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The Antichrist and the Mark of the Beast Dr. Jeremy McGarity

I. WHO IS THE ANTICHRIST?

He (Antichrist) will confirm a covenant with many for one 'seven.' In the middle of the 'seven' he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And at the temple he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him.

DANIEL 9:27 (NIV)

1 Names of the Antichrist in the New Testament

- The BEAST
- The Man of LAWLESSNESS

In the latter part of their reign, when rebels have become completely wicked, a fierce-looking king, a master of intrigue, will arise. He will become very strong, but not by his own power.

He will cause astounding devastation and will succeed in whatever he does. He will destroy those who are mighty, the holy people. He will cause deceit to prosper, and he will consider himself superior. When they feel secure, he will destroy many and take his stand against the Prince of princes. Yet he will be destroyed, but not by human power.

The vision of the evenings and mornings that has been given you is true, but seal up the vision, <u>for it concerns the distant future.</u>

DANIEL 8:23-26 (NIV)

2 Characteristics

- Genius INTELLECTUY (Daniel 8:23)
- Enthralling SPEAKER (Daniel 11:36)
- Brilliant POLITICALLY (Rev. 17:11-13)
- Genius BUSINESSMAN (Dan. 11:43; Rev. 13:16-17)
- Brilliant MILITARY mind (Rev. 6:2; 13:2)
- Genius at RELIGION (2 Thess. 2:4; Rev. 13:8)
- Attractive PHYSICALLY (Daniel 7:20)
- Magnetic PERSONALITY (Daniel 7, Rev.13)

II. THE MARK OF THE BEAST

- Setting up the Mark: Globalism
 - A fake <mark>PEACE</mark> plan
 - A false RELIGION
 - A one-world ECONOMY
 - A one-world GOVERNMENT

2 The Mark Propaganda

A universal sign to show you "CARE"

It also forced all people, great and small, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hands or on their foreheads, so that they could not buy or sell unless they had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of its name.

This calls for wisdom. Let the person who has insight **calculate** the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man. That number is 666.

REVELATION 13:16-18 (NIV)

III. WHAT TO DO

BE PRAISING the Lord

Worship the LORD with gladness. Come before him, singing with joy. Acknowledge that the LORD is God! He made us, and we are his. We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

PSALM 100:2-3 (NLT)

2 BE GROWING in faith

Think carefully about what is right, and stop sinning. For to your shame I say that some of you don't know God at all.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:34 (NLT)

Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard; hold it fast, and repent. But if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what time I will come to you.

REVELATION 3:3 (NIV)

3 BE READY

Jesus said, "See, I have warned you about this ahead of time."

MATTHEW 24:25 (NLT)

*Revelation 3:14-20

4 BE PRAYING FOR YOUR OIKOS

I am sending you...to open their eyes, so they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God. Then they will receive forgiveness for their sins and be given a place among God's people, who are set apart by faith in me.

ACTS 26:17-18 (NLT)



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SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

- 1 How do you personally interpret the concept of the Mark of the Beast in your Christian faith, and what steps, if any, have you taken to ensure your faith remains unwavering in the face of trials and tribulations?
- 2 In your view, what characteristics or actions might align with the concept of the Antichrist, and how can you guard against being influenced by such forces in your daily life as a Christian?
- 3 Reflect on your understanding of the Man of Lawlessness in 2 Thessalonians. In what ways can you apply the lessons from this passage to your life, particularly in maintaining a righteous and upright Christian walk?
- 4 Consider how these eschatological beliefs impact your daily choices and behavior as a Christian. Are there changes you've made or would like to make in response to these teachings?
- 5 Given your faith in Christ and the belief in an ultimate battle between good and evil, how does this affect your perspective on morality, justice, and living out your Christian values in your community and the world at large?



Upcoming Events

10.31 Trunk or Treat

1.03 | Mission Trip to San Quintín

11.15 | Membership Dinner

11.19 | Baptisms & Child Dedications