

Revelation Chapter 13

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The Dragon – Same as in Chapter 12, v. 9 - Satan

The Sea – Multitude of people? - cf. 20:8

Men worshipped the dragon

His ancient goal – to be like the Most High Isaiah 14:12-15; Ezekiel 28:11-19; Matthew 8-11

Also worshipped the beast – Who is like the beast? Who can make war against him?

2F. The Despot (Antichrist/Beast)	13:1-10
1G. His Appearance	13:1-4

Beast - Seven heads and ten horns – cf. 17:7-14 - Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece/ Rome. / Future World Empire

Daniel 2:36-45; 7:1-7 - Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece and Rome

Resembled a leopard

Feet like a bear

Mouth like a lion

A throne and great power – Daniel 7:8-11, 19-26

Fatal wound healed – Whole world astonished and followed the Beast

Possible meanings – End of Roman Empire/ Revived in End Times

Apparent death of The Beast – real or temporary – counterfeit of Jesus' resurrection

Worship of the beast– Who is like the beast? Who can make war against him?

2G. His Actions	13:5-10
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Proud words and blasphemies

Authority – control – 42 months – from the midpoint of the 7-year peace treaty – Daniel 9:27

Over every tribe, people, language and nation

Power – military might

The saints will be handed over to him for “a time, times and half a time.”

3F. The Deceiver (False Prophet)

13:11-18

1G. His Person

13:11

Another beast – out of the earth

Two Horns

1H. Like a Lamb

Religious affiliation

2H. Like a Dragon

Satanic empowerment

2G. His Power

13:12-13

Make people worship the first beast

“Fatal” wound had been healed

Perform great and miraculous signs, even causing fire to come down from heaven

Supernatural powers, obviously granted to him by Satan, like Pharaoh's magicians in the days of

Moses who were able to mimic some of Moses' miracles - Exodus 7:11,22; 8:7; 8:18

Likely head of the apostate one-world religion of the End Times

3G. His Purpose

13:14-18

Worship the beast (Antichrist)

Set up an image in honor of the beast who was wounded by the sword and yet lived.

Give breath to the image to speak – Advanced robotics?

Cause all who refused to worship the image to be killed

Force everyone to receive a mark

On right hand or forehead

Can't buy or sell without it – Economic dictatorship

His number, not ours – symbol of devotion – like wearing a cross

Calculate the number – 666 – Many possibilities

Can't know who he is until after the Restrainer (Holy Spirit) is no longer holding back sin

– 2 Thessalonians 2:1-11

At the same time – personal identification – Cyber security issue

Biometrics or implanted device

Made possible by modern technology

“But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.” – Daniel 12:4

Supercomputers

China's new Sunway TaihuLight, is capable of 93 million billion floating-point operations per second – could devote more than 12 million calculations to update each person's location, finances, vital statistics, cell phone usage, and recent Internet and social media activity – all in just one second, and then it could start all over again.

Server Farms

Satellites

The Internet

The Cloud

Cell Phones

Chip (Smart) Cards, Near-Field Transactions, Implants