

BBS 53 The Beast (The Revived Roman Empire — RRE)

The Political System in The Tribulation

Revelation 13:1-7

Daniel 7: A review of the Four Monsters (p67+68) v7 **Rome**, the fourth beast, had one head and 10 horns — 10 kings ruling. v8 A little horn (another king) rises and destroys 3 of the kings. v23 explains — this hasn't happened yet and is future history. v25 Man of Sin shall persecute saints. Anti-Semitism: 'change times and law' ... attack the Jews (stop their feasts and law). They will 'be given into his hand for a **time, times and half a time**' — i.e. 3½ years.

	Days	Mths	Years
Daniel 7:25			
'A Time'	360	12	1
(Two) 'Times'	(360	12	1
	(360	12	1
'Half a Time'	180	6	½
Total (3½ Times)	1260	42	3½
Seven Times	2520	84	7

Based on Babylonian 'Time' or year of 360 days



Remember the Church in the gap? (p63) That is the key to this passage.

Rev 13:1-3 John looks at sea — the unstable mass of humanity. A beast begins to rise out of it with 7 heads and 10 horns with 10 crowns. Blasphemous, out of humanity. Seven empires (see p68), one with 10 horns, **all anti-Semitic**. After the Church the 7th will appear. v3 Rome is mortally wounded and falls when Odavacer deposed Romulus Augustulus in AD476, but its wound is healed and it rises again. Rev 17:9-12 'The 7 heads are 7 mountains on which the woman sits, and there are also 7 kings/kingdoms.' '7 mountains' = Rome; woman is Mystery Babylon. v10 **Five** fallen, one is (6th — Rome in AD 95), **RRE** yet to come (**7th Empire**). Rev 13:4 Worship dragon, Satan himself Rev 12:9. Dan 7:24-25 Last head has 10 horns, 10 nations (see below). Rev 13:5-7 After 42 months (3½ yrs) he becomes leader of **World Government (8th Empire)**. 'Saints' are **not** the Church. Deut 33:2-3; Ps 116:15

Possible Political Scenario of The Tribulation

After the Rapture an alliance forms of 10 Mediterranean nations. An international figure declares himself to be the leader. Three of the nations object. War breaks out and these three nations are destroyed/conquered. Man of Sin becomes leader of new **Revived Roman Empire (RRE — Empire 7)**. The world notices how prosperous RRE is and wants to join. He is declared leader/dictator of **World Government (Empire 8)**. For rest of 3½ years he seems to be a philanthropist, with answers to world's problems like famine and warfare. Suddenly, at mid-point, he turns against the Jews and new believers. Most terrible persecution follows. He wars not just against the Jews and the Saints but against God Himself. The final 3½ years is the Great Tribulation. A dreadful situation. (from Seal 2 to Goblet 7)

Who Could the 10 Kingdoms Be?

Not Common Market or EC — this is just a precursor. The RRE could be a similar empire to when Jesus was put to death. Probably **not** Britain, Belgium, Netherlands, Denmark or northern Germany. Countries could include **Spain, France, Italy, Yugoslavia*, Albania, Greece, Bulgaria, Turkey, Syria, Egypt** and parts of **N. Africa**. Don't count to 10 now — the borders will change dramatically. Rome will rise again; when it does historians will be amazed!

*As was! — now Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Serbia & Macedonia. Use map on p64 as a guide, but this is a **much later date**.

BBS 54 The Satanic Trinity (The Three Beasts)

A Beast '2' Man of Sin Anti-Christ from out of the sea (humanity, world)

POLITICAL

Other titles: Son of Perdition, the Beast, the Lawless One, dictator/king of the earth — **He fulfils Satan's plan**

B Beast '3' False Prophet Anti-Spirit from out of the earth (humanity, world) (allos — same type)

RELIGIOUS

Rev 13:11-12 Another = *allos* (of same type) or *heteros* (of different type) e.g. another (*heteros* + *allos*) gospel Gal 1:6

Dan 7:3 4 beasts from sea (of humanity) angel says (v17) 4 kings arise out of the earth — **He is the Campaign Manager**

Rev 13:11 2 horns like a lamb (as in Asia minor) but spoke like a dragon — wolf in sheep's clothing. State & religion combined.

C Beast '1' Red Dragon Anti-Father Satan — the Planner

Father — Planner

Devil — Planner

Rev 12:3-4 Power over 1/3 of angels (*demons*) v9 from stars Job 38:1-7 'morning stars' Rev 12:7-9 War in heaven. All cast out. Not only is Holy Spirit removed but all the demons are on the earth during the Great Tribulation (*last 3½ years*).



Blasphemous countertype: devil, beast & false prophet have power over demonic realm — they usurp God's position. Rev 16:13-14 Beast looks like devil — 7 heads & 10 horns.

Son — Fulfiller of the plan
Holy Spirit — Revealer of the plan

Beast — Fulfiller of the plan
False Prophet — Revealer of the plan

The Religious System in The Tribulation

Revelation 13 (& 17)

Religion is devil's ace trump card. Satan knows of the 'God-shaped void' in man's life and provides the false prophet and religion to fill it. The apostate church is made up from all denominations. It goes hand-in-hand with the state until finally the state destroys it. In Rev 13 the false prophet:

v12 causes the whole earth to worship the first beast ('Beast 1' — the devil)

v13 does incredible signs and wonders — restraint of Holy Spirit removed. Do 'not listen' Deut 13:1-3

v14 deceives the world into making images and setting them up at centres of worship and religion

v15 gives 'life' & 'speech' to the image, possibly by ventriloquist spirits — 'ob', 'ov' in Hebrew Is 29:4

Those who refuse to worship are killed i.e. **1** the true believers and **2** the Jews (*anti-Semitism*)

v16-18 He causes all to carry a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads — **666** — so that none

may buy or sell without it. **666** is the number of the beast and glorifies man.

Those who treat the Jews well and provide for them are commended by God at the judgement — 'you did it to the least of these my brethren'. Matt 25:31-46

666 has a meaning as a number. Lots of Biblical words and phrases have numerical meanings and the Greek, Hebrew and Latin letters had numerical values. In Greek, 'Jesus' is **888** — the number of resurrection (see right) and 'tradition' and 'apostasy' add up to **666**; as do 'Romans', 'Balaam', 'Caesar of the Romans' and 'Caesar Nero' in Hebrew. See Teach Yourself NT Greek, p114

Mussolini was a **type** of the anti-Christ. He was a Roman, based in Rome and established a Roman Empire of sorts. His empire began when his troops marched into Abyssinia (*Ethiopia*) in 1936 and ended in 1943 exactly **7 years TO THE DAY** later when he was kicked out of his last colony. A **type** of the Tribulation!

Jesus Ιησους	
I Iota	10
η Eta	8
σ Sigma	200
ο Omicron	70
υ Upsilon	400
ς Sigma	200
Total	888

Numerals 3 Stigmas	
666	ϞϞϞ
	(like 3 snakes)

Greek Letter	Name	Value
A α	Alpha	1
B β	Beta	2
Γ γ	Gamma	3
Δ δ	Delta	4
E ε	Epsilon	5
ς ϛ	Stigma*	6
Z ζ	Zeta	7
H η	Eta	8
Θ θ	Theta	9
I ι	Iota	10
K κ	Kappa	20
Λ λ	Lambda	30
M μ	Mu	40
N ν	Nu	50
Ξ ξ	Xi	60
O ο	Omicron	70
Π π	Pi	80
Ϟ ϟ	Qoppa*	90
P ρ	Rho	100
Σ σ ς	Sigma	200
T τ	Tau	300
Υ υ	Upsilon	400
Φ φ	Phi	500
Χ χ	Chi	600
Ψ ψ	Psi	700
Ω ω	Omega	800
Ϟ ϟ	Sampi*	900

*not Gk alphabet, just nos