

The Counterfeit Trinity pt 1

Various Scriptures

“So the great dragon- the ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the one who deceives the whole world. He was thrown to earth, and his angels with him.”

-Revelation 12:9

What are the 3 literary genres are combined in the book of Revelation?

* _____ * _____

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*Not only does it open and close like a typical New testament _____ but it is also situational. There are instances where John, by way of Jesus, addresses specific problems and situations that occur in the local church. Rev. 1:4; 22:21

*Remember Biblical _____ includes both prediction of the future and proclamation of God’s truth for the present. As a _____ letter Revelation is rooted in the tradition of the Old Testament prophets. John’s prophecy against Babylon in Revelation 18-19 is a prime example of restating what the prophets had already proclaimed, just in a different context. Rev. 1:3; 22:6-7; 22:18-19

*The term _____ refers to a group of writings that include a divine revelation, usually through a heavenly intermediary, to some well-known figure, in which God promises to intervene in human history, overthrow wickedness and establish his kingdom. The main characteristic that makes _____ so unfamiliar to us is its use of images. Daniel 10:5-6; Matthew 5:13-14 Rev. 1:12-15

4 Tips to reading the book of Revelation:

***Read it with humility:** You don’t have all the answers and that’s okay.

***Read it through their lens:** Who was the original audience and what did it mean to them?

***Read it with seriousness:** Be careful of interpreting everything one way. Everything should not be taken literally, sometimes there is another insight.

Read it within the Context: This includes Old Testament and historical.

-Text level: Words written on the page.

-Vision level: The picture that the words paint.

-Referent level: What the vision refers to in real life.

The Woman and the Dragon (Anti God): Revelation 12

How would you describe Satan to someone who is on the fence about believing in heaven or hell?

#1 He is a _____: 1 Peter 5:8

As you look at Revelation 12:1-6, what do you notice about the woman?

*Clothed with the _____, with the _____ under her feet and a crown of _____ stars on her head.

Who is this woman? _____ Isaiah 54:5-7; Jeremiah 3:6-8

There are 3 other women who appear in Revelation, do you know where and who they are?

-Rev. 2:20 paganism; 17:3-6 the _____ church; 19:7 the _____ church

The sun possibly represents the glory, dignity and exalted status of Israel.

The moon possibly represents God's covenant relationship with Israel.

The 12 stars possibly represent the 12 tribes of Israel.

*She was _____ and cried out in labor and agony as she was about to give birth.

*She gave birth to a _____ a male who is going to rule all _____ with an iron rod. Her child was caught up to God and to his throne.

Who is this child? _____ Micah 5:2; Matthew 1:1; Psalm 2:6; Acts 1:9

*The woman fled into the _____, where she had a place prepared by God, to be nourished there for 1,260 days.

Where is the wilderness? _____ of Palestine, Moab, Ammon, and Edom.
Daniel 11:41

Why 1,260 days? 3 1/2 years will be the amount of time it will take for the Antichrist to break his covenant with Israel.

What do you see about the dragon in these verses (1-6)?

*Great fiery _____ dragon, having _____ heads and _____ horns, and on its heads were _____ crowns.

-Red possibly represents the bloodshed of Satan.

-7 heads, 10 horns, 7 crowns possibly represents his kingdoms.

*Its tail swept away _____ of the stars in heaven and hurled them to the earth.

*He stood in front of the woman so that when she did give birth it might _____ her child. Matthew 2:13-18

#2 He is a _____: 2 Thess. 2:9-10

What observations do you see regarding the dragon in Revelation 12:7-12

*War breaks out in heaven, Michael and his angels fought against the _____ and his _____. Daniel 10:13

*He did not _____.

*There was no place for him in _____ any longer.

*He was thrown _____.

*He is called the _____ and _____.

*He is also known as the one who _____ the whole world.

*He was thrown to the earth.

How does Satan deceive us today?

2 Corinth. 4:4; 2 Corinth. 11:14

#3 He is an _____ : Job 1:9-11

What happened immediately after Satan and his angels were banished from heaven? Revelation 12:10-12

How did the dragon respond and what observations do you notice in verses 13-17?

*He persecuted the _____ who had given birth to the male child.

*The woman was given _____ of a great eagle, so that she could _____ from the serpent's presence.

*She was nourished for time, times, and half a time. (3 1/2 years)

*He tried to destroy her with _____ from his mouth, but the _____ swallowed it up.

*He was furious and went to wage war against the rest of her _____, those who keep the commands of God, and hold firmly to the testimony of Jesus Christ.

Knowing that Satan will attack us, how should reading this chapter encourage us today? 1 John 2:1-2

*With _____ praise and worship to God the Father!

*Why? Because we have been _____ by the blood of Jesus!

“Remember, you are not fighting for victory, but from victory, for Jesus Christ has already defeated Satan!”