

The Lamb Beast

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*Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb and he spoke as a dragon. He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence. And he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed. He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth in the presence of men. And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who had the wound of the sword and has come to life. And it was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast would even peak and cause as many as do not worship the image of the beast to be killed. And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand or on their forehead, and he provides that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark, either the name of the beast or the number of his name. **Revelation 13:11-17, NASB***

*And I saw coming out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs; for they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the whole world, to gather them together for the war of the great day of God, the Almighty. **Revelation 16:13, NASB***

*And the beast was seized, and with him the false prophet who performed the signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image; these two were thrown alive into the lake of fire which burns with brimstone. **Revelation 19:20, NASB***

*And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. **Revelation 20:10, NASB***

1. **Revelation 13**, introduces a second beast that plays a supporting role to the Antichrist beast. Scriptures tell us several things about this second beast.
 - a. He is a “beast”, like the mongrel Antichrist-beast of **Revelation 13**
 - b. He comes “out of the earth”.
 - c. He appears as a beast with two horns, like a lamb.
 - d. He speaks like a dragon.
 - e. He is the leader of the Antichrist Beast religion
 - i. He causes an idol of Antichrist-beast to be made. This idol he brings to life, causing it to speak
 - ii. He testifies to the divinity of the Antichrist-beast, compelling everyone to worship him on pain of death

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- iii. He performs wonders, signs, and miracles to validate his claims and to deceive many people into believing his claims about Antichrist-beast.
 - iv. He seems to speak as a prophet for Antichrist-beast; scripture calls him a “false prophet”
 - v. He requires everyone who worships the Antichrist-beast to receive the mark of the beast (covered separately).
 - f. He infects the leaders of the nations of the world with deluding demons, causing them to gather together against Christ, who has recently come to declare His kingdom on earth.
 - g. He is judged by God and is banished to the lake of fire and brimstone eternally.
2. The Lamb Beast is also a beast in the same sense as the mongrel Antichrist-beast is a beast
- a. Perhaps the key to the “beast” and “horn” symbolism can be found in **Daniel**.
 - i. **Daniel 7** reveals four (4) beasts, translated from the Hebrew word, “chevah” (חַיָּוָה), which means “animal, wild beast, or beast of the fields”.
 - (a) In Daniel’s vision, these beasts included a winged lion, a lopsided bear, a winged leopard, and a “dreadful” beast. (NOTE: “dreadful” is the NASB translation of the Hebrew word, “dechal” - דַּחַל - which could also mean “longing for revenge”).
 - (b) An angel in **Daniel 7** said each beast represented one of four (4) “kings” (**Daniel 7:17**), historically who founded kingdoms through conquest. By context, we know the lion represented the Babylonian kingdom, the bear represented the Persian kingdom, the leopard represented the Greek kingdom, and the dreadful beast represent the Roman kingdom and its successors, apparently including Antichrist’s kingdom.
 - (c) The horns associated with the beasts are individual kings (**Daniel 7:24**) associated with those kingdoms.
 - ii. **Daniel 8**, beast symbolism is used again. A ram represents the Persian kingdom, while a goat represents the Greek kingdom. As before, each horn represents an individual king or ruler of prophetic importance in that kingdom.
 - (a) **Thus, beasts represent important kings who found kingdoms through conquest and the kingdoms themselves.**
 - (b) **Horns represent important rulers in that kingdom.**
 - iii. **Daniel** also tells us the beast symbols reveals the nature of a king and/or his kingdom.
 - (a) For example, the winged leopard represented Greece because their army was smaller but more swift and maneuverable than

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others. The lopsided bear represent the Persians, who had a huge ponderous army. The bear is lopsided because the Persians were in alliance with a lesser nation, the Medes.

(b) The reason for using beasts to symbolize these kingdoms/kings is apparent from scripture. In **Daniel 4**, King Nebuchadnezzar has a dream that Daniel interprets.

- When Nebuchadnezzar fails to acknowledge God's sovereignty, claiming that he was the founder of his kingdom, he is "*given the mind of a beast*" (same word: "chevah", **חֵוָה**) to live like a beast for seven years.
- When Nebuchadnezzar acknowledges God, his mind and his kingdom are restored to him (**Daniel 4:32**). Then, it was said that Nebuchadnezzar was given "*the mind of a man.*"
- **Thus, the "beast kingdoms" do not reason as men, who have to capacity to acknowledge the Lord God; they are like beasts that do not worship the Lord as men. Each beast is an ungodly, pagan power.** (Also, see **2 Peter 2:12-22**)

(c) All the beast kingdoms revealed in **Daniel** historically have two other things in common

- **Each beast kingdom is gentile, not Jewish**
- **Each actively tried to destroy Israel at some time or another.** Babylon eradicated the nation of Israel (c. 605 BC). The Persian, Haman, sought to kill all Jews (c. 530 BC), the Greek Seleucid ruler Antiochus IV outlawed Judaism (c. 165 BC) and defiled the Holy of Holies, and the Romans destroyed Israel as a nation (c. 70 AD).

b. From this analysis, it is reasonable to speculate the following about the Lamb Beast.

- i. The Lamb Beast represents a ruler ("king") and the "kingdom" over which he rules. It obtains its authority by force of conquest and its power from a powerful ungodly spirit (**Daniel 10**).
 - ii. This "kingdom" does not acknowledge God, is idolatrous in nature, serves Satan, and seeks the destruction of Israel and God's people.
 - iii. Because it has two small horns, this Lamb Beast "kingdom" may have two leaders associated with it -- more on this later.
3. **Revelation 13** also says this Lamb Beast comes "*out of the earth*", in contrast to the Mongrel Beast Kingdom of **Revelation** and all the beast kingdoms of **Daniel**, which come "*out of the sea*". The Lamb Beast is fundamentally different in nature from all the other beast kingdoms.
- a. The "*sea*" (or "*waters*") represents ". . . *peoples and multitudes and nations and tongues*" (**Revelation 17:15, NASB**). This is interpreted to mean the international affairs of gentile world powers.

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- b. The “*earth*” is often interpreted to mean arising out of the land of Israel (*i.e.* the “Promised Land”), rather than out of global world politics. Some authorities dispute this interpretation, noting that the Greek word used for “*earth*” is “*gae*” (γῆς), which could mean the whole earth, not just the land of Israel. At any rate, the Lamb Beast is fundamentally different in its origin from all other beast kingdoms; it does not arise from global world power politics, though it plays a supporting role in international affairs .
4. The “kingdom” of the Lamb Beast appears to be religious primarily.
 - a. Notice that the Lamb Beast compels everyone to worship the Mongrel Beast and its image.
 - i. This worship is coerced. Those who refuse to worship the Mongrel Beast are killed. In essence, the Lamb Beast is part of a compulsory state religion.
 - ii. The Lamb Beast is called a “*false prophet*”, meaning that it claims to speak for God. Instead, it speaks as a “*dragon*”, meaning that it is the mouthpiece of Satan! Its miracles include
 - a) Causing the inanimate idol of the Mongrel Beast to speak, as though it was alive
 - b) Perform signs and wonders that deceive many people
 - c) Makes fire come down out of heaven
 - iv. The “power” of the Lamb Beast will be unprecedented and overwhelmingly compelling to non-believers.
 - a) He will speak and act with the power of Satan himself
 - b) He will have the assistance of a legion of demons who now inhabit the earth and the lives of its inhabitants (**Revelation 12:4** - note: “*stars*” -- “*astaer*”, Greek: ἀστήρ -- symbolize angels, in this case, fallen angels or demons)
 - c) His power will be amplified because of the generalized unbelief and wicked state of the world (“. . . *just like the days of Noah.*” **Matthew 24:37**) Also, see **Matthew 24:12; Jude 18, 19; 2 Peter 3:3, 4.**
 - d) God will give the reprobate over to a “*deluding influence*” (**2 Thessalonians 2:10-12**)
 - The influence of the Church will have dwindled because of a falling away from the faith “*apostasy*” (**2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4**)
 - At some point, the “salt and light” provided to the world by the Church is removed by the rapture, leaving wickedness almost unopposed (**Matthew 24:28-31**)
 - e) The Lamb Beast rewards self-interest. Those who agree to worship the Mongrel Beast are allowed to participate in buying and selling because of the mark they receive. Worldly favor is bestowed upon faithful followers.

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- b. The Lamb Beast plays a key role in Satan's plan to mimic God and His Kingdom
 - i. Some theologians argue that the Lamb Beast is part of a "false trinity", mimicking Father-Son-Holy Spirit as Satan-Antichrist-False Prophet
 - ii. Satanic "blessings" will appeal to pride, power, and pleasure, seeking to replace God's blessings of humility, love, and joy. The Lamb Beast will be the principal "mouthpiece" advocating this false "gospel".
 - iii. Just as God seals His people for salvation, Lamb Beast will seal the reprobate with the mark of the beast.
 - iv. Lamb Beast will establish a false "church" which will include all who abandon truth and embrace the Satanic lies. **The Lamb Beast may include the false "church", as the beast symbolism seems to extend beyond the primary ruler of the kingdom to include the kingdom itself.**
5. The Lamb Beast will probably play a key role in opposing God's 2 principal remnant witnesses in the world during the last 42 months of the 70th week of Daniel (**Daniel 9**).
 - a. **Revelation 11** tells us about God's two witnesses, who will fulfill the roles of Elijah and Moses (covered separately).
 - b. There possibly is a prophetic foreshadowing of the Lamb Beast's role in opposing God's 2 anointed witnesses. Could the two horns of the Lamb Beast somehow indicate two principal personalities to oppose them?
 - i. Pharaoh's court magicians worked to discredit the Lord and His messenger, Moses, by duplicating the first several miracles performed by Moses (**Exodus 7-8**). Eventually, even these magicians had to confess that the Lord is God (**Exodus 8:19**), though they don't seem to repent of their wickedness. As a result, they also become subject to God's plague judgements. (**Exodus 9:11**)
 - ii. The prophets of Baal worked to lead Israel astray but were successfully defeated by Elijah, who turned the people back to the Lord. (**1 Kings 18:19-41**)
 - iii. From this, is it reasonable to consider the struggle the "false prophet" may have with God's anointed witnesses in Jerusalem in the final days. The shocking conclusion of the "battle" is that God's two witnesses will be killed! (**Revelation 11:7-9**) Paradoxically, this may prepare the remnant of Israel to acknowledge Christ and be saved, thus opening the way for Christ's Kingdom on earth and the redemption of the saints (**Romans 11:12-15**).
6. When the remnant of Israel repents and accepts their Messiah, Jesus, the Lord physically returns to establish His kingdom on earth. His capital city is Jerusalem, displacing Antichrist from Zion (covered elsewhere).

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- a. The Lamb Beast dispatches frog-demons to deceive the nations and entice them into attacking the Lord in Jerusalem.
 - a. The Lord destroys the nations gathered against Him at the Battle of Armageddon - the last Bowl Judgment.(See **Psalm 2, 9, 10, 46, 59, 79, 110, 115, 118, 135** to read them with new insight.)
 - b. Satan is bound and thrown into the Pit. Antichrist and the Lamb Beast are thrown into the Lake of Fire

Summary

- The Lamb Beast is a false prophet who lives in the final days when Antichrist rules
- The Lamb Beast is the leader of a Satanic religion that will be embraced by many people in the final days. The Beast symbol may represent this false church, as well, indicating its godless nature
- The Lamb Beast is Satanically empowered and will perform amazing miracles that will deceive everyone who does not love the Truth
- The Lamb Beast will oppose and attempt to discredit God's two anointed witnesses in Jerusalem for 42 months.
- The struggle between Lamb Beast and these two witnesses will be reminiscent of Moses and Pharaoh's magicians and Elijah and the false prophets of Baal. This similarity will not be lost on the remnant of Israel.
- When the Lamb Beast finally seems to prevail of God's two witnesses, on the last day of the 70th Week of Daniel, Israel will go into mourning, search the scriptures, and seek God. This will lead to their repentance and acceptance of Christ.
- The Lamb Beast will deceive the world's nations into attacking Christ's capital, in Jerusalem, leading to their destruction.
- Ultimately, the Lamb Beast is defeated by Christ and cast into the Lake of Fire.