

Understanding John's Revelation of the Last-days

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The Book of Revelation, like much of Daniel and Isaiah, applies to the last 7 years of this dispensation of the gospel. In verse 1 of chapter 1, John states, "The Revelation of John, a *servant* of God, which was given unto him of Jesus Christ, to show unto his *servants* things which must shortly come to pass, that he sent and signified by his angel unto his *servant* John" (JST Rev 1:1).

John's book can be difficult to read because it is full of **symbols** and because **it jumps around in time**, just like Isaiah and Daniel. The events of Revelation are split into two important time periods; the 3.5-year *Tribulation* period followed by the 3.5-year *Judgment* period. The middle of these 7 years of "*Jacob's trouble*" may be marked by *the ominous black sun* sign covering all of the U.S. on Aug. 21, 2017, followed 2 weeks later by John's more hopeful Revelation 12 "*deliverance*" sign. It appears in the heavens on Rosh Hashanah of 2017, the time of the coming of the king (but most likely not the public arrival of *the King of kings*). The general message of Revelation is the Lord's coming quickly in *judgment* upon the earth, riding swiftly upon clouds (trouble, see Isa. 19:1). His right and left arms carry out much of this judgment. In Isaiah the right arm is the Davidic Servant, the left arm is the king of Assyria. The Lord comes later. He does not descend to a celestial earth, but to a cleansed terrestrial sphere prepared in advance by His "Elias," John (D&C 77:9&14).

Nephi in the Book of Mormon stated that the events of John's Revelation would come to pass as the covenants to Israel are fulfilled (see 1 Nephi 14:18-27). In Ether 4:16-17 we read that this is the sign of the Father - that His work in redeeming Israel has commenced. John's Revelation applies to the last-days church, His Bride - the church of the Firstborn. The book of Revelation describes the judgment and de-population of the earth by 7 woes (chapters 8 & 9) and 7 plagues (chapter 16) as it transitions to a terrestrial sphere. Only the saved "*remnant*" (the righteous virgins of Matthew 25) eventually remain, those who repent and come to Zion in preparation to receive Christ.

Like Isaiah, Revelation has been a "*sealed*" book, not meant to be fully understood until the latter part of the last-days. This is because it is written to the Lord's "*servants*," many of whom are the 144,000, another reason for its general veiling or "*sealing*." The time for the *servants* to understand the book's message is NOW, coinciding with the *re-translation of Isaiah*, which is also written to the 144,000, the Lord's special last-days servants. They are to *awake and arise* into their missions. John tells us that those who hear and understand his writings are *blessed*. To be "blessed" is to "*know*" the Lord. To fully understand the events and timeline of John's book of Revelation, one should also read the Gileadi or Smith re-translation of Isaiah, along with Daniel for a more complete picture of last-days events and their timeline. Other prophetic books help too, including Joel, Malachi, and Zechariah. It is also useful to read the scriptures given to Joseph Smith by Moroni the night of his first of 7 visits on Rosh Hashanah (see Mal. 3 & 4, Isa. 11; Acts 3:22-23, Joel 2:28-32, see JSH 1).

The major content of the book of Revelation includes:

- John's ascension into heaven where he sees the Lord open the 7 seals of the last-days. He sees that only Christ, as the Lamb of God is worthy to do so because He performed the Atonement on our behalf (chapters 4-5).
- John describes the Beast and False Prophet who make war on the Saints and overcome them for a time (3.5 years).
- John describes the Earth's de-population, especially in the later severity of the 3.5-year Judgment period.
- He describes the building up of Zion at New Jerusalem near the center of North America (Adam-ondi-Ahman).
- He describes the coming of the Holy City New Jerusalem from heaven to a celestialized earth at the end of the Millennium, and much more (3:12, 21:10-27).

There appear to be four divisions of people addressed in Revelation and other prophetic books. They include:

1. The five Wise Righteous Virgins, they who willingly remove themselves from Babylon and who are taken on the Exodus and escape much of the invasion. This author's books are written to this group.
2. The five Righteous Virgins who are asleep. They are good people (virgins) entrenched in Babylon without food storage, etc., who must be coerced the hard way into removing themselves from Babylon. They have been reluctant to search the deeper things, but do read portions of scripture. They look to leaders and commentaries on scripture.
3. There are other good people who eventually come to Christ, repent, some of which are brought to Zion (they are stimulated to repent). They read the Bible and respond to books by Jonathan Cahn, Mark Biltz, and many others.
4. The wicked (those who won't listen to the Lord and repent) are destroyed. They do not read scripture or books

strengthening faith in Christ. They have no part with Him and will be removed from a cleansed earth.

Summary of Major Themes in the 22 Chapters of John's Revelation - 7 Seals or 7000 years

Rev. Chapters 1-3 / The first 3 chapters of the book are written to the seven churches of Asia. They possess qualities tied to today's people. The overall message of all 22 chapters comes from the seven Spirits before the Father's throne and from Jesus Christ, He who "washed us from our sins in His own blood...behold, **he cometh with clouds**" (Rev. 1:4-6). Clouds are a sign of trouble and judgment. John states that he is our brother in the coming tribulations. They will require patience. Those that **overcome** the world will receive eternal life.

Rev. Chapter 4 / This chapter covers John's ascension into heaven, a spiritual experience where he sees the Father on His throne in heaven surrounded by many. The Father has a rainbow around his person and throne, *the token of His covenant* with Enoch, Noah, and us - the people of the covenant.

Rev. Chapter 5 / At the right hand of the Father, John sees a book with 7 Seals. He cries because no one in heaven nor on earth, nor under the earth is worthy to open the book and read the names of those written thereon. One elder there tells John, "Weep not; Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda[h], the root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof" (Rev. 5:5). Christ, the Lamb of God, goes to the Father and takes the book from His right hand. Twenty four elders fall down before Him, the Lamb, singing a new song, with the words, "Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof; for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation" (Rev. 5:7-9). Their voices then rang out, "Worthy is the Lamb" (verse 12). John witnesses the mission of Christ, the Lamb of God.

Rev. Chapter 6 / Chapter 6 reviews the events from 4000 BC to the birth of Christ. These are the first 4 "Seals" of the book of Revelation, each a 1000 years in length.

1-8 The 1st 4 Seals are the first 4000 years of the earth - prior to Christ.

Enoch - the 1st 1000 years

Wars - the 2nd 1000 years

Abraham - the 3rd 1000 years (Tower of Babel, Joseph in Egypt, etc.)

Earth's major cultures (Egyptians, Greeks, Babylonians, Persians, and Romans) - the 4th 1000 years

Then Christ comes at end of the 4th 1000 years

6-9 The 5th Seal - Church martyrs, Apostate Christianity, Constantine, etc.

12-13 The end of the 6th Seal (our day) - a great earthquake (troubles or literal) / Stars fall as figs cast down

12-17 The great "Tribulation" - a day of wrath to punish the world

In Isa. 19 there is also the great shaking of the king of Assyria as he and a massive army invade all nations of the earth, starting with America.

Rev. Chapter 7 / John sees his own mission in the last-days as the 5th angel - of D&C 77:8-9. He is the angel "ascending from the east." Note that he has "the seal of the living God" and works with 4 other angels (who oversee the 4 corners of the earth). They and perhaps other angels seal the 144,000 at the end of the 3.5-year *Tribulation* period, prior to all of them reaping or harvesting the Earth as the Lord's special last-days "servants." They collectively save and destroy as needed with the sealing power. D&C 77:9 & 14 were given to Joseph Smith to clarify John's last-days mission in Revelation chapter 7. These verses of modern scripture serve as a double witness in revealing that he has a 3-fold mission, which is; (1) to be Christ's "Elias," (2) to gather all Israel, and (3) "restore all things." See also Isa. 27:8, 41:2, 25, 46:11.

In other scripture we read of the sealing of the 144,000, some from the latter-day Exodus (the "wise virgins"). This may occur at Adam-ondi-Ahman, when the Ancient of Days (Adam) "sits" or presides (Dan. 7:9-11, 21-22, 25). Adam is thought to "sit" at **Rosh Hashanah** of 2017. Christ (the "most holy" in Daniel) appears to be given the keys over the whole earth there in a private ceremony, sustained by priesthood leaders ancient and modern. The opening of the 7th Seal, the Millennium, appears to occur at this point in time. The Davidic Servant is there commissioned to pronounce judgment upon the Beast, False Prophet, and the wicked generally. Soon thereafter the king of Assyria is defeated near Jackson Co. Missouri, the future site of New Jerusalem or Zion (see Dan.

11:45). He had set up his headquarters at or near the setting that would eventually become Zion (Dan. 11:45). Great Judgments (7 woes [chapters 8 & 9 and 7 plagues [chapter 16]) are then sent out upon the earth in second 3.5-year Judgment period (see Isa. 11:15-16, 14:29, 41:14-16, 42:4-6, 48:13, 49:17, 61:6, 66:19).

Thirty days before these important events, potentially at Rosh Hashanah, is Aug. 21 of 2017, the date of a total solar eclipse or black sun moving across all the U.S. (from Washington to South Carolina). It passes over the New Jerusalem - Adam-ondi-Ahman area. This occurs at the sun's Zenith, or about 1:10 pm. The destruction of Babylon in America occurs at the end of the 6th Seal, whereas the meeting at Adam-ondi-Ahman appears to open the 7th Seal, marked by the visitation of Christ there.

Rev. Chapter 8 / This chapter begins with the prayers of the righteous being offered up with incense by an angel in heaven. The righteous in the 3.5-year **Tribulation** period have endured much and seek redress and vengeance for their trials. An angel takes coals from off the altar in heaven casting them to earth. This represents judgment on the wicked of the world in the later 3.5-year **Judgment** period. With this judgment the celestial order on earth comes to an end via natural phenomena. This is the "*unwanted act and bizarre work*" of the re-translation of Isaiah, as opposed to the "marvelous work and a wonder" of missionary work. It is the depopulation of the earth - a great last-days blood sacrifice, signified by the hot coals of the heavenly altar being cast down to earth (Isa. 13:11-3, 24:1-6, 28:21, 34:2-8, 43:3-4). The whole earth is now the altar, a last-days Mosaic sacrifice of unheard of proportions (Isa. 34:2-8, 43:3-4). During this time the 144,000, those sealed in their foreheads, go out to gather in the remaining remnant and those who repent. The judgments are signs for men and women to repent.

Four of 7 woes are sent out in chapter 8 - in the first part of 7th Seal. This lasts 42 months or 3.5 years. It is done by 7 angels whose work is marked by 7 trumpet blasts. The time of *judgment* begins with "the half-hour of silence," occurring just after the defeat of the king of Assyria and the Beast in America. The 7th Seal appears to be the 2nd 3.5-year period occurring just after the signs of 2017. The woes (*partial* judgments) are designed to encourage repentance at first. Later, a *total* cleansing of the earth occurs in 7 plagues (chap. 16). Note what happens to food, water, and light in chapter 8 (*partial judgment* in 4 woes) and chapter 9 (more judgments via 3 additional woes).

The 4 woes in chapter 8 reduce the food supply and light by 1/3, encouraging repentance. They include:

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| 7 | <i>Food</i> | First angel sounding his trumpet / 1/3 part of trees and grass burned up |
| 8-9 | <i>Water</i> | Second angel sounding his trumpet / 1/3 part of sea life dies |
| 10 | | Third angel sounds his trumpet / Huge meteor (great star - Wormwood) falls into seas
1/3 part of rivers and springs made bitter (representing drink of unfaithful bride) |
| 12-13 | <i>Light</i> | Fourth angel sounds his trumpet / 1/3 of light of sun, moon, and stars reduced as Earth orbit changes, being moved towards Kolob.
Three more Woes are to come... |

Astronomer Gill Broussard believes the destruction of 1/3 of living things on Earth will occur in North and South America, making up 1/3rd of the land mass of earth. His research combines ancient Chinese astronomical records, those of NASA in 1992 and 93, and scripture suggesting that an approaching planet known as 7X or Nibiru will again enter our solar system. He predicts the Earth will pass through its debris trail 2 times in 2016, 5 months apart (or 150 days, the time of the Great Flood anciently). This is in Aug./Sept and March/April. Its size (approx. 7 times the size of our planet) and the falling stars hitting our planet that result from entering its debris trail, cause great damage, along with earthquakes and other disasters found in the book of Revelation. Broussard believes the massive body has entered our solar system periodically, as recording by the Chinese in 1054-55 (see *YouTube, Planet 7X, Broussard*).

Rev. Chapter 9 / Three additional woes are delivered to the earth by the 5th, 6th and 7th angels in this chapter. The star Lucifer (meaning "light bearer") falls from heaven to earth. He is given the key to the bottomless pit (outer darkness, hell). He and his followers appear to torture *only* those with the mark of the beast - those not sealed in the forehead by God (the invisible *Tau* or *cross* mark addressed in Ezek. 9).

1-5 As the fifth angel sounds his trumpet, the sun and the air are darkened by smoke ascending up from the pit. Out of this smoke come locusts or evil spirits with power to hurt man (those with the mark of the beast only), not the earth or nature. They torment man for 5 months. Desired death does not come to these people.

6-12 Dark smoke is tied to these evil sons of perdition and un-embodied spirits as they attack and afflict man, injuring him and making him sick. They sting men like scorpions. The dark smoke they emerge from is directly opposed to the sweet-smelling white incense smoke offered up with the prayers of the righteous by the angels on the altars in heaven.

13-18 The sixth angel then unleashes four powerful dark angels from the bottomless pit (JST, not the river Euphrates) are released to follow Satan in slaying a 1/3 part of men. They are killed by some 200 million evil spirits under their direction.

Note: In Chapter 16 we again see the 7 angels. They now have vials full of *the wrath of God* - as "plagues" rather than "woes." These are poured out upon the earth resulting in a later *total destruction* of the wicked, versus the *partial* judgment of the "woes" sent earlier in the 3.5-year period of chapters 8-9.

Rev. Chapter 10 / John describes Christ - *the Mighty Angel* - as coming down from heaven clothed with *clouds* and with a *rainbow* upon His head. His face is like the *sun*. In his hands is a little book. He cries or roars as a lion, the 7 thunders roaring with Him. Note that John says that "*time is no longer.*" The book held by Christ is for John. *He is told to eat it and prophesy before many nations.* The book he consumes is his last-days *mission* (D&C 77:14), which is both sweet and bitter, the later perhaps being his torture and marring - a bitter cup for him (see Isa. 38:17, 49:7, 52:14). Ezekiel also consumed a book that was his mission (Ezek. 3:1-4). As the latter-day Prince, John as the last-days "Servant" of our Lord makes atonement for the temporal salvation of the righteous in the last-days, much like THE Deliverer, Jesus Christ.

Rev. Chapter 11 / John is also given a "reed" and told to *measure* (symbol of judgment) the new temple in old Jerusalem, along with its altar and those that worship therein. This is tied to his building of the temple there as *the Branch*, the temple's architect (Zech. 6:12). He builds this temple during the last 70 weeks of the *Tribulation* period (Dan. 9:24-26), during "troublous times" (while the king of Assyria invades the world). Isaiah 49:5-6 tells us that John's mission is too important to be a "gatherer" only. He is to be a light to the nations.

In this chapter John also addresses 2 special witnesses in Jerusalem during the later 3.5 year judgment period. They protect the people and the city for a time with their sealing power. Though powerful servants, God allows them to eventually be killed by their enemies. They lay dead in the street for 3.5 days and then are resurrected. Their identity is unknown, many believing they could be two last-days Apostles, even Elijah, Joseph Smith, etc.

Rev. Chapter 12 / **Birth sign of the Davidic Servant & that of the Lord's Kingdom in the Last-days** (Rosh Hashanah 2017)

1-4: The woman in this vision is the last-days church - of the Firstborn (symbolized by the Mother of Virgin - the constellation Virgo). Here she is wedded to her husband Christ - the Bridegroom. Thus Christ can't be the "man child" of His own union with the Bride. The man child is instead their son in the royal patriarchal order of the Davidic kings of Judah (see Isa. 11 & D&C 113). Note that John is also caught up to God and His throne as verses 1-2 state - His potential visionary experience resulting in the book of Revelation and his translation (see Revelation chapters 4 and 5). The Dragon at the woman's feet is Satan, ready to devour him - the man child - and the church he helps "deliver" as soon as both are "born" (see JST Rev. 12 & Isa. 44:1-2; 45:10; 66:7-10).

5 The church flees from the Dragon. It is the latter-day **Exodus** of the believers, who flee for 42 months, 1260 days, 3.5 years, or time, times, and a half of time. This is literal time. This is also the time the king of Assyria is in power - the *Tribulation* of the believers period, the time of "*Jacob's trouble.*"

6-12 / War in Heaven

13-14 / Flight into the wilderness

In Matthew, Christ was asked about his return by the early Apostles of His day. He gave them the parable of the wise and unwise virgins of the last-days (Chapters 24 and 25). The wise virgins become part of the church of the Firstborn on a latter-day exodus. The unwise remain asleep, do not act, and must endure the wrath of the king of Assyria when he invades America. Some wake up later in their trials and come to Zion. The Apostles asked the Lord about *the one plucked from the field, one from the wheel, and one from the bed* and where they are taken. The Lord's answer is found in JST Luke 17.

Luke 17:26-37 / JST Luke 17:36-38 / It is where the carcass is, where the *eagles* will be gathered together.

These verses in Luke have ties to the parable of wise virgins, those removed before the invasion who are then on the exodus. They represent a "tithing" of believers (the church) - only 10% of them (see Matt 25:1-13 - making up the wise and foolish *virgins*, both of whom are "righteous"). The oil that the *wise* or awake ones have appears to be tied to their obedience in obtaining a year's supply of food, and their increased spiritual sensitivity. They have attempted to remove themselves from "Babylon" and come to know the Lord - to receive the "*testimony of Jesus*," His witness before the Father that they are clean (see Rev. 19:10 & D&C 88:74-75).

Before the Plucking Prior to this unique departure into the wilderness, Isaiah addresses the beginning of trouble before the invasion by a foreign power - no water and famine in chapter 19. The wise virgins (5%) have food storage and survive the famine. The other 5% are asleep - not prepared with food, they have held onto their idolatry and spent their money on cars, boats, big houses, vacations, etc. Pres. Benson said our food storage will be as important to our survival in the last days as it was to enter the Ark of Noah anciently. The wise virgins are invited to the wedding feast - which at this point is the Exodus. Scripture tells us that some are flown by angels or "on eagles wings" to places of safety in the wilderness, where the wedding with the Bridegroom takes place. This is the new "nation born in a day" - just ahead of the invasion by the king of Assyria (Russian and Chinese armies).

The *noise of the coming of the wedding party* in Matthew 25 is that of the **Bridegroom coming in judgment** - trouble in America and eventual invasion of our land - the destruction of spiritual "Egypt" and "Babylon." It is at the beginning of the *Tribulation* period, the end of the 6th Seal. This is the **painful labor** of the woman prior to her *delivery* - that of both the "man child" and the kingdom of God which is born in a day (occurring just prior to the Millennium, see Isaiah 66:7-8). Note that the woman *travails* in these verses, bringing forth *the man child* and *the church of the Firstborn* at two different points in time; **the man child first, then the kingdom of God**. It creates a paradox, a woman *delivering* BEFORE she is in *labor*. The re-translation of Isaiah 66 clarifies this order. It states, "Before she is in labor, she gives birth; before her ordeal overtakes her, she delivers a son! Who has heard the like, or who has seen such things? Can the earth labor but a day and a nation be born at once? For as soon as she was in labor, Zion gave birth to her children" (Isa. 66:7-8).

Deliverance In Revelation 12 and Isaiah 9 we read of the birth or *delivery* of the man child John, the last-days Davidic Servant sent to *deliver* the righteous prior to the return of Christ. This is why he is "*delivered*" first. Isaiah chapter 9 describes this last-days deliverer. It has been misunderstood becoming part of our Christmas tradition of songs. This is partly due to our poor KJV translation of Isaiah, and incorrect headnotes in our scriptures. The Gileadi re-translation of verses 6-7 read, "For to us a child is born, a son appointed, who will shoulder the burden of government. He will be called Wonderful Counselor, One Mighty in Valor, a Father forever, a Prince of Peace - that sovereignty may be extended and peace have no end; that, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, [his rule] may be established and upheld by justice and righteousness from this time forth and forever. The **zeal** of the Lord of Hosts will accomplish it" (Isa. 9:6-7).

Soon after this special servant appears on the scene in the last-days, he is arrested, tortured, marred, then later healed by the Lord and empowered to carry out his important last-days mission. This is part of his necessary sacrifice as a Davidic king for his people. He then delivers the woman (the church) from the clutches of the king of Assyria). At Adam-ondi-Ahman he receives his official commission to do so. The woman then goes into *labor*, the *Tribulation* period, the time of "Jacob's trouble." The Davidic Servant *delivers* her - **Zion born in a day**, the day the righteous remnant is delivered on eagle's wings miraculously into the wilderness - to begin *the*

latter-day Exodus (escape from the king of Assyria, the Beast, and separation from Babylon). They are the wise virgins of Matthew 25 who make up much of the 144,000. *A new nation or kingdom of Israel is thus born in the west in a single day.* They are the "firstfruits" and will see our Savior. Many will be translated during the *Tribulation* period. The exodus lasts around 42 months (3.5 years), the time the king of Assyria has dominion over the world. Those not on the latter-day exodus must remain in homes, camps, etc., to receive the wrath of the invaders, a testing period that may bring them to Christ if they endure it well.

15-17 / The serpent then casts out a flood to consume the woman. The Earth helps the woman and consumes the flood (an army of foreign soldiers). We read that the Dragon is wroth with the woman and goes out to make war with *the wise, righteous remnant of her seed*, those that keep the commandments of God, and "**have the testimony of Jesus**" (see D&C 88:74-75, Rev. 19:10). Pharaoh's army didn't return anciently. They were swallowed up by the waters of the Red Sea. It will be the earth in the last-days that swallows up the king of Assyria's army. This makes him angry. He then returns against those NOT on the exodus, those left behind - the unwise virgins. They suffer and die in this tribulation. The wise ones obeyed the Lord's command to diligently search Isaiah. They sought to obtain "**the testimony of Jesus**" (verse 17). The unsealed scriptures are given to those on the exodus. He who teaches them is he who wrote them, John, the Davidic Servant. Christ assists him.

Rev. Chapter 13 / The beast - the instrument of the Dragon (other nations joining in with Russia)

This chapter describes those who invade America and conquer the world - 42 months (v. 5) / Reverse order... Russian (and perhaps China) *force* the other European nations (via threats, promise of support and wealth) to go against the U.S. This will be very bad for a large portion of believers who remain asleep. Their idolatry will be purged - the hard way, captivity, etc., or they will die. There will be open war on the Saints, like the Jews of WWII (read verse 7).

It is believed that there are 2 primary "Beasts" in the Book of Revelation

The First Beast: Invading Army: Russia leads them, the Warsaw Pact nations, and nations of the EU
The Beast is ridden by Whore Babylon (worship of materialism, nations, corporations, etc.).

1-2 / The Beast rises up out of the sea...*Russian, Warsaw Pact nations, and nations of the EU.*

The First Beast is led by Isaiah's king of Assyria (he thinks he is god and *is* a god of war). This Beast is made up of 10 horns, 10 crowns, and 7 heads. The 10 horns appears to be the European Union. It is the great bull ridden by the harlot or great whore - Babylon (corrupt nations and corporations who have become wealthy via Arab oil).

The 7 Heads appear to be the 7 Warsaw pact nations (they are anti-Christian and Marxist). They include Russia, Poland, Hungary, Czech. Republic, Romania, Bulgaria, and the old East Germany. Daniel and Revelation provide identity for each nation.

Bear: Russia (leader of a massive army made up of other nations, including China, the Warsaw Pact nations, and those of the EU (European Union))

Leopard: Germany (Dan. 7:4-6)

Lion: England (diplomacy - mouth)

3 / Deadly wound healed - A new powerful Russia rises up after lying seemingly dormant for a time.

4 / Many worship the dragon and the beast (Babylon who rides upon it - EU symbol)

5-6 / blasphemy against God

7-10 / There is then a season of war on the Saints and devout Christians worldwide. The Beast overcomes them, like Jews of WWII. The righteous will be purged of their idolatry, many die. John encourages us to not fear the king of Assyria and not take the mark of the beast. We should fear God only.

The Second Beast: False Prophet: Pope led Catholic church, in league with Islam, other religions.

11-15 / **John's Second Beast** is the False Prophet[s] - (false religion) and is described as having two horns like a *lamb*. He or they are allied with the power of the first Beast, causing others to worship the first Beast - whose deadly wound was healed (a new Russia). The False Prophet makes fire come down from heaven in front of men. He deceives many with his miracles. He makes an image of the beast, that speaks - with the power of the Dragon - Satan. Those that don't worship him (Russia and its leaders, the Pope, etc., are killed). They must deny the true Christ or die - and take the mark of the beast. The Tau or cross mark in the forehead (spiritual) is its polar opposite (see Ezek 9). The 144,000 have this sealing mark in their foreheads.

Horns are symbols of power, even kingdoms of power (Catholicism [Church and state] and Islam). The rising up the Beast (king) and Lamb (priest) is a revival of two-part leadership of the *old Holy Roman Empire* - state and church combined - the leaders of Russia (Putin as king of the Beast) allied with two horns leading religion (the Catholic Pope and Mohammed - Islam). The two horns appear to be John's second "Beast" - the False Prophet(s). The Pope is very much interested in a New World Order, and a one world religion. At the Vatican in 2014, and on the day of Pentecost, the Koran was read for the first time ever - there. Other religions were invited under the smokescreen of brotherhood and peace. Some believe it was really a power grab by the Vatican. Catholicism and Islam make up a very large percentage of the population on this planet.

The great harlot or whore riding upon the Beast (symbol of the EU) may represent western nations selling themselves for wealth and power gained from Arab oil in the Middle East. Western nations have allowed Islam to grow into a Beast itself. One of the symbols for Islam is the crescent moon, that seen with the serpent or "Beast" at the feet of the Virgin and the man child in John's Revelation (chap. 12). It is also seen in European statues illustrating chapter 12. Chapter 20 of Revelation verse 4 addresses beheading, a clear tie to Islam today. 16-18 / The "mark of the Beast" is forced upon all who wish to operate within the new order put in place after the collapse of Babylon (western commerce and commercialism). This mark is placed in the right hand (agreements) or in the forehead (spiritual). It is directly opposed to the *Tau* mark of Ezekiel 9 (tied to the 22nd letter of the Hebrew alphabet *Tav* - it looks like a "T" or cross and is tied to the scales of justice and judgment [at the end]. It is apparently invisible). John associated the "mark of the Beast" with the number 666, which allows one to buy, sell and survive in their system of control. Those with this mark must deny Christ. The number 666 is tied symbolically to a tyrant or dictator - one who abuses **the power of the male sun**, without the gentle silvery light of the moon in balance to it (see endnote 165 in Seven Heavenly Witnesses).

Rev. Chapter 14

1-5 / In verses 1-5 we read of the Lamb standing on Mt. Zion with 144,000 (the redeemed, D&C 77:11), those with *the testimony of Jesus* who are called out of the remaining righteous remnant or wise virgins in the last-days. They have the Father's name written in their foreheads. They are the first offspring or *firstfruits* of the marriage of the Bridegroom and His Bride - and are part of *the church of the Firstborn*.

6-7 / John is the angel of Rev. 7:6 and D&C 77:8-9, 14, the one who ate the book (his mission, sweet and bitter) held by Christ in chapter 10, verse 2. He is the Angel from the east who preaches to those that dwell on the earth. He encourages us to fear God and give glory to Him. He states that the hour of the Lord's judgment is come.

8-13 / Another angel then states - Babylon is fallen. The king of Assyria is he who destroys Babylon. It may begin with the fall of the U.S. economy in the fall of 2015, etc., but the final blow to Babylon occurs with the invasion of America, thought to begin with a nuclear attack. The king of Assyria later seizes all banks, wealth, material things, businesses, etc. All food distribution may later be handled by STATE control via the mark of the beast. John tells the Saints to be patient in these trials in verse 12. He encourages the righteous to not deny Christ and to not take the mark of the Beast.

14-20 / One like the son of man is seen on a white cloud - our Savior. He has a golden crown and a sharp sickle. An angel there (v. 17) also has a sharp sickle. He appears to be "the angel of the Lord's presence", John. He is also to destroy with his sickle (see D&C 77:8). **Both beings reap the earth** (and perhaps with other angels). They gather clusters of the vine on the earth that are ripe in the harvest, then cast them into the great last-days

winepress of the wrath of God. This winepress is without the city and is full of blood, unto the level of horses bridles. This blood is also on the robes of the Savior at His later return. It is not His blood this time. This great last-days sacrifice is often mistranslated. It is not a "marvelous work and a wonder." Gileadi re-translates this phrase to an "*unwonted act and bizarre work.*" It is the depopulation of the earth - of its wicked, that it might become a terrestrial and then later (at the end of the Millennium) a celestial sphere (see Isa. 13:11-13, 24:1-6, 28:21). It is a great last-days Mosaic sacrifice (Isa. 34:2-8,43:3-4). This is the reason coals from off the altar of God in heaven were cast down to the earth, the earth now becoming an altar of blood itself. The remainder of mankind is a huge sacrifice. This winepress is described in D&C 133, 46, 48. The Lord takes full responsibility for it, as He is the one who SAVES as well.

The 144,000 go out during this later judgment period to help gather out the elect back to Zion miraculously - on *eagles* wings. The "eagles" are translated and have the sealing power and are not harmed during the violet destructions, natural disasters, war, etc., all occurring during the judgment period; the first 3.5 years of the Millennium, perhaps some time after 2017.

John, as a warrior king, not only saves (D&C 7 & 77:8-9 & 14), but he destroys too, defeating the Beast and False Prophet and those that oppose the Lord's people. Ephraim and Judah also help destroy Esau (Islam) completely (see Obad. 18).

Rev. Chapter 15 /

1: Another sign in heaven is given in this chapter - 7 angels with 7 plagues coming out of the temple of God in heaven. Their plagues represent the full wrath of God. *This is a fulfillment* of chapters 7-9 where John saw "*woes*" that *were* to be poured out on the inhabitants of the earth in the last-days. In these previous chapters the judgments were *partial*, designed to encourage repentance. Here, however, the judgments are full "*plagues*", having greater impact, resulting in a *full* cleansing.

2: The righteous inherit the sea of glass, the glorified, celestialized earth. They have gotten the victory over the Beast. They sing the songs of Moses and the Lamb.

Rev. Chapter 16 / Great judgments on the wicked via 7 angels pouring out 7 plagues

Here we again see the 7 angels, this time pouring out full judgment on the earth. They have 7 vials full of *the wrath of God* - 7 "plagues" rather than 7 "woes." These plagues result in a *total destruction* of the wicked, versus the *partial judgment* in the 7 woes sent to earth earlier in the 3.5-year period of chapters 8-9.

1-2: The first angel pours out plague upon those with mark of the beast. They develop grievous sores.

3: Second angel pours out his plague on the seas. All living things there die. There will be no seas on the perfected earth.

4: The third angel pours out vial of plagues on the earth's rivers and fountains of water. They become blood. This is in payment for those who shed the blood of the Saints and Prophets. Earlier 1/3 of the waters were made bitter. Now all waters are affected. The hard-core wicked are destroyed.

8: The fourth angel pours out his plague on the sun. It becomes very hot, perhaps as the earth nears the sun in its slingshot trajectory towards Kolob. Earlier the light of the sun had been reduced by 1/3. The Lord's hand remains stretched out still to those who will repent.

10-11: The fifth angel pours out his plague on the seat of the Beast and those who worship him.

12: The sixth angel pours out his plague on the river Euphrates. Some believe this dries up the "river" or army of Jews, allowing them to be attacked.

13-16: Three unclean spirits like frogs emerge from the Dragon, Beast and False Prophet encouraging the kings of the earth gather to battle at Armeggedon (this is at the end of the Millennium, not a WWII, see Zech. 12-14). John sees a great earthquake split Jerusalem into three parts. One tenth of the people are destroyed. One half of the Jews are carried away captive. A huge hailstorm rains down fire and brimstone.

17. The seventh angel pours his vial of plague into the air. A great voice out of the temple in heaven, from the

throne, states, "It is done."

18-19: A huge earthquake is witnessed, with Jerusalem divided into three parts.

20. There are no more islands or mountains (nor seas).

21. Great hail stones fall from heaven, each stone weighing as much as a "talent" (or 70 lbs). This is the final act of cleansing and destruction (similar to that of Sodom and Gomorrah). Babylon is destroyed. This is addressed in two chapters, 17 and 18.

Rev. Chapter 17 / Babylon is fallen and destroyed

1: One of the seven angels shows John the judgment of the great whore who sits upon many waters (nations).

2: The kings of the earth have committed fornication with her. This causes the people of these nations to become drunk with the wine of Babylon (materialism, idolatry, wickedness, etc.).

3: The woman or whore sits on the scarlet-colored Beast, full of the names of blasphemy. It has 7 heads or kings (past, present, and future) and 10 horns (see their description in Chap. 13 earlier in this document).

4-6: The harlot atop the beast is arrayed in purple and scarlet and decked with gold, precious stones, and pearls (wealth). Her golden cup is full of abominations and filthiness in her fornication with the nations and peoples of the world. This great whore, the mother of harlots, is the polar opposite of the virgin Bride of the Bridegroom Christ - the church the Firstborn. The harlot is drunken with the blood of the Saints and martyrs of Jesus.

7-9: The angel tells John that the beast - *was, is not, and yet is, meaning it has different identity over time* - different nations of the earth have made up the beast. The 7 heads are *mountains (nations in scripture)* where the woman sits; 5 of them are fallen (the past), 1 is (present), and 1 is yet to come (future). The 7 heads or nations anciently were the Egyptians, the Assyrians, the Babylonians, the Persians, the Greeks, the Romans (time of John), and the Holy Roman Empire of the Middle Ages (the 7th).

11: The 8th nation or head will be the **last** in our day. It appears to be America in league with the New World Order, a newly resurrected *Holy Roman Empire* led again by a King and Priest - the leader of the "Beast" and the False Prophet. Some tie these two figures to Putin of Russia (of the wounded nation, Rev. 13:3 - leader of the empire of the king of Assyria in Isaiah), and the Pope, symbolized by the lamb (religion) of Rev. 13:11, one of its two horns, the other False Prophet perhaps being Mohammed.

Today the "7 heads" are thought to be the modern G7 nations (the WWII axis nations of Germany, Italy and Japan, along with the allied nations of the U.S., Canada, Britain and France). The beast also has 10 horns. They receive power and give it to the beast for one hour. They are thought to be the nations of the European Union coerced into cooperation with Russia (and the Warsaw Pact nations), and China, Islamic nations, etc. They make war on America first (Egypt in Isaiah), then the remainder of the world.

15-18: In Daniel's dream he sees a great "**image**" (rather than a beast). It is a composite image of many nations, past, present, and future. Its 10 toes below appear to be those of the old Roman empire that fell. They have now become the European countries resurrected into the EU or European Union, led mainly by Germany, the warring nation. When allied with the anti-Christ Putin and the communist nations (for world domination purposes), they make war with America and Christianity, invading our nation, causing the final blow to Babylon here (western commerce), and then Babylon throughout the world (Rev. 14:8). The king of Assyria gathers power and wealth around the world. The mark of the beast is required to function under the communist state control. Putin may eventually turn on the EU nations, destroying London, the center of world banking (see Isa. 23:1-18).

The Davidic Servant appears to be the "stone" or great seer or prophet in the last-days that rolls forth to destroy the great *Image* of Daniel. It is the combination of many nations of "Babylon" - the *Beast* of Revelation, brought down by Isaiah's *king of Assyria*, most likely Putin. Some believe Christ is represented by the descending capstone of the Great Pyramid with the all-seeing eye in it (a seer). Others believe it is the Davidic Servant, a great seer in the last-days who precedes Him. In Daniel, the Servant is cut out of the *mountain* or *nation* of Judah *without hands* (commissioned by God, not man), and is of the royal, patriarchal bloodline of Israel's kings, like Christ. Like young David of old, he defeats the great Goliath (the great Image of Daniel, the Beast of Revelation, and Isaiah's king of Assyria). He then helps establish the kingdom of Israel once again. It grows and fills the whole earth, but not until the Millennium. This kingdom (the church of the Firstborn) is born in a day

(Isa. 66:6-8), the day the angels or eagles of JST luke 17 gather out the elect to the wilderness just prior to the invasion of this country. Those gathered will be part of the latter-day Exodus.

The Davidic Servant is "the Sword of the Lord" (one of his 70 name-titles in scripture) and will be a destroyer as well as a gatherer and messianic prince. He, as the "stone," is a warrior king who leads the kingdom of Israel in preparation for the return of Christ. This is a repeat of his potential defeat of the 185,000 invading Assyrians anciently as "angel of the Lord's presence." The Assyrian army was set to destroy Jerusalem at the time of Hezekiah and Isaiah.

Rev. Chapter 18 / Babylon is fallen and destroyed

1: Another angel comes down to earth with great power, lightening all things with his glory. He cries, "Babylon is fallen." Although the U.S. economy may tank on Sept. 13th of 2015, the invasion of this country by the Beast marks the total fall of Babylon here.

4-6: Scripture has told us repeatedly to "come out of her" (Babylon). At this point most will have no choice. They will turn to Christ or take the mark of the Beast.

17-21: John tells us that in one hour so great riches have come to naught. Babylon is finally drowned in the sea.

Rev. Chapter 19 / John sees those invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb, the wise virgins. It is made ready. Note the words of John concerning those with "*the testimony of Jesus*" in 19:10.

Rev. Chapter 20 / Satan is physically bound. Note the *beheadings* in verse 4 for those who will not worship the beast, a clear sign of last-days Islam (ISIS). After the Millennium, Satan is again loosed for the battle of God and Magog (see Ezek. 38-39, DHC vol. 5, p. 298). God rains down fire from heaven to destroy those making war on Israel, all those led by Satan and his followers. The second death occurs for those who reject Christ (see D&C 76:31-39; 88:15-16).

Rev. Chapter 21 / There is then a new heaven and a new earth. The earth becomes flat with no seas. It is like glass. The Holy City New Jerusalem comes down from heaven as a Bride for her husband. This is the *Father's* Celestial *city* without a temple. God and the Lamb are the light in this place, not the sun or moon. The temple in the Millennium at New Jerusalem was a Terrestrial temple tied to *Christ* (there is no wicked there - temples keep the wicked out). *John's* temple in Old Jerusalem is a Celestial temple built prior to the Millennium in old Jerusalem. John tells us that there is no more death, no crying, sorrow or pain. Christ, like His Father, makes all things new.

Rev. Chapter 22 /

In this last chapter we read of a pure river of water of life proceeding out of the throne of God and the Lamb. The righteous see the Lord's face. His name is written in their foreheads. Concluding the book, the Lord says "I come quickly"- in *judgment* - three times in this final chapter. He declares that He is "alpha and omega," and "the root and offspring of David, the bright and morning star." John is His faithful witness.