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Ten Horns and Seven Heads

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An angel carried John away in the Spirit and I showed him:

- A woman sitting on a scarlet beast that was full of blasphemous names, and it had seven heads and ten horns. ⁴ The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and jewels and pearls, holding in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the impurities of her sexual immorality. ⁵ And on her forehead was written a name of mystery: “Babylon the great, mother of prostitutes and of earth’s abominations.” ⁶ And I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints, the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. When I saw her, I marveled greatly. ⁷ But the angel said to me, “Why do you marvel? I will tell you the mystery of the woman, and of the beast with seven heads and ten horns that carries her. (Rev. 17:1-7)

Facts concerning the ten-horn beast:

- It signifies an enormously powerful global political system.
- It and a two horned beast like a lamb exist at the same time. We know this because the two horned beast exalts the ten horned beast and deceives the inhabitants of the earth to make an image of it and worship it which clearly shows that these two beasts exist at the same time.
- It signifies a latter days worldwide secular political antichristian government and all nations in league with them, including their global financial banking system and global commerce and trade.
- It is viewed as one mighty beast power existing in two distinct forms (religious and secular) closely united, and mutually sustaining each other. (Rev. 17:1-6).
- The head of this entire beast power is the man of lawlessness (man of sin in KJV) (2 Thess. 2:1-4) (an antichrist and son of destruction) (1 John 2:22).
- It has a woman arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold, jewels, and pearls and full of abominations and sexual immorality sitting on it. (Rev. 17:4, 7).
- It is full of blasphemous names, godlessness, self-serving and self-centred.
- It is selfish, ambitious, and has a sense of self-entitlement.
- It has no interest in the word of God or obeying Him.
- It lives to gratify its own worldly passions, indulgences, luxuries, and pleasures.

- It is predatory by nature, for it uses others to advance its own ambition to gain global power control and wealth.
- It rises-up out of the sea, which signifies, disorder, chaos, tumultuous troubles, and the destructive ways of mankind.
- It makes war on the saints (probably Israel) and by its great power forces them, and a vast portion of the world to submit to its dominion and authority. (Rev. 13:7).
- The ten horns refer to the nations that rise-up out of Rome which is the European nations and those affiliated with them.
- It is full of blasphemy and hostile toward all religions. (Rev. 13:1).
- It will give its power to the two-horned beast like a lamb. (Rev. 17:13, 17).
- It has no power to begin with, but its leaders receive power as king's one hour (i.e., a short time) with the two-horned beast like a lamb. (Rev. 17:12-13).
- It will turn against the woman arrayed in purple and scarlet, and destroy her. (Rev. 17:16).
- It with the two-horned beast like a lamb will go to war against Christ, but God will supernaturally destroy them. (Rev. 17:14).
- It and its seven heads are not the beast, but are on the beast, much like the head is not the body, but on the body, the beast or the body is the great dragon, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world (Rev. 12:9) (Rev. 20:2). The ten horns and seven heads are the instruments the dragon uses to achieve his purposes and attempt to destroy Christ and his Kingdom.
- Its power is limited, until the two horned beast like a lamb unites them. (Rev. 17:12).
- It only reigns with the two horned beast for one hour (i.e., a short, after it has reached their peak of power and authority as kings). (Rev. 17:12).
- It is the last beast spoken of in the book of Revelation.
- It and the woman riding it are two individual beast powers, but are so closely linked that they are sometimes spoken of as one beast, which means, the number 666 can be taken to embrace this entire ungodly beast empire made up of a powerful false religious leader and his global spiritual empire and a powerful ungodly secular ruler and his ungodly global worldly empire.

The wisdom of the ten-horned and two-horned beast like a lamb: the wisdom, that guides both beasts is not wisdom from above which is pure, peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere, but wisdom that brings disorder, chaos and eventually ruin and destruction, for this wisdom is earthly, worldly and sensual, it is wisdom that arises from pride and selfish ambition, envying and strife, partiality and hypocrisy and that is unspiritual and false to the truth. (James 3:13-18).

Overview of the ten horned beast: the picture is of a wild beast (the dragon), representing the varying forces and successive empires that have opposed and oppressed the people of God, and sought to destroy their efforts for good, ultimately being concentrated in a single hostile

form in the latter days. In its simplest form the blasphemous ten-horned beast with seven heads and the woman arrayed in purple and scarlet, full of abominations seated on its back can be taken to signify the dominate global false religious kingdom and the secular antichristian nations, rulers, and governments, united to control and dominate the world.

The lesson: we learn from this is that no matter how great a worldly empire is and how wealthy and powerful its governments and military forces and weapons of war might be, when it comes before God, all its great glory, wealth, power and might count as nothing.

The following two things should be noted:

1. Various commentators, scholars and theologians have listed around sixty possible kingdoms that the ten horns could represent, but since we are not given any specific names, they cannot be accurately known and named, it is enough to know, that they are nations that rose-up out of Rome, which means they will embrace Europe and most likely nations affiliated with them.
2. It is not necessary to take the number ten as an exact number, for ten signifies completion, which means that it may be used here to signify that this beast empire will be the final world empire and that God's purposes for mankind will be completed, for the time of judgment and Christ's return has come.

This final judgment will not only bring about the end of the ungodly worldly political system and its supporters, but also eradicate every vestige of human rule. (Dan. 2:44).

- I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army. ²⁰And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur. (Rev. 19:19-20).

FOOTNOTE

What I have presented here in this document should not be taken to be dogmatic, inflexible or the final word on the matter since I am fully aware greater understanding of God's revelation is continually becoming clearer before our eyes as we move closer to the time of Christ's glorious return in glory.

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