

Book of Revelation Chapters 12

Introduction: John doesn't focus on when.

John's focus on: what = Holy War (the theme of these chapters)

who = unholy trinity of Satan and 2 Beast vs. People of God

why = because the saints are the earthly representatives of Satan's defeat by the Lamb.

Chapter 12

12:1 A sign appeared: What follows is symbolic. The **woman is** Israel.

12:3 The **Red Dragon** represents Satan.

Seven heads may be the seven empires throughout the history of Israel: Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, Rome and the Revived Roman Empire of Anti-Christ.

12:4 A third of the stars means fallen angels. See Isaiah 14:12 for a look at Satan's rebellion.

12:5 The **Male Child** is Jesus, the Messiah. The iron scepter indicates that He will smash the nations in revolt against God.

12:7 Michael, the Archangel is the guardian prince and will fight Satan and his angels.

Satan is thrown down to the earth as part of the 7th Trumpet judgment.

12:11 The center of the book.

12:15 The dragon spewed water probably is unjust opposition which is supernaturally defeated by God.