

THE END - Part 5

INTRODUCTION

[Revelation 12:5](#)

We've been examining this 'man child.' We said to you that there's a lot of speculation about who this man child is (and his mother). However, Jesus tells us who they both are!

[John 16:21, 22](#)

According to Jesus, the 'woman' is *His disciples* and the 'man child' she brings forth is *Himself*. That's right, **the man child is Jesus Christ manifested in His people!**

Seems "too good to be true"? Well, consider these verses...

[Galatians 4:19](#)

[2 Corinthians 4:11](#)

[2Thessalonians 1:10](#)

While some may think that the idea of Christ "being manifested in you" is far-fetched, others are *holding fast* to this truth!

[Colossians 1:21-23, 26-27](#)

This 'man child' group can ALSO be described as *overcomers*.

[Revelation 12:5](#)

The same thing that is said about this *man child* (i.e. "he shall rule all nations with a rod of iron") is also said concerning OVERCOMERS!

[Revelation 2:26, 27](#)

Therefore, the man child is really a group of overcomers. Meaning, they are a group who OVERCOME *the devil* in order to GAIN *Christ*! Moreover, they will do this *before* the start of the Tribulation! As a result, God will use them to help the rest overcome.

This is a pattern we see concerning *other* 'man child' figures (i.e. Moses, Jesus, etc.).

[John 16:33](#)

(By the way another common trait among ‘man child’ figures in the Bible is there’s always a *failed* attempt by the devil to murder them at a young age!)

[Revelation 12:3-6](#)

The *man child* (in **verse 5**) is here referred to as “they.” This tells us that the ‘man child’ is *not a single person*. Instead, he represents a *corporate body of people*! Moreover, God will use “them” to “feed” or disciple the “woman” for **1260 days** (or 3 ½ years) during the Tribulation until they are also able to overcome!

[Revelation 12:11](#)

Everyone who is not part of the *first group* of overcomers (man child) will get a chance to overcome *during* the Tribulation.

Now, we should point out that the woman never actually overcomes in the Tribulation. It’s her *seed* (those who *come out of her*) that overcomes! In fact, the *dragon* is more interested in trying to devour *the woman’s seed* than he is in her!

[Revelation 12:14-17](#)

Notice how the serpent (devil) “casts out his mouth water as a flood.” The purpose of this flood (deception) is to *kill the woman’s seed*. However, before it can reach her seed, the flood (deception) is swallowed up by the earth!

(Lately, there seems to be an emphasis in our society on *abortion*. Could this be a sign that the world has *swallowed* or accepted Satan’s plan to exterminate God’s children? Is not the mantra of abortion advocates, “My body my choice”? Isn’t this basically the *same* mantra repeated by believers who are “aborting” Christ by refusing to let Him live in them!)

[Revelation 12:17](#)

Notice, those who “*keep* the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus” are the same ones who are *coming out* of the woman! Therefore, we ‘come out of the woman’ by holding fast to testimony of Jesus. Moreover, *coming out* the woman is equivalent to having Christ manifested in your body (i.e. overcoming)!

[Galatians 1:14-16](#)

Here, the *woman* (mother) represents Paul's former *religion*. This seems to suggest that the 'women' in the book of Revelation represents false or apostate religion!

[Revelation 17:3-5](#)

Notice that the woman in this passage is called the "Mother of Harlots." (In the Bible a 'harlot' is often someone who practices idolatry.) If this woman is the 'Mother of Harlots,' then EVERY false religion shares the same source—Babylon!

Remember, Babylon (or Babel) was originally the place everyone lived before God spread them out all over the world. Thus, the seeds of false religion went with each of them!

We must understand that Babylon is vast. Moreover, the only way to truly come out her is to overcome. Anyone trying to leave 'religion' (Babylon) without first overcoming will eventually be swallowed and become one of her daughters!

REVIEW QUESTIONS:

1. We said to you that the 'man child' is a corporate body of *overcomers*. What do we mean by this statement? (Hint: Who have they *defeated* and what have they *gained* as a result?)
2. Can you name any other 'man child' figures in the Bible? What do these figures share in common with the *end time* 'man child'?
3. We know that the 'man child' is not a single person, but a corporate body (group) of people. Can you name any other 'characters' in [Revelation 12](#) that might represent a *group* of people?
4. We know that the Bible describes the 'man child' as *overcomers*. Does the Bible (book of Revelation) also describe other believers that will overcome during the Tribulation? (Please provide a Scripture reference.)

Finally, what do you believe it will take for someone to *overcome* like the 'man child' group?