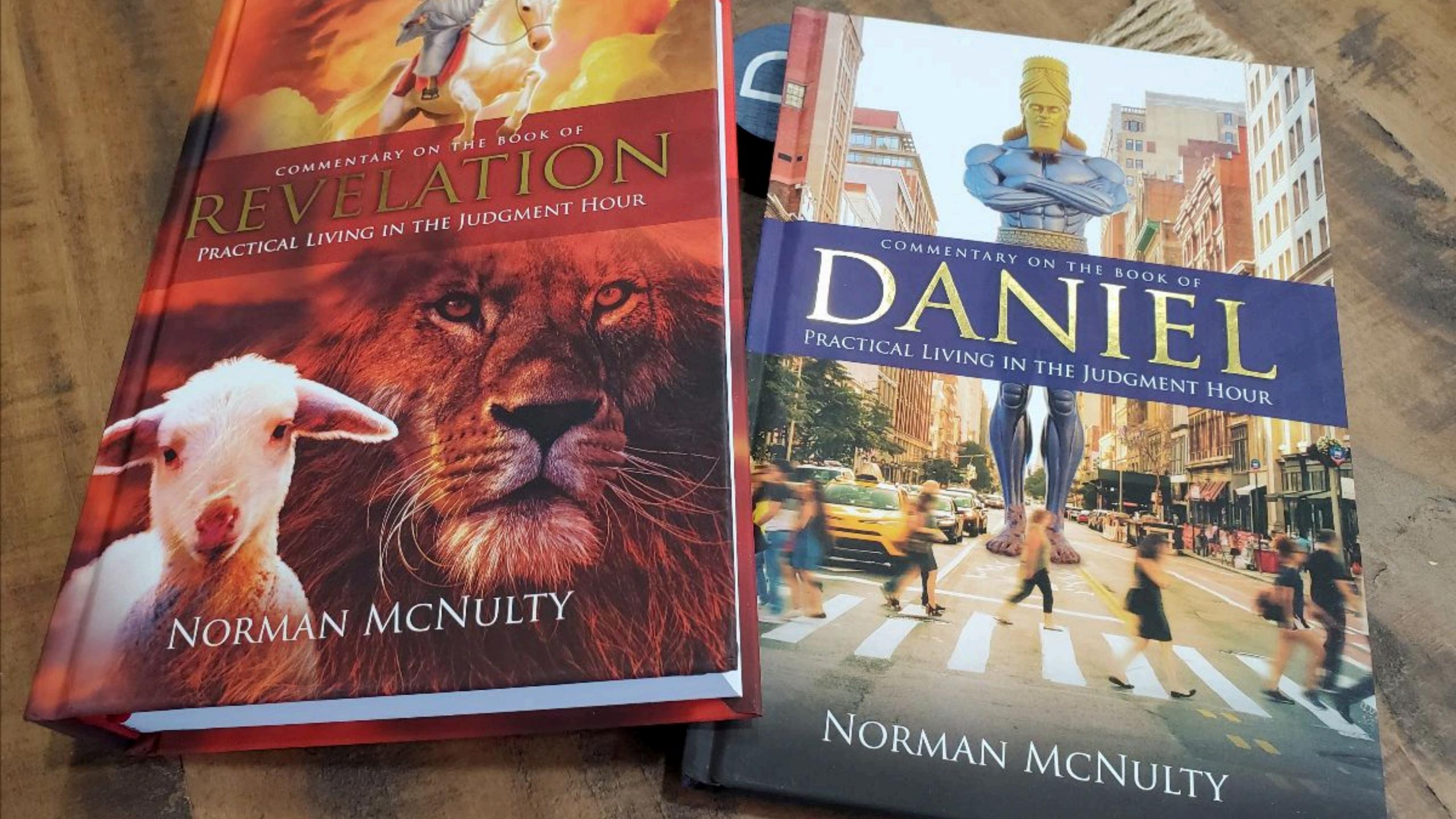
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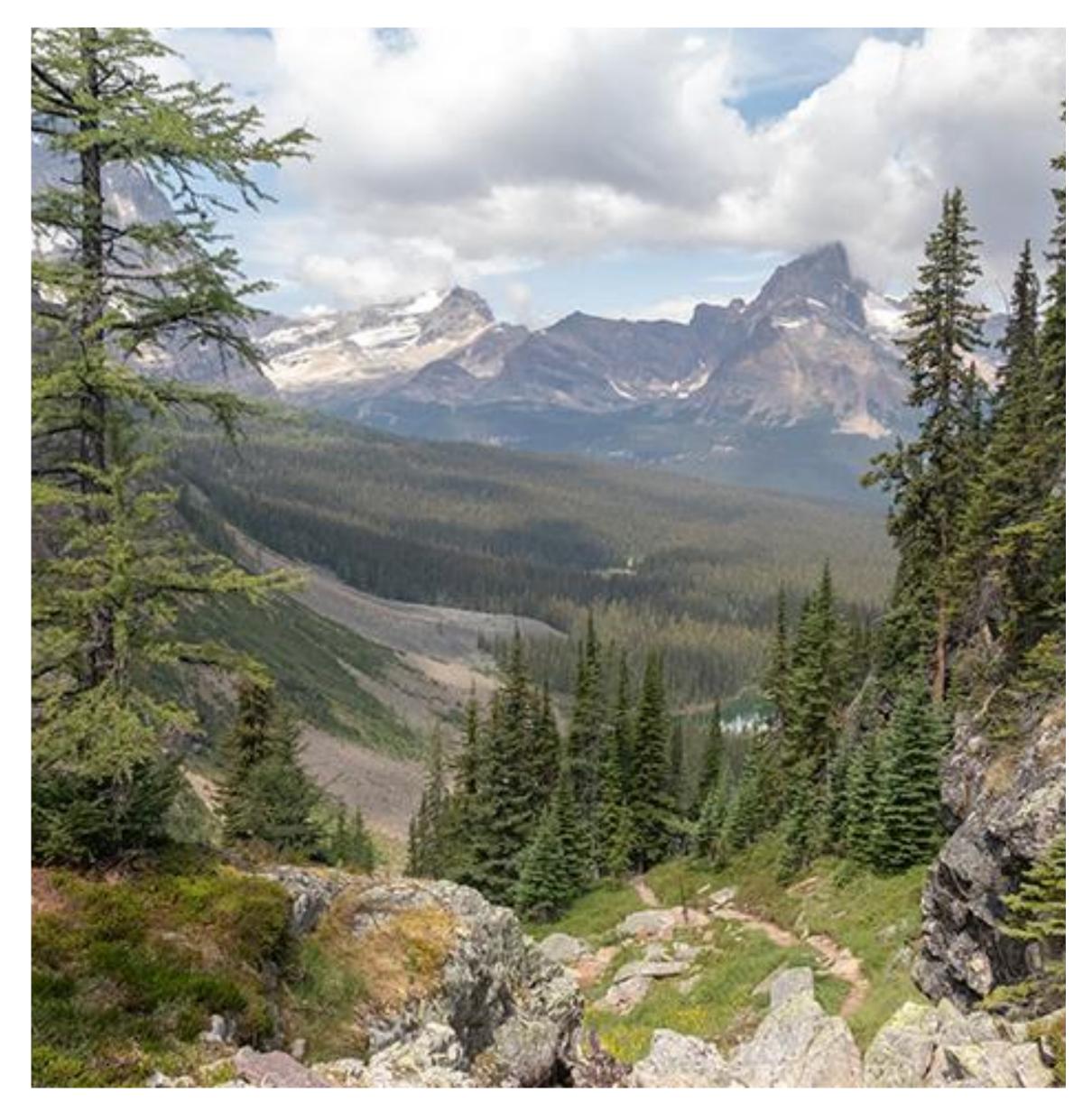
Judgment of the Harlot

- Revelation 17:1, 2
- Judgment of the great harlot
- Harlot = Babylon
- Sits upon many waters = influence over the people of the world
- Kings of the earth committed fornication; inhabitants of the earth made drunk



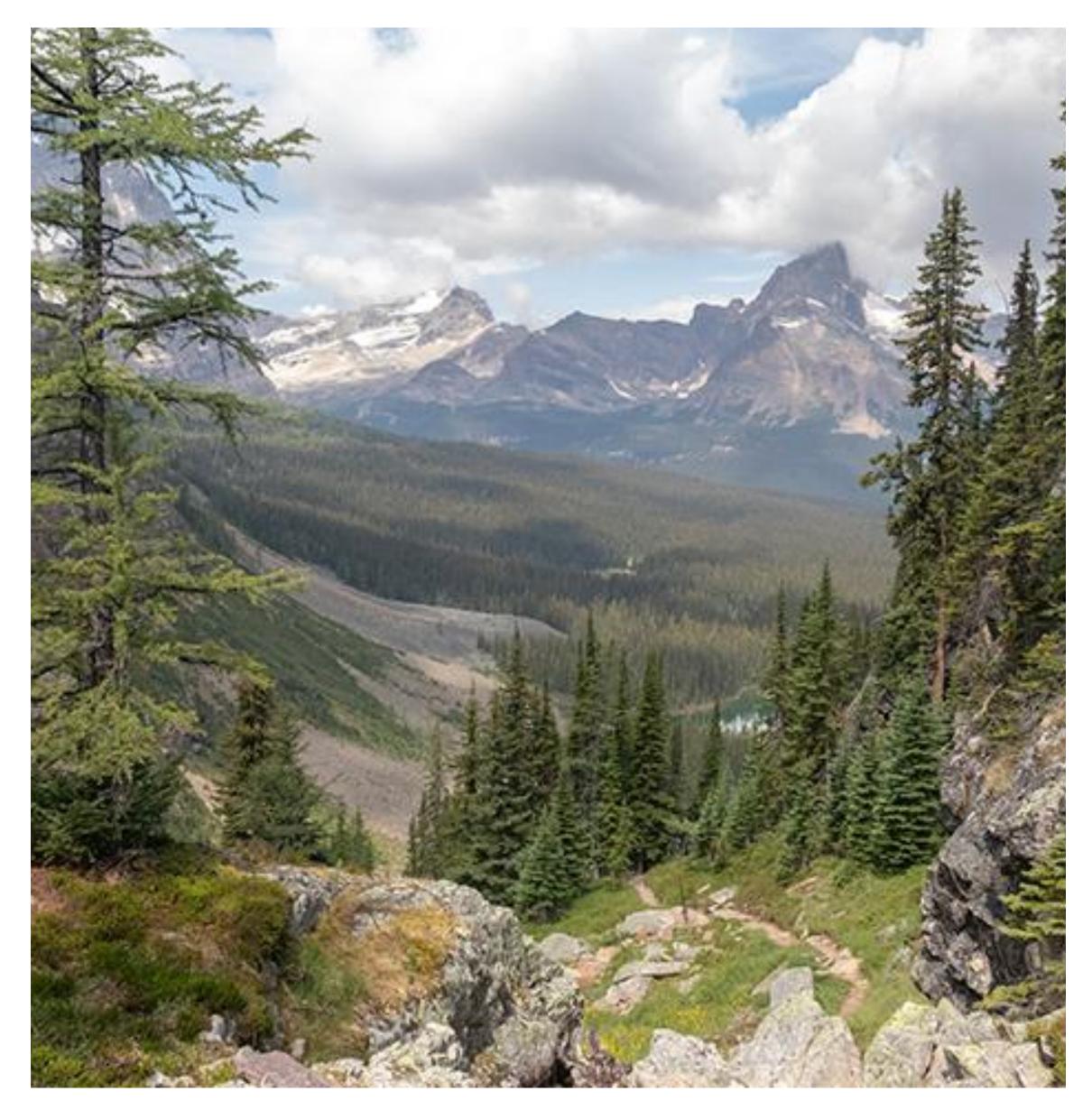
Carried Away in the Spirit into the Wilderness

- Revelation 17:3 vs. Revelation 21:10 (Babylon vs. Jerusalem)
- Carried into the wilderness
- Wilderness seen in Rev. 12:6, 14
- Location where church fled for protection from persecution during 1260 years
- John is not taken back in time to the 1260 years



Carried Away in the Spirit into the Wilderness

- Protestant America was the earth, or wilderness, that swallowed up the flood of persecution for God's people
- John is taken to America to see the judgment of the great harlot
- It is from America that a three-fold union is formed and an image to the beast is made
- Thus, judgment comes



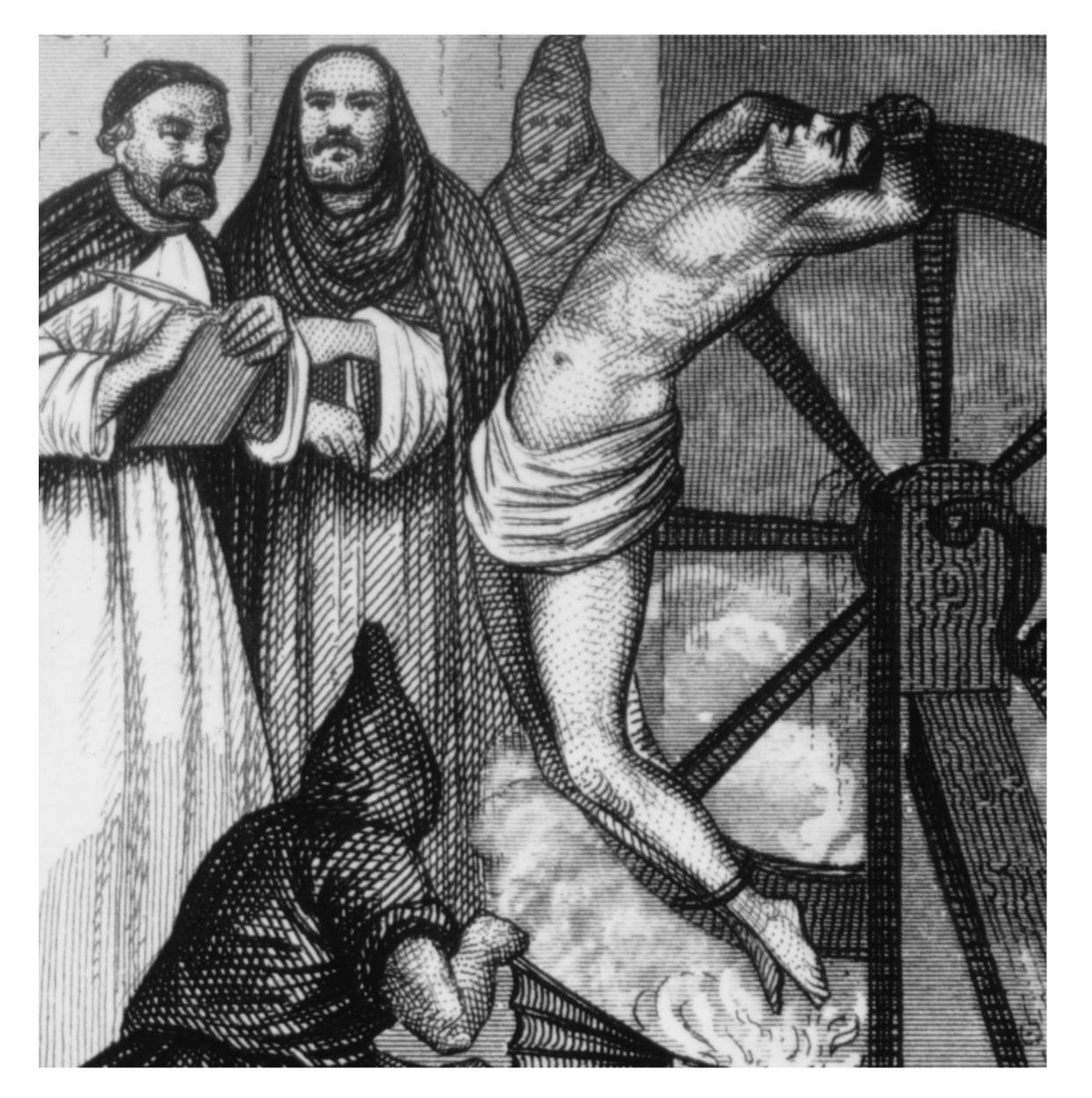
Mother of Harlots

- The Mother Harlot is the papacy
- The daughter harlots are the fallen Protestant churches
- The papacy and the Protestant churches are all harlots and constitute Babylon
- They have united with the kings of the earth in a Sunday law, thus committing fornication
- Babylon's sins have reached unto heaven (Rev. 18:5)



Drunken With Blood of Saints

- The papacy is guilty of persecution during the 1260 years
- There is also persecution after the deadly wound is healed at the time of the Sunday law
- John looks at the harlot with great astonishment



Woman Sits on the Beast

- The woman = the religious aspect of the papacy
- The beast = the political aspect of the papacy
- Beast is full of names of blasphemy (Rev. 13:5, 6; 17:3)
- Beast has seven heads and ten horns



The Mystery of the Beast

- Revelation 17:8
- The beast was (until deadly wound)
- The beast is not (after deadly wound)
- The beast shall ascend out of the bottomless pit (deadly wound healed)
- Beast goes into perdition
- They that dwell on the earth shall wonder (see also Rev. 13:3 - all the world wondered after the beast)



Past vs. Present Deadly Wound

- Beast was until 1798
- One of his heads wounded to death - Revelation 13:3 (fifth head wounded)
- Beast is not presently
- Beast shall ascend when the deadly wound is healed
- All the earth shall wonder



Past vs. Present in Revelation 17

- 1798 is the dividing line between the past and the present in Revelation 17
- The beast lost its power over the kings of the earth with the deadly wound
- Thus, the 10 horns do not have crowns upon them in Revelation 17
- The present time in Revelation 17 is from when the deadly wound is delivered in 1798 to when the deadly wound is healed with the passing of the Sunday law in the future

Past	Present	Future
Beast Was	Beast Is Not	Beast Shall Ascend
Five Are Fallen	One Is	Not Yet Come
Deadly Wound	Beast in Wounded State	Wound Fully Healed Sunday Law

Seven Mountains Seven Kingdoms

- Revelation 17:9 Mind that has wisdom
- Rome is a city that sits on seven hills
- However, a mountain in Bible prophecy
 a kingdom (Dan. 2:35, 44, 45)
- The seven mountains = seven kingdoms
- The woman sits on the seven mountains (she has authority and influence over these seven kingdoms)



Seven Heads Seven Kings

- The seven heads are seven kings
- Kings in prophecy = kingdoms; see Daniel 7:17, 23
- The seven heads are the same as the seven mountains and are seven kingdoms
- Who are the seven kingdoms?



The Seven Kingdoms

- Seven Kingdoms
- Five are fallen; five kingdoms until 1798
- Who are the first five kingdoms?
- We remember that the beast of Revelation 13 has seven heads and ten horns and is a composite of the beasts of Daniel 7
- "The books of Daniel and the Revelation are one. One is a prophecy, the other a revelation; one a book sealed, the other a book opened." — 19 MR 320

Five Are Fallen

- 1. Babylon (605 539 BC)
- 2. Medo-Persia (539 331 BC)
- 3. Greece (331 168 BC)
- 4. Pagan Rome (168 BC AD 476)
- 5. Papal Rome (AD 538 AD 1798)
- Deadly Wound in 1798 to the fifth head of the beast (papacy)



First Five Kingdoms (Heads) of the Beast

- The harlot sits on each of these kings and controls them and receives support from them
- In what way do these first five kingdoms support Babylon?
- Babylon false worship (Dan. 3); pride (Dan. 4); union of sacred/profane (Dan. 5)
- Medo-Persia laws cannot be changed = infallibility (Dan. 6; Esther)
- Greece human tradition above word of God
- Pagan Rome persecution
- Papal Rome combines aspects of the first four kingdoms; has the mouth of a lion in Revelation 13

The Sixth Head

- Five are fallen, and one is Rev.
 17:10
- Who succeeds the papacy as the next kingdom of the beast?
- This is the sixth head
- It is the present kingdom of the beast in its wounded state from 1798 to the Sunday law in the future
- Protestant United States of America



The Sixth Head

- How does Protestant America fit the role as the sixth head?
- The harlot sits upon America
- She is Babylon, mother of harlots
- America is Protestant but became part of Babylon in 1844
- The theology of the harlot churches of Protestant America paves the way for the resurrection of the papacy



The Seventh Head

- The Seventh Head is the kingdom that succeeds the Protestant United States
- This kingdom is future
- Rev. 17:10 "the other (7th) is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space
- This coincides with the resurrection of the beast and the healing of the deadly wound



The Future in Revelation 17

- Revelation 17:8 Beast shall ascend and go into perdition; they who dwell on the earth shall wonder
- This is the healing of the deadly wound (Rev. 13:3 "and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.")
- Rev. 17:10 There are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.
- Rev. 17:12 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. (Notice that kingdom is singular and the kingdom is future)

The Seventh Head

- The Ten Horns are the kings of the earth that form the seventh head, or the seventh kingdom
- Ten is a universal number and represents all the kings of the earth uniting with Protestant America and the papacy when the image to the beast is formed and the Sunday law is passed
- They unite with the beast for one hour (see Rev. 18:8 - one day; Rev. 18:10 - one hour)



The Eighth

- Rev. 17:11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition
- Before you get to eight, you have to have seven
- The eighth is the resurrected papacy and is of the seven because he is the fifth head as well
- The head that was wounded is resurrected and comes back as the eighth



These Have One Mind

- Rev. 17:13; The 10 horns have one mind
- They give their power and strength unto the beast
- Kings of the earth (the ten horns)
 commit fornication with Babylon (Rev.
 18:3) with image to the beast and NSL
- The beast receives its power, seat, and authority from the dragon - Rev. 13:2 (Satan).
- One mind between the beast and the kings of the earth is satanic



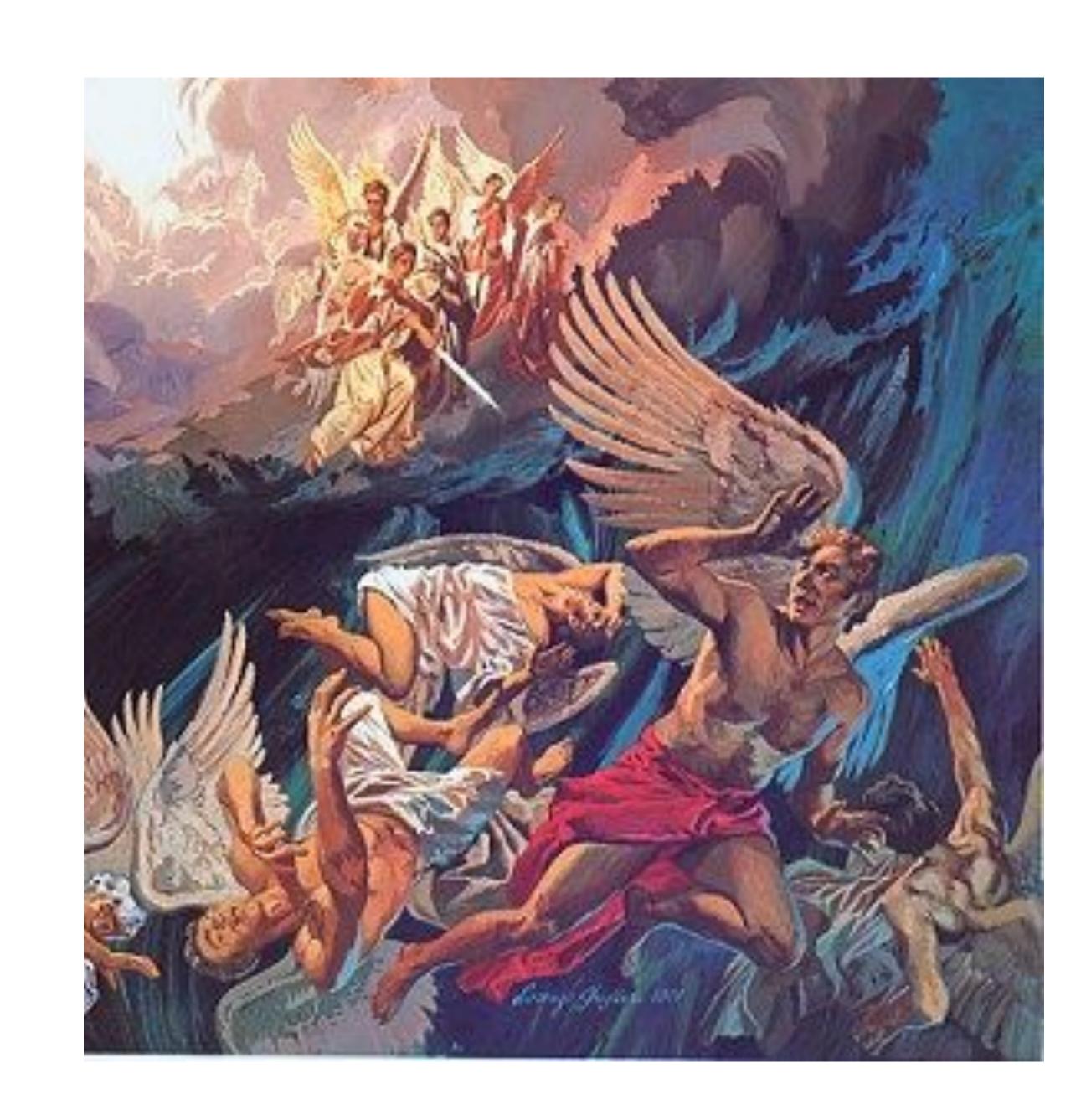
Making War With the Lamb

- Dan. 7:25 the papacy spoke great words against the Most High and thought to change the law of God
- Babylon's sins reach heaven with the Sunday law (LDE 198)
- The Sunday law, that the world unites upon, is war against the Lamb



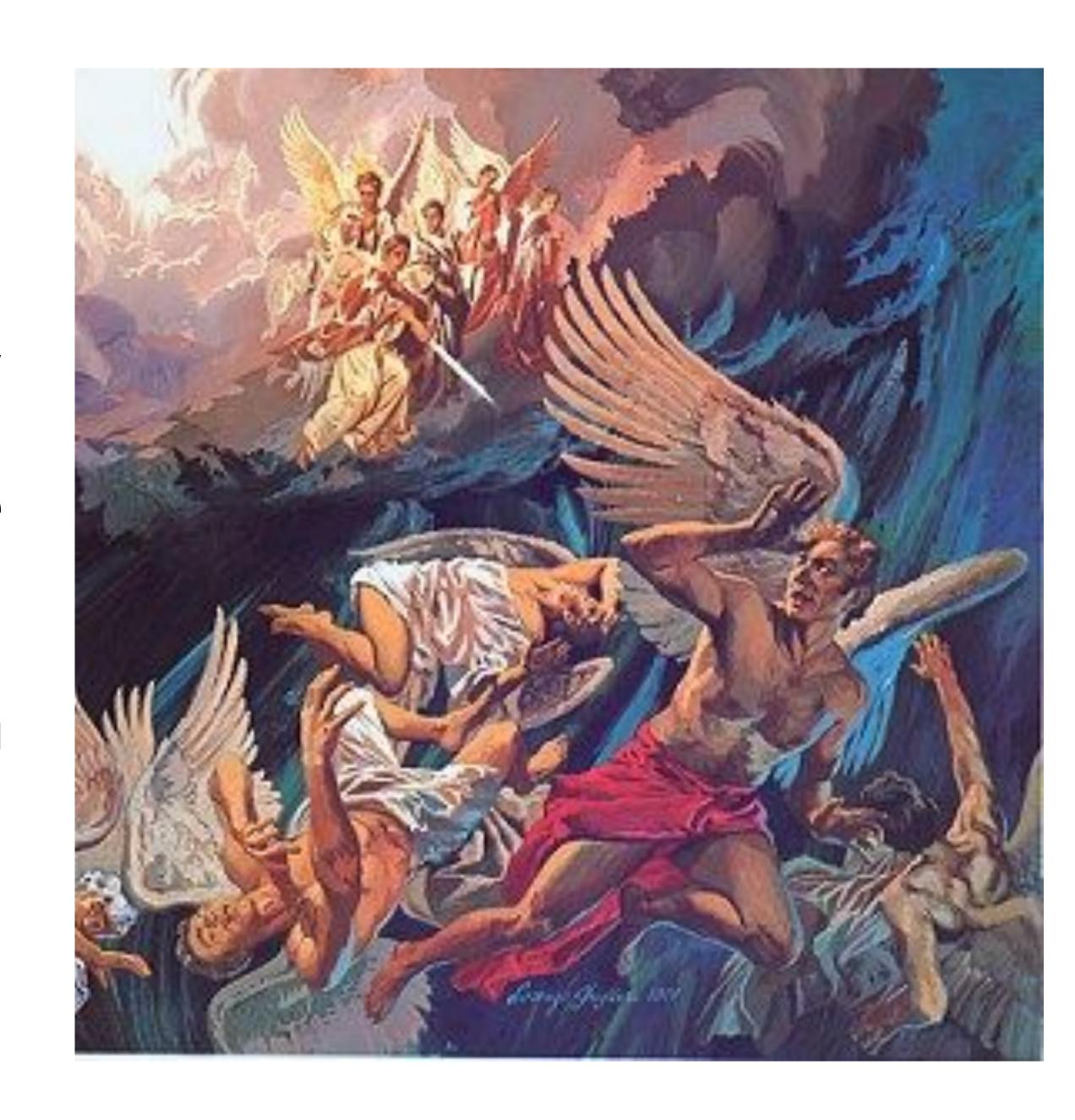
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- War in Revelation; war in heaven and earth
- Revelation 12:7, 17; Greek for "war" is *polemos*
- Revelation 17:14; Greek for "war" is *polemeo*
- Both mean "to be engaged in warfare, i.e. to battle (literally or figuratively)



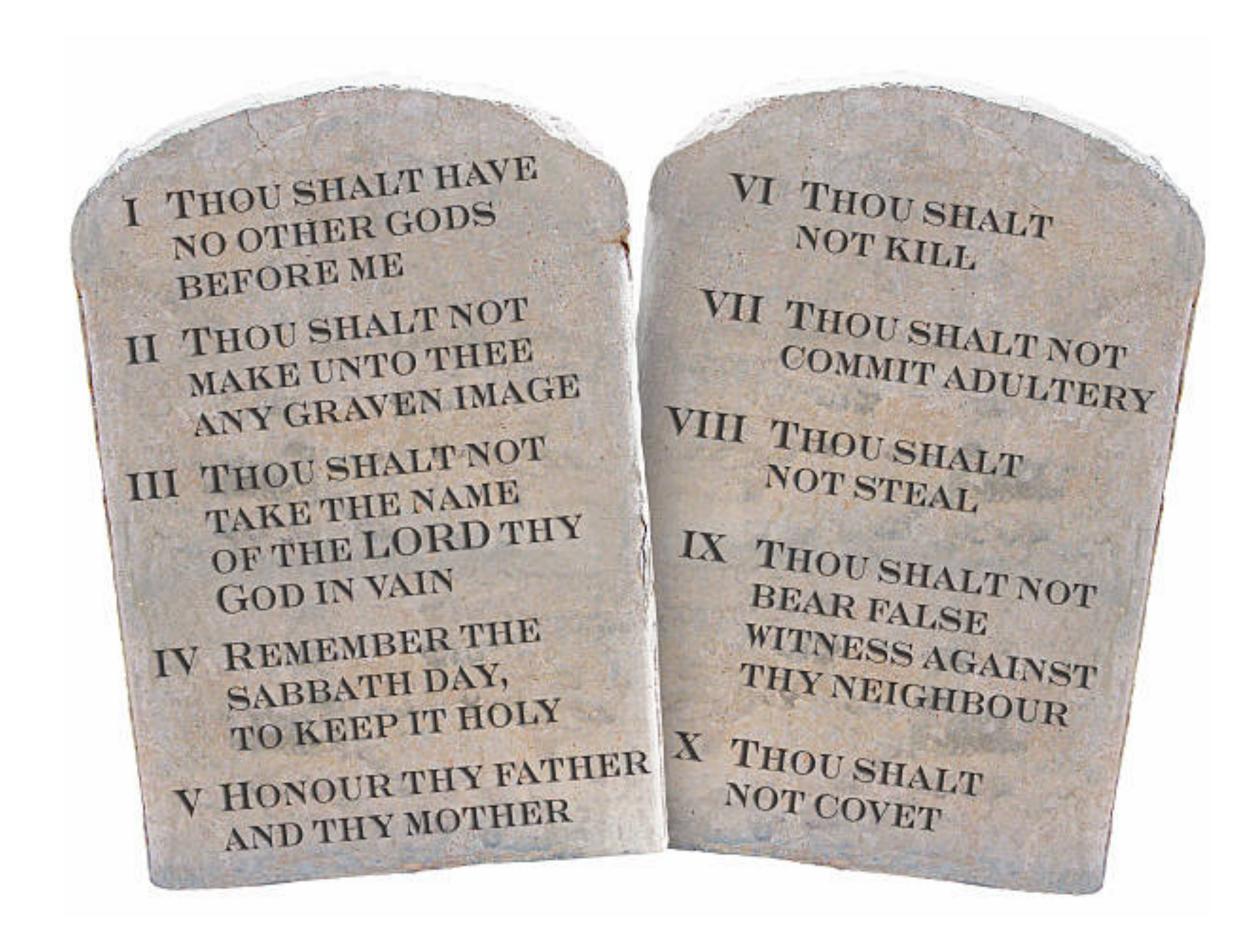
The Final War

- The war began in heaven as a polemical fight over God's government and law
- Satan was prepared to use force if necessary
- The war came to this earth
- The dragon targets the remnant who keep the commandments of God



War Against the Law

- The remnant who keep the law are a key obstacle in Satan's argument that God's law cannot be kept
- He uses sophisticated arguments against the law of God
- Obedience = legalism
- Law was nailed to the cross



The Sunday Law

- The Sunday Law is Satan working through the beast and the kings of the earth to make war with the Lamb
- The Sunday Law is an attack against the law of God, the government of God, and God's people who keep the law of God
- The Sunday Law is an escalation of coercion until eventually a death decree is made against those who keep God's law

War Against the Lamb

- When war is made against the Lamb, Satan is declaring that God's people will not remain obedient to God's commandments through the Sunday Law crisis
- But the Lamb overcomes!
- How? Revelation 14:4
- These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He goes



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

Seven Last Plagues

- During the seven last plagues, God's people face the death decree
- They also go through Jacob's time of trouble
- God's people are without an intercessor in the sanctuary
- Satan does everything he can to destroy God's people during this time



The "time of trouble, such as never was," is soon to open upon us; and we shall need an experience which we do not now possess and which many are too indolent to obtain. It is often the case that trouble is greater in anticipation than in reality; but this is not true of the crisis before us. The most vivid presentation cannot reach the magnitude of the ordeal. In that time of trial, every soul must stand for himself before God. — GC 622

Now, while our great High Priest is making the atonement for us, we should seek to become perfect in Christ. Not even by a thought could our Saviour be brought to yield to the power of temptation. Satan finds in human hearts some point where he can gain a foothold; some sinful desire is cherished, by means of which his temptations assert their power. But Christ declared of Himself: "The prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in Me." John 14:30. — GC 623

Satan could find nothing in the Son of God that would enable him to gain the victory. He had kept His Father's commandments, and there was no sin in Him that Satan could use to his advantage. This is the condition in which those must be found who shall stand in the time of trouble. — GC 623

The Battle of Armageddon

- The Battle of Armageddon takes place during the seventh plague
- This is when the wicked plan to execute the death decree
- Yet this is when God's people are delivered!
- Their names are found written in the book (Daniel 12:1)



The Battle of Armageddon

- Revelation 19:19: And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army
- Revelation 19:20: And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

Kings of the Earth Turn Against the Harlot

- Revelation 17:16: And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.
- Revelation 17:17: For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.

The people see that they have been deluded. They accuse one another of having led them to destruction; but all unite in heaping their bitterest condemnation upon the ministers. Unfaithful pastors have prophesied smooth things; they have led their hearers to make void the law of God and to persecute those who would keep it holy. Now, in their despair, these teachers confess before the world their work of deception. — GC 655

The multitudes are filled with fury. "We are lost!" they cry, "and you are the cause of our ruin;" and they turn upon the false shepherds. The very ones that once admired them most will pronounce the most dreadful curses upon them. The very hands that once crowned them with laurels will be raised for their destruction. The swords which were to slay God's people are now employed to destroy their enemies. Everywhere there is strife and bloodshed. — GC 655

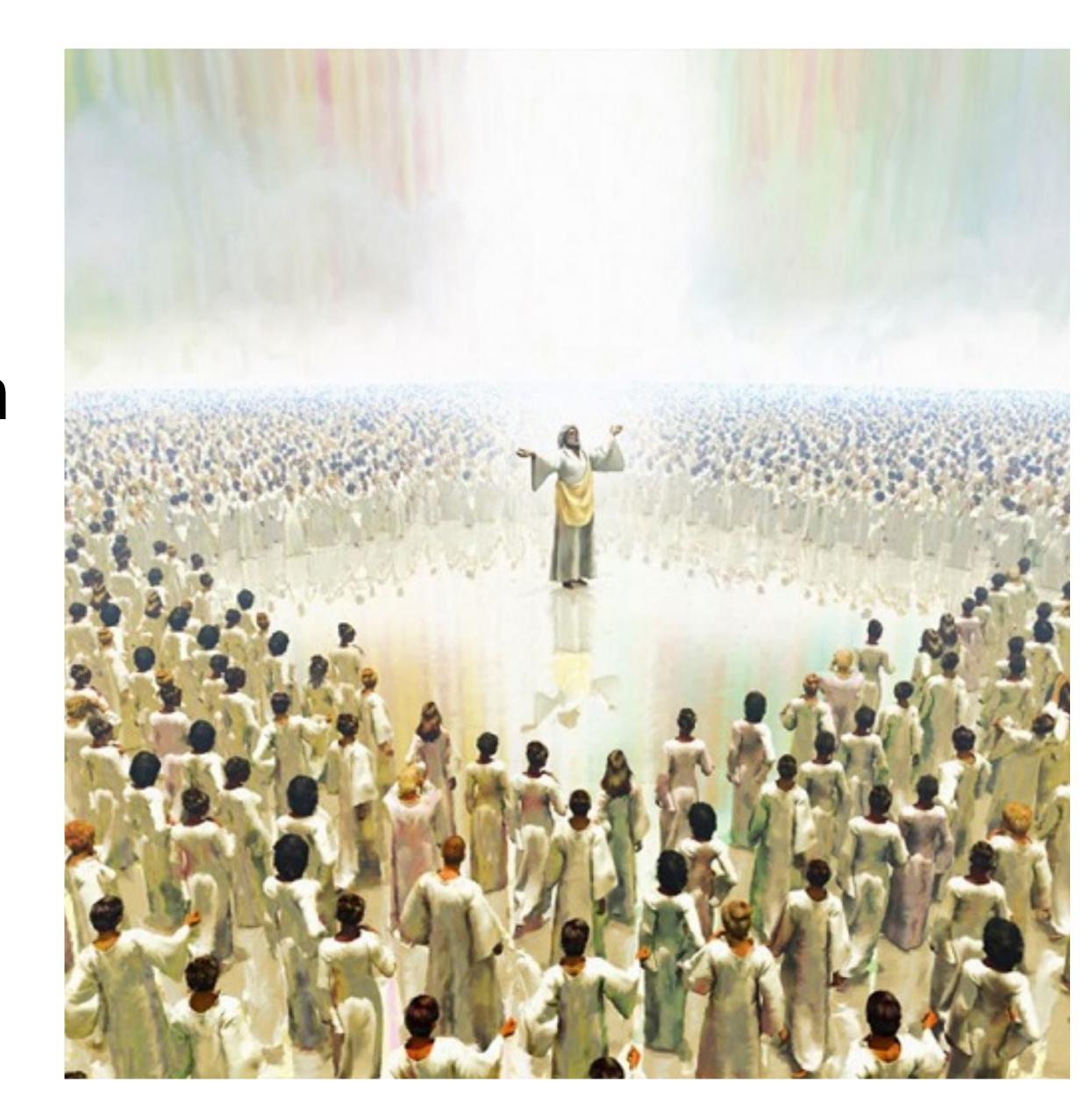
The Lamb Overcomes

- At the darkest hour in this earth, the Lamb overcomes the dragon
- He points to a special people in Revelation 14:12:
- Patience of the saints
- Keep the commandments of God
- Faith of Jesus
- Follow the Lamb whithersoever He goes (Revelation 14:4)



Final Manifestation of Victory

- Revelation 14:1-5
- The Lamb stands on Mt. Zion with the 144,000
- This is the evidence of His victory over Satan and the beast
- Rev. 14:4; "These are not defiled with women; for they are virgins."



Purity of God's People

- Not defiled
- Not drunk with the wine (false teachings) of Babylon
- Taught, and lived by, the pure gospel (Sabbath vs. Sunday)
- Have not joined illicitly with the kings of the earth
- Not engaged in the politics of this earth



The Lamb Overcomes

- Despite the fact that all the world wonders after the beast, there is a remnant that remains faithful
- The faithfulness of the 144,000, through the power of the blood of the Lamb, defeats the beast (Revelation 12:11)
- The Lamb overcomes the beast and Satan



