

General Topics :: How many Christians will think the antichrist is Jesus**How many Christians will think the antichrist is Jesus - posted by deltadom (), on: 2019/5/22 7:27**

Rev 13:14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

Rev 13:13 And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men

2 Thessalonians 2

1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him, note

2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?

6 And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. note

7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,

10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

12 That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

13 But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:

14 Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

15 Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle.

16 Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,

17 Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.

We live in a world where there are so many different Jesus,

It was art Katz in one of his sermons states that when the antichrist appears he will be a replacement or appear very sim

ilar to Jesus the Messiah

The antichrist is not going to come with a 666 on his forehead or demonic red eyes

The antichrist will be a leader who is lauded and applauded by not only the supposed church and the world .
He will appear as an angel of light

A forgery of 20 pound note looks very similar to a 20 pound note.

The devil has read the Bible he knows what prophecies have to happen before the second coming of Jesus and can simply fall Christians into believing that it is him

In 2 Thessalonians 2 it talks about a great apostasy that reveals the antichrist but it also talks about him sitting in the temple of God as god

I find it daunting that they already have the plans for the third temple and the red heifer for sacrificing in the temple but as to how they are going to build on the temple mount area .
I do not have a clue

The only way that will happen is that the Jews accept him as their Messiah

The antichrist may destroy the Muslim nations and set up a fake messianic kingdom

I also do not have a clue because it talks that the apostasy in the church would reveal the antichrist

3 for in the last days the false prophets and the corrupters shall be multiplied, and the sheep shall be turned into wolves, and love shall change to hate; 4 for as lawlessness increaseth they shall hate one another and persecute and betray, and then shall appear the deceiver of the world as a Son of God, and shall do signs and wonders and the earth shall be given over into his hands and he shall commit iniquities which have never been since the world began.
Didache

So many people accept supernatural things over doctrine and how many people are going to be fooled by the antichrist just because he is performing miracles

Denny Kennington is the greatest deception is self deception

2Th 2:10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved

Have we got the love of the truth so that we may be saved ?

I can be deceived ?

2 Timothy 3

1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, note

4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,

7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

8 Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith. note note

9 But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as theirs also was.

10 But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience, note

11 Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me.

12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them;

15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. note

This passage is not for the world it is for the church

Revelation 2

1 Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;

2 I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars:

3 And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.

4 Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

6 But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

8 And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write; These things saith the first and the last, which was dead, and is alive;

9 I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan.

10 Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

11 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

12 And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write; These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two edges;

13 I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.

14 But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.

15 So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.

16 Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

17 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.

18 And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass;

19 I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first.

20 Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

21 And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.

22 Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.

23 And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

24 But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden.

25 But that which ye have already hold fast till I come.

26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

28 And I will give him the morning star.

29 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Jesus wasn't very kind to the church at Laodicea or most of the other churches .

Alot of the prophets in the scriptures were extremely negative because they loved truth over the status quo

Jer 11:22 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, I will punish them: the young men shall die by the sword; their sons and their daughters shall die by famine

What do you think Jesus would think of the church today?

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As he clearly states what he thinks to the seven churches in revelation and some of that wasnt blessings

When the antichrist comes he will fool people by saving Israel , he will fool people by conquering Muslim nations

Will he fool you to , do you know enough about Christology and Jesus from the scriptures to know the difference between a false Messiah and a true one

There is two things that i can definitely say that will happen from scripture is that the antichrist will come out of an apostate church and that he will rule in the temple .

As there are plans to build the temple but i do not have a clue how they are going to build it on the temple mount area or who the antichrist is , as he will get revealed by the apostate church

Re: How many Christians will think the antichrist is Jesus - posted by TMK (), on: 2019/5/22 7:51

As far as I know Jesus never called fire down from heaven.

As to pretended miracles, you need to look no further than the claims of the RCC, which have deceived people for centuries.

<http://www.the-bible-antichrist.com/what-did-reformers-believe.html>

Re: How many Christians will think the antichrist is Jesus - posted by rufnrust (), on: 2019/5/22 10:31

The trend toward accepting the Roman Catholic Church as a biblical group is more proof that the delusion is growing.

Rusty

Re: - posted by TrueWitness, on: 2019/5/22 11:02

The location of Solomon's Temple could be different than the currently accepted idea that it was on the dome of the rock . For your consideration:

<https://yrm.org/lost-temple-mount-found-pt1/>

I am open-minded about this. I don't consider it as a critical doctrine or anything. But perhaps if the Temple was in the city of David it could be built again.

-Daniel

Re: - posted by Gloryandgrace (), on: 2019/5/22 11:32

Hi Dom: That's the whole point of the deception. The plan to trick God's people and the world into thinking the Imposter-Christ= Anti-Christ is THE Christ!

Which makes you wonder when the ideologies of Humanism or Secular Humanism is going to be phased out?

Humanism is set against religion in all forms, if the Anti-Christ wants any real traction in this world the Princes and Principalities of Darkness will have to shift away from godlessness to a false form of godliness and take on religious convictions.

As 2 Tim teaches "having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof".

You would need a religion, one that can be phased in having all the necessary tooling to operate as the engine of Impost

er Christ working.

For me, rebuilt temples and red heifers are the final Satanic deception for the Jews. They finally get to do what they've wanted for 2000 plus years, get back to Temple-service Judaism and all the trappings with it. Who would permit the Jews (who are a stumbling block to the nations)? Well, if an Imposter-Christ gets Jews going on their own deceptions, the gentiles on their own deceptions and the other religions to 'swear-in' with marks and loyalties the whole world gets the Imposter-Christ approvals.

Genuine Christianity would need to be eradicated so as to remove any contrary witness to Imposter-Christ claims.

Re: - posted by Elibeth, on: 2019/5/22 13:14

Mt24:3-5,

And Jesus answered and said unto them, *Take heed that no man *DECEIVE you.

5 For many shall *-COME IN â€MY NAMEâ€™, saying, I am Christ; and *SHALL DECEIVE MANY.

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Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?â€

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Mt.24:11-14,

And many false prophets shall rise, and *shall deceive many.â€

12 And because *iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.â€

13 But he that shall *endure unto the end, the same *shall be saved.â€

14 And **thisâ€ gospel of the kingdomâ€ shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and *THE END shall the end come.â€

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Mt.24:21-24,

For then shall be \*great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.â€

22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for \*the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.â€

23 And then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.â€

24 For there shall arise \* FALSE CHRISTS and \*FALSE PROPHETS, and \*shall shew great signs and wonders; inasmuch that, \*\*IF\*\* it were possible, \*they \* SHALL DECEIVE \*the very elect.â€

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*My understanding is,.. If we are truly the * Children of The Lord, is that the ONLY way that we would not be *deceived ??

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Eph.4:14,

That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby \* they lie in wait to deceive;â€

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elizabeth

Re: How many Christians will think the antichrist is Jesus - posted by Elibeth, on: 2019/5/22 13:59

I was thinking,.. perhaps to define *ANTICHRIST ?

Anti : Against Christ,
Perhaps,.. not teaching what Christ taught,.. or pretending to be Christ
And are not.

..... any spirit that comes from anyone, that is not a Christ-like Spirit, is *ANTICHRIST spirit.

**Here is a Scripture that is *needful to look at,.

Heb.13:7-9,

Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, CONSIDERING THE END OF THEIR CONVERSATION.

8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

9 Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For it is a good thing that THE HEART BE ESTABLISHED WITH GRACE; not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein.

** Consider the end of their conversation,... what comes out of their mouth...Godly /Ungodly ?

Mt.12:34,

for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

elizabeth

Re: - posted by docs (), on: 2019/5/22 16:16

When will his false miracles and lying wonders begin? Before the abomination of desolation or after?

When will he be fully revealed as the Antichrist? Before the abomination of desolation or after?

Re: - posted by deltadom (), on: 2019/5/22 17:18

There are so many different questions here

Original Word: anti

Part of Speech: Preposition

Transliteration: anti

Phonetic Spelling: (an-tee')

Definition: over against, opposite, instead of

Usage: (a) instead of, in return for, over against, opposite, in exchange for, as a substitute for, (b) on my behalf, (c) wherefore, because.

It is interesting the other uses in the new testament

Matthew 2:22 Prep

GRK: anti... in place of his father

NAS: over Judea in place of his father

KJV: in Judaea in the room of his father

INT: Judea in place of the father

Matthew 5:38 Prep

GRK: anti... instead of

KJV: An eye for an eye,
INT: it was said Eye for eye and

Matthew 5:38 Prep
GRK: ἰὸὺν ἄντην ἰὸὺν ἄντην, ἰὸὺν ἄντην ἰὸὺν ἄντην, ἰὸὺν ἄντην ἰὸὺν ἄντην,
KJV: and a tooth for a tooth:
INT: and tooth for tooth

Matthew 17:27 Prep
GRK: ἰὸὺν ἄντην ἰὸὺν ἄντην, ἰὸὺν ἄντην ἰὸὺν ἄντην, ἰὸὺν ἄντην ἰὸὺν ἄντην ἰὸὺν ἄντην ἰὸὺν ἄντην
KJV: and give unto them for me and
INT: give to them for me and

Matthew 20:28 Prep
GRK: ἰὸὺν ἄντην
KJV: life a ransom for many.
INT: of him a ransom for many

Mark 10:45 Prep
GRK: ἰὸὺν ἄντην
KJV: life a ransom for many.
INT: of him a ransom for many

Luke 1:20 Prep
GRK: ἰὸὺν ἄντην
NAS: take place, because you did not believe
KJV: shall be performed, because thou believest
INT: shall take place these

Luke 12:3 Prep
GRK: ἰὸὺν ἄντην
NAS: Accordingly, whatever you have said
KJV: Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken
INT: in place of that which whatever

Luke 19:44 Prep
GRK: ἰὸὺν ἄντην
NAS: upon another, because you did not recognize
KJV: upon another; because thou knewest not
INT: in you in place of which not

John 1:16 Prep
GRK: ἰὸὺν ἄντην
KJV: and grace for grace.
INT: moreover grace upon grace

Acts 12:23 Prep
GRK: ἰὸὺν ἄντην
NAS: struck him because he did not give
KJV: smote him, because he gave not
INT: an angel of Lord in return for which not

Romans 12:17 Prep
GRK: ἰὸὺν ἄντην
KJV: to no man evil for evil. Provide
INT: to no one evil for evil repay

1 Corinthians 11:15 Prep

Look at the research of say Justin Peters in his series Clouds Without Water
<https://youtu.be/qS0Mpa5BRzE>

I read books like David Moody and Robert Torrey, I think if you read things such as the Puritan paperback series or people like William Tyndale and compare Christian authors today

The greatest prayer would be Lord give me a love of the truth so that I may flee deception

Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2019/5/23 7:17

The Puritans did not share your view of Antichrist.

Re: - posted by deltadom (), on: 2019/5/23 7:30

I know I have read them they viewed the pope as the antichrist
I don't think I have shared my personal view here

Re: How many Christians will think the antichrist is Jesus - posted by savannah, on: 2019/5/23 8:03

NONE!

Reasons:

- 1) There is no Antichrist as the premill dispensations describe.
- 2) If there were, according to the Scripture it is impossible for God's elect to be deceived.

John 10:14,15

I am the good shepherd. I know My sheep and My sheep know Me, just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father.
And I lay down My life for the sheep. - Jesus

Re: HE shall take HIS seat in the temple - posted by docs (), on: 2019/5/23 9:26

3 Let no one in any way deceive you, for it will not come unless the apostasy comes first, and the MAN of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction,

4 who opposes and exalts HIMSELF above every so-called god or object of worship, so that HE takes HIS seat in the temple of God, displaying HIMSELF as being God. 9II Thess 2:3-4)

Paul's reference in verse 4 above is an almost direct quote from Daniel 11:36:

36 Then the king shall do according to HIS own will; HE shall exalt and magnify HIMSELF above every god, shall speak blasphemies against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the wrath has been accomplished; for what has been determined shall be done.

Because of Jewish eschatology and its context, of which much of the modern church has disregarded, Paul knew the king of Daniel as one and the same with the MAN of lawlessness who was to come and magnify and oppose HIMSELF above every god. Regaining the Jewish eschatological context of which Jesus never turned from can go a long way in helping understand these verses where personal pronouns abound.

Re: "man of sin" - posted by savannah, on: 2019/5/23 10:16

The "man of sin" is the Roman emperor(s) who brought severe persecutions against Christians as foretold by Daniel and pictured in Revelation 13. I should like to discuss this and ask you to carefully consider the reasoning that I shall use. Before presenting some arguments for this position, it would be in order to look at the passages under consideration.

In 2 Thess. 2:1-5 Paul is correcting a false impression that the Thessalonians had. They had come to believe that the coming of Jesus was imminent. He wrote so that they would "not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed" (vs. 2). Paul did not want them to lose their heads over this matter but to keep their mental balance. Evidently, someone claimed that Paul or Silas or Timothy had received a prophetic revelation ("spirit") claiming that the time of the coming of Jesus was here. Perhaps someone said that there was a letter from them to that effect. Paul is denying any such revelation or letter. So, he said, "don't let anyone deceive you in any way about this matter. Remain firm."

The reason that they should not be shaken is that the coming of Jesus would not take place until there was a falling away and until there was the revealing of "the man of lawlessness, the son of destruction" (vs. 3). A time would come when "because lawlessness is increased, most people's love will grow cold" (Matt. 24:12). This would be a "falling away." Then there would also be a man of lawlessness, one who would have "contempt and violation of law" (Thayer, p. 42). This man would act with utter contempt for God and His way. He is called the "son of destruction." Apoleia: "the destruction which consists in the loss of eternal life, eternal misery, perdition ... a man doomed to eternal misery. 2 Th 2:3" (Thayer, p. 71). This man of sin would be eternally damned as a result of his godless iniquity and opposition to all that is holy. In verse 4 this man of sin "opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god (all that is called God) or object of worship so that he takes his seat in the temple of God displaying himself as being God." His lawlessness consists in opposing God and God's people and in exalting himself to a position of honor and worship that belongs only to Deity. He claims a higher position than could ever belong to man, a position in which he demands worship from man.

In verses 6-12 this lawless one is described. But at the time of Paul's writing, there was something that restrained the diabolical work of this man of sin. The Roman empire and emperors controlled the world. The Christians were protected to some extent by the Roman authorities. Rome looked upon Christianity as an extension of Judaism, and, therefore, considered it as legal. (Any religion that existed when Rome captured a nation was accepted as legal. However, no new religion was allowed to be.) When Rome became aware that Christianity was not a part of Judaism, it was then declared to be illegal. This explains why Paul was released from his first Roman imprisonment and yet executed for spreading an illegal religion during his second imprisonment. In Acts 21 when the Jews sought to kill Paul, the Roman commander rescued him (22-29). In Acts 18 when some Jews were trying to stop Paul's preaching, it was the Roman proconsul who protected him (12-17). However, when Rome began to look on Christianity as illegal, this changed and there was no restraining power to stop persecutions against Christians.

This man of sin would be used as an instrument of Satan (vs. 9). He would come with "all power and signs and false wonders and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish." But one thing is for sure: this man of sin will be destroyed by the power of the Lord Jesus Christ (vs. 8).

Who is This Man of Sin? -- Daniel Seven

In order to adequately answer our question, we need to consider Daniel's vision and what it symbolizes. Let us look at Daniel 7:1-12. Daniel tells of his vision of the "four great beasts ... coming up from the sea" (vs. 3). The first was like a lion and had the wings of an eagle (4), the second resembled a bear (5), the third was like a leopard with four heads (6) and the fourth was "dreadful and terrifying and extremely strong; and it had large iron teeth ... and it had ten horns" (7). While Daniel looked, he saw "another horn, a little one, came up among them this horn possessed eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth uttering great boasts" (8-9). "Then I kept looking because of the sound of the boastful words which the horn was speaking; I kept looking until the beast was slain, and its body given to the burning fire" (vs. 11). In vv. 15-28 Daniel was quite distressed about the vision and asked one standing by (an angel?) the exact meaning. "So he told me and made known to me the interpretation of these things" (vs. 16). He was told that the four beasts were four kings or kingdoms (vs. 23) which will arise. These correspond to the four kingdoms of chapter 2. Daniel was especially concerned about the fourth beast, the ten horns and the other horn which came up (vs. 20). "I kept looking, and that horn was waging war with the saints and overpowering them..." (21). "The fourth beast will be a fourth kingdom on the earth, which will be different from all the other kingdoms, and it will devour the whole earth and tread it down and crush it" (23). The horns represent kings; the little horn that came up represents a king who "will speak out against the Most High and wear down the saints of the Highest One ... and they will be given into his hand for a time, times and half a time" (25). Yet the time will

come when his dominion will be taken away and the kingdom of God will prevail (26-27).

We recognize Babylon as the kingdom represented by the lion. Medo-Persia was the second followed by Greece, symbolized by the leopard. The great and terrible fourth beast represented the Roman Empire. Therefore, the horns were emperors. The number ten should be taken in the sense of a completed number rather than ten literal kings. There would arise a persecuting emperor who would severely make havoc of the people of God. He would be arrogant and boastful even against God.

Revelation 13

Daniel's visions are complemented by John's visions in Rev. 13. In chapter 12 we saw the dragon (Satan) trying to destroy the man child (Jesus) but failing in his attempt. Then he turned to the people of God in an effort to overcome them. Chapter 13 tells of the agency he was using to overcome God's saints. There was a beast that came up out of the sea (remember Dan. 7:3?). This beast was an amalgam of the four beasts of Daniel. He was like a leopard with feet like a bear, and a mouth like the mouth of a lion. He is that dreadful and terrible beast that Daniel saw. He had ten horns and seven heads. One of his heads was wounded and yet his fatal wound was healed. He received worship from the people of the earth. "And there was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies; and authority to act for forty-two months" (5). The forty-two months correspond to the three and one-half years of the "horn" of Dan. 7. As in Dan. 7, this beast makes war with the saints and seeks to overcome them (7), "and all who dwell on the earth will worship him" except those whose names are in the book of life.

Then we see a second beast arising. This one looks like a lamb but has the voice of a dragon. His sole activity is to persuade the people of the earth to worship the first beast whose fatal wound was healed (12). In doing so, he performed "great signs, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth... and he deceives those who dwell on earth because of the signs." He enforces emperor worship.

We have little difficulty in seeing the persecuting emperor(s) of Rome in this chapter and the committee going through the Roman Empire seeking to enforce emperor worship. Whether this refers to Nero or Domitian ("the fatal wound healed"?) or both is not the particular point of discussion at present. We just want to see that both Daniel and John saw the diabolical evil "king" persecuting the people of God for "forty-two months" or 3 1/2 years or 1,260 days. Of course, this is not a specific, literal timeframe, but incomplete time (one half of the perfect number, seven).

The Man of Sin

Now, how does all this help us define the man of sin?

His "coming is in accord with activity of Satan" (vs. 9) just as in Rev. 13:2, 4. He is acting as an agent of the devil. He comes "with all power and signs and false wonders, and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish" (vs. 9-10). This is also seen in Rev. 13:14.

There is the claim of deity - "exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship displaying himself as being God" (vs. 4). We also see this in Rev. 13:4, 14.

Paul predicted a "falling away" in which souls would be deceived and be lost (vv. 3, 11). Daniel told how the "little horn" would "wear down the saints of the Highest One" for 3 1/2 times. In Rev. 13 the beast would "make war with the saints and overcome them" (vs. 7). Jesus said, "And because lawlessness is increased, most people's love will grow cold" (Matt. 24:12). (I realize that Jesus is speaking of events leading up to the destruction of Jerusalem in this context. The comparison is that lawlessness causes the people to fall away.)

This "lawless one" will be slain by the Lord with the breath of His mouth and brought to an end by the brightness of His coming (vs. 8). Daniel saw the beast slain and its body destroyed and given to the burning fire (7:11, 26). In Revelation the beast was defeated, seized, and thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone (19:19-20).

Because of these similarities, it seems most logical that Paul is speaking of the same personage as was Daniel and John. In so doing, he was helping prepare them for the coming persecutions that many of them would have to face. I fail to see that advantage to these people for Paul to be speaking of some far removed event. I urge you to study this diligently and reach your conclusions carefully. In so far as it is possible, we need to allow the Bible to help us understand prophecy. We do not need speculation.

By F.D. Moyer

Re: deception - posted by Gloryandgrace (), on: 2019/5/23 10:28

On deception. It's a tricky thing, one finds out he's deceived after he's been deceived...hopefully he finds out.

History serves to warn us just like scripture that the Church can fall prey to deceptions. Adolf Hitler was approved by many a Church in Germany before they knew just what kind of man he was. But by then it was too late.

The issue would not be the German-Christians salvation, but the loss of freedoms and the incessant cruelty/murder that would ensue.

The scripture warnings to Christians are not mere rhetoric, the warnings are there because temptations and our failing the test is a very real result of forsaking those warnings.

God loves and cares about those who are deceived, blinded, ensnared, trapped however you want to call it, but God's love is not shortened nor is his arm, nor is his ear dull because like sheep the sinner has gone astray. So God's people can go astray, the state of the American Church is literally a billboard declaring that fact. To think only the lost in our Churches are deceived is a good indication you are deceived along with them.

Until the Church admits its own deceptions and its own failings, the unconverted church-goer will be rocked to sleep by the Devil never to awaken.

Re: - posted by Elibeth, on: 2019/5/23 10:35

David,

I wish I knew prophecy, I would hope The Lord would reveal that to me.

But He has not, as of yet.

I sure would desire this.

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He has only revealed / taught me, "the Way /path of Life",  
...maybe I need to pray more for that,.. as I know it says in Revelations,..

Rev. 1:3,

"Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand."

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elizabeth

**Re: - posted by Gloryandgrace (), on: 2019/5/23 11:28**

Partial or full preterism is a tough call.

Pretty much every eschatological prediction fulfilled in the 1st century (this includes Paul and Revelation)....then 2000 or 3000 or 4000 years of the bible not talking about anything....then a millennium or not, a second coming or not, a judgment or not and then the end.

If the prophecies are all relegated to the early Church just like apostles prophets and spiritual gifts...there's really not much for God to do until Jesus returns.

Complete over-simplification yes...but it makes me wary of such a viewpoint. This of course not an argument against the view, it's only an observation.

Re: - posted by docs (), on: 2019/5/23 13:41

/The "man of sin" is the Roman emperor(s) who brought severe persecutions against Christians as foretold by Daniel and pictured in Revelation 13./

So the "man of sin" (man is singular) may be more (plural) than one Roman emperor. Non logic greets us in the very first sentence. It a typical modus operandi though for many interpreters of prophecy today. Meaning they treat biblical prophecy unlike any other field of biblical knowledge because they have to strain and change meanings to make their own views work. More of this example follows.

/The reason that they should not be shaken is that the coming of Jesus would not take place until there was a falling away and until there was the revealing of "the MAN (singular) of lawlessness, the son of destruction" (vs. 3). A time would come when "because lawlessness is increased, most people's love will grow cold" (Matt. 24:12). This would be a "falling away." Then there would also be A MAN of lawlessness, ONE WHO who would have "contempt and violation of law" (Thayer, p. 42). THIS MAN would act with utter contempt for God and His way. HE is called the "son of destruction." Apoleia: "the destruction which consists in the loss of eternal life, eternal misery, perdition ... A MAN doomed to eternal misery. 2 Th 2:3" (Thayer, p. 71). THIS MAN of sin would be eternally damned as a result of HIS godless iniquity and opposition to all that is holy. In verse 4 THIS MAN of sin "opposes and exalts HIMSELF above every so-called god (all that is called God) or object of worship so that HE takes his seat in the temple of God displaying HIMSELF as being God." HIS lawlessness consists in opposing God and God's people and in exalting HIMSELF to a position of honor and worship that belongs only to Deity. HE claims a higher position than could ever belong to man, a position in which HE demands worship from man./

Of course, we need remember I suppose that THIS MAN may indeed be more than one man and perhaps many Roman emperors. That's the way prophetic biblical language is. Right?

/and it had ten horns"

Therefore, the horns were emperors. The number ten should be taken in the sense of a completed number rather than ten literal kings/

A perfect example of changing meanings. Ten, in biblical prophecy, really does not mean ten we are to assume. No qualifications or reasons are given why this ten cannot really mean ten. It's just automatically assumed that in the case of biblical prophecy does not really mean ten so this modus operandi of interpretation is never challenged because after all a "expert" is passing it on to us. Plus he does not even consider Daniel 7:24 - "The ten horns are ten kings who shall arise from his kingdom." Nor is Revelation 17:12 - "The ten horns which you saw are ten kings which who have received no kingdom as of yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast."

/We just want to see that both Daniel and John saw the diabolical evil "king" persecuting the people of God for "forty-two months" or 3 1/2 years or 1,260 days. Of course, this is not a specific, literal timeframe, but incomplete time (one half of the perfect number, seven)./

This is not a specific, literal timeframe? When I read it it says specifically forty-two months or 3 1/2 years or 1,260 days. Why can't I trust it specifically says what it means? Another example of prophetic interpretation that has to do these type of things to make one's own view plausible. No other field of biblical truth is treated in this manner except prophecy.

/I fail to see that advantage to these people for Paul to be speaking of some far removed event./

When speaking of THIS MAN Paul uh..., specifically stated that he would be destroyed at Christ's return.

8 And then the lawless one (singular) will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming. (II Thess 2:8) This will be far removed from Paul's day.

/I urge you to study this diligently and reach your conclusions carefully. In so far as it is possible, we need to allow the Bible to help us understand prophecy. We do not need speculation./

I recommend that also but without going in to study with the presupposition that the biblical text doesn't really mean what it says and need be changed as to its foundational meaning so it can fit my view. Ten means ten and forty-two months m

eans forty-two months etc. It's costly to jiggle with the text.

If this man of sin is to be destroyed at Christ's return then how could these things been exhaustively fulfilled in Paul's day by Roman emperors? I don't see where they were destroyed at Christ's second advent.

**Re: Antiochus Was Never a Little Horn - posted by docs (), on: 2019/5/23 13:52**

Antichrist

Antiochus was Never a Little Horn

I don't think anyone's calling attention to something that should be in the first place most obvious, but have never seen a commentator even question it. It's like the emperor that had no clothes, or the forest that gets lost for the over focus on the trees. We should be shouting from the roof tops in the exegetical climate of our calm interpreters and linguistic specialists, "Antiochus was NEVER a little horn!!!"

He was never king of a small power before coming into the glory of the kingdom (Dan 11:21). He rose to power in the place of his murdered older brother in one of the notable (sizable) horns of Alexander's long since divided kingdom, the mighty Seleucid Empire. That's NOT a little horn in the sense that scripture makes that distinction.

The Antichrist must be a little horn (actual king or leader of a smaller political power) in his beginnings. AFTER the league made with him, he comes up and becomes strong with a small people (Dan 11:23) at a time of security (Dan 11:24). At some point, he unites with the ten in common cause. The scripture says he comes up AMONG them, and rises AFTER them (Dan 7:8, 24). Three of the ten are forced into his orbit of power through conquest.

Just when this occurs in relation to the false peace that provides for temple and sacrifice is not as clear, but it is clear if the "little horn" of Dan 7 & 8 is the "despicable person" of Dan 11:21, then it seems very clear that the move from a little power to a much greater power in one of the four divisions of Alexander's kingdom is significantly AFTER the league made with him Dan 11:23. If this "league" is the same or coincident with the covenant that the coming prince confirms with many in Dan 9:27, then the time of his ascent into the greater kingdom becomes plain. We shall see.

What is really fantastic scrambled eggs is what strikes me as the ridiculous, presupposition driven attempt of expositors to separate the "little horn" of Dan 7:8 from the "little horn" of Dan 8:9. Sorry if I sound a bit scrappy here, but they really should to be called on this. Here in twin chapters is a self exalting prince at the time of the "END", both (as they were two) speaking boastful words against the prince of Princes, and both, by every expositor's reckoning, taking away the regular sacrifice (Dan 8:11: 12:11), and we are to believe that Antiochus is the "little horn" in Dan 8 and the Antichrist is the "little horn" in Dan 7, and never the twain shall meet? Hardly!

(Reggie - 10/10/13)

**Re: - posted by deltadom (), on: 2019/5/23 17:14**

My deepest interest is how will the false Christ reveal the antichrist, we are so good at looking externally but internally in the church seems to be a problems

Deception that is elsewhere but self deception that we are into is alot more harder to spot

2 Thessalonians 2

3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?

6 And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. note

7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

The problems with the preterist view is that the antichrist is destroyed by Jesus and that did not happen with antiochus

My problem has been as how do you define Rome as in the dead sea Scrolls

the "Kittim" are Romans; it was the ambassador of the Roman senate, Poppilius Laenas, brought to Alexandria by the ships of Kittim, i.e. the Roman fleet, who instructed the "king of the North", the Seleucid monarch Antiochus Epiphanes, to withdraw at once from Egypt. The term "Romans" is substituted for "Kittim" already in the old Greek or Septuagint version of Daniel xi, 30. None of these texts is critical of the "Kittim". They are seen

So in the first century they rename the Romans kittim

The War Scroll (1 QM, 1Q33, 4Q491-7, 4Q471)

They shall recite there war mns. Afterwards they shall return to cam XV For this shall be a time of distress for Israel, to war against all the nations. There shall be eternal deliverance for the company of God, but destruction for all the nations of wickedness. All those for battle shall march out and shall pitch their camp before the king of the Kittim and before all the host of Belial gathered about him for the Day by the Sword of God.

The Book of War (4 Q285, 11Q14)

Kittim Prince of the congregation as far as the Sea flee from before Israel. In that time he shall stand against them and they shall be stirred against them and they shall return to the dry land. In that time and they shall bring him (the king of the Kittim?) before the Prince

Aprodite and the rabbi's

In the Talmud they refer to Rome as

Israel and Edom are nonetheless brothers, twins at that. When the rabbis chose a symbol for Rome it is true that they chose the one who was set against them. But we cannot ever forget that the classic rabbinic symbol picked to represent Rome is Jacob's fraternal twin. It strikes me that in this choice of Esau as the symbol of Rome, the rabbis gave voice to the complexity of their relationship. Yes, Rome is rhetorically construed as the eternal enemy. Yes, Jews in the Land of Israel rebelled against Rome twice. Yes, Rome exercised a harsh hegemony against the Jews of Roman Palestine and elsewhere in the Empire.

"How admirable are the deeds of this nation. They have built markets, bridges, and bath-houses. His colleague Rabbi Yosé was silent; but Rabbi Shimeon ben Yochai retorted, "Anything they have built has been for their own needs. They build markets so their whores have a place to ply their trade. Bath-houses to pamper themselves, and bridges to collect tolls and taxes." (Babylonian Talmud Shabbat 33b) Elsewhere Rabbi Hanina sourly notes, "Pray for the peace of the Empire; for were it not for the fear they inspire, people would swallow one another alive" (Avot 3:2)

It is interesting looking at first century literature as the dead sea Scrolls and the Talmud

The dead sea Scrolls interpret Daniel in an interesting way

I have been open minded about who the anti Christ will be as the early church fathers thought it was the pope and i have no problems with that

I have been open that the antichrist may even come from evangelical Christianity or even a Jewish antichrist

He shall come from heaven with glory, when the man of apostasy, who speaks strange things against the Most High, will venture to do unlawful deeds on the earth against us Christians. Justin Martyr (c. 160, E), 1.253, 254.

**Re: many think Jesus will be the antichrist (Looking at deception) - posted by RogerB (), on: 2019/5/23 20:13**

Christians are the target of Satan. Jesus said if they (the Sanhedrin or the Jews), hate me they will hate you.

Deception has always been rampant in the earth. The earth is overgrown with the tree of good and evil. Everyone Jesus met had a little knowledge about God and the an idea of the coming messiah. That's how the tree of good and evil is. It's a tree of mixture. All snared by the tree have no idea they are deceived. they cling to what they think is true. The parable of the sower reminds us of this. How the good seed is snatched away.

Likewise, we are taught as a child deception after deception. We are told who our enemies are, who did what in history, world events and on the list goes. Even who caused what in years past. We accept blindly the TV news and our leaders promises. We tend to believe what we read in magazines and newspapers.

The tree of good and evil has trapped everyone in the world.

Jesus came to lay the ax to the root. It's an act of mercy when he chops you out of that tree. You can't leave it on your own as you don't know your're trapped. Jesus said when he sets you free you are free indeed. You are warned about returning to it. But we know people love being in the bad tree. There's money to be made, there's nations to conquer, resources to grab, fame to be had. No one wants to heard they've been deceived. All know what it's like when you realize you've been taken advantage of in a deal or financial matter. As John 3:16 says, God made a way for all, but men love darkness.

Look at all the rulers over the past thousands of years who thought they could rule the world. All victims of the tree. Satan thinks he has it figured out but he too has deceived himself as well.

Looking at Jesus as he Chose and then gathered his disciples at his feet and began to teach them. "You have heard it said, but I say..." "You are the salt of the earth.." "Blessed are you when..." He begins to wash away the tree of good and evil. This is what we all need. We all need to sit at his feet, throw away all those fables of the past and ask him for truth and truth alone.

Now you can see how Jesus was able to say "Father forgive them for they know not what they do..." He knew they were all trapped in the bad tree.

Please ask Jesus to set you free of that other tree. Meditate on it. Sit at the feet of Jesus alone and meditate with him, not someone's work of biblical make believe.

I was shown this one day as I was laying sick in bed thinking of buying a cemetery plot as I wasting away from a bad Dr prescription. This little line kept going by me as I was partially asleep. And I zoomed in on it and there was the tree of life, the narrow way. Barely visible. I saw right away that that was where the fruit was I so desperately needed. That the fruit we need for our lives can't be found on the other tree. Then I realized what Jesus was doing with the disciples.

Amos tells us to be careful at Bethel, but go be taught by our God. Let the Good Shepherd be your teacher.

**Re: many think Jesus will be the antichrist - posted by RogerB (), on: 2019/5/23 21:09**

I have always thought the elect would not be deceived. But the church is full of tares. There is a question if a tare can be come wheat. Apparently not. They can't in real life. As the parable of the tares says, an enemy has infiltrated the church. It's his seed that are the tares. They are children of darkness. Seem like a believer but really aren't one. Were they written in the Book of life at the foundation of the earth? Probably not as they weren't planned by God. There were others who tried to destroy the work of God.

Jesus mentioned how that he had sent prophets and others but they had stoned them. They replied back that if their fathers had lived back then they wouldn't have stoned the prophets. That alone lets you know that those in power in Israel were not of Israel. (Fathers not lived back then). They had crept in unaware just like they will at the end. Ezra 9 mentions how the priests and Levites had failed to obey what God commanded. And I saw where Solomon hired Hittites as wood choppers. Didn't they work their way up as scribes?

There are many story lines that still will run though the word. If you want to look at a few, there is the story of Jacob and Esau. Esau still wants that blessing and he intends to take it.

Then there is the question of the two sticks; Israel and Judah. If you look in II Kings you see Israel and Judah at war with each other. A divided kingdom. If you take an honest look at today you will see Judah silently moving to rule the world. You could say they have conquered the white house as an Israeli flag flies in the oval office. The signing of the Noahide Laws into Public law by President Bush. Read it for your self. Trump just resigned it this year on the rabbi's birthday.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pnIVfjXDoWY>

(Your U.S. government can now legally kill Christians for the "crime" of worshipping Jesus Christ! A diabolic deception has been perpetrated on the American people by their OWN leaders, Senators and Congressmen, who have sold their soul to the devil. On March 5, 1991, in the House of Representatives, and March 7, 1991, in the U.S. Senate, without any knowledge of, or input by, the people of the United States, U.S. Senators and Congressmen passed a law that is so outrageous "and frankly unconstitutional" that it forces the American people to be bound by a set of monstrous rules, called the Noahide Laws, rules that make the belief in Jesus Christ a crime punishable by decapitation by guillotine! On March 20, 1991, President George H.W. Bush, a supposed Christian, signed the bill into law. (Deanna's note: President George W. Bush follows in his father's footsteps. See A Free Press, A Free Pass)

The passage of this law, HJ Res. 104)

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So you could say there is a war going on against believers in America right under your nose. Most believe America contains much of the tribe of Ephraim. God rants about Ephraim in Zephaniah, says he doesn't know what to do with Ephraim. The fortress of Ephraim is in Damascus according to Daniel. Then why would Israel want to attack Damascus? So there are some things for you to think on. Lots of threads still running through the Book. That's why I mentioned recently that Israel is returning to the condition it was in long ago.

God is going to deal with Israel. Ultimately there will be a remnant of believers. The two sticks will be one again one day.

**Re: - posted by RogerB (), on: 2019/5/23 21:14**

The pope and his men held communion in the upper room a few years back. He donned his crown as he sat there. Pretty sure this is a sign that the white horse has taken his place.

Re: man of... - posted by savannah, on: 2019/5/23 22:50

"So the "man of sin" (man is singular) may be more (plural) than one Roman emperor."

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"That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished to all good works." 2 Timothy 3:17

Same Greek word used here as there.

It is not non logic as you claim.

Re: Yet the fact remains - posted by docs (), on: 2019/5/24 6:29

The man of sin Paul speaks of will be slain and brought to an end by Christ at His coming.

Man of Lawlessness

1 Now we request you, brethren, with regard to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, (t he resurrection and rapture as we are gathered to Him)

2 that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit or a message or a letter as if fro m us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.

3 Let no one in any way deceive you, for it will not come unless the apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction,

4 who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God.

5 Do you not remember that while I was still with you, I was telling you these things?

6 And you know what restrains him now, so that in his time he will be revealed.

7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains will do so until he is taken out of the way.

8 Then that lawless one will be revealed WHOM THE LORD WILL SLAY AND BRING TO AN END BY THE APPEARAN CE OF HIS COMING;

9 that is, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders,

10 and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so a s to be saved.

11 For this reason God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false,

12 in order that they all may be judged who did not believe the truth, but took pleasure in wickedness.

Obviously no single Roman emperor nor group of emperors were slain by Christ at Christ's second coming and it hasn't happened since then. I would think then it's entirely legitimate then to look for as future fulfillment.

I can hardly think of no other word to describe what is currently going on in many parts of the church and theological world except apostasy. There have been times of backsliding and waning from the truth but nothing like we are seeing today !!! If this great apostasy is real and literal then the man of sin Paul describes as being revealed after the apostasy should be taken in a real and literal sense I would think. No emperor or emperors were slain by Christ at His coming since Christ has not come again at this point.

**Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2019/5/24 7:17**

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The passage of this law, HJ Res. 104)//

Good grief Roger. What a load of malarkey.

**Re: - posted by RogerB (), on: 2019/5/24 22:03**

The Equality Act is coming S88. If it passes you will be silent on Homosexuality in America thanks to the Jewish ADL. God gave us talents to use, so we will be throttled. .

2000 years ago they persecuted Christians and the situation in Israel is returning to the likeness of old. They are planning another persecution of believers. That's what I read in Rev 17 and 18. Another tyrant will try to rule the world, the Jewish Utopia. Ever read the book? Ever read the plan of "The Greater Israel Project"? America is to be thrown under the bus, I believe is on page 84. It's amazing watching evangelicals in the senate lobbying for more more money for Israel as deep inside an insidious event is taking place. Brothers in Christ I have warned you.