

# 666 Mark of the Beast

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There is coming into the human family a person who will have very powerful influence and has been described as having beastly characteristics. He is actually a human being as described in Revelation 13:18. The exact quote is “Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast; for it is the number of a man; and his number is six hundred, threescore and six.” (KJV) Translation here is expressed by many as being “666.” It identifies the antichrist.

Rising out of the sea of humanity according to Daniel 7:24; 9:27; 11:36-45 and John in Revelation 13:1, this person of interest is both endowed and endued with satanic influence which will be so amazing that he will be able to deceive millions. Having broad political overtones, he becomes the leader of a certain part of the world by flattery and scheming. Starting from a baseless beginning he is able to become ruler over seven (7) kingdoms (nations) symbolized by seven heads. Revelation 13:1; Revelation 17:8-17. The evolution of his operation quickly extends to ten (10) kingdoms which are formed within the Old Roman Empire territory. Revelation 13:1; Revelation 17:8-17; Daniel 7:23-24.

The antichrist has a foul vocabulary because he is a blasphemer. Revelation 13:1-5; 17:3. His energy and persuasive power comes directly from satan. Revelations 13:4, 6. As the end-time of this dispensation unfolds, satan uses all the sinister thrust he has at his disposal to thwart the message of Christ and His church, and at the same time, concentrates heavily on the destruction of the nation of Israel. Christians and Israel lose some battles during this period, but they win the war. Christ is the head of the church and the church will ultimately overcome all the powers of darkness. Israel, too, will overcome and be preserved by Jesus Christ.

Two empires mentioned in the history of the world seem to surface again as prophecy unfolds. Daniel speaks of the leopard which symbolizes Ancient Greece as being a prominent part along with the Old Roman Empire. Daniel 7:6; 8:20-23 and Revelation 17:8-17, bring into focus these facts. Too, the antichrist will have resemblance of the Old Medio-Persian (Bear) influence. Revelation 17:3, Daniel 7:5 and Daniel 7:4.

It is important to note that the antichrist, satan and the False Religious system described in Revelation, Chapter 17, comprise an “unholy” trinity. No doubt, satan may be trying to match the Holy Trinity of God our Father, Jesus His Son and the Holy Spirit. Deceit has many faces and the end-time scenario will produce multiple deceptive overtures.

Whatever evil is produced during the Great Tribulation period, one can easily trace it directly to satan. Satan is the archenemy of good, the Bible and the works of God. It is like darkness as opposed to light. They are opposite and should be recognized as such.

A number of hardships and ways of death are included in the scriptures as the end-time is described. Hunger (famine), pestilence and many other inconveniences to the human family are listed. One, however, is very noticeable and that is beheading. During the 7-year long tribulation time, also identified as the time of Jacob's troubles, satan uses people to exact certain unbearable punishment upon the human family. Remember, the main targets are the church and the Jewish Nation. Whoever does not become a part of the satanic world will be subjected to cruel and very unusual punishment. Don't be left behind when Jesus comes and risk the suffering of the government of satan, the antichrist and the Harlot religious system.

The dreaded "Mark of the Beast" will be a part of the Great Tribulation period. Once the "Beast" has done a psychological brainwashing on the world, he feels he is then totally in control. He is, but only for a short while. Someone much greater and more powerful will stop him and will declare Himself as "King of Kings" and "Lord of Lords." The "Beast", energized by satan, finds himself in great admiration. The world wonders after him. He promises great things.

His popularity is short lived. Read Revelation 13:2-4, 8, and 18. Both he and his popularity are doomed to fail. Jesus Christ will destroy it instantly when He returns to the earth.

The "Beast" makes many mistakes. One, he wants to be worshipped as God and demands it, and speaks great words. His oratory will be amazing. Revelation 13:4, 14, and 18; 14:9-11; 15:2; 16:2; 20:4-6. Secondly, he is allowed great power for 42 months and then there is a cut-off time. Though he defies the Almighty God and makes war with the tribulation saints, the Jews, and makes harlotry his religious system, he must abdicate his position in favor of the one who died on Calvary in 33 A.D.

The "Mark of the Beast" has far-reaching perimeters. People living in the jurisdiction of the antichrist will be compelled to take a mark in their forehead or right hand as identification to prove they are not adversarial to his regime. The numbers "666" have become a bother to lots of people. The wisdom associated with this number is that it is man-directed and comes from the antichrist. The meaning is that people living on the earth during the reign of the antichrist will have to be branded in one way or another, or do without. They cannot buy nor sell unless they have their special identification.

The Bible student will note that the antichrist makes war mostly with the saints and the Jews. He is against the Jews because they are the people through whom Jesus came. The Christians referred to are those who become Christians during the Great Tribulation time. The Jews also gave us our Bible.

Christians should be aware that Jesus is coming and we can escape the Great Tribulation period. "God has not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Thessalonians 5:9. He is coming for the Christian. Be ready! Be prepared!

All of us should be aware that there is no great future in not serving God. Life here and now is brief. Life in eternity is forever.

Use the numbers "666" as a warning, but use the message of salvation as your guide out of this world system and into heaven. Read, understand, and be prepared. Something is about to happen which will change the world as we now know it.



Satan will have a seven-year fling which will produce the greatest time of sorrow the world has ever experienced. Millions will die at the will of the satanic forces unleashed upon the peoples of earth.

Ultimately, the victor is Jesus who will come and destroy all the influences of evil. Remember, "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein." Psalm 24

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