

The Last 3 1/2

The Last Days of the Church – Part 5

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THE LAST HALF OF THE WEEK OF DANIEL

Now just as the natural Israel in the Bible gives us examples to teach us and gives us understanding about the spiritual Israel of God. God also gave us the natural kingdoms of the Beast, and other nations in the Bible, as examples to give us understanding of the spiritual powers and principalities of Satan that is to be destroyed and cast into the lake of fire. So in times past a natural Israel fought natural enemies, today the spiritual Israel fights the spiritual powers of Satan.

The scripture also reveals that Satan's beast system of seven heads, ten crowns, false prophet and his people are allowed to swim in God's river. As Satan tries to defile or corrupt our life through his devices of the: **Carnal mind, Lust of the flesh, Lust of the eyes and Pride of Life.**

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Seven Kingdoms of the Beast

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Let's take a short overview of the Beast as seen in Revelation.

Rev 13:1 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.

God's whole objective in showing us this natural picture of the Beast, is to help us better understand what is going on in the spiritual aspect of Satan's dominion. This revealing of the Beast is shown to us in the 7 different heads. Each head represents a power of Satan and the manner of how he will work both naturally and spiritually. We see this demonstrated in each head representing a great power or dominion that has ruled the earth and during that time come against God's people in some way.

Rev 17:15 And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

Seven natural kingdoms have occurred in this order: **Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Medes-Persia, Greece, Rome and Catholicism.** Each one of these can be seen in the scriptures except for the final part of Rome and the works of Catholicism which is available in history to us today. Each one of these natural

kingdoms is for the purpose of: revealing the works of Satan, revealing its dominion over mankind, revealing its attack or corruption toward God's people and revealing how God delivered his people from each one of these spiritual dominions. How this happened can be seen in the scriptures of the first six dominions while the 7th dominion has to be seen from history.

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The Beast Mixed with Israel and the Church

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The church is a spiritual kingdom and we are both spiritual and a natural people within this kingdom. We still fight against each one of these seven powers of the Beast in our life today. This Beast wants to corrupt, defile, devour, oppress and pervert the kingdom of God in our life. In summary, God has revealed to us the fullness of the workings of Satan affecting the world and most importantly God's people.

We see the Beast's mixture of influence in Israel's worship, beginning when the Medes-Persia financed the rebuilding of the temple in the days of Nehemiah. Then under the Roman Empire, in order to please the people of Israel, Rome built them another temple of worship. Rome appointed or demoted the high priest in that time, so that this position was not one of God's service anymore; but of a political purpose for both Rome and Israel. One can even see the natural illustration that once the Beast and Israel begin to be joined one to another, the Ark of the Covenant no longer appears in the Temples that were built. Later in the Catholic Church, we see it grow even stronger, as it now incorporates the gospel of Jesus Christ with the idolatry of paganism. This time the False Prophet and Satan are among God's people. There is no way to destroy or completely stop it until the end of time. Jesus told us this when he said, let the tares grow with the wheat till the time of harvest.

This mixture of religion and worldly system in the beast has laid the ground work for what we refer to in our days as Jewish and Christian denominations and religious organizations. It is these very same religious powers that we have today, that are referred to in the scriptures as the ten horns or harlots of the great whore. These are referred to by some as the daughters

Rev 17:16 And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast...

Rev 17:5 And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

We see an example of this in the 6th & 7th dominion, in which Rome had ten distinct powers from which it ruled as the Catholic Church was coming to power.

Dan 7:24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.

These horns or harlots became more evident in our religious society after the Great Awakening revivals. We see all the trees and vines putting forth their leaves during this period, starting in the 1500's, when the revivals broke out in every persuasion of doctrine within almost every nation. And today we have these major denominations and organizations that are; influencing our society and political arena, along with the Catholic Church.

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Mixture of Babylon and the Church

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For it is in this Babylon system that the True church has had to live and work until the time that Babylon is destroyed. And even the wealth of Babylon has been used to make the name of the Lord great throughout all nations. See, the true child of God does not seek after money and this hinders its ability to do as much. The false seed goes after the money, so they can spread their gospel, which in turn provides a benefit to the true.

This network of religion that is full of abominations has been the same network that God has had to use to build his kingdom in the earth, while Babylon was continuing its mixture of religion and idolatry. However, the true seed of God is like the four Hebrew children, which were able to live in this mess and yet determine that they will not partake of its idolatry. They would not let it defile them. They held true to what God had taught them in his Word and determined to not eat the king's meat or worship his image. This is what is supposed to be happening in the true church, which is in the midst of Babylon today.

The voice of Christ and of the bride has always been in the midst of Babylon as can be seen in this scripture.

Rev 18:23 And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee...

And it will be this way until he fully calls his people out and then removes his voice or light from Babylon, no longer sharing his light with the unclean.

This is what I was explaining was happening at the end of the first 3 ½ years as it moved into the last 3 ½ years. That is the reason the church has not been able to stop the dominion of the influence of Babylon on a world-wide scale, **but we are able to stop its influence in an individual's life or a body of believers.**

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The Beast and False Prophet in the Last 3 ½ Years

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All this overview has brought us to the subject at hand. It is important to know how the Beast and False Prophet are affecting the church during the last 3 ½ years.

As stated earlier, at about the time the two witnesses are killed, there is a shifting or closing out of the church ages. The Lord has been calling for his people to **come out of this mixture** in the church.

Rev 18:4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

At the same time **the spirit of the Lord also has been pulled back from the rebellious saints.**

Rev 18:23 And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee...

Jesus warned of those who were once in him, but left that place and must be cut off.

Joh 15:6 If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.

At this time also, **Satan enters into his sons of perdition, the rebellious** of the Lord, just as he did with Judas.

Joh 13:2 And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him.

Joh 13:27 And after the sop Satan entered into him...

This pulling back of the Lord and revealing of Satan, causes the true light of the gospel to stop shining, as is said in...

Mat 24:29 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken.

At this time **the church will enter into great tribulation**, a persecution arises which will be similar to what happened by the hand of the Catholic Church, in the dark ages.

Rev 6:12 And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;

It is at this time we **see the eight beast rise up;**

Rev 13:11-17 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men. And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live. And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed. And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads. And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

And again in..

Rev 17:11-14 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition. And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

This is when we **see the spirit of the False Prophet rise** like never before. It will not be just one individual, but the religious powers and ministries that are in existence today, who are not true to God's Word. These are not following God's Spirit, and have already become the synagogue of Satan, which at this time will now become the habitation of Satan.

Rev 18:2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.

This great ministry of the false prophet brings forth a doctrine, or gospel during this time is also seen in...

Rev 9:13-19 And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates. And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men. And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of

their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone. By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths. For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

We can see this spirit of the False Prophet already working today. John said in 90AD, that the antichrist is already working in the world and we see its: corruption, perversion and false doctrine issuing out the mouths of ministers all across the world. It is because they have sold out to Satan and the fruit of it is bringing death to their followers. Yet, during these last days, we see a life and power is given to this false ministry in a greater way.

Some have thought this great army to be China or Communism, but it is not. It is both Gentile and Jewish religious denominations and religious organizations of all faiths that we have in the world today. **All Gentile and Jewish faiths which have rejected the Word of God, and replaced Christ's leadership with the leadership of man's traditions, false doctrine and false spirits.** These people during this time have given themselves over to do the work of Satan just as was said of Judas in...

Psa 41:9 Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me.

This people made this choice, previously when they knew the power and knowledge of Jesus Christ, rather than at this last time, when Satan is cast down. The choice was made earlier by not obeying Jesus Christ and this allowed the evil to enter in their heart and remain. **Now they have no power to resist Satan's working in their life, just like it happened to Judas** after the last supper.

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God Pulling Back His Spirit
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At this time the Lord warns us when he **pulls back his Spirit (the river Euphrates) from the Church**, that he will allow a flood of uncleanness, false doctrine and false spirits to rise up and try to drown the church. Again, there is no doubt, that we have seen this spirit working already today. But, today we are able to keep it pushed back by the power of the Holy Ghost in our life and faith in the Word of God. During this time God pulls back his Spirit and **seals his elect from the flood from Satan**. That does not change or affect the life of Christ that is in us, it always remains with us.

Rev 16:12 -14 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared. And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the

mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

As we have said earlier, this **False Prophet is not one individual**, but rather **the ministers that are in our pulpits today in spirit filled and non spirit filled churches that are pushing Christ leadership out, and let Satan's leadership in their life and pulpits.** Because, of the abominations and the flood being issued from the dragon, the beast and the false prophet during this time. God has **prepared a place for his people to abide and to be nourished from this flood.** But he does give a warning to all his saints.

Rev 16:15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

He is saying we can lose our crown of righteousness, if we do not heed to God's warnings and spiritually prepare for this time to come. While God is gathering the false and wicked unto the great battle referred to as Armageddon.

He instructs his people during this time to not trust in anyone's anointing, spirits, dreams, or other manifestations, which have been used in time past for direction and leadership of the Lord. But at this time he is making a strong warning of following false preachers and false anointing, bringing forth manifestations that are to lead you from the Word of God.

Mat 24:21-26 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened. Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.

Mat 24:28 For wheresoever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

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See This Pattern During Elijah's Time
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Let's look at the example of Elijah. He **prophesied** and there was **no rain for 3 ½ years.** During this time **it brought pressure** upon the church, causing Jezebel to slay the prophets of the Lord. However, **God had reserved 7,000** that did not bow to Baal, even as this **false worship grew** stronger in Israel. At the end of this period God sent his fire to consume the sacrifice, and Elijah was given power over the false prophets. Then the anointing lifted off of Elijah and he

ran from Jezebel, which was the power behind the false prophets. Baal worship continued to get stronger in Israel and Judah, after Elijah fled into the wilderness from Jezebel. God provided food for him and told him to go 40 days into the wilderness to the Mount of God, the place where God had spoken to Moses and delivered his laws to his people. God provided a cave as a place of refuge, when he flees into the wilderness. It was then that God showed Elijah that He was no longer in the wind, no longer in the earthquake, no longer in the fire but that he was in the still small voice.

Now all **this is a shadow and a type of the two witnesses**, who go forth in power and demonstration while false worship continues getting stronger. When the anointing has finished the work through the two witnesses, the beast is able to kill them. Just as when Elijah had finished his purpose, the anointing left him and he no longer had power against the Beast. We see this same example when Jesus had finished his ministry, the religious and political system of the 6th beast killed him. Similarly, the religious and political system of the 8th beast will kill the two witnesses in Jerusalem.

We also see in Elijah a type of the church that **flees for their life** after the anointing has been taken from them and the Beast rises up. God provides for them **a place of refuge**, telling them to go back to the place, where the Word of God was delivered to them and **listen to that still small voice**. That we should not be looking for God anymore in the **signs, wonders or fire** that is falling. I believe we as ministers should be able to see how far the ministry has drifted from the Word of God that was delivered to us by Jesus Christ and confirmed by the Apostles. Ministers have now added their interpretations; of the scriptures, of what is outside holiness and what is inside holiness. But the basic doctrine that pertains to how we are to live and serve the Lord Jesus in this body is so plain and simple a child could understand it, until ministers complicate it by adding their ideals and traditions to it.

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During this time, the saints that listen and obey the Lord and are watchful of the things to come; they will overcome. But their overcoming may be thru death as is said in...

Rev 12:10-11 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Again, during this last 3 ½ years, **it is not the saint's place to fight** against the false anointing, false gospel, false spirits or perverted doctrine flowing from the false preachers. No more than it was for Elijah to stand against Jezebel, after the Spirit had been taken from him. Though the saints have not been given authority during this time to stop the False Prophet and the Beast, the **overcoming saints do have power to keep themselves** from being defiled. It is the Lord that shall overcome False Prophet and the Beast, as is said in...

Rev 17:14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

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The summary of the message can be seen in the Song of Solomon.

Now Solomon is not a type of Christ like David, but rather a type of the operation of Christ thru the Holy Ghost; ...who being full of wisdom, takes the riches of David, builds the temple, brings peace to Israel and makes silver as stones in Jerusalem.

Now as the Spirit is speaking here in the scriptures, as both the bridegroom and the bride. He says the church is his sister, which is true for we are all born of the same father, the Word of God. He speaks of the church as a garden that is closed up and not able to let its fruit, spices, fountains and life to flow out of it.

Song 4:12-15 A garden inclosed is my sister, my spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed. Thy plants are an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits; camphire, with spikenard. Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices. A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, and streams from Lebanon.

He calls for the winds (tribulation) to blow on the garden of the Lord, his beloved, his sister, so that the riches and beauty that has been placed in her may flow out. That he, the bridegroom, Jesus Christ may come in to the garden and eat or dine.

Song 4:16 Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.

He now shows that he comes to his beloved, his sister, the church, which was once clean and undefiled, but finds that she is in drunkenness, slumbering and slothfulness. She makes excuses of why she can't let him into her life, into her bed chamber.

Song 5:1-3 I am come into my garden, my sister, my spouse: I have gathered my myrrh with my spice; I have eaten my honeycomb with my honey; I have

drunk my wine with my milk: eat, O friends; drink, yea, drink abundantly, O beloved. I sleep, but my heart waketh: it is the voice of my beloved that knocketh, saying, Open to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my undefiled: for my head is filled with dew, and my locks with the drops of the night. I have put off my coat; how shall I put it on? I have washed my feet; how shall I defile them?

So the Lord leaves her, withdrawing himself from her, so that when she seeks him, she cannot find him, and when she calls for him, he will not answer. She is then given over to the watchmen of the city and the keeper of the wall, (the False Prophet and the Beast) to wound her, smite her and take her veil away (that place in the Body of Christ she once had) and she has now become that defiled group in the church.

Song 5:6, 7 I opened to my beloved; but my beloved had withdrawn himself, and was gone: my soul failed when he spake: I sought him, but I could not find him; I called him, but he gave me no answer. The watchmen that went about the city found me, they smote me, they wounded me; the keepers of the walls took away my veil from me.

While this is going on, God lets us know that he has a people the he loves, that are beautiful and fruitful (the firstfruits part of the church). He refers to her as...

Song 6:9 My dove, my undefiled is but one; she is the only one of her mother, she is the choice one of her that bare her. The daughters saw her, and blessed her; yea, the queens and the concubines, and they praised her.

But wait! He does not forsake his sister, the church, even though she failed to heed to his call, and was given to the men of the city to chasten her. But look! This people, his sister have changed and falling in love with him again (through much tribulation). And now the floods from the Adversary cannot drown her love, nor can the temptations of men cause her to lose her love again. Though she lost her beauty and fruitfulness during this process, the beloved heals and restores her. Yes, Jesus Christ still has a place for her in his kingdom.

Song 8:5-10 Who is this that cometh up from the wilderness, leaning upon her beloved? I raised thee up under the apple tree: there thy mother brought thee forth: there she brought thee forth that bare thee. Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love is strong as death; jealousy is cruel as the grave: the coals thereof are coals of fire, which hath a most vehement flame. Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned. We have a little sister, and she hath no breasts: what shall we do for our sister in the day when she shall be spoken for? If she be a wall, we will build upon her a palace of silver: and if she be a door, we will inclose her with boards of cedar. I am a wall, and my breasts like towers: then was I in his eyes as one that found favour.

Blessed is he that has an ear to hear what the spirit has to say to the church.

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