

The identity of the person referred to by the number **666** is:

The Hebrew letters for this name, which only uses consonants are:

NRWN QSR

N = 50, **R** = 200, **W** = 6, **N** = 50, **Q** = 100, **S** = 60, **R** = 200
Together, these numbers add up to 666!

When the Greek word for "beast" (*therion*) is translated into its Hebrew equivalent (*thrywn*), it too adds up to 666!

NEXT WEEK'S ASSIGNMENT

- Read Revelation chapter 14:1-20 about **How It All Ends**.
- Why is the Lamb deicted on Mount Zion with the 144,000?
- What will happen to the worshipers of the Beast?
- What does the image of the Reaper represent?



THE SECOND BEAST

Revelation 13:11-18

In Revelation 13, John presents two Beasts. The 1st Beast represents a global alliance that seeks to control the world. The 2nd Beast represents a promotional (propaganda) network that seeks to deceive the world. It is the 2nd Beast that will get people to give their allegiance to the 1st Beast.

THE DESCRIPTION OF THE 2nd BEAST (13:11)

(v.11) "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."

Notice how this second creature is described:

- He is a _____.
- He is from _____.

From the sea = _____

From the land = _____

From the sea = _____ control

From the land = _____ control

- He will have two horns like a _____.
- He will have the voice of a _____.

THE PURPOSE OF THE 2nd BEAST (13:12)

(v.12) "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.

- Notice the purpose of the 2nd Beast: It is to get the world to worship the 1st Beast!
- Notice the **Unholy Trinity** we have presented in Revelation 13.

The **Dragon** (Satan) corresponds to _____.

The **1st Beast** (the Antichrist) corresponds to _____.

The **2nd Beast** (the false prophet) corresponds to the _____.

THE METHODS OF THE 2nd BEAST (13:13-18)

The 2nd Beast will rely on two primary methods to influence people. He will rely on ...

1. _____.

The primary means of persuasion will be **deception**.
(v.12) "He deceives those who dwell on the earth."

- He will call down _____ (v.13).
- He will make an _____ of the 1st Beast that breathes & talks (vv.14-15).

- Those who dwell on the earth will make this image of the 1st Beast.
- The 2nd Beast will give breath (life) to this image and make it speak.
- This image will promote worship of the 1st Beast.

Question: What influences people to give their allegiance to the Beast?

Answer: Our _____ system!

- What is in every country – from ancient times to modern times?
- What indoctrinates the next generation to have a certain worldview?
- Where is the radical agenda of social change being taught today?
- Where is globalism and the hate for nationalism being taught today?

But if persuasion doesn't work, then the False Prophet will turn to ...

2. _____.

- There is the threat of physical _____ (v.15).
- There is the threat of economic _____ (vv.16-17).

THE MARK OF THE BEAST (13:18)

- The mark is a number: 666.
- The number represents a person's _____.
- This person would have more than likely been known to John's 1st century readers. That's why the name is kept hidden.
- This mark will be worn on the right hand or on the forehead.

The **right hand** represents what people ____.

The **forehead** represents how people _____.

- The number 666 points to game often played in the ancient world called **GEMATRIA** – where numbers are assigned to letters in the alphabet.