



# Revelation With Daniel

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**Verse 1** - One of the seven angels that was seen in **15:1**, **7** and **16:1**, came to John saying, 'Come here, I will show you something about a woman.' In **21:9** John writes almost the identical thing. This shows that there is a parallel between two 'great cities' mentioned in each chapter. Notice the comparison between the two buildings:

I will shew thee the (Bride), **Rev. 21:9**  
 The Lamb's wife, **21:9**  
 Carried away in the Spirit, **21:10**  
 To a great and high mountain, **21:10**  
 Shewed me that great city, **21:10**  
 The Holy Jerusalem, **21:10**  
 Out of Heaven from God, **21:10**  
 Having the glory of God, **21:11**  
 She is a queen, marrying a King, **21:2**  
 A stone most precious, **21:11**  
 City had twelve foundations, **21:14**  
 City was pure gold, **21:18**  
 Precious stones... pearls, **21:19-21**  
 Glory of God did lighten it, **21:23**  
 Kings bring their glory, **21:24**  
 She has daughters, **Song 3:11, Isa. 3:16**  
 She has mountains, **Psalms 133:3**

I will shew thee the (whore), **Rev. 17:1**  
 The great whore, **17:1**  
 Carried away in the Spirit, **17:3**  
 Into the wilderness, **17:3**  
 Thou sawest... that great city, **17:18**  
 Babylon the great, **17:5**  
 Great city Babylon... Thrown down, **18:21**  
 She hath glorified herself, **18:7**  
 She claims to be a queen, **18:7**  
 Precious stones, **18:16**  
 Sitteth upon many waters, **17:1**  
 Decked with gold, **18:16**  
 Precious stones and pearls, **18:16**  
 A candle shall shine no more, **18:23**  
 Kings... bewail... lament, **18:9**  
 She has daughters, **17:5**  
 She has mountains, **17:9**

Again, the enemy has personated. This brings new meaning to **Revelation 13:6**. The woman is sitting on many waters. The last waters spoken of were from the Euphrates in **16:12**. This chapter is an exposition of who will rule before the waters (people) dry up (withdraw their support) at the *very* end of time.

**Verse 2** - Just to put it simply, she allures the leadership and inhabitants of the earth with spiritual sex and alcohol. Fornication is mentioned 12 times in the Revelation. The whore described in this chapter leads people deceptively with pleasures and lusts, into a condemned state—trapped by their own lack of understanding and poor decisions to ultimately be destroyed by God. A sad reality for people deceived at the end of time. Fornication between her (a church) and kings (men in political positions) represents an oppressive unity of church and state.

**Verse 3** - In verse **1** the angel said, "Come hither." In verse **3** John is "carried... away." Where was he carried and how? He's carried away "in the Spirit into the wilderness." John was taken to another place in space and time. Remember, John was taken to another place where Christ was in **1:10**—not on the island where there were no 'churches'—but "in the midst of the seven candlesticks," or churches where Christ was ministering as Priest. In **4:2**, John was "in the Spirit." He was in the Spirit immediately after **4:1** which said, "Come up hither..." Again, John was taken to another time and

place. In this case, he was taken where Christ was about to come into the throne room of God to be accepted as a perfect sacrifice. It's important to see too that John was "carried away in the Spirit" in **21:10** also. He was taken to the Holy City which is in Heaven. This helps us determine the potential 'when' and 'where' of chapter **17**—it doesn't have to be during John's then-current time on the island.

The woman and the beast in this verse are connected to the beasts of chapter **13**, the little yet exceeding great horn of **Daniel 8:9-12**, the beast and little horn of **Daniel 7:8**, and the feet of iron and clay of **Daniel 2:4:41-43**. When connecting all these chapters together, we come up with a (partial) list of identifying marks that tell us who this power is:

### Identifying points of the Antichrist:

1. It's a "little" horn (**Daniel 7:8**)
2. 3 horns were "plucked up," "fell," or were "subdued" by it (**7:8, 20, 24**)
3. It had eyes like the eyes of a man (**7:8**—man's understanding, **Ephesians 1:18**)
4. It had a "mouth speaking great things" or "words against the Most High (**7:8, 25**)
5. "The same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them" (**7:21**)
6. It's called a kingdom—"another [kingdom] shall arise" (**7:24**)
7. It would come up "after" the 10 divided kingdoms of Rome (**7:24**)
8. It would be "diverse" or different from the other 10 horns [being religious] (**7:24**)
9. It would "think to change times and laws" (**7:25**)
10. It would rule over God's people for "a time, and times, and the dividing of time" (**7:25**)—the same period found in **Daniel 12:7, Revelation 11:2,3, 12:6,14, 13:5** (See **Numbers 14:34 and Ezekiel 4:1-6** for the prophetic principle of a day for a year)
11. It would "magnify himself even to the Prince of the host" (**8:11**)
12. By it "the place of [God's] sanctuary was cast down" (**8:11**)
13. "It cast down the truth to the ground" (**8:12**)
14. It would be "a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences" (**8:23**)
15. "His power shall be mighty" (**2:40, 8:24**)
16. "He shall cause craft to prosper in his hand" (**8:25**)
17. "He shall also stand up against the Prince of princes" (**8:25**)
18. It will look/act like Jesus in multiple ways (**Revelation 13:1-5**)
19. It will come out of a populated area, "the sea" (**13:1**. See **17:15** for the Bible's interpretation of the sea/waters)
20. It would have "crowns" upon the "horns"—kings in the divisions of Rome (**13:1**)
21. It would have "the name of blasphemy" upon it (**13:1**—Biblically, blaspheme has been 1.) Sinning against God [**Ezekiel 20:27**], 2.) Claiming to forgive sins while not being God [**Mark 2:7**], 3.) Making one's human self to be God [**John 10:33**])
22. It would be made up of elements from Greece, Medo-Persia, and Babylon (**13:2**, see **Daniel 7:3-6**)
23. It would have a wound unto death that would be healed (**13:3**—regarding the wound, please read from "The history of the French revolution, tr. with notes by F. Shoberl, by Marie Joseph L. Adolphe Thiers, 1838, pg 204)
24. The prominent colors would be "purple", "scarlet" (red), and "gold" (**17:4**)
25. The city sits on seven mountains—known as 'the city of seven hills' - (**17:9**)

**Verse 4** - The woman was arrayed in several colors here and in **18:16** (purple, red, gold, and fine linen). These are the same colors, minus one, that the priests would wear in the sanctuary (**Exodus 28:2-5**). Purple is a color used by the Bible that can symbolize royalty (**Judges 8:26**). Red represents the forgiveness of sin in the context of the sanctuary (**Isaiah 1:18**). Gold can be equated with faith tried by fire (**1 Peter 1:7**). Fine linen represents righteousness (**Revelation 19:8**), yet why did she not wear the blue? Notice **Numbers 15:38-41**. The woman wants to be seen as God's accepted priesthood on earth, but is unwilling to be obedient to His Word. It seems like the similar tactic used in the prophecy of **Isaiah 4:1**. The golden cup in her hand also exposes her wealth. She was made rich through the abominations and fornication she seduced the kings and inhabitants of the earth into. The golden cup could bring us to **Daniel 5**, where a heathen Babylonian king drank wine from the holy golden vessels of God before judgment came. She too treats holy things as common. Notice **Jeremiah 51:7**, "Babylon hath been a golden cup in the LORD'S hand, that made all the earth drunken: the nations have drunken of her wine; therefore the nations are mad."

**Revelation 6:6, 14:8, 10, 20, 16:19, 17:2, 18:3, 13, 19:15** speak of the wine in various ways.

**Psalms 11:6** and **75:8** speak of the wicked drinking God's cup of wrath. Christ offered the cup of blessing to His followers (**Matthew 26:27-28**) while He was willing to take the cup of suffering for Himself (**26:38-44**).

"Canvassers, remember that in the books you handle you are presenting, not the **cup** containing the **wine** of Babylon, **doctrines of error** dealt to the kings of the earth, but the **cup** full of the preciousness of the **truths of redemption**" (Colporteur Evangelism, 10).

"There are **few** to whom you bring the truth, who have **not been drinking of the wine of Babylon**. It is **hard** for them to comprehend the truth, therefore the necessity of teaching it as it is in Jesus" (1Selected Messages, 405).

**Verse 5** - Upon her forehead, or, because of her choices that have made up her character, she is called "Mystery, Babylon..." (a whore's forehead in **Jeremiah 3:3**.) (Mystery can be understood as secrecy. Strong's G3466.) Mystery is used in chapter **17** and **10:7**. The 'mystery of the Kingdom of God' is often how this word is used. She is the mother of harlots that has joined forces with the father of lies (**John 8:44**). The harlot with the daughters is understood by what is portrayed in the relationship between the first and second beasts of **Revelation 13**—the image of the beast. The Roman Catholic Church combined with the religious powers of North America form this destructive and deceptive unity. The harlot with daughters can be further understood by studying the story of John the Baptist before a harlot and her daughter while interacting with one a king of the earth (**Mark 6:14-29**).

**Verse 6** - She is responsible for the blood of many Christians through deceit and persecution (See **18:24**). She's also very attractive. She doesn't fornicate with the kings of the earth because she's ugly... even John "wondered with great admiration" when he saw her... Wondered is the same word used in **13:3**—a word that is used 4 times in the Revelation, only in chapters **13** and **17**. Even those as dedicated to Christ as John need be wary! This Greek word "admiration" is used once in the New Testament. (**Isaiah 49:24-26** is interesting.) This woman is drunken with blood from a golden cup. The Bible gives reference to only four verses that use the words blood and cup together: **Luke 22:20, 1 Corinthians 10:16, 25, 27**. Each of these verses are used in the context of the Lord's supper. Again, the antichrist system is impersonating Christ's ministry—offering and experiencing a false gospel.

**Verse 7** - John was rebuked by the angel for his moment of mesmerism. In this verse, the angel said he would explain what John had seen in the woman, the water, the beast, the heads, and the horns. The angel speaks of the “**beast**” in verse **8**, the “**heads**” in verse **9**, the “**horns**” in verse **12**, the “**waters**” in verse **15**, and the “**woman**” in verse **18**.

This chapter can be broken into two parts: what is seen in verses **1-7**, and what is explained in verses **8-18**.

**Verse 8** - (Recalling the earlier notes from verse **3**, it is seen here that John was taken to another place and time while “in the spirit.”) Has there been a time when the beast “was, and is not”? Yes, it was at the same time the identical beast received its deadly wound in **13:3**. The beast then, after its deadly wound, ascends out of the “bottomless pit.” After ascending, it goes into perdition. (Just as John experienced in **17:6**, the earth will wonder at this power, just as it is prophesied that they will wonder after the beast in **13:3**.)

While the antichrist beast was “not” (when it had received its deadly wound), which beast was? In **11:7** we see France, the beast which also ascended out of the bottomless pit. France is the political power that brought the Catholic political church to a point of being “is not.” As the power of France was from the bottomless pit, it would make sense that when the Catholic church received life again—after its deadly wound—it too would have come out of the bottomless pit.

From the middle to the end of **17:8**, it corresponds with **13:8**. The very end of **17:8** tells of this antichrist beast “that was [during the dark ages], and is not [during the time France took the political power away from the antichrist system], and yet is [in that the beast system wasn't fully destroyed, as the religious aspect of the Catholic church has never been fully exterminated].”

**Verse 9** - There are only two times the Revelation uses the word “wisdom” when not talking about God: here and in **13:18**. Both point to the same religio-political power, one having the number of a man's name (**15:2**) directly connected to the beast, while this other points out characteristics that have been looked at in the notes of chapter **8**, trumpet two. A mountain can refer to a kingdom, so here is portrayed the women (the Roman Catholic Church) sitting on “seven” kingdoms, or all the kingdoms of the world that have been directly connected with the prophecies of God's people. This has also been used to show the physical characteristics of the Vatican as the city of seven hills. Again, just as God has His foundation on mountains, so does this impersonating and deceptive power. “His foundation is in the holy mountains” (**Psalms 87:1**).

**Verse 10** - The phrase in the King James Version, “And there are” can be translated, “And are,” as the word “there” is translated as “they” in many other versions. This means that the mountains can also be called kings or kingdoms. Seven kings all together. Five were fallen. One “is” (that accounts for 6). When the beast (or Papacy) of verse **8** “is not,” there was a beast which “is” according to this verse. Notice: 1) Babylon, 2) Medo-Persia, 3) Greece, 4) pagan Rome, 5) papal Rome (which fell to France receiving a deadly wound), 6) France brings us to the one which “is” in this prophecy. The other that is not yet come (into full power at that time) would be the next major player in Biblical prophecy—7) The United States of America. America will only continue a “short space” because of the times in which we live—the end of time.

**Verse 11** - “The beast that was, and is not” is the Catholic church/state system, or Papacy, that had a deadly wound that would be healed. AND, she “is the eighth!” Yes, she “is of the seven.” In fact, she was number five in verse **10**. (Remember again, her deadly wound was promised to be healed, **13:3**.) The Catholic church, along with Protestant America, will work together (as foretold in chapter **13**) to go into “perdition” (a word used only twice in Revelation, verses **8** and **11**). The “son of perdition” is found in **2 Thessalonians 2:3-4**, which is also equated to Judas, **John 17:12**.

Don't forget about Judas which was:

- One of the disciples (**Matthew 10:2-5**)
- Trusted with and empowered by the Holy Spirit (**Luke 9:1**)
- In the know regarding the deep things of the Master (**Matthew 24:3**)
- A worker of miracles (**Matthew 10:1**)
- At the counsels of the Master (**John 6:3**)
- Highly respected (**Matthew 26:14**)
- An inner betrayer/deceiver (**John 6:70-71**)
- Outwardly focused on ministering to the poor (**John 12:5-6**)
- Holder of the money bags (**John 12:6**)
- One who received a deadly wound, on a tree, the same day, outside the city, just as the Messiah (**Matthew 27:3-10, Acts 1:15-20**) (See the Desire of Ages, 722.5)

**Verse 12** - The number ten could refer to a similar situation as the ten divisions of Rome in both **Daniel 2** and **7**, where the entire political world is referred to. Could a world-wide consortium be prophesied? If so, there is power given them for just a short time at the end. One prophetic hour represents about fifteen days, though I don't believe this has to be taken as prophetic time, just as “the hour” of God's judgment should not be understood that way either (**14:7**).

**Verses 13-14** - Having one mind and giving their (political) strength to the beast (the church/state union), which here represents the Papacy united with Protestant America and all other nations of the world, they make war against God (His people on earth that have come out of spiritual Babylon, **18:4**). God's people, though suffering persecution, will prevail in the light of eternity.

“The line of distinction between professed Christians and the ungodly is now hardly distinguishable. Church members love what the world loves and are ready to join with them, and Satan determines to unite them in one body and thus strengthen his cause by sweeping all into the ranks of spiritualism. Papists, who boast of miracles as a certain sign of the true church, will be readily deceived by this wonder-working power; and Protestants, having cast away the shield of truth, will also be deluded. Papists, Protestants, and worldlings will alike accept the form of godliness without the power, and they will see in this union a grand movement for the conversion of the world and the ushering in of the long-expected millennium” (GC 588).

Christ said after two different parables, “Many are called, but few are chosen” (**Matthew 20:16, 22:14**). In this verse, they are not only called and chosen, but also faithful. Perhaps few are chosen because few are faithful...? May the Lord bless our decisions to follow Him. There is one other time Christ has a similar name, see **19:16**. (Here they gather for the battle of Armageddon, see **16:14,16**.)

**Verse 15** - Waters, in most Bible prophecy, represents people (where in places like **21:1** it makes best sense that it doesn't represent people. What would the new earth be without people?).

**Verses 16-17** - After making a pact with the beast, the kings of the earth turn against her, burn her with fire and eat her flesh (it makes sense that the order of events would be that she would be burnt and then eaten, rather than eaten and then burnt, right?).

Could the kings of the earth be offering her up to their 'god' as a burnt offering? God told the children of Israel to burn a lamb and eat its flesh during the passover service (**Exodus 12:8**). Worship is the central issue at the end of time. Also, the only times people were specifically, "burnt with fire" can be found in three verses:

- **Leviticus 20:14** And if a man take a wife and her mother, it is wickedness: they shall be burnt with fire, both he and they; that there be no wickedness among you. (Notice **Revelation 20:10**.)
- **Leviticus 21:9** And the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the whore, she profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire.
- **Joshua 7:15** And it shall be, that he that is taken with the accursed thing shall be burnt with fire, he and all that he hath: because he hath transgressed the covenant of the LORD, and because he hath wrought folly in Israel.

Weren't those that made up spiritual Babylon, during the beginning of the Christian age, Christ's? Paul said, "I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them" (**Acts 20:29-30**)? Aren't our worst enemies those from within? (**See Micah 7:6**.) We need to fear God, but we ought also to fear ourselves.

**Verse 18** - The church/state will reign over the leaders of the earth. Church and state, when united in a carnal world, always leads to the persecution of God's true Bible believers. (Haman wanted worship as a leader of the nation in the story of **Esther**, King Nebuchadnezzar commanded worship in Babylon in **Daniel 3**, the leaders of the Medes set up a false system of worship in **Daniel 6**, the church appealed to have no king but Caesar in **John 19**, and the 50-75 millions who were slaughtered by the dark ages church when not submitting to her political will and authority are only a few examples.)

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