

## CHAPTER FIVE The Wrath of the Prince

There is a Great Babylon, the Great Harlot, who will lead the nations in rampant slaughter of God's people.

Rev 17:6 And I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the consecrated ones and the blood of the witnesses of Jesus. When I saw her I marveled greatly.

This woman is mother of the abominations of the earth. The abominations are those which bring total desolation: nuclear weapons. Within her land the blood of the witnesses of Jesus will flow. She will become drunk with a great bloodlust.

The word normally translated saints in the Bible versions is Greek *agios*. It means separated from common tradition and use, thus dedicated or consecrated. The common understanding of the New Testament writers was of dedication or consecration to God, following pagan Greek use of the word for dedication to the gods. As stated in Vine's Expository Dictionary, "*As used of believers, it designates all such and is not applied merely to persons of exceptional holiness . . .*" In 2 Thes 1:10 His saints are described simply as "them that believed."

The word saints is from Latin *sanctus*, with the same original significance of consecration as the Greek *agios*. The idea of holiness is derived from later great respect for early Christian leaders, but that was not the original meaning of either the Greek or the Roman words. No human mortal can be truly pure and holy before God.

The word translated as martyrs is from Greek *marturon*. The root is *martus*. The word had an original meaning as judicial witness, "*one who can be deposed, or testify to evidence in a legal matter, of what he has seen or heard, a declaration of facts.*" Because of early Christian persecutions, the word was applied to those who testified and witnessed for Jesus under social repression. Hence the modern usage as martyr.

Those who testify and witness today in Great Babylon will be martyrs beyond any previous historical example.

Great Babylon will receive her judgment, Isa 47. In her heart she says, "*Look at me! See how great I am! There is none like me. I shall not sit as a widow, and as one without children.*" She felt secure in her wickedness. She said, "*No one sees me.*" But she shall sit in the dust. Her nakedness will be revealed; her shame will be seen. She shall sit in silence and go into darkness. Evil will come upon her, for which she cannot atone. Disaster will fall upon her which she will not be able

to expatiate. Ruin will come upon her suddenly, of which she knows nothing. She should stand fast in her enchantments, her consulting of the spirits, in her many sorceries, and in her reliance on evil fallen Princes. Now her judgment will come.

Isa 47:14 Behold, they are like stubble, the fire consumes them; they cannot deliver themselves from the power of the flame. No coal for warming oneself is this, no fire to sit before!

### His Wrath

Rev 12:12-17 "Rejoice then, O heaven and you that dwell therein! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the Devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!" And when the dragon saw that he had been thrown down to the earth, he pursued the woman who had borne the male child. But the woman was given the two wings of the great eagle that she might fly from the serpent into the wilderness, to the place where she is to be nourished for a time, and times, and half a time. The serpent poured water like a river out of his mouth after the woman, to sweep her away with the flood. But the earth came to the help of the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed the river which the dragon had poured from his mouth. Then the dragon was angry with the woman, and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and bear testimony to Jesus.

Who is this mysterious woman? She represents God's people, those who remained true during the Great Tribulation. God has a salvation program for his people, a physical salvation since the woman takes steps for her physical safety.

While the text may be corrupt, the revelation is sufficient for God's people to recognize the decisions they must take in the salvation of this world.

We face major difficulties because John used several terms: Devil, Satan, serpent, dragon, and beast in his Revelation. From these discussions it is clear that the term Devil means a spirit personality resident on this planet, another word for the fallen Prince. But we have serious difficulties with the other designations. Whether Satan is the Devil or some other celestial personality, whether the dragon is symbolic for a host of rebel beings, or if the beast is a physical agency, we do not know. We can only speculate. The usual lazy habit is to lump them all together into one grand personality and thus avoid the troubling confusion we find in the Bible.

We would make no more childish error than to shrink a vast creation down to one small and lonely planet, reduce rebel celestial beings to one Devil, or identify the mighty heavenly host as a group of effeminate angels.

Many elements demand attention, beyond the scope of this presentation. I will limit my remarks to certain elements of the revelation.

Suppose the Great Eagle represents the wilderness of North America, and that the woman who bore the child represents all those people of spiritual Israel who built this new land, "for a time, times, and half a time." Such interpretation would not be more speculative than the wild speculations that have centered on this passage.

Regardless of the context in which the references occur, the pouring out of a flood to drown the woman is more easily identified. The spiritists today, whether they call themselves mediums, or channelers, or transmitters/receivers, are pouring out a literal flood of revelations from that rebel. His productions fill the shelves of the New Age book stores. Dozens upon dozens of publishing organizations exist for the production of those revelations. Instruction books exist to help the fool who would open his mind to the Devil.

How will the earth swallow this flood of Devil words? Major and dramatic physical changes will take place in the planet to remove those Devil productions, once and for all. But not before he performs his death program. And not before God's people are forced to major life and death decisions.

For references, see *The Truth That Goes Unclaimed*, Jean K. Foster, Uni\*Sun, Kansas City, MO, 1987, as an example.

*Opening to Channel, How to Connect With Your Guide*, Sanaya Roman and Duane Packer, H. J. Kramer, Inc., Tiburon, CA, 1987, is another example.

### The Beast

Rev 13:4-10 Men worshiped the dragon, for he had given his authority to the beast, and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who can fight against it?" And the beast was given a mouth uttering haughty and blasphemous words, and it was allowed to exercise authority for forty-two months; it opened its mouth to utter blasphemies against God, blaspheming his name and his dwelling, that is, those who dwell in heaven. Also it was allowed to make war on the saints and to conquer them. And authority was given it over every tribe and people and tongue and nation, and all who dwell on earth will worship it, every one whose name has not been written before the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb that was slain. If any one has an ear, let him hear: If any one is to be taken captive, to captivity he goes; if any one slays with the sword, with the sword must he be slain. Here is a call for the endurance and faith of the saints.

This section is most relevant to our decisions today.

Do you want to hear haughty and blasphemous words? Read the spiritist productions. His mouth is all those spiritists who believe he is God coming into their minds.

Sometimes his words are explicit, but the fools do not recognize his remarks for their literal exactness. The following came from channeled materials of Jean Foster.

"There is a wonderful entity who is elder in his age, as it were, that I send to you who will help you. The entity is quite a master though he would never admit it, and he will give you the wisdom without seeing you for the beautiful woman you are, but seeing you for the God that needs understanding and will help you. We will open the doors to let you express."

We can see the madness of his haughty pride when he refers to himself as a wonderful entity.

Elder in age, as it were, indeed. Very elder. Hundreds of thousands of years elder. And the fools do not understand.

He not only will come to help; he is already helping with his utmost might. Is he a master? Oh, ever so much, and never admits it to his gullible agents. He will provide the wisdom this human God needs to accomplish his purpose. How truly he will open the doors to let them express in ways they do not even imagine or suspect.

"Your Christ figure represents, symbolically, your idea of God and his relationships. There were three separate individuals whose history is blended, and they became collectively known as Christ . . . The events as they are recorded, however, did not occur in history. The crucifixion of Christ was a psychic, but not a physical event. . . . The three Christ personalities were born upon your planet, and indeed became flesh among you. None of these were crucified . . ."

Blasphemous words, indeed. Thousands upon thousands of such vile pronouncements flood our world today. They are haughty in their profanity against God, against heaven, and against the heavenly host. This beast will make war on God's dedicated people, to kill them, and to remove them from the face of the earth. Wonders shall spring forth from this maniacal being, so as to deceive the very elect. Large portions of mankind will follow him, and worship him.

Matt 24:23-27 — Then if any one says to you, 'Lo, here is the Christ!' or 'There he is!' do not believe it. For false Christs and false prophets will arise and show great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. Lo, I have told you beforehand. So, if they say to you, 'Lo, he is in the wilderness,' do not go out; if they say, 'Lo, he is in the inner rooms,'

do not believe it. For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of man.

We need not worry about the coming of Jesus. When He comes there will be no doubt. But he will not come to rescue us from Tribulation. He will come as Judge of this World.

Meanwhile this defamer, this blasphemer, this deceiver, comes, pretending to be Christ.

Don't go after him.

He truly will bring open warfare on God's people, all those who commit themselves to their Creator in this most extreme of all world conditions. He especially will focus his slaughter on those dedicated individuals, the saints, who dare bring revelations to their fellow man.

The authority this being possesses over every tribe, and people, and nation, and tongue is not political. If he controls the minds of vast masses he need not gain direct bureaucratic control. On the other hand, if he controls individuals in high political positions, either through philosophical persuasion, or directly through mind manipulation, he could control the direction of political events. We cannot rule out the coming nuclear devastation as the result of his direct control of human mortals.

Those who kill with the sword shall die with the sword.

This truly is a call for the endurance and faith of God's dedicated people.