

The Counterfeit Trinity pt 2

Various Scriptures

"If anyone has ears to hear, let him listen. If anyone is to be taken captive into captivity he goes. If anyone is to be killed with a sword, with a sword he will be killed. This calls for endurance and faithfulness from the saints." -Revelation 13:9-12

How would you define the nature and character of the Antichrist to someone today?

*A vicious killing _____ who is also a _____ .

*A world _____ .

Cross references: Daniel 7:19-25; 2 Thess. 2:3-11; Rev. 13:16-17

Common mistakes to avoid when reading the book of Revelation:

- Not starting from the beginning:
John makes references to the OT. (Rev. 6:10/Deut. 32:42; Rev. 17:5-6/Jer. 3:1)
- Misunderstanding the phrase "last days". This also means, "latter days" or "days to come."
- Taking the symbolic as literal and literal as symbolic. (Rev. 9:16-17 vs. Rev. 1:4)
- Forcing the USA in the scriptures.

The Beast from the Sea (Antichrist) Revelation 13:1-10

As you read these verses about the beast from the sea, what are some key observations?

The Summoning of the Beast: Revelation 13:1

*The dragon standing at the _____ of the sea, and John sees a beast coming out of the sea.

Who is the dragon? _____; Who is the beast? _____

Many suggest the beast coming out of the sea is a possible reference of the Antichrist coming from the gentiles. (Dan. 7:2-3)

The Sight of the Beast: Revelation 13:2-3

*The beast had _____ horns, _____ heads, and _____ crowns on its horns.

*There were also _____ crowns and blasphemous names were written on each head.

*His appearance was like a _____, it's feet were like _____ and its mouth was like a _____ mouth.

*One of his heads had been mortally _____ and his deadly wound was _____.

What is the significance of the horns and heads? Dan. 7:24

10 horns = 10 _____ who will rise from his kingdom.

The number ten is one that symbolizes human totality in military and political power-offensively and defensively to attack and protect. This will be a one world government.

Another point about one of the heads being wounded, is one of the nations in his kingdom will be destroyed but revived.

As you consider Satan's influence in this world, what is one thing you could share with your family and friends to make them aware?

John 8:44; Ephesians 2:2; 2 Corinthians 4:4

The Strength of the Beast: Revelation 13:2c,4,7-8

The dragon gave the beast his power, his throne, and great authority. In light of this, the people _____ the dragon and they _____ the beast.

They said, "Who is like the beast?" "Who is able to make war with him?"

What is one thing Satan wants to have more than God?

Isaiah 14:12-14; Luke 4:5-8

The Speech of the Beast: Revelation 13:5-6

*The beast was given a _____ to utter boast and blasphemies.

*It was _____ to exercise authority for 42 months or _____ years.

*It began to speak blasphemies against _____: to blaspheme his _____ and his _____ - those who dwell in heaven.

What does blaspheme mean?

Greek Word Blasphemia: slander, evil speaking, railing; slow to call something good that really is good; slow to identify what is truly bad that really is bad; switch right for wrong; exchange the truth of God for a lie. To speak harmfully, abusive in such a way to injure another persons good name.

Blaspheme: is to deliberately and directly speak with contempt about God or to be defiantly irreverent.

In the Old Testament, blasphemy was a serious crime in the law of Moses that resulted in public stoning.

Jesus was accused of blasphemy on more than one occasion by the religious leaders of his time.

What are some ways the spirit of the Antichrist blaspheme the church/God's people today?

Why is it important for God's people to speak words of healing and love for one another?

The Endurance of the Saints: Revelation 13:9-10

This is a call to...

* _____ captivity

* _____ martyrdom

*Have _____ and _____ from the saints.

What is one thing you learned today that you are willing to share with someone else?

**“Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us.”
-Hebrews 12:1**