A STUDY OF REVELATION

<u>Rev. 12:1-6</u>

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Scriptural Introduction

<u>Rev. 1:19</u> Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter;

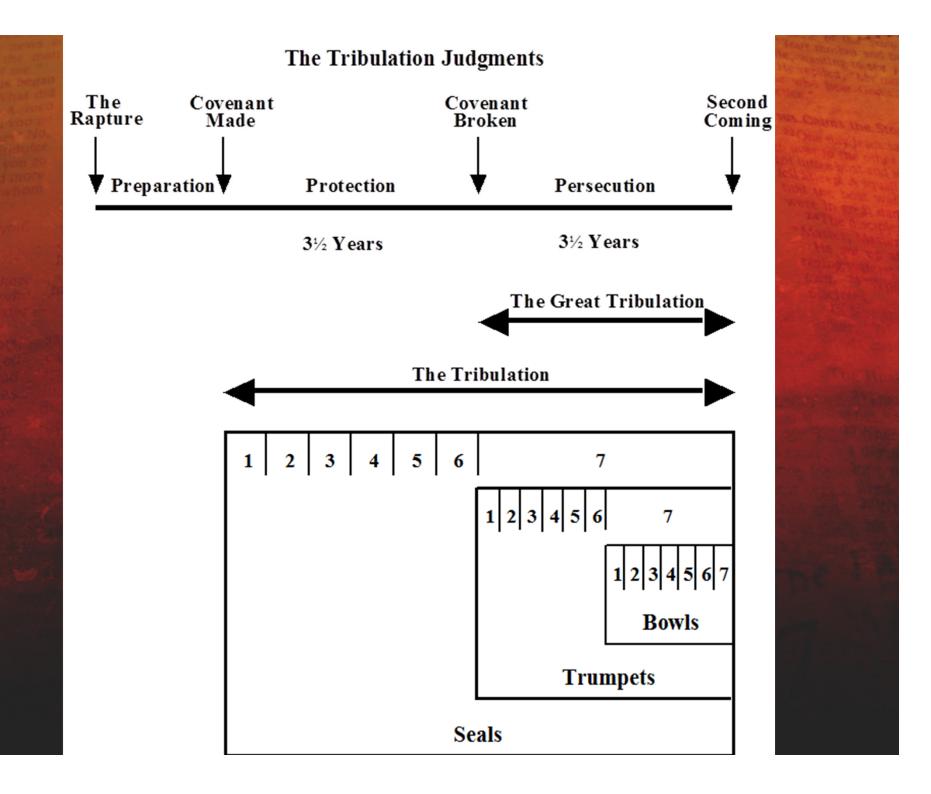
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Tonight, we begin in Chapter 12. God now gave John knowledge of the forces and persons behind the climax of anti-God hostility, so he could understand the vial/bowl judgments, which the seventh trumpet judgment contained.

In Rev. 11-14, we see a "bird's-eye view" of the Great Tribulation, the last 3¹/₂ years of "Jacob's Trouble."

Chapter 11 = the role of the two witnesses:

Chapter 12 = the role of Israel in the Tribulation:

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Kαὶ σημεῖον μέγα = "And a sign (wonder) great"

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It is believed that rather than this bit being prophecy, it was a vision. It had already happened. Mary had already given birth to the New Covenant. The vision established her place as Queen of Heaven, making it known to the Church. https://forums.catholic.com/t/who-is-the-woman-in-rev-12/489396/5

Revelation 12:1,2 "And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered." Here we see a pure woman, which is a symbol of God's True people, His 'church'. She is 'clothed with the sun' = she has on Christ's robe of Righteousness. The moon is under her feet = she is standing on the promises of the Old Testament, which reflect the light of Jesus. On her head a crown of 12 stars = the 12 apostles of the New Testament

¹ And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.² She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth. Revelation 12:1-2

Virgo is the only female constellation which the Sun passes through, and has long been associated with Israel. This sign also occurs on a day very near the Jewish Feast of Trumpets, which has long been associated with a potential time for the rapture of the church prior to a time of trouble for the Jewish people. Birth pains are often used symbolically in scripture related to the end times. See Micah 5:3, Isaiah 26:17-18, 1 Thes 5:3, Rev 12:5



upiter completes a 42 week retrograde loop inside the "womb area" of Virgo leading up to the final alignment of this sign. Normal human prognancy's are 38-42 weeks in length.

God made the Son, Moon and Stars as signs which point to important times. See Genesis 1:14

Jesus's first coming was indicated by signs in the sky-See Matthew 2:2.9-10

His second coming will be indicated by signs as well. See Matthew 24(29-30)



He loves you more than you could ever imagine and wants a relationship with you. Jesus Christ sacrificed himself for you so that you could be totally forgiven and follow Him free from the consequences of your sins (Hell). Please accept His free gift of GRACE today while there is time. See John 3:16, Ephesians 2:8-9, Romans 8:1-11

This sign was discoverd using an astronomy software program called Stellarium. You can download the software at www.stellarium.org for free. Explore the sign and compare it to the Bible for yourself. God Bless You.

https://rev12daily.blogspot.com/p/basic.html

<u>Gen. 37:9</u> And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, **the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me**. <u>10</u> And he told *it* to his father, and to his brethren: and his father rebuked him, and said unto him, What *is* this dream that thou hast dreamed? **Shall I and thy mother** and thy brethren indeed **come to bow down ourselves to thee** to the earth?

The "woman" represents ISRAEL.

<u>Isa. 26:17</u> Like as a woman with child, *that* draweth near the time of her delivery, is in pain, *and* crieth out in her pangs; so have we been in thy sight, O LORD.

<u>18</u> We have been with child, we have been in pain, we have as it were brought forth wind; we have not wrought any deliverance in the earth; neither have the inhabitants of the world fallen. <u>Isa. 60:1</u> Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.

<u>2</u> For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee.

<u>3</u> And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. ...

<u>20</u> Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

<u>Rev. 12:2</u> And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

<u>Rev. 12:3</u> And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold **a** great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.

<u>2 Cor. 11:13</u> For such *are* false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.

<u>14</u> And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.

<u>15</u> Therefore *it is* no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

Job 41:1 Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a cord which thou lettest down? ...
<u>4</u> Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever? ...
<u>10</u> None *is so* fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before me? ...
<u>34</u> He beholdeth all high *things*: he *is* a king over all the children of pride.

<u>Psa. 74:13</u> Thou didst divide the sea by thy strength: **thou brakest the heads** of the dragons in the waters. <u>14</u> Thou brakest the heads of leviathan in pieces, and gavest him to be meat

to the people inhabiting the wilderness.

Dan 7:7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it *was* diverse from all the beasts that *were* before it; and **it had ten horns**.

<u>8</u> I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another **little horn**, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn *were* eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things. ...

<u>20</u> And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows. ...

<u>24</u> 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.

<u>Rev. 13:1</u> 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.

- 1. Babylon, Nimrod Gen. 10:10
- 2. Egypt, Pharaoh Ex. 5:2, Ezek. 29:3
- 3. Assyria, Sennacherib 2 Kings 18:13 "The Assyrian"
- 4. Babylon, Nebuchadnezzar Dan. 3, Jer. 51:34, 50:17-18
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- 7. ROME The Antichrist and "mystery Babylon"

<u>Ezek. 29:3</u> Speak, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, **Pharaoh** king of Egypt, **the great dragon** that lieth in the midst of his rivers, which hath said, My river *is* mine own, and I have made *it* for myself.

Jer 50:17 Israel *is* a scattered sheep; the lions have driven *him* away: first the king of Assyria hath devoured him; and last this Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones. <u>18</u> Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will punish the king of Babylon and his land, as I have punished the king of Assyria.

Jer 51:34 Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon hath devoured me, he hath crushed me, he hath made me an empty vessel, he hath swallowed me up like a dragon, he hath filled his belly with my delicates, he hath cast me out. <u>Rev. 12:4</u> And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

<u>Dan. 8:10</u> And it waxed great, *even* to the host of heaven; and it **cast down** *some* **of the host and of the stars to the ground**, and stamped upon them.

Jude 1:6 And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

<u>2 Pet. 2:4</u> For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but **cast them down to hell, and delivered** *them* **into chains of darkness**, to be reserved unto judgment; <u>Rev. 12:5</u> And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and *to* his throne.

The "man child" represents the Lord Jesus Christ.

<u>Rev. 2:27</u> And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

<u>Rev. 19:15</u> And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

<u>Rev. 12:6</u> And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days.

<u>Conclusion</u>

<u>Isa. 27:1</u> In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall slay the dragon that *is* in the sea. ... <u>6</u> He shall cause them that come of Jacob to take root: Israel shall blossom and bud, and fill the face of the world with fruit. ... <u>9</u> By this therefore shall the iniquity of Jacob be purged; and this *is* all the fruit to take away his sin; when he maketh all the stones of the altar as chalkstones that are beaten in sunder, the groves and images shall not stand up. ...

<u>12</u> And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall beat off from the channel of the river unto the stream of Egypt, and ye shall be gathered one by one, O ye children of Israel.

<u>13</u> And it shall come to pass in that day, that the great trumpet shall be blown, and they shall come which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, and shall worship the LORD in the holy mount at Jerusalem.