Revelation: The Time is Near

A Call for Wisdom

Revelation 13

Revelation Review:

- John on Patmos, **revealed** Jesus in glory
- The end of the world (as we know it) The Great Tribulation
- Judgment on the nations and those who follow satan
- A last ditch effort to get the world to repent

Previously:

- Seventh Angel/Trumpet Sounds
- Kingdoms of the world have become Kingdoms of Christ proclamation
- 24 Elders Worship You have taken you great power, nations were angry, all will be judged
- A great sign: Woman, birth
- A sign: great red dragon, 7 heads 10 horns
- Son ascends, woman flees, dragon pursues, war on offspring
- War in heaven, spiritual war becomes all out war on God's people on earth

Current Events

Top Economist: "We're About to Abandon Traditional System of Money & Replace It With Digital Blockchain"

https://www.infowars.com/posts/top-economist-were-about-to-abandon-traditional-syste m-of-money-replace-it-with-digital-blockchain/

"It means having an almost perfect record of every single transaction that happens in the economy, which will give us far greater clarity over what's going on."

Groundwork for the mark making headlines. You won't be able to buy or sell without it when the system demands it. To be clear, I'm not saying blockchain and cryptocurrency are the mark itself - but seem to be at least the foundational system for it as of today. Look up!

https://reclaimthenet.org/world-government-summit-speculates-on-digital-money/

Collapse Incoming: European Nations Start RATIONING Food and Fuel and America Isn't Far Behind

https://noqreport.com/2022/04/03/collapse-incoming-european-nations-start-rationing-foo d-and-fuel-and-america-isnt-far-behind/

Primer

Sometimes we think the events of Revelation *start* in Revelation. Perhaps we don't need to worry about it. Think about it. Know it.

True, we won't know WHO the AC is exactly, he won't be revealed until the Holy Spirit allows it.

But the events started long ago. The spirit of them is already at work.

The same John who wrote Revelation, wrote three epistles as well as the Gospel of John. He wrote these verses potentially up to 20 years after Revelation:

[1Jo 4:1-3 NKJV] 1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; <u>because many false prophets have gone out into the world</u>. 2 By this you know the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God, 3 and every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. <u>And this is the [spirit] of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world.</u>

<mark>1 John 2:18</mark>

Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, <u>even now</u> many antichrists have appeared; from this we know that it is the last hour.

1 John 2:22

Who is the liar but the one who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, the one who denies the Father and the Son

<mark>2 John 1:7</mark>

For many deceivers have gone out into the world, those who do not acknowledge Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh. <u>This is the deceiver and the antichrist.</u>

Those who deny Jesus for who he actually is, whether is has a Christian name to it, called a "church" or any other teaching...is a teaching of the antichrist...

These things are a pattern. Hitler a type. Trudeau a type. Those in charge of the world now, fully under the sway, one could even be it and likely already alive and potentially in political or business circles.

Paul writes...

[1Ti 4:1 NKJV] 1 Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons,

[2Th 2:1-12 NKJV] 1 Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, we ask you, 2 not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of Christ had come. 3 Let no one deceive you by any means; for [that Day will not come] unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition, 4 who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God. 5 Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? 6 And now you know what is restraining, that he may be revealed in his own time. 7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains [will do so] until He is taken out of the way. 8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming. 9 The coming of the [lawless one] is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, 10 and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. 11 And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, 12 that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Daniel writes...

[Dan 11:29-39 NKJV] 29 "At the appointed time he shall return and go toward the south; but it shall not be like the former or the latter. 30 "For ships from Cyprus shall come against him; therefore he shall be grieved, and return in rage against the holy covenant, and do [damage]. So he shall return and show regard for those who forsake the holy covenant. 31 "And forces shall be mustered by him, and they shall defile the sanctuary fortress; then they shall take away the daily [sacrifices], and place [there] the abomination of desolation. 32 "Those who do wickedly against the covenant he shall corrupt with flattery; but the people who know their God shall be strong, and carry out [great exploits]. 33 "And those of the people who understand shall instruct many; yet [for many] days they shall fall by sword and flame, by captivity and plundering. 34 "Now when they fall, they shall be aided with a little help; but many shall join with them by intrigue. 35 "And [some] of those of understanding shall fall, to refine them, purify [them], and make [them] white, [until] the time of the end; because [it is] still for the appointed time. 36 "Then the king shall do according to his own will: he shall exalt and magnify himself above every god, shall speak blasphemies against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the wrath has been accomplished; for what has been determined shall be done. 37 "He shall regard neither the God of his fathers nor the desire of women, nor regard any god; for he shall exalt himself above [them] all. 38 "But in their place he shall honor a god of fortresses; and a god which his fathers did not know he shall honor with gold and silver, with precious stones and pleasant things. 39 "Thus he shall act against the strongest fortresses with a foreign god, which he shall acknowledge, [and] advance [its] glory; and he shall cause them to rule over many, and divide the land for gain.

Today

- We're going to read about Two Beasts
- We're going to encounter Two Calls one for patience and faith of the saints, the other for wisdom

[Pray]

Revelation 13:1-5

John's on the beach...potentially the Med

Beast out of the Sea

Commentary: the Jewish people in Biblical times regarded the sea as a wild, untamed, frightening place.

ancient Israel was wary of the sea, it was a figure of evil and chaos that seemed to resist God, though the resistance was unsuccessful

Beast - therion

a wild animal, wild beast, beast, venomous metaph. a brutal, bestial man, savage, ferocious

- 7 heads, 10 horns a lot of power and strength, hard to kill and stomp out (think multiheaded creatures of old lore)
 - Think of our modern woes how it's intertwined everywhere. Government. Media.
 Education. You might stamp out evil indoctrination somewhere, but it's somewhere else too.
- Ten crowns
- Blasphemous names on his heads
- Like a leopard
- Bear feet
- Mouth lion
- Dragon gave him his power, throne, great authority

One head mortally wounded, but healed Whole world marvelled, followed the beast

Assasination attempt False resurrection, healing

They worship him! "Who is like the beast who is able to wage war with him"

[Rev 6:2 NKJV] 2 And I looked, and behold, a white horse. He who sat on it had a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer. Is not the world clamoring for things, people, ideals to worship and proclaim today?!

Make no mistake, He is not the dragon, but his authority comes from Satan directly. The dragon.

Whether he's aware at first or not, I lean towards he's looked to Satan for power in his life at some point.

"Conspiracy kabals, bohemian groves, child sacrifice, pedophile rings"

It's no longer conspiracy. The world's elite are involved in these things. Who's been charged since busting Epstein? He magically killed himself...

False trinity - The dragon Satan trying to be like the Father, the beast, the antichrist trying to be like the Christ...and we'll meet the third falsehood soon enough.

We say counterclockwise, in England they say anticlockwise

The antichrist is not just against Christ, he's opposite him, he's in his place going the complete opposite direction.

Is that not the spirit of the world now? Going against parents? Going against morals? Going against truth? Going against even societal pillars trying to erect different, opposite ones? Even in quote-unquote diversity? Replace these people with these others.

Commentary, because I think it's important. He is known as:

- · The little horn of Daniel 7:8
- · The king of fierce countenance of Daniel 8:23
- · The Prince that shall come of Daniel 9:26
- · The willful king of Daniel 11:36-45
- · The one who comes in his own name of John 5:43, whom Israel will receive as a messiah
- · The son of perdition, the man of sin, the lawless one of 2 Thessalonians 2:3

10 Crowns - ruler over 10 kingdoms

Revived Roman Empire, Europe - look at the things the pope says, he's right on board with the same spirit

He is immoral, everything about him is blasphemy. Everything he says and stands for.

[Mat 15:17-20 NKJV] 17 "Do you not yet understand that whatever enters the mouth goes into the stomach and is eliminated? 18 "But those things which proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile a man. 19 "For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies. 20 "These are [the things] which defile a man, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile a man."

He literally blasphemes everything. Especially those who dwell in heaven. His words are Satan's words.

As much as Satan wants to rule heaven, he hates it.

Granted to wage war with the saints...

God allows this to happen! God allows this authority to come to pass. Even though Satan is empowering this man and he is looking to evil, immorality for authority...it's only happening because God has allowed this time to happen. And the days are short if we remember.

...and overcome then

God allows the saints to be overcome. To be killed. *I know this is in Revelation…but is this not true at times in our times? Wasn't even Paul naked, shipwrecked, beaten? Jesus crucified? So why then do we expect our lives to be perfect? Why then do we not accept the evil and the good in life as God allowing it for his purpose? If he calls us to die for him, is that not our reasonable service (Rom 12)?*

Authority given him over every nation and tribe and tongue

He is going to rule the world. All the world may not like it, but he indeed will rule them

Our times, global minimum tax (look it up), UN, WEF, NATO...

More than just political authority...moral, spiritual authority. HE WILL BE WORSHIPED.

Hitler's praise, Sadam's and Kim Jong's pictures...Babylon with SMA and fiery furnace People will be cheering for this man. For this power. They want it in the world already!

Anyone who is not a Christian will be powerless not to - they will be deceived and swept up in it.

The Lamb slain from the **foundation** of the world This was God's plan from the beginning. Salvation. And He always knew it would require his own son's death to give it.

:9-10

If anyone has an hear, let him hear...

Did Jesus not say this over and over and over...Matthew, Mark, Luke, Revelation letters to Churches

Do you have an ear? Truly to hear what God is saying to you and me? To everyone? Or are we deceiving ourselves?

[Jas 1:21-27 NKJV] 21 Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. 22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. 23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; 24 for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. 25 But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues [in it], and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does. 26 If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's religion [is] useless. 27 Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, [and] to keep oneself unspotted from the world.

The AC has absolute power on earth for a time on all those who are unbelievers Now satan can only influence, then he will have full authority over them

Anyone who resists will be put in jail Anyone who tries to stop the tyranny will be killed

But also

Anyone who is not for Jesus will be for the AC...and anyone for the AC will not be for Jesus. There is no longer any supposed middle ground in this time.

[Mat 12:30 NKJV] 30 "He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad.

and will not be guiltless. Those in Hitler's day who didn't resist were guilty. Those in our day who do not resist...will be guilty in the lens of history. Those who side with the antichrist will go to the ultimate prison (hell) and suffer the penalty of eternal death.

A call for patience and faith of the saints

The time is the great tribulation A time unlike the world has ever seen or will ever see after It will require more patience, more faith (especially without the church and the direct influence of the holy spirit) to overcome than ever before.

Deception at a max

No middle ground, not able to buy food (as we'll see)

This time will be awful. You do not want to be there. Escape it now. While you can.

:11-17

Another beast, this time out of the earth

First beast was in the image of the dragon This beast is in the image of the beast

He is lesser in power and authority.

Looks like a lamb, speaks like a dragon

Exercises the authority only in the beasts presence...only as the beast wants him to

This guy is the false prophet

A false elijah, a false Jesus, a false John the baptist, a false Billy Graham, a false Holy Spirit to the trinity

One world government, one world religion - it's one system. It's not at the start. At the start it's "coexist" but after the false resurrection it's "worship the first beast"

Causes the earth and those who well on it to worship the first beast

To be the author, make ready, to make one do something, to produce

Think the media is bad now? Think music is awful now? Wait until they're completely clear about who they're worshiping and proclaiming. They're already close in what they say and do.

Performs great signs

Think Moses, Elijah...the two REAL prophets also doing things during this time whom I'm sure he hates and wants to distract from.

Satan is always trying to distract us from the truth. It's always right there and available. But people literally can look at it and deny it despite it being obvious. Seems just like our day, things are completely obvious and yet the world looks on and says it's not what it is.

Literally causes the ground, the earth AND those who live on it to worship him

Those false signs and wonders are going to use earthly things, physical things to bring worship toward the false god

Creation now easily gives glory to God if we but look, but in this time it'll be completely bent and used for deception and blasphemy.

Look at the "science" of our day twisting fact to take glory from God.

God uses fire from heaven, physical signs and wonders and in this time the beast will pervert these

[Eph 2:2-3 NKJV] 2 in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, 3 among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.

Make an image to the first beast

Remember Nebuchadnezzar? Sadam's statue? Etc. Everyone make one, make little ones?

Give breath to the image speak and cause those who don't worship to be killed Hang with me for a second...but Al...social credit...surveilance state...metaverse...justice system

16 - everyone and anyone must get the mark.

Right hand, forehead - symbol of power and authority - in life and over someone's life, but also could be as a sign of their allegiance to the guy who was wounded in his head

By a sword...could guns be outlawed? Just a word...but it's a small sword, think handgun vs. rifle or small sword/dagger vs large war sword

Was it someone close to him? Et tu Brutus?

The mark Or The name of the beast OR The number of his name

Almost like three tiers of association

Mark full on commitment, name your part of the worshipping crowd but not marked, number of his name you've just given over your social/financials...whatever the case, you're all his, but i think of the ranks in communism, castes, etc.

:18

A call for wisdom...here is wisdom

Number - arithmos

Calculating who he is Calculating what the system is like 666 - three sixes, false trinity