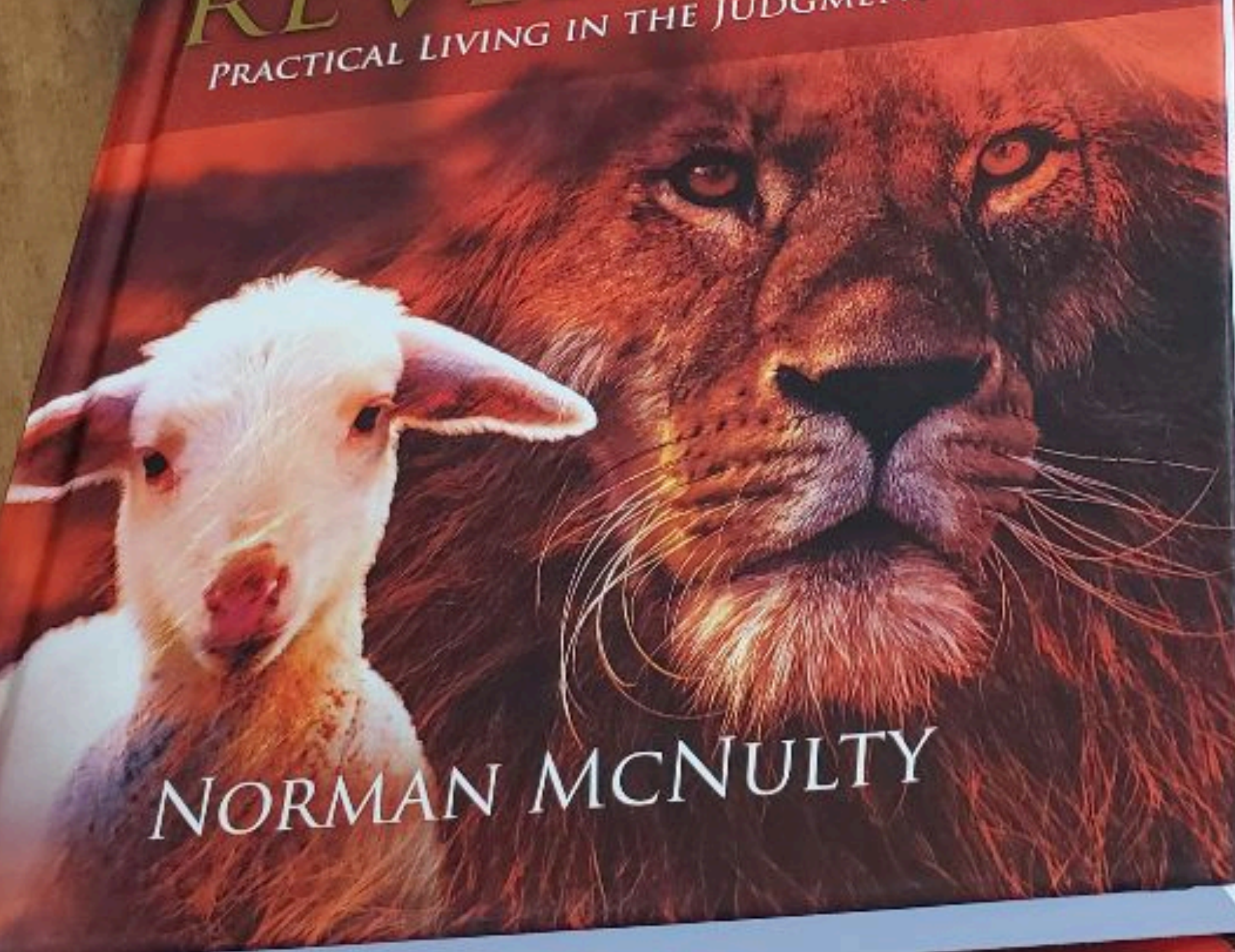


The False Prophet Speaks as a Dragon

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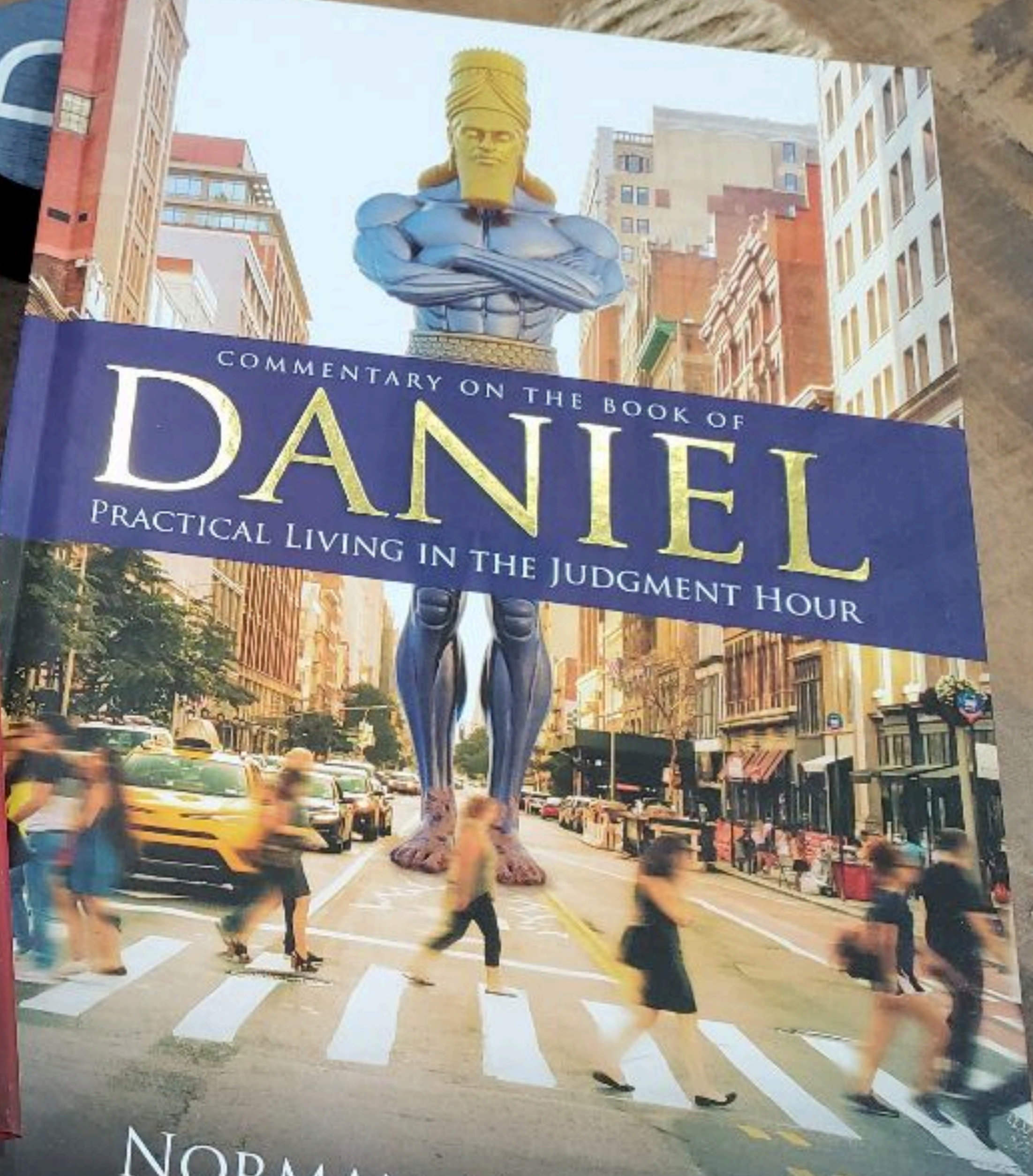
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Speaking as a Dragon

- **Revelation 13:11**
- **And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.**



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Speaking as a Dragon

- **Second Beast of Revelation 13**
- **Beast comes out of the earth (unpopulated area - see Rev. 17:15)**
- **The word for coming up means to grow like a plant.**
- **A beast = a kingdom**
- **See Daniel 7:1-8**
- **Daniel 7:17, 23**



Two Horns Like a Lamb

- **Lamb = Jesus (see John 1:29; Rev. 5:6; Rev. 13:8; 14:1, 4; 17:14)**
- **Horns in Scripture represent power (Deut. 33:17; 1 Sam. 2:10; 1 Kings 22:11; Hab. 3:3, 4)**
- **Horns do not have crowns like first beast of Rev. 13**
- **Horns like lamb = kingdom with Christian principles**



Protestant America

Constitutional Republic

- **First beast of Revelation 13 received its power from the dragon**
- **Second beast has two horns like a lamb**
- **Comes up out of the earth in 1798**
- **Only nation that meets this criteria is the United States of America**



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Constitutional Republic

- **First beast of Revelation 13 had crowns on the horns indicating that the kings of the earth were united with corrupt Catholic Christianity**
- **Second beast does not have crowns, indicating a separation of church and state**
- **Christian principles that give power to the nation are Protestant**



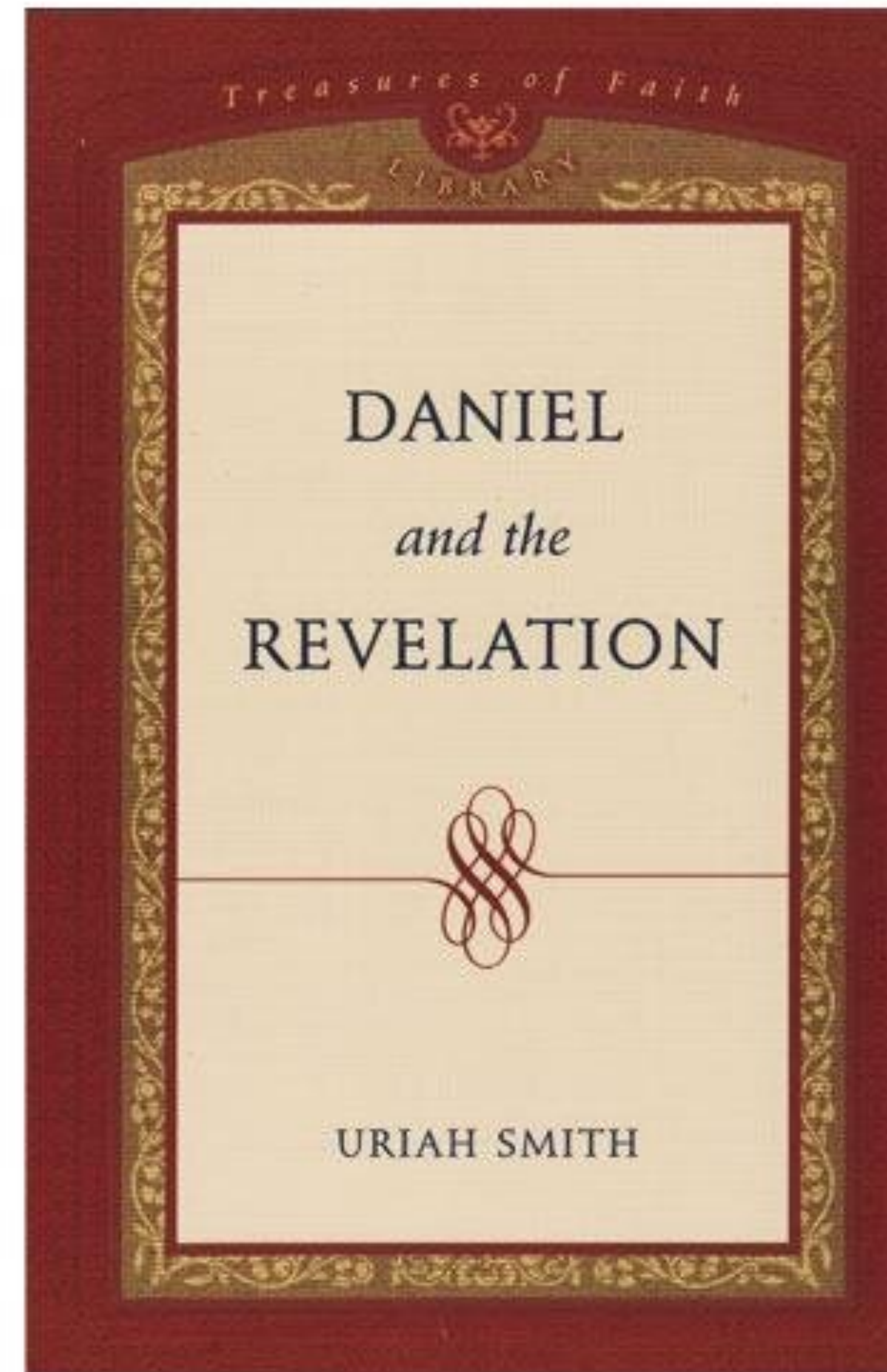
Republicanism and Protestantism became the fundamental principles of the nation. These principles are the secret of its power and prosperity. The oppressed and downtrodden throughout Christendom have turned to this land with interest and hope. Millions have sought its shores, and the United States has risen to a place among the most powerful nations of the earth.

— GC 441

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Constitutional Republic

- Those who came to America were looking for a country where there was “a church without a pope, and a state without a king.”
- Uriah Smith, *Daniel and the Revelation*, p. 580



Protestant America

Greatest Nation on Earth

- Land of the Free
- Home of the Brave
- Land of Civil and Religious Liberty
- From this territory, the three angels' messages have spread around the globe.



Spake As A Dragon

From Christ to Satan

- **Dragon = Satan**
- **Nation speaks through its laws**
- **Protestant America speaks like the dragon, Satan**
- **How does the dragon speak?**



Speaking As A Dragon

The First Beast of Revelation 13

- **Revelation 13:2**
- **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.**



Mouth of the First Beast

Speaks as Babylon

- **Mouth of a Lion**
- **Lion = Babylon (Dan. 7:4)**
- **Speaks by the authority of the dragon, Satan.**
- **How does the dragon speak?**



Speaking As A Dragon

Mouth Speaking Blasphemies

- Revelation 13:5, 6
- 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. (Rev. 13:5)
- And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. (Rev. 13:6)



The First Beast of Revelation 13

- Composite of the four beasts of Daniel 7, including the little horn.
- Babylon - defiance of God's word (Dan. 3); pride (Dan. 4), false worship (Dan. 3 and 5)
- Medo-Persia - infallibility (Dan. 6; book of Esther)
- Greece - human reason above word of God
- Rome - persecution



The Little Horn of Daniel 7

- The little horn of Daniel 7 = the first beast of Revelation 13
- Mouth speaking great things four times in Daniel 7 (Dan. 7:8, 11, 20, 25)
- First beast of Revelation 13 has a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies (Rev. 13:5)
- Persecutes for 1260 years (Dan. 7:25; Rev. 13:5)



Great Words of the Little Horn

- **Daniel 7:25**
- **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.**



Great Words Against the Law

- **Speak great words against the Most High**
- **Think to change times and laws**
- **The papacy claimed the power to change the day of worship**
- **It received its authority to do so from the dragon**



The Dragon Speaks Against the Law

- The dragon gave authority to the papacy to pass laws that went against the law of God
- When Protestant America speaks as a dragon, what does it say??
- **National Sunday Law**



The lamblike horns and dragon voice of the symbol point to a striking contradiction between the professions and the practice of the nation thus represented. The “speaking” of the nation is the action of its legislative and judicial authorities. By such action it will give the lie to those liberal and peaceful principles which it has put forth as the foundation of its policy.

— GC 442

The prediction that it will speak “as a dragon” and exercise “all the power of the first beast” plainly foretells a development of the spirit of intolerance and persecution that was manifested by the nations represented by the dragon and the leopardlike beast. And the statement that the beast with two horns “causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast” indicates that the authority of this nation is to be exercised in enforcing some observance which shall be an act of homage to the papacy.

— GC 442

By the decree enforcing the institution of the papacy in violation of the law of God, our nation will disconnect herself fully from righteousness. When Protestantism shall stretch her hand across the gulf to grasp the hand of the Roman power, when she shall reach over the abyss to clasp hands with spiritualism, when, under the influence of this threefold union, our country shall repudiate every principle of its Constitution as a Protestant and republican government, and shall make provision for the propagation of papal falsehoods and delusions, then we may know that the time has come for the marvelous working of Satan and that the end is near.

Image to the Beast

- **Image = a likeness of the first beast**
- **First beast = papacy, which is union of church and state**
- **Image to the beast is a union of church and state.**
- **This image is made by apostate Protestant America (Rev. 13:14)**

Mark of the Beast

- **Mark of the beast = a mark of its authority**
- **The first beast demonstrated its authority by claiming to have power to change the Sabbath to Sunday**
- **The mark of the beast is enforced Sunday worship**

Fire From Heaven

False Prophet

- **Fire came from heaven to affirm that the Lord is God of Israel and that Elijah was His prophet (1 Kings 18:36-39)**
- **A miracle alone is not evidence that a prophet is true (Deut. 13:1-5)**



Fire From Heaven

False Prophet

- The miracles are designed to deceive people into receiving the mark of the beast.
- These miracles, which are spiritualism, are done in the sight of the beast (Rev. 13:14; 19:20)
- As a result of the miracles leading people to break God's law, Protestant America becomes the false prophet



Through the two great errors, the immortality of the soul and Sunday sacredness, Satan will bring the people under his deceptions. While the former lays the foundation of spiritualism, the latter creates a bond of sympathy with Rome. The Protestants of the United States will be foremost in stretching their hands across the gulf to grasp the hand of spiritualism; they will reach over the abyss to clasp hands with the Roman power; and under the influence of this threefold union, this country will follow in the steps of Rome in trampling on the rights of conscience.

— GC 588

When Protestant churches shall unite with the secular power to sustain a false religion, for opposing which their ancestors endured the fiercest persecution, then will the papal sabbath be enforced by the combined authority of church and state. There will be a national apostasy, which will end only in national ruin.

— LDE 134.3

Stages of the Sunday Law

- **Stage 1: Refrain From Working on Sunday – 9T 232, 233; CT 550, 551**
- **Stage 2: Honor Sunday but still worship on Sabbath – GC 608**
- **Stage 3: Cannot worship on Sabbath, only Sunday; fines and imprisonment imposed – GC 607**
- **Stage 4: Death penalty to those who worship on Sabbath and disregard Sunday – Rev. 13:15-17; GC 604, 621, 635**

Protestant America Part of Babylon

- **Protestants have promoted Sunday sacredness since the beginning of this nation**
- **They also promote spiritualism through their understanding of the state of the dead**
- **They promote a false gospel that the law cannot be fully kept**
- **What triggers a push for the Sunday law?**



**In both the Old and the New
World, the papacy will receive
homage in the honor paid to the
Sunday institution, that rests solely
upon the authority of the Roman
Church.**

— GC 578.3

Since the middle of the nineteenth century, students of prophecy in the United States have presented this testimony to the world. In the events now taking place is seen a rapid advance toward the fulfillment of the prediction. With Protestant teachers there is the same claim of divine authority for Sundaykeeping, and the same lack of Scriptural evidence, as with the papal leaders who fabricated miracles to supply the place of a command from God. The assertion that God's judgments are visited upon men for their violation of the Sunday-sabbath, will be repeated; already it is beginning to be urged. And a movement to enforce Sunday observance is fast gaining ground.

— GC 579.1

This time is right upon us. The Spirit of God is being withdrawn from the earth. When the angel of mercy folds her wings and departs, Satan will do the evil deeds he has long wished to do. Storm and tempest, war and bloodshed,—in these things he delights, and thus he gathers in his harvest. And so completely will men be deceived by him that **they will declare that these calamities are the result of the desecration of the first day of the week.**

— *Review and Herald*, September 17, 1901, par. 9

From the pulpits of the popular churches will be heard the statement that the world is being punished because Sunday is not honored as it should be. And it will require no great stretch of imagination for men to believe this. They are guided by the enemy, and therefore they reach conclusions which are entirely false.

— *Review and Herald*, September 17, 1901, par. 9

Sunday and the False Gospel

- **Sunday legislation that is pushed by Protestant America is an admission that the evangelical gospel is not strong enough to change people**
- **They appeal to the strong arm of the state**
- **It is a denial of the true gospel of Jesus Christ that is everlasting**
- **The gospel of Christ produces the righteousness of Christ within; the evangelical gospel leads to the mark of the beast**

Project 2025

Headed Towards Sunday Rest?

“God ordained the Sabbath [Sunday] as a day of rest, and until very recently the Judeo-Christian tradition sought to honor that mandate by moral and legal regulation of work on that day.”

“Congress should encourage communal rest by amending the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) to require that workers be paid time and-a-half for hours worked on the Sabbath.”

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An Appeal

- **We are not Seventh-day Democrats**
- **We are not Seventh-day Republicans**
- **We are not Seventh-day Evangelicals**
- **We are not Seventh-day Americans**
- **We are Seventh-day Adventists**

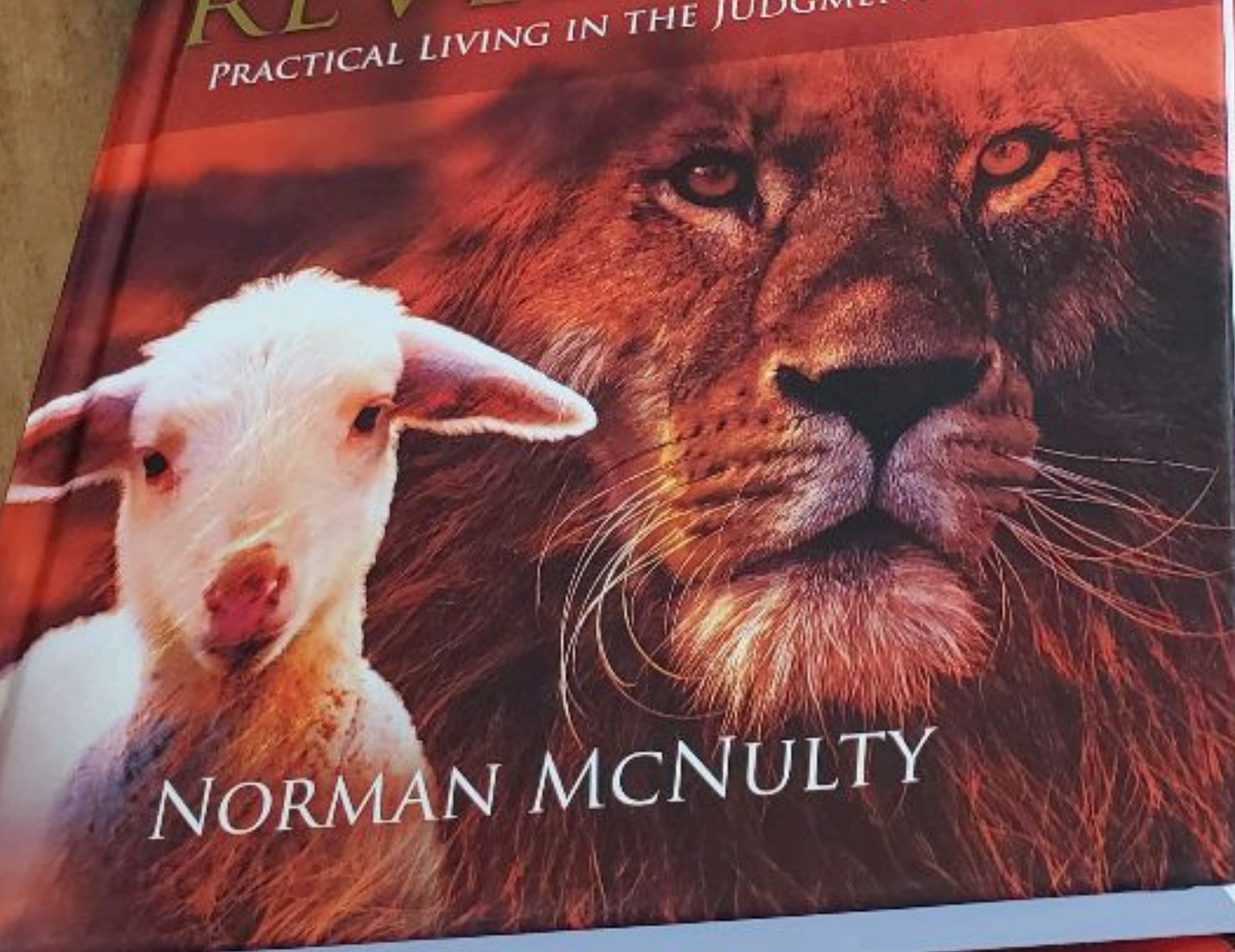


An Appeal

- **We should not be following Joe Biden or Donald Trump**
- **We should be following Jesus Christ from the cross to the most holy place of the heavenly sanctuary**
- **Our work is to proclaim the three angels' messages and to be separate from the dragon, the beast, and the false prophet!**

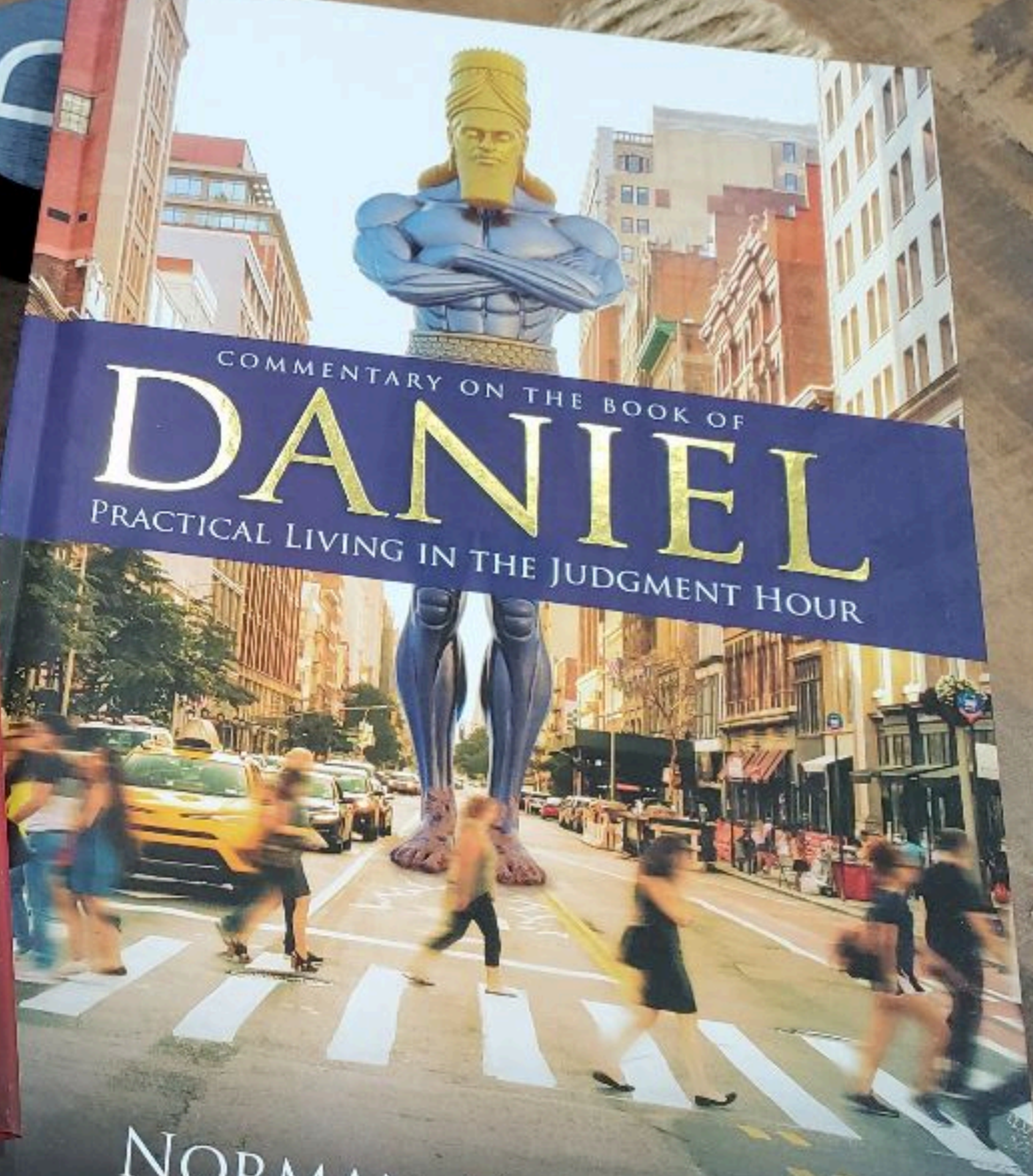


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