

Who or what is going to have full sway over the whole Earth for 42 months?

Before we launch into the answer it must be understood that The Bible always speaks in allegories, and The Powers spoken of within prophecy are often symbolised by animals or objects appropriate to the key characteristic portrayed. In certain places within The Bible it speaks of “Satan” as “The Serpent” as we read in Gen.3v1-14, 2Cor.11v3, Rev.12v14, Rev.20v2 (being “slippery/slithering” thus “distorting/twisting/deceiving”) and he is also called “The Dragon” as we also read Isaiah 27v1 (see Glossary for meanings), Rev,12v3-11, Rev.16v13 (being “large/overpowering/magical” thus “enchanted/fascinating/dominating”).

Thus what would “beast” mean?

The Bible mentions many beasts throughout its pages – often attributed to animals for their specific qualities only - and the ‘beast’ itself must not be taken literally! The Bible uses the term “beast” because it opposes Yahweh’s Desire, but to The World this beast might be perceived as the most desirable entity and humans give worship because they devote time to imitate its precepts.

The interpretation for this “Beast” is found in Rev.17v7-17

Rev.17v7

We read that the beast carries “The Woman = The Harlot” (= false worldly religion principally the three Monotheistic religions of which the worse is worldly Christianity only because it is supposedly closest to The Truth) and also carries its seven heads (being the beast’s seven periods of different authority over God’s people during all time). These heads are explained later.

Initial conclusions:

1. False worldly religions are fornicating and living upon the back of Satan (imitating his precepts).
2. Satan is ‘the common body’ supporting ‘the worldly organisations’ that make up the seven heads to be explained later.

Rev.17v8

This Beast was and is not and shall ascend out of the *bottomless pit* and will go into perdition (ruin/loss/destruction). Then we are told in Rev.20v3 – Satan is cast into the *bottomless pit* until the 1000 years ends.

Thus we now have “bottomless pit” as the link between the two quotations and also the clue that Revelations is not sequential but is written as parallel events through different observers’ eyes. This I fully describe in my explanation entitled “Revelations-Timing” being multiple parallel time observations throughout history and of future prophecies.

So this beast must be with world powers and also with the end world power of this present system thus being controlled/operated/{taken over} by Satan (just as ‘the serpent’ was ‘controlled/operated/{taken over}’ by Satan in Eden – being the qualities of a serpent described earlier).

Or to be understood by us as Satan’s influences manifested in the world powers following his ‘mode of operation’ being one of self-indulgence – it is in this manner they worship his precepts and make him their god!

We can now explain the words used in the quotation:-

- “was” = Satan ‘was’ in this present era of 6000 years where he has control over the whole world, (written in the past tense because of the ‘time context’ of John’s vision).
- “is not” = Satan ‘is not’ at the time of this vision of John’s. Remember this part of the vision is written at the time of The Millennium now at this particular verse location. Satan is now chained (restrained) for these 1000 years (as Rev.20v1-5 tells us).
- “shall ascend” = Satan ‘shall ascend’ (= released) out of the pit at the end of The Millennium, Satan will be ‘loosed a little season’, being a period of 3.5 years to assay The World, so that humans now righteously are tested on a precise ‘like for like’ as Jesus was during his ministry period.
- “go into perdition” = Satan will be finally thrown into the ‘Lake of Fire’ (= utter containment within Yahweh’s power – see “Gehenna” in Glossary) for permanent removal from those humans who prove/assay themselves righteous as “sons of Jesus”.

Notice at the end of this verse:-

“and yet is” = Again at the time frame reference of this vision is during The Millennium where Satan is ‘chained’ = restrained in his actions. Thus exists, but is not yet destroyed. Hence:- Satan is not in power, but he does exist within his imprisoned state as an impotent entity.

Rev.17v9

This is now the explanation of the first part of the chapter 17 from v1 to v8 because in v9 it says:

And here is *(the information)* for the mind that has wisdom (= knowledge from God applied accurately).

The seven heads of the beast are seven mountains (= Seven periods of glory or earthly power/administrations).

(The Bible always uses “mountain” to mean “authorities” – see Glossary; and “head” always to mean the “control centre”)

But it also states reiterating what was said earlier:-

Rev.17v10

And there are seven kings (= Entities that initiate a change in authority/empire), five are fallen, and one is and the other is not yet come; and when he comes, he must continue for a short while.

This is relative to these authorities having power over those whose responsibility it was to promote Yahweh’s Word within Satan’s rulership. They are:

(1)Egyptian, (2)Babylonian, (3)Medes/Persians, (4)Greeks, (5)Roman (during Satan’s rule up to but not including The Millennium)

The Roman era was the changeover in responsibility from The Jewish Nation to The Christian Nation.

Supported by Daniel’s interpretation of Nebuchadnezzar’s dream from Babylonian empire onwards (Dan.2v31-45)

Thus the “one is” must be a new total world power that has power for a very short period of time (perhaps of about 3.5 years) at the end of The Gospel age (now soon) just prior to the start of The Millennium (as described in Rev.17v12 to18 below). This power will be world wide and accepted as such by The World to control ‘the accumulated mess of every description’ within The World that now has become the present global village.

It shall be very short because of international political instability (fuelled by self interest) together with the power that new technology is able to give to these leaders, shall lead to an implosion of this alliance – which becomes The Wrath of God in the last 45 days of utter mayhem/chaos. Then The Millennium of righteousness shall be brought in by Jesus – with a big sigh of relief from all humans who get through it - see Daniel 12v11-12.

The “one that comes for a short while” is Satan released for this short period at the end of The 1000 year Millennium to assay humans.

The beast of verse 8:-

Rev.17v11

And the beast that **was** (operating during the 6000 years of mankind), and **is not** (operating during The Millennium where he is restrained), even he **is** the eighth (when released for 3.5 years at the end of The Millennium) and **is of** the seven (previous authorities/empires during Satan’s rule over 6000 years, see v10) and goes into perdition (= then constrained for an eternity by Yahweh’s Power so as not to pervert The World again).

Thus restating: Satan is really operating as the eighth king (at the end of The Millennium when this will be Satan: Let loose for a little season = for a small space = 3.5 years of time were humans are to be assayed/tested like Jesus was during his 3.5 year ministry on a “like for like” basis of righteousness for everlasting life).

Rev.17v12

And the 10 horns (always = leaders, see Glossary) which you saw are 10 kings which have received no kingdoms as yet, but receive power as kings for one time/hour/period/instant with the beast

The ten horns are ten kings being nebulous leaders (for example ‘an elected leader who has ‘a term of office’ over a country), which will rule for one time/hour/period/instant as this, or, within this evil power here upon this Earth having control over those who have the responsibility for Yahweh’s Word.

Rev.17v13

These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength (= commitment) to the beast.

While elected, but dedicated to fulfil their own selfish desires to the detriment of those to whom they are supposed to be serving. Basically no different ‘several’ years earlier ‘today’! However on The Pretence that they are improving the conditions on the planet – which is why The World give them the power to operate!

Rev.17v14

These shall make war with the Lamb (*Jesus*), and the Lamb shall overcome them; for he is Lord of Lords and king of kings; and they that are with him are called, chosen and faithful (=the True Christians 144000 maybe already taken at the 1st 2nd C).

These ‘kings’ will ‘fight’ the Lord at the end of this age (= pre-Millennium). Thus we are told to get out of politics so that we must not be fighting against Yahweh’s representative being The Lamb (= Jesus). Always remain neutral in this world but stand firm to fulfil the Desire of Yahweh.

Rev.17v15

And he said to me. The waters which you saw where the Harlot sits are peoples, and multitudes, and nations and tongues.

Thus the scribe John is going back to establish within the reader's mind the utter control that The Harlot (being worldly religions – principally worldly Christianity) has over all the duped peoples of The World and that is why we read what shall occur to her during Rev.17v12,v13 and v14 earlier.

Then John describes how the worldly leaders will turn upon worldly religion – because they are utterly 'fed-up' with her worldly activities, irrelevant and useless knowledge/pronouncements because The World will not believe in what she pronounces!

This is starting to occur now in 2007 where we see the useless nature of her reasoning running on The Pretence of 'Love' but utterly hypocritical because real/ideal Love as Yahweh Desires would not be the feigned works of 'worldly love' practiced by these harlots!

Rev.17v16

And the 10 horns which you saw upon the beast, these shall hate The Harlot, and shall make her desolate (*isolate her power, by making her 'impotent'*), and naked (*unprotected*), and shall eat her flesh (*take her resources and worldly assets*), and burn her with fire (*using their power and authority to remove her*).

They will hate all forms of worldly Christendom interfering in their politics (and offering nothing useful to them) and so thus will destroy the Harlot (= Principally what was and is demonstrable apostate worldly Christendom – as this website clearly explains using The Bible text) in one time/hour/period/instant (see Rev 18v17) relative to the 2000 years of existence.

Rev.17v17

For God has put into their hearts to fulfill His Desire, and to agree, and to give their kingdoms unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.

Why would God do this?

For two reasons:-

1. Yahweh Desires to show The World the futility and worthlessness of these false religions and those who led these religions being The Religious leaders high up in the various worldly establishments promoting Their Religious Edifice to their own glory rather than edifying the congregations' to 'come to know' of Yahweh's Real Desire of them (see Glossary).
2. Yahweh Desires no contamination of worldly religions to enter into His Acceptable Year being The Millennium under the righteous rule of His Son Jesus and the 144000 True Christians now as Sons of God. Thus He allows the selfish nature of the political leaders to remove The Harlot in their own time not realising that their natural desires actually synchronize to Yahweh's expected Time for the culmination of The Millennium..

Rev.17v18

And the woman (= The Harlot) which you saw is that great city (*being The 'Babylon(s)' where we see the religions of the world have come through these 'seven hilled cities' all as discussed in Glossary under "Harlot (The)" and "Jerusalem" typified as the city that is supposed to be Yahweh's Authority, but presently being The Worldly City actually signifying "Satan's authority upon the world")*) which reigns (= Satan' authority) over the kings of the Earth (*where they exercise selfishness and just basic hypocrisy*).

Rev.18v4

True believers of God are told to 'come out of her my people' (These people are the last few remaining of the 144000).

Having established that this last beast of this age is Satan 'masquerading' as a dominant World Power that The World should turn towards as their saviour to solve all the cataclysmic problems befalling The World as we presently know it its systems and operations.

Terrorism, lack of resources (water and energy), pollution, basic global mismanagement through selfishness by those in the position to exercise it from at any level within society (from the highest to the very lowest) whenever and wherever they choose.

Rev.13 mentions that one of this World Power's disguises has once been destroyed but has risen up again!

Rev.11

The two witnesses' prophesy 'before the beast, being their:-

Rev.11 v3

Period of prophesy is 3.5 years and during which time there:-

Rev.11v6

will be draught at Jerusalem (note: This might be allegoric to the lack of spiritual knowledge throughout the three harlots having now become redundant to worldly political leaders).

Rev.11v7-8

Then the beast will kill them, but they are not buried.

Rev.11v9

After three days they "awaken/roused" and go up into the clouds (heaven), and all the 144000 saints shall go up at the same time.

The Bible says "no one precedes the other (either alive or dead) to be awakened/roused to go to the heavens" – Also the Bible says only the Saint Class (First Fruits = The Bride of Christ) go to the heavens hence all those alive and those dead (only the 144000 saints) go now at this point in time (= 1st 2nd C).

This last beast shall then have 'total power' over the whole Earth being an entity that shall not be 'restrained' by God's Holy Spirit upon the Earth any more. Because 'it' (the Holy Spirit) is departed with all the Saints collected by JCg (see Glossary) in the 1st 2nd C!

Ref:- 2 Thes.2v3-9.

'Now that 'wicked' (one) is revealed in all his power'

Rev.13v11

(Another beast now appears as his 'Right Hand Man'. Wicked, but pretending to be Christ as The World's Saviour from all of its problems) 'Two Horns like a Lamb'.

He (could be an organisation) controls all the power of the last beast. He may not say he is Christ, but just pretends that he can solve all the world's problems (sound very familiar – a present worldly organisation immediately springs to mind) – Provided he is assigned/given full power (like the Roman emperors)! Perhaps it might be a grouping comprising of internationally renown and highly respected states-people, perhaps 12 in number to mimic the 12 disciples – but all this is speculation.

He/They can:-

Rev.13v11

Make fire come down from heaven (= the sky) onto earth (perhaps orbiting laser satellites or missiles delivering atomic bombs?) or perhaps merely this means their reasoning sounds so convincing to the heathen world (though professing to be Christian/Muslim/Jewish) that it appears their logic/capability/reasoning is godlike, thus to be respected and not countermanded!

Rev.13v14

He makes an image of the last beast (which had previously been destroyed in one of its the times of Power – League of Nations?), but then rules again (could this be the New United Nations with power – to 'solve' the world's problems or perhaps NATO?) or any new worldly institution.

Rev.13v15

Then is able to 'put life into this image' (= to give power to the image) – inasmuch the image could be anything that purports to be something that is able to save The World from the impending disaster to befall mankind (political riots over all manner of causes, international politics over the planet's diminishing resources, terrorism by those of any persuasion who feel they are being ignored by 'the powers', to the average person in the street feeling acutely disadvantaged because they are now unable to support the expected self-indulgence that they had come to delight within, etc. etc.) but most importantly – humans generally can see no light at the end of the tunnel – and thus through desperation they make this presentation/image to salvation by 'the beast' become a reality.

Dan.12v11

This must be the abomination (to God) spoken of by David in chapter12 that will be set-up 1290 days after the Two Witnesses and the Saints went up!

This is the 'last straw' to GOD, thus the consummation.

Then that:-

Dan.9v27

Which is determined is 'poured' onto the desolator of this earth. The seven vials of God's Wrath are poured onto the earth for 45 days.

Dan.12v12

Blessed is he who lives through to the 1335th day, after the Two Witnesses and the Saints left – He has reached Christ's Kingdom here on earth!

Rev.19v19

At this time also the Ten Kings leading this Satanic World Power gather together against God for the one sided 'Battle of Armageddon'.

Rev.19v9

The 'Wedding guests' who attend the wedding at the beginning of this New Age, are all those who have been 'accounted worthy' of perfect human life are now resurrected.

Please see my "Road Map to Revelations" located after the book of Revelations in the NT Translations section of this website www.FutureLife.Org because this gives a pictorial view how Revelations is laid out as multiple parallel subject streams and must not be understood as a single consecutive list of events.