

## GOD'S WORD

# BEWARE THE BEAST

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*The Bible tells us that, in the Last Days,  
There will be a FALSE PROPHET and a "BEAST"*

*BE READY!"*

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**A**S I GROW OLD I'm now seeing the dramatically increased sin prophesied of by Jesus and His messengers. And I don't know whether our Lord will return before He calls me away. But I do know that regardless of whether I will be called home before the coming 'Time,' those who come after me will indeed be called by our Lord to endure a 'Time Of Great Trouble,' culminated with the rise and fall of The Beast. So with a sense of urgency I write this exposé to warn you to be prepared.

4 But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you.

**John 16:4 The BIBLE**

## **WHO WILL THE BEAST BE?**

### ***What will identify him - HIS ACTIONS***

1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto Him,

2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

4 **Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.**

5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?

6 And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.

7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the Spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming:

**9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,**

**10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.**

11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

12 That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

#### **II Thessalonians 2:1-12 The BIBLE**

23 Thus he said, **The fourth Beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.**

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.

**25 And he shall speak great words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.**

26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

#### **Daniel 7:23-26 The BIBLE**

12 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.**

13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the Beast.

**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.

#### **Revelation 17:12-14 The BIBLE**

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.**

2 And the Beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and **great authority.**

3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the Beast.

4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the Beast: and they worshipped the Beast, saying, Who is like unto the Beast? who is able to make war with him?

5 **And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.**

6 **And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His Name, and His tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.**

7 **And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.**

8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

9 If any man have an ear, let him hear.

10 He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

11 And I beheld another Beast (*the 'False Prophet'*) coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

12 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.

13 And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

14 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.

15 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. ...

## WHO WILL THE BEAST BE?

*What will identify him*

### – HIS THREE (3) PERSONAL IDENTIFIERS

... 16 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:

17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had **1) the mark**, or **2) the name of the Beast**, or **3) the number of his name**.

18 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.

**Revelation 13:1-18 The BIBLE**

9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, **If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,**

**10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of His indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:**

**11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.**

**12 Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.**

**Revelation 14:9-12 The BIBLE**

1 And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and **pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.**

2 And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; **and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the Beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.**

**Revelation 16:1-2 The BIBLE**

2 And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the Beast, and over his image, and over **his mark**, and over **the number of his name**, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

**Revelation 15:2 The BIBLE**

4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the Word of God, and **which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.**

**Revelation 20:4 The BIBLE**

The urgency of which I spoke earlier is bound up in these verses which speak of the consequences for those who accept the mark of The Beast: torment from God while on earth, and then eternal damnation in hell!

Persecution by the False Prophet and his followers upon those who refuse The Beast's mark, name, or number on their forehead or hand will be severe, sorely testing God's people: denial of commerce, and even execution by decapitation. But punishment for those who do receive those brandings will be even more so: while still on earth, "a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the Beast, and upon them which worshipped his image," and then, after death, "The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name!"

**NOTE:**

Don't worry: a Christian **cannot** be tricked into going to hell, or go there accidentally! Even earthly laws (at least for the most part) cannot condemn a person for **unknowingly** and **unintentionally** committing a crime; **intent must** be proven! Similarly, God will not send anyone to hell just because they were tricked into taking the mark of The Beast, or did it unintentionally! The entire reason that taking that mark<sup>1</sup> would send someone to hell, is that taking that mark will be an unmistakable, deliberate, and public (*in the forehead or hand*) declaration of the heart's commitment/dedication to, and worship of The Beast, and therefore the Devil himself! There will be no doubt as to who The Beast is, what constitutes his mark(s), nor what the mark signifies. It's not the mark in itself that will be sinful, it's the **meaning intended** of that mark! Just as it is not the going into water that is significant in baptism (recreational swimming has nothing to do with baptism); rather, it is the **intended meaning and declaration** of that immersion in water that makes baptism significant in salvation. Jesus gave us other examples:

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<sup>1</sup> (Any one of the three, **1) the mark, or 2) the name of the Beast, or 3) the number of his name**)

16 Woe unto you, ye blind guides, which say, Whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor!

17 Ye fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gold, or the temple that sanctifieth the gold?

18 And, Whosoever shall swear by the altar, it is nothing; but whosoever sweareth by the gift that is upon it, he is guilty.

19 Ye fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifieth the gift?

20 Whoso therefore shall swear by the altar, sweareth by it, and by all things thereon.

21 And whoso shall swear by the temple, sweareth by it, and by him that dwelleth therein.

22 And he that shall swear by heaven, sweareth by the throne of God, and by him that sitteth thereon.

**Matthew 23:16-22 The BIBLE**

In other words, it is not the gift/offering/tithe/action/mark that is significant in and of itself, it is the Spirituality behind it, your intended meaning/reason for it, or the significance that God has established, that makes it holy or sinful or otherwise. In this case, what will send a person to hell is not the mark of The Beast itself, as much as the conscious significance of dedication and worship to The Beast and the devil that the individual has intended by taking that mark. So you **cannot accidentally** go to hell by a) being tricked into it (or, in this case) by doing something/anything for a different purpose than for worshipping The Beast and the devil; or by b) unknowingly/accidentally taking some mark of The Beast which has been disguised as something else, or that takes some other form, and that does not openly signify or declare dedication to, or worship of The Beast and the devil. Only taking that mark **intentionally** and **knowingly** would condemn you: if you know the mark's meaning. *(Be at peace regarding microchips and under-the-skin medical devices, etc.)*

However, a couple clarifications should be made. Were one to take the mark of The Beast out of weakness and cowardliness, not necessarily intending by it to worship The Beast and the devil, but merely to escape persecution/execution, he would indeed bare his guilt and eternal punishment. Jesus said,

8 Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall confess Me before men, him shall the Son of Man also confess before the angels of God:

9 But he that denieth Me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.

10 And whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of Man, it shall be forgiven him: but unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.

**Luke 12:8-10 The BIBLE**

It should also be noted, therefore, that, according to our Lord Jesus, above, the only sin that is unforgiveable is that of blaspheming the Holy Spirit, or

ascribing to the devil the works of the Holy Spirit.<sup>2</sup> So even taking the mark of The Beast will be forgivable. But any forgiveness, of this or of any other sin, can be obtained only by true repentance, involving turning from/reversing one's sinful actions, including the sin of taking the mark. How removing that mark might be accomplished, though, remains to be seen.

So, "*Forewarned is forearmed:*" and our Heavenly Father *has* provided hope and salvation for His people!

## **"I'VE TOLD YOU!"**

**J**esus and His prophets and apostles said,

29 And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.

**John 14:29 The BIBLE**

Indeed, Paul wrote:

1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. ...

and,

... 4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

**I Thessalonians 5:1,4 The BIBLE**

and the angel Gabriel, when revealing these things, said:

22 And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding.

**Daniel 9:22 The BIBLE**

1 And at that time shall (*the angel*) Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

**Daniel 12:1 The BIBLE**

34 And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares.

35 For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.

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<sup>2</sup> Matthew 12:22-32; Mark 3:22-30

36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man.

**Luke 21:34-36 The BIBLE**

See, also, **SAVED AND SEALED WITH THE MARK OF GOD!** at <https://www.micaiah.info/sealed.htm>