

**Class 9**  
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**Rev. 11-13, 17-18 “Earthly Characters of Revelation”**  
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Key verse to understanding the time line in the book of Revelation: Rev. 1:19.

Things you have seen = Chapter 1

Things which are = Chapters 2-3

Things which will take place after this = Chapters 5-22

**Overview of Revelation**

Chap. 1-3	4-5	6-9	10	11-13	14-15	16	17-18	19	20	21-22
Seven Churches	Rapture, Heavenly Scene	Seven Seals, Six of the Trumpets	Mighty Angel	Earthly Cast	Heavenly Scene	Vials	Babylon	Marriage Supper	Millennium	New Heaven and Earth

Raptures in Revelation (“Come up here”): Rev. 4:1, Rev. 11:12

**Revelation 11-13 and 17-18 the characters:**

two witnesses, the woman, the dragon/serpent, the male child, the beast, the saints, another beast, the harlot

## Time periods:

Court of Temple trampled by Gentiles, Rev. 11:2	Two Witnesses, Rev. 11:3	Woman flees to safety, Rev. 12:6
42 months (30 x 42 = 1,260)	1,260 days	1,260 days

Identity of the Two Witnesses (Rev. 11:4, Zech. 4:11-14)

- Elijah (Mal. 4:5-6, Matt. 17:11-12)

The second witness is probably one of these two

- Moses (Similar miracles, but he already has died Deut. 34:5-6)
- Enoch (has not died yet, one of two people, Gen. 5:24. Heb. 11:5)

Identity of the woman (Rev. 12:1-6, Gen. 37:9)

- Israel

Identity of the male child (Rev. 12:5)

- Jesus Christ ? (Ps. 2:9)
  - Problem with time period (born after 7<sup>th</sup> trumpet, middle of tribulation)
  - Discord with figures. Nation giving birth to single child.
- 144,000
  - Jewish
  - Males
  - Persecuted by Satan (Rev. 12:17)
  - Resurrected (Rev. 14:3)

Identity of the dragon

- Satan (Rev. 12:9)

For later study see “King of Tyre” in Ezekiel 28:12-19, also Isaiah 14: 12-14.

Observations from *Willmington's Guide to the Bible*, pp. 760-762.

Satan possesses

- 1) a celestial body (not physical), 1 Cor. 15:39-40
- 2) intelligence, 2 Cor. 2:11
- 3) memory, see the temptation of Christ, Matt. 4:1-11
- 4) a will, 2 Tim. 2:26
- 5) Emotions: desire, Lk. 22:31; pride, 1 Tim. 3:6; wrath Rev. 12:12
- 6) Great organizational abilities: 1/3 of angels follow him Rev. 12:4; organizes last rebellion Rev. 20:7-9

Names of Satan:

- 1) Satan (adversary), used 52 times
- 2) Devil (slanderer), used 35 times
- 3) prince of the power of the air, Eph. 2:2
- 4) god of this age, 2 Cor. 4:4
- 5) king of death, Heb. 2:14
- 6) prince of this world, Jn. 12:31

- 7) ruler of darkness, Eph. 6:12
- 8) Leviathan, Isa. 27:1
- 9) Lucifer (lightbearer, shining one), Isa. 14:12, Mal. 4:2
- 10) dragon, Rev. 12:7
- 11) deceiver, Rev. 20:10
- 12) Apollyon (destroyer), Rev. 9:11
- 13) Beelzebub (prince of demons), Mt. 12:24
- 14) Belial (vileness, ruthlessness), 2 Cor. 6:15
- 15) wicked one, Mt. 13:38
- 16) tempter 1 Thess. 3:5
- 17) accuser of the brethren, Rev. 12:10
- 18) angel of light, 2 Cor. 11:14-15
- 19) liar, Jn. 8:44, Gen. 3:4-5
- 20) murderer, Jn. 8:44
- 21) enemy, Mt. 13:39
- 22) roaring lion, 1 Pet. 5:8

#### Identity of the beast out of the Sea

- Antichrist (Rev. 13:1-6)

Where will he come from?

Out of the ten kingdoms, which are part of the Roman Empire (Dan. 8:9).

“And out of one of them came a little horn which grew exceedingly great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the *Glorious Land*.” (NKJV)

South = Egypt, east = Syria and Babylonia, pleasant land=Palestine. This seems to identify his location from somewhere in these four locations. Furthermore Dan. 11:36-12:13 identifies the Antichrist as the king of the north, Syria.

Further study: Finis Dake observes these facts about the Antichrist (*Revelation Expounded* pp. 145-146)

Antichrist	Daniel	2 Thess.	Revelation
Does his own will	7:25; 8:24; 11:36	2:10-12	13:5-7
Exalted above every god	7:25; 8:25; 11:36-37	2:4	13:1-18
Conqueror of land	7:8; 7:20-24; 8:23-25; 11:40-45		13:1-18
Blasphemies against God	7:8, 11, 20-25; 8:23-25; 11:36	2:4	13:5
Prevail against saints and Jews	7:21-26; 8:24; 11:40-41; 12:1,7	(Matt. 24:15-22)	13:1-8; 14:9-11; 15:1-4; 20:4-6
Come from lands of Roman Empire	7:7,8, 23-24; 8:9, 22-25; 11:40-45		13:1-4; 17:9-17; 19:19-21
Change laws and times	7:11, 21-27; 8:22-25; 11:35-45; 12:7	2:1-13	13:1-8
Reign until second coming	2:44; 7:11-14, 18, 21-26; 8:23-25; 9:27; 11:36-45	2:8-12	17:9-17; 19:19-21
Alive when God sets up throne	7:21-26; 8:22-25; 9:27; 11:40-45; 12:7-13	2:8-13	17:14; 19:19-21; 20:1-10
Causes greatest tribulation	7:21-27, 8:19, 24, 23; 9:27; 12:1,7 (Jer. 30:3-7)	2:1-12 (Matt. 24:15-22)	7:14; 13:1-18; 14:9-11; 15:2-4; 20:4-6
End of sacrifices, abomination of desolation	7:25; 8:24, 25; 9:27; 11:35-45; 12:7 (Jer. 30:3-7)	2:4 (Matt. 24:15-22)	7:14; 13:1-18; 14:9-11; 15:2-4; 20:4-6
Will honor the Devil and receive power from him	8:24; 11:35-45	2:8	13:1-4
Slain by Christ and cast into lake of fire	2:44, 45; 7:11, 21-26; 11:45	2:8-12	19:19-21

#### Identity of the Harlot

- \_\_\_ Babylon \_\_\_\_\_ (Rev. 17-18)