

Revelation 13:1~18

Introduction:

John sees two beasts, one from the sea and one from the earth, symbolizing the Antichrist and his false prophet.

- I. The Beast Out Of The **Sea** (13:1-10): This is the **Antichrist**.
 - A. His appearance (13:1-2)
 1. He has ten horns (each with a crown) and seven heads (each with a blasphemous name) (13:1)
 2. He looks like a leopard with feet like a **bear** and a mouth like a **lion** (13:2a)
 - B. His **authority** (13:2b): It comes from Satan himself.
 - C. His (possible) assassination (13:3a): Some believe he will be killed and rise from the dead.
 - D. His adulation (13:3b-4, 8): Following this, the entire world is astonished and **worships** him.
 - E. His arrogance (13:5-6): For a period of forty-two months, he blasphemes God.
 - F. His activities (13:7, 9-10)
 1. In regard to God's people (13:7a, 9-10)
 - a. The cruelty (13:7a, 9-10a): He persecutes and conquers them.
 - b. The **challenge** (13:10b): They are exhorted to display endurance and faithfulness.
 2. In regard to all people (13:7b): He **rules** over them.
- II. The Beast Out Of The **Earth** (13:11-18): This is the false prophet.
 - A. His **mission** (13:11-12): With the appearance of a lamb but voice of a dragon, he forces the world to worship the Antichrist.
 - B. His **miracles** (13:13, 15): He performs great miracles.
 1. He calls down **fire** from heaven (13:13)
 2. He give life to a statue (13:14-15): This statue bears the image of the Antichrist.
 - C. His mark (13:16-18)
 1. What it is (13:18): It is the number **666**.
 2. Where it is applied (13:16): Either on the right hand or forehead.

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3. Why it is applied (13:17): No one is able to transact business without it.