Africa and Asia became their refuge, and the new land of America seemed divinely ordained as a stronghold of religious freedom.



Rise of America (USA) What came to the rescue of the woman who was being

What came to the rescue of the woman who was being persecuted in Europe? The answer is the earth. The earth must be a different place because all of the beasts of Daniel 7 came from the sea including the fourth beast. What is represented by the earth? It represents the territory of the United States. At this point the nation had not yet come forth from the earth. The territory provided refuge for the woman beginning in 1620 and the nation arose from this territory around 1798 in harmony with Revelation 13:11.

In Revelation 12:13-15 we find a description of the persecution of the woman by the dragon for 1260 years. Then in verse 16 you have the earth helping the woman. The earth helps the woman before the 1260 years come to an end. How do we know this? The answer is, by the sequence of events in The Great Controversy. In The Great Controversy, pp. 265 Ellen White begins the chapter on the French Revolution which culminates the 1260 year period. But in the very next chapter Ellen White goes back in time to describe how the territory of the United States provided refuge for those who were persecuted in Europe. This is very similar to the order of Revelation 12 where in verse 14 the woman is persecuted for 1260 years and then in verse 16 we have the earth helping the woman.





Rise of 2nd Beast of Revelation 13 - USA

"What nation of the New World was in 1798 rising into power, giving promise of strength and greatness, and attracting the attention of the world? The application of the symbol admits of no question. One nation, and only one, meets the specifications of this prophecy; it points unmistakably to the United States of America. Again and again the thought, almost the exact words, of the sacred writer has been unconsciously employed by the orator and the historian in describing the rise and growth of this nation. The beast was seen 'coming up out of the earth;' and, according to the translators, the word here rendered 'coming up' literally signifies 'to grow or spring up as a plant.' And, as we have seen, the nation must arise in territory previously unoccupied. A prominent writer, describing the rise of the United States, speaks of 'the mystery of her coming forth from vacancy,' and says: 'Like a silent seed we grew into empire.' G. A. Townsend, The New World Compared with the Old, page 462. A European journal in 1850 spoke of the United States as a wonderful empire, which was 'emerging,' and 'amid the silence of the earth daily adding to its power and pride.'
"The Dublin Nation" - The Great Controversy, p. 440





1st Beast of Revelation 13:1-10,18 Sea Beast - Papacy

The Bible Interprets itself

Beast = Kingdom

Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth,....

- Daniel 7:23

And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. Revelation 13:1



2nd Beast of Revelation 13:11-17 Land Beast - USA

The Bible Interprets itself

Kingdom = Nation

For the kingdom is the

LORD'S: and he is the

governor among the nations.

- Psalms 22:28

And I beheld another beast: 1. coming up out of the earth; and 2. he had two horns like a lamb, and 3. he spake as a dragon. – Revelation 13:11



2nd Beast of Revelation 13:11-17

Revelation 13:11 prophecies the rising of a great beast:

- In prophecy, a beast represents a great nation.
- This nation comes out of the earth, or wilderness area.
- This nation starts out young, like a baby lamb.
- This nation is lamb-like, with Christian characteristics.
- This nation has horns with no crowns—it has no kings.
- This nation achieves superpower status near the end of time (closing history of this earth).
- This nation influences the world's economy.
- This nation finally speaks like a dragon.
- This nation finally enforces the mark (Sunday Worship) of the first beast in Revelation 13:2.





1. Coming up out of the earth - USA



Christopher Columbus led his three ships - the *Nina*, the *Pinta* and the *Santa Maria* - out of the Spanish port of Palos on August 3, 1492. Columbus Day is the date of arrival in the Americas on October 12, 1492

- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christopher_Columbus



1. Coming up out of the earth – USA (cont'd)

The Mayflower departed from Plymouth, England, on 6th September 1620 and arrived at **Cape Cod with** ~135 people on 9th November 1620, after 66 days of voyage. http://mayflowerhi story.com/voyage



2. He had two horns like a lamb - Church & State





And the lamb-like horns, emblems of innocence and gentleness, well represent the character of our *government*, as expressed in its two fundamental principles, Republicanism and Protestantism." — Spirit of Prophecy, Vol. 4, P. 277.

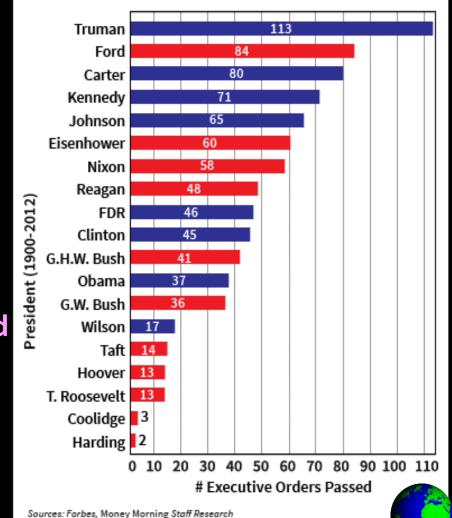


3. He spake as a dragon - USA



Between 1789 and 1907, U.S. presidents issued a combined total of 2,400 executive orders. Since 1908, when the orders were first numbered chronologically, presidents have issued as of February 24, 2020 - 13,766 executive orders – shows the expansion of presidential power over the years. - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Executive_order





3. He spake as a dragon – USA (cont'd)

EXECUTIVE ORDER 10995 allows the government to seize and control the communication media.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 10997 allows the government to take over all electrical power, gas, petroleum, fuels and minerals.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 10998 allows the government to take over all food resources and farms.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 10999 allows the government to seize all means of transportation, including personal cars, trucks or vehicles of any kind and total control over all highways, seaports, and waterways. EXECUTIVE ORDER 11000 allows the government to mobilize civilians into work brigades under government supervision. EXECUTIVE ORDER 11001 allows the government to take over all health, education and welfare functions.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 11002 designates the Postmaster General to operate a national registration of all persons.







3. He spake as a dragon – USA (cont'd)

executive order 11003 allows the government to take over all airports and aircraft, including commercial aircraft. EXECUTIVE ORDER 11004 allows the Housing and Finance Authority to relocate communities, build new housing with public funds, designate areas to be abandoned, and establish new locations for populations.

executive Orders into effect in times of increased international tensions and economic or financial crisis.

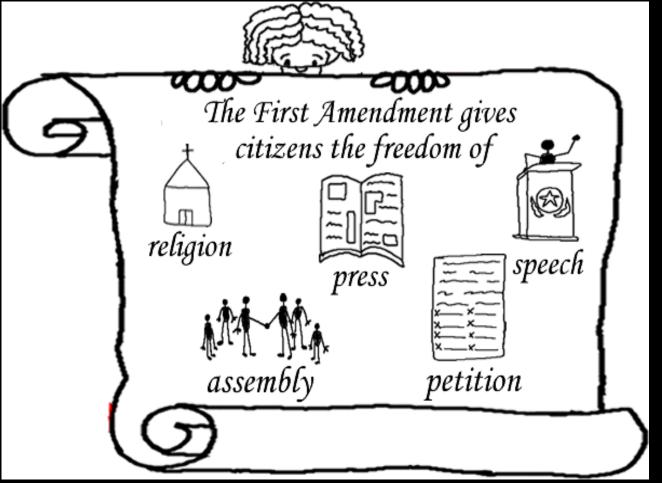


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3. He spake as a dragon – USA (cont'd)

What Ever Happened to...







Continuing in Daniel 11:34

Many shall cleave to them with flatteries - not only did Satan have his agents among the faithful to discourage them during the reformation, he also convinced some to join their churches with the State as Rome did to take up arms and literally fight the Catholics in many bloody battles. I'm sure the "flattery" that they would be victorious for God and church lured many into union with the wicked. Still, all of this did eventually lead to many fleeing to America where prophecy stated true Protestantism would blossom for many years.

Even in the reformed churches, the flattery of trusting in the state to defend the faith rather than in the God of heaven, was tried with again great success. Thus the battles started to be between Protestant governments and Catholic Governments. To escape from this continued apostasy those who believed in the Biblical principle of separation of church and state fled to the United States of America, the stronghold of religious liberty for all.



* There true Protestantism was to be nurtured.



Continuing in Daniel 11:34

NOTE: Jesus said, "Except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened." Matthew 24:22.

This explains why the signs in the "sun, moon, and stars"

occurred before 1798 (May 19, 1780).

How the Lord did it doesn't matter. As we can see after the reformation, and during the period of "flatteries" wherein some were convinced to use violence against Rome, the people finally revolted in that they had generated a hatred for the Vatican and political pressures prevented her from continuing persecution in many areas. In short, they had their hands full. As they sought to spindoctor their actions into hiding, Napoleon eventually came to power, realized his mission, and stripped the Vatican's Statehood in the exact year of 1798! The fact it happened in that very year proves it was "in the works" years prior because you cannot just waltz in and take over without some sort of political posturing well in advance. Rome was sufficiently weakened enough over those 18 years so as to allow Napoleon to gain the victory.







Daniel 11:35 - Some shall fall

Daniel 11:35 And some of them of understanding shall fall, to try them, and to purge, and to make them white, even to the time of the end: because it is yet for a time appointed.

Some of them of understanding shall fall, to try them - Many of the faithful church leaders died at hands of Rome. This "tried" the church's faith.

To purge, and to make them white - Whenever a leader is martyred, many of the weaker Christian's experience their faith being strengthen and many nonbelievers come into the faith realizing it's bold and precious truths. At the same time, many of the weak also leave the church. They are "purged" because they have not the faith or courage to stand in obedience unto death.

A cursory study of church history reveals that only during times of persecution was the church actually pure. At all other times it was full of apostasy and corruption.

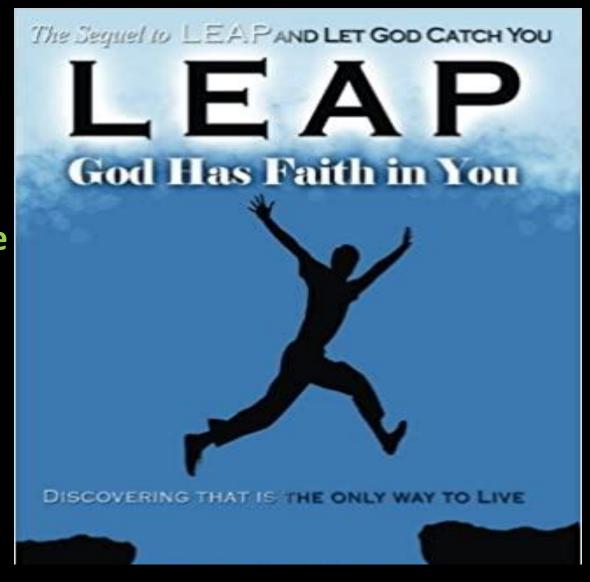




The trying of the Faith

James 1:3-4 says, "Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing."

Historic fact is, whenever the church was persecuted it was pure, or "made white" because only the strong in Christ had the courage to stand in such a persecuted church. Whenever persecution ended the church always filled with the weak in faith, the hypocrites and apostates who feared to be in the church during it's trial. Once they joined, their influence eventually weakened the church.





Even to the time of the end

Even to the time of the end: because it is yet for a time appointed - 1798AD is the time the persecutions" ended for the most part due to the fact Napoleon sent in his General Berthier to take the Pope captive. However, persecutions do continue to this day. Not as they did during this "appointed time" of exactly 1260 years as Daniel 7:25, Revelation 12:6 and Revelation 13:5 all proclaim. However, as we can see today by all the Christians dying for their faith, this mortal wound of 1798AD is healing as prophesied in Revelation 13:3. Therefore, even though the "appointed" time during the 1260 years came to an "end." It will start up again "because it is yet for a time appointed" in our day.

The time of the end, would begin when the time of this persecution would cease. In 1798 the Pope was taken prisoner by Berthier of the French army, and to all intents and purposes the power that had fuelled the inquisition and the persecution of heretics was stopped. Although such persecution has existed and still does exist today in many places, the scope and control of such persecution is extremely limited in contrast to its jurisdiction under the Dark Ages. Thus we are now given the exact date of the beginning of the time of the end, 1798 A.D.





Islam is not the anti-christ

NOTE: As of 2010, 200,000 + Christians die each year at the hands of Muslims and another 175,000 are tortured.

Many claim this proves Islam to be Antichrist.

But those with eyes that see know the Vatican was behind the inception of the religion of Islam as well as the writing of their holy book. Rome's wound is healing.

But they use craftiness as Daniel 8:25 predicted to hide their agenda. During the Inquisition, they used many Civil authorities to kill Christians, in World War II they used Hitler to kill Jews and Christians, and various other means.

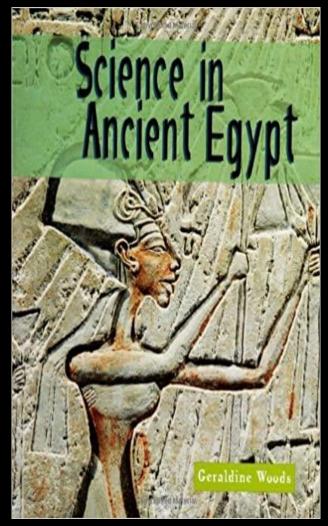
So, even though it looks like Rome is innocent of these crimes, we now have the evidence before us of the history.



Islam is not the anti-christ (cont'd)

There is no more wonderful record of deliverance from bondage than that which God wrought for his church at the close of the period of persecution. Israel's deliverance from Egypt, when a multitude marched through the Red Sea on dry land, was marvellous; the deliverance from Babylon was a wonder in the eyes of the world; but the birth of Protestantism-the deliverance from the darkness of the Middle Ages-surpassed all others. SDP 238.2

In Revelation 12, where the same deliverance is mentioned, it is stated that the earth helped the woman-the church. And it did indeed. Powers that were wholly unaccountable for the good they were doing, were used by the Father to break those bands that Satan had placed around the truth. The suppression of the Bible had led to the suppression of all learning. There were no schools for the masses; there were no books, no papers; physicians were forbidden to practice medicine, lest they should take money which would otherwise go into the coffers of the church. Should any man dare to advocate learning, or cross the beaten paths made by the church, he was led to the stake. But it could not always be so. God made use of the Moors who had accepted Mohammedanism to help deliver his people. Schools were established by them in Spain and western Asia. The sciences were taught, and from these schools the light of learning broke into Egypt. SDP 238.3



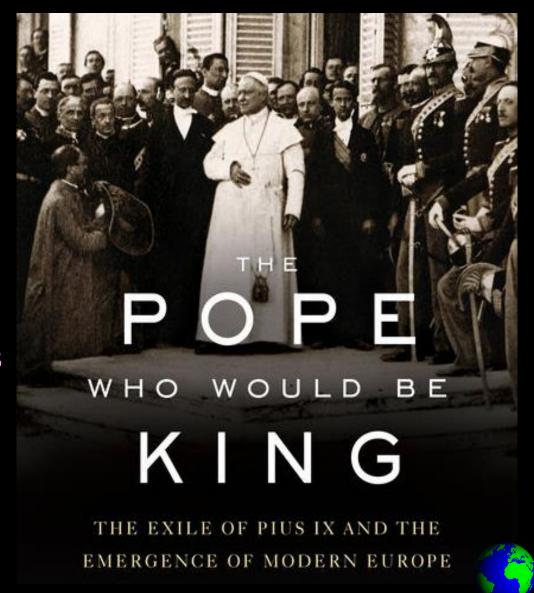


Daniel 11:36 - The king is Papacy

Daniel 11:36 And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.

The king - the king of the north which at this time is the Papacy. As Daniel has done before when speaking on Pagan Rome, he would always outline certain events regarding its rise to power and then retraced those events to confirm this in the minds of the readers, he does the same thing here with Papal Rome. In verses 30-35 of this chapter he spoke of Papal Rome's rise to power and now in 36-39 he is repeating his findings to further highlight the facts.

Shall do according to his own will - as history proves, the Papacy has always ruled over kings and queens of Europe to please his own design.



The King - Papacy



<u>Pope Pius XII</u> is carried through <u>St. Peter's Basilica</u> on a *sedia gestatoria*, literally 'chair for carrying' was a <u>ceremonial throne</u> on which <u>popes were carried on shoulders until 1978</u>, and later replaced outdoors in part with the pope mobile. -

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sedia_gestatoria

The King - Papacy (cont'd)

LOOK WHO IS SITTING ON A THRONE BETWEEN TWO CHERIBIM AS IF HE IS GOD.



That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; - 2 Thessalonians 2:2-3

The King - Papacy (cont'd)

He shall exalt himself - the popes of Rome had placed themselves as above every government on earth claiming it was the right of the church to do so. All leaders agreed, except those that ended being destroyed by war. The fact King Henry IV of Germany stood barefoot in the snow wearing a camel hair shirt for three days begging the pope to rescind his political excommunication in January of 1077AD proves this hands down. This method of control is being reignited today as we see the Popes stealthily controlling all nations on earth politically via their seat on the U.N. and all churches religiously via the seat of "leader" in the United Religions (U.R.). The wound that heals that John spoke of in Revelation 13:3 is occurring today.

This the Papacy did in placing itself in the power to actually excommunicate kings and emperors who disagreed with her desires and laws. In 2

Thessalonians 2:4 we read of the Man of Sin who also exalteth himself, this is recognized as the Papacy.





Roman Emperor bows to Pope

The term Walk to Canossa refers to the trek of Holy Roman Emperor Henry IV from Speyer to Canossa Castle in Emilia Romagna to obtain the revocation of the excommunication imposed on him by the **Pope Gregory VII.** He was forced to humiliate himself on his knees waiting for three days and three nights, before the entrance gate of the castle, while a blizzard raged in 28th January 1077. How different the meek and lowly Jesus, who washed the feet of even Judas. -

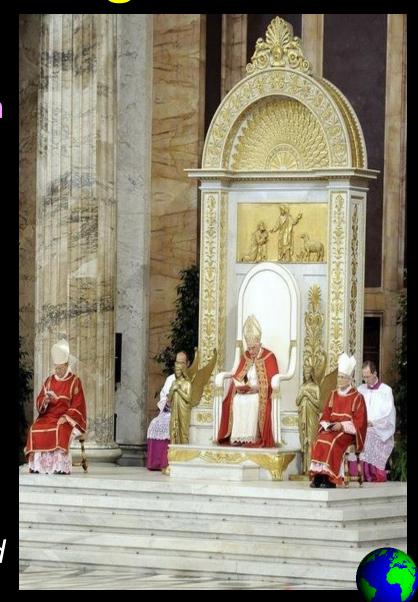
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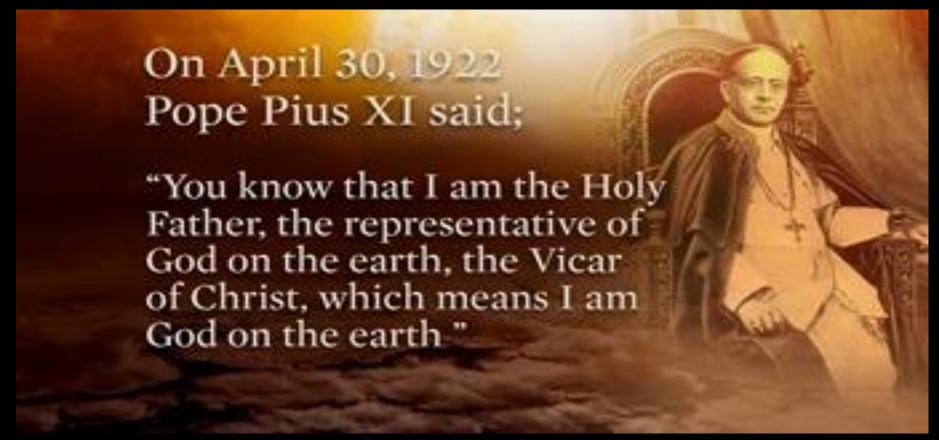


Papacy magnifies himself as god

Magnify himself above every god - the title "Lord God the Pope" ("Extravagantes" of Pope John XXII Cum inter, Tit. XIV, Cap. IV.) is just one of scores of Vatican statements of the Pope declaring himself to be a "god on earth." - Lucius Ferraris, «Prompta Bibliotheca», 1763, Volume VI, 'Papa II', pp.25-29. As it was back then, it is happening today in that all politicians, churches and media "magnify" the Popes above the Lord God by using the title "Holy Father" when referring to him time and time again.

Shall speak marvelous things against the God of gods blasphemy is the main fruit of the Popes of Rome. To claim to be a god on earth is blasphemy according to John 10:33, and to claim to forgive the sins of men is another blasphemy according to Mark 2:7. The Popes also claim to have the power to remove Christ from His throne to imprison Him inside the Eucharist of the Mass, when in fact, Acts 17:24 says, "God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;"

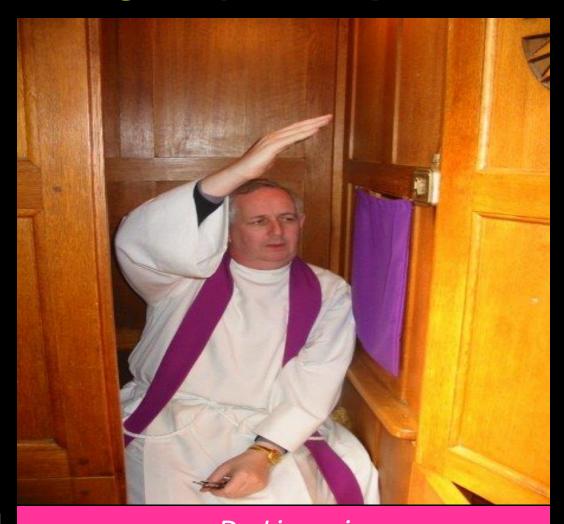




And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months. And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven." - Revelation 13:5-6.



"A priest in absolving a sinner, performs the very office of the **Holy Ghost** in the sanctification of souls."



Dr. Liguori "Dignity and Duties of the Priest." p.36

Jesus was about to be stoned!



"The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God." - John 10:33





Jesus Christ but he is JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF hidden under the veil of flesh."







"Hence the pope is crowned with a triple crown, as king of heaven and of earth and of the lower regions." - F. Lucii Ferraris "Prompta Bibliotheca Canonica Juridica Moralis Theologica." Vol. VI p.48

"We hold upon this earth the place of God Almighty." In this encyclical the pope has capitalized all pronouns referring to himself and to God.

The Great Encyclical Letters", pp.193,304.





"The priests are so many gods."

- St. Alphonsus de Liguori. "Dignity and Duties of the Priest." p.27,28

Papacy shall prosper for a time

Shall prosper - As it was back then, it is today were the Papacy has not only prospered in causing the whole world to "wonder after the beast" (Revelation 13:3,4) by causing all leaders to bow to its political agendas, but churches as well embrace much of her doctrines, including the spurious Pagan Sabbath. The Vatican is also known to prosper in riches as well. Shall succeed at this task of subjugating the entire world of its time and gaining material possessions. (Daniel 8:12, 24).

Till the indignation be accomplished - over 86% of Roman Catholic doctrine is "unworthy" to be called truth in that it is nowhere to be found in the Scripture of the Christian God. One of her most prominent lies is the false Sabbath of the Pagan gods that is a source of offence against the Creator God. This indignity sufficiently draws many away from the Creator to embrace the false god of the Popes. Rome will do as she does, especially in spreading her false doctrines and persecuting God's people all the way up until Jesus returns to tread, "...the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God." (Revelation 19:15)





It will all come to an End!

For that that is determined shall be done - the sure word prophecies of God are iron clad. They will happen exactly as He proclaimed, and then the end will come. In other words, Rome will do what it does, but only as God will allow. There will come a day when her power will end because it has been declared to end by the very God they mock! (See Revelation 14:9,10 & Daniel 7:11) No matter how powerful these followers of Satan may appear or even become, the will of God cannot be undone. That which is determined to happen will happen! What God has foretold shall be accomplished, the saints shall receive the kingdom and the wicked shall be destroyed regardless of how powerful or invincible they might seem to be at any point in history.



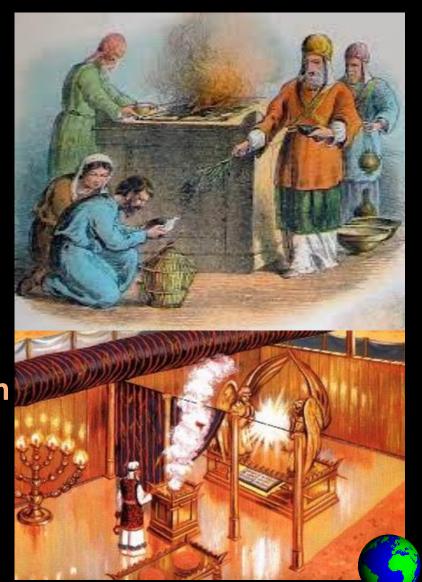
Summary

What are the major issues dealt with in this section?

- An attack on the ministry in the heavenly sanctuary (Daniel 11:31)
- Persecution of the true people of God (Daniel 11:32–35)
- Self-exaltation and blasphemy against God (Daniel 11:36-39)

The daily has already been found in Daniel 8:11.

It describes Christ's priestly ministry in heaven, which is attacked by the little horn's substitute priestly ministry. Persecution includes martyrdom but still has the effect of purifying God's people. The abomination of desolation points to the desecration of the sanctuary through a false religious system, consisting of unbiblical doctrines and practices. The parallel in Daniel 7 contains the elements mentioned above but instead of speaking about the abomination of desolation mentions changes in time and law, obviously divine law (Daniel 7:25).



Summary (cont'd)

Romanism is now regarded by Protestants with far greater favour than in former years. In those countries where Catholicism is not in the ascendancy, and the papists are taking a conciliatory course in order to gain influence, there is an increasing indifference concerning the doctrines that separate the reformed churches from the papal hierarchy; the opinion is gaining ground that, after all, we do not differ so widely upon vital points as has been supposed, and that a little concession on our part will bring us into a better understanding with Rome...

The defenders of the papacy declare that the church has been maligned, and the Protestant world are inclined to accept the statement. Many urge that it is unjust to judge the church of today by the abominations and absurdities that marked her reign during the centuries of ignorance and darkness. They excuse her horrible cruelty as the result of the barbarism of the times and plead that the influence of modern civilization has changed her sentiments.





Summary (cont'd)

God's word has given warning of the impending danger; let this be unheeded, and the Protestant world will learn what the purposes of Rome really are, only when it is too late to escape the snare. She is silently growing into power. Her doctrines are exerting their influence in legislative halls, in the churches, and in the hearts of men. She is piling up her lofty and massive structures in the secret recesses of which her former persecutions will be repeated. Stealthily and unsuspectedly she is strengthening her forces to further her own ends when the time shall come for her to strike. All that she desires is vantage ground, and this is already being given her. We shall soon see and shall feel what the purpose of the Roman element is. Whoever shall believe and obey the word of God will thereby incur reproach and persecution.—The Great Controversy, pp. 563, 581.





Conclusion

The commandment that the world makes void is the one to which, for this very reason, God's people will give greater honor. It is when the unbelieving cast contempt upon the Word of God that the faithful Calebs are called for. It is then that they will stand firm at the post of duty, without parade, and without swerving because of reproach.... The same spirit will be manifested today by those who are true to God....

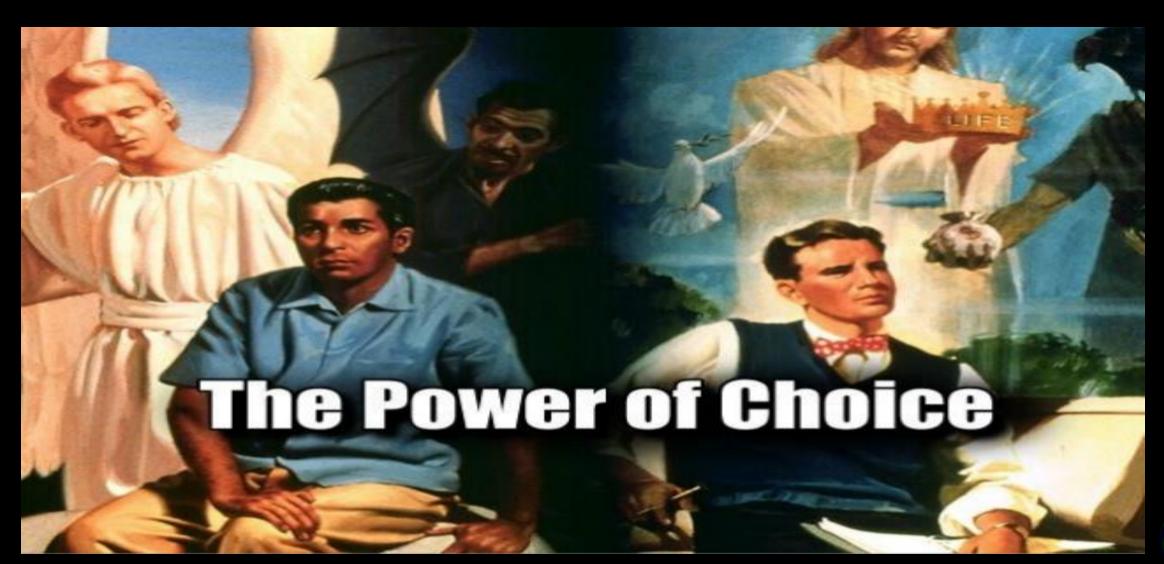
When men press close to the side of Jesus, when Christ is abiding in their hearts by faith, their love for the commandments of God grows stronger in proportion to the contempt which the world heaps upon His holy precepts....

Let not those who have the truth as it is in Jesus give sanction, even by their silence, to the work of the mystery of iniquity. Let them never cease to sound the note of alarm..... The truth must not be hid, it must not be denied or disguised, but fully avowed, and boldly proclaimed.—Maranatha, p. 239.

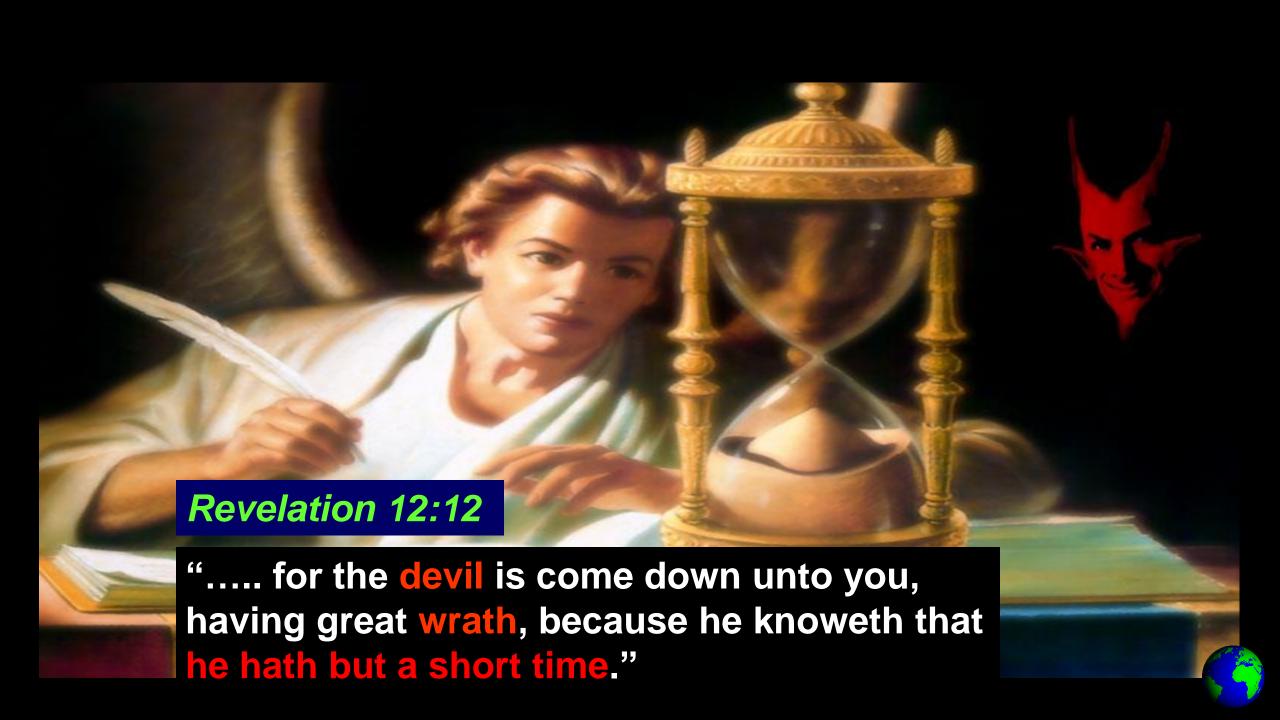


When the observance of Sunday be mandatory, each person must decide whether to accept the sign of authority of God (Sabbath) or the authority of men (Sunday)

God has given all:







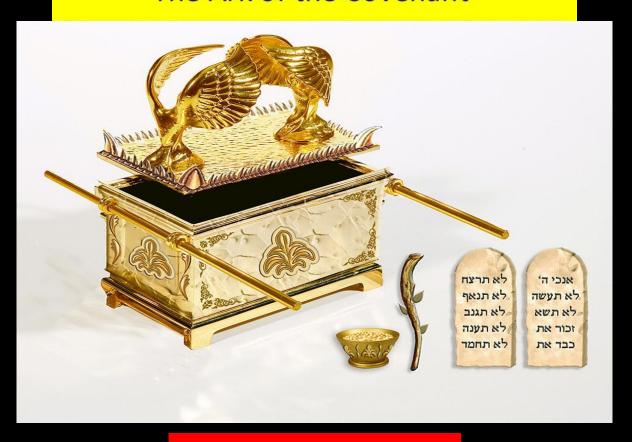
Enter The Ark of Hope

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

- John 10:16



The Ark of the Covenant



Psalms 77:13

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. -Revelation 3:20





