

Anti-Christ Character Sketch

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Satan continues in his quest to be like the most High as he seeks to wear the crowns, and usurp the ecclesiastical power which is God's. He also seeks to blaspheme the triune Godhead and specifically the Lamb of God at any given opportunity.

In Revelation chapter 13 we see Satan's attempt to mimic the triune Godhead. As we see the first beast introduced, it is one that wheedles power and authority over civil government. It is one that has not only been given this power, but interesting enough, a throne-seat which exhibits it. Also we see a representation and transfer of ecclesiastical powers to the first beast, which God has allowed Satan to possess for a season.

The second beast is introduced in verse 11, as one whose origin is in the earth and is recognized by its likeness to a lamb which speaks as a dragon. This beast encompasses all the power of the first beast, however, in his blasphemy toward the Lord Jesus Christ; he begins to perform miracles, signs and wonders upon the earth.

I find it interesting that in verse 4 we read that "they" worshipped the dragon. Might I suggest that this is not only referring to those whose names are not written in the Lamb's book of life, but also the other two members of the satanic trinity? I believe that this is yet another suggestion as to the contrasting work of the Infernal vs. the Eternal trinity.

We see here a clear picture of the Anti-Christ. I believe we see the working of the satanic trinity as the first beast is surely a vicarious representative of Satan. The second beast is one that has great power which causes many to worship the dragon, which leads me to believe that this is indeed the false prophet. Finally, the dragon which represents Satan

himself; for he is the only one whom God has allowed to possess such destructive powers.

This is yet another example and reminder that the Anti-Christ is nothing more than everything that is polar opposite of the one and only true God.

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