

# **The Revelation**

**M3-3C**

**Intro song**

**Do you believe that Jesus is coming back?**

# Examining the 8th Beast Empire

- Who is the 8th Beast
  - Who is the Beast of the Sea
  - Who is Gog

# Recap – Was Hitler the 7th Beast Empire

- We told you last podcast that evidence supports this
  - While Hitler did not fit the full description of the antichrist, he met many criteria and also set the stage for the 8th Beast Empire
    - Tried to eliminate Jewish population: 59% (9.7 million): one of gauntlets Jeremiah 33:19-22 and 25-26; Jer 31:35-37 <https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/estimated-number-of-jews-killed-in-the-final-solution>
  - Established a worldwide hatred for the Jewish people: Teamed with Grand Mufti Haj Amin el Husseini and trained him with “Mein Kampf” and desire to kill Jews – argue against Muslim being 7th beast this established persistence of widespread Judeophobia in the Muslim world
  - It appears the seals of revelations were being revealed during the lead up to Hitler’s reign but there was no temple to desolate
  - Hitler had control or direct influence on most of the land claimed by the ancient roman empire
  - Hitler worshiped a God of Fortresses: In World War II, Germany sought to defeat its opponents in a series of short campaigns in Europe. Germany quickly overran much of Europe and was victorious for more than two years. Germany defeated and occupied Poland (attacked in September 1939), Denmark (April 1940), Norway (April 1940), Belgium (May 1940), the Netherlands (May 1940), Luxembourg (May 1940), France (May 1940), Yugoslavia (April 1941), and Greece (April 1941).
- The result: Israel a country again; just need the temple!

# Recap 2

## Exiles

- Deut 30: God promises to return the Jews & Israel if they humble themselves and repent
- 1<sup>st</sup> Exile was prophesied as a short-term event that happened
  - God proved that He alone knows the future
  - He also proved that His promises stand: He promised curses if they rejected Him
  - Return: The Jews also returned just as He said
- Christ 1<sup>st</sup> coming: God's long-term prophecy of Dan 9:24-26a
  - Right before the 2<sup>nd</sup> Exile
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Exile – God's long-term prophecy of Dan 9:26b
  - Happens in AD70 just as God foretold

# Recap – Exiles 2

## Ezek 38

- Return:
  - this return was difficult to see: Yet it was staring us in the face: Ezekiel 38:8
    - In the latter years you will go against the land that is restored from war, the land whose people were gathered from many peoples upon the mountains of Israel, which had been a continual waste. Its people were brought out from the peoples and now dwell securely, all of them.
    - **The result: Israel was a country again; but they need the temple!**
    - Several deny this passage, but bring other passages that are clearly 3rd Exile
      - **They make demands that are not in the passage/or have yet to happen**
        - **See episode 15 – slide on 3<sup>rd</sup> Exile**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Exile
  - This future event has not happened – yet is highly prophesied Gospels and Daniel

**• The 3rd return is also highly prophesied since it is one of the last events of that age that is ending and the beginning of the Millennial Rule**

# The Anti-Trinity

- Satan - Rev 12 The Great Red Dragon
    - 3 Then another sign appeared in heaven: an enormous red dragon **with seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns on its heads.**
    - 9 The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.
  - Antichrist — Rev 13 The Beast of the Sea
    - Rev 17
      - 3 I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast, full of blasphemous names, having seven heads and ten horns....
      - 11 The beast which was, and is not, is himself also an eighth and is one of the seven, and he goes to destruction. 12 The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom, but they receive authority as kings with the beast for one hour. 13 These have one purpose, and they give their power and authority to the beast.
  - The False Prophet – Rev 13 The Beast of the Earth
- Satan is mimicking the Trinity – mocking the God of the Universe

# The Eight Beastly Kingdoms

Beastly Kingdoms	Rev 17:10-11 Eight Beast Kingdoms	Daniel 2 Nebuchadnezzar's Dream	Daniel 7 Vision of the Beast	Daniel 9 70x7s
1st Beast Kingdom Egypt (Hamitic)	Five have fallen	Not mentioned ▼ things that will take place in later days <small>Dan 2:29</small>	Not mentioned ▼ kings who will arise <small>Dan 7:17</small>	Not mentioned
2nd Beast Kingdom Assyria (Semitic)				
3rd Beast Kingdom Babylon (Semitic)				
4th Beast Kingdom Medo-Persia (Japhethite)				
5th Beast Kingdom Greek (Japhethite)				
6th Beast Kingdom Rome (Japhethite)	One is	Breast and arms of silver	1st Beast like a lion	Artaxerxes Decree to rebuild temple 444BC 7x7s
7th Beast Kingdom (Japhethite)	The other is yet to come, he must remain for only a little while	Belly and thighs of bronze	2nd Beast like a bear	
8th Beast Kingdom	The beast who once was, and now is not. <u>He belongs to the seven and is going to his destruction</u>	Legs of Iron	3rd Beast like a leopard	62x7s until the Messiah is cut off > 33AD - To the day of crucifixion The people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary: [70AD - Jerusalem & temple destroyed by Rome]
		Not mentioned	4th Beast - dreadful and terrifying	Not mentioned
		Feet and (10) toes partly of iron, partly of clay	From 4th Beast Kingdom Ten horns-10 kings After> little horn-another king Different from 1st 10 > subdues three of the horns- 3 of the first 10 <small>Dan 7:8, 7:23-24</small>	70th 7

- Last two beasts comes from Roman Empire - Has he come?

# The Beast of the Sea - Rev 13

## Leviathan

- 1 The dragon stood on the shore of the sea. And I saw a beast coming out of the sea. It had ten horns and seven heads, with ten crowns on its horns, and on each head a blasphemous name. 2 The beast I saw resembled a **leopard [Greece]**, but had feet like those of a **bear [Persia/Media]** and a mouth like that of a **lion [Babylon]**. The dragon gave the beast his power and his throne and great authority. **3 One of the heads of the beast seemed to have had a fatal wound, but the fatal wound had been healed.** The whole world was filled with wonder and followed the beast. 4 People worshiped the dragon because he had given authority to the beast, and they also worshiped the beast and asked, “Who is like the beast? Who can wage war against it?”
- 5 The beast was given a mouth to utter proud words and blasphemies and to exercise its authority for forty-two months. 6 It opened its mouth to blaspheme God, and to slander his name and his dwelling place and those who live in heaven. **7 It was given power to wage war against God’s holy people and to conquer them. And it was given authority over every tribe, people, language and nation.** 8 All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast—all whose names have not been written in the Lamb’s book of life, the Lamb who was slain from the creation of the world.
- **9 Whoever has ears, let them hear. 10 “If anyone is to go into captivity, into captivity they will go. If anyone is to be killed with the sword, with the sword they will be killed.”** This calls for patient endurance and faithfulness on the part of God’s people.
- This is why we call our podcast Patient Endurance

# Characteristics of Beast of the Sea - Daniel

## Leviathan

- Names: 4<sup>th</sup> **Beast out of the Sea** Dan 7:7b, Prince who is to come Dan 9:26b, King of the North Dan 11:23 **Rev 13:1**
- **He arises from 4th Beast (Rome) from 10 kings from this kingdom Dan7:24 Rev 17:3,8,11, Rev 13:1**
  - Makes an agreement with many; (Dan 9:27) & he shall subdue three kings Dan7:24 – same event?
  - A despicable person will arise, on whom the majesty of kingship has not been conferred; he will come in a *time of tranquility* and seize the kingdom by intrigue. After an alliance/agreement is made with him he will practice deception, and he will go up and gain power with a small force of people. Dan 11:21-23, Dan 8:23 **Rev 13:2-4**
- **Powerful, during second 3½ years >> What does this say about first 3½ years: Rev 13:5**
  - He will return and come into the South, ships of Kittim will come against him; he will withdraw in fear and will return and curse the holy covenant Dan 11:29-30
  - Turns on Jerusalem & sets up the abomination that causes desolation in temple Dan 9:27, Dan 11:31, Dan 8:13
  - **Persecutes the saints**, but some people resist and are successful to some extent Dan 7:25, Dan 11:32-35, Dan 8:24-25: **Rev 13:7**
  - Power has limits: Tries to change the set times & physical laws Dan 7:25
    - Jer 33:20-21 “This is what the Lord says: ‘If you can break My covenant for the day and My covenant for the night, so that day and night do not occur at their proper time,21 then **My covenant with David My servant may also be broken, so that he will not have a son to reign on his throne**, and with the Levitical priests, My ministers.
- **Blasphemous/Exalts himself above God** Dan 7:25, Dan 11:36-39, Dan 8:24-25: **Rev 13:6**
  - **He will honor a god of fortresses, a god whom his fathers did not know - Satan Dan 11:38: Rev 13:4**
- Beast’s end like a flood - torrential rain that he can’t stop Dan 9:27, Dan 11:45, Dan 8:24-25 **Rev 17:8**
  - His end comes at the end of the Time of Indignation Dan 11:36, Dan 8:19

- The correlation is obvious; Daniel complement the Revelation

# The Mortal Wound

- Literal
    - Hitler comes back – literally
      - Spiritually - the antichrist spirit comes back
        - John the Baptist is in the spirit of Elijah
      - A person alive today – is mortally wound and comes back
        - Actual resurrection or near death – as having been slain
  - Others see this a symbolic
    - A world leader who falls from grace and comes back to lead
      - Some point to Trump
    - All kinds of symbolic theories
  - 2 Thes 2: 9-10
    - 9 The coming of the lawless one will be in accordance with how Satan works. He will use all sorts of displays of power through **signs and wonders that serve the lie**, 10 and all the ways that wickedness **deceives those who are perishing**. **They perish because they refused to love the truth and so be saved.**
    - He is coming in deception to serve the lie
- Watch – The agreement is critical – it is the false peace that is a critical precondition of 70<sup>th</sup> 7
    - Can we miss this event – yet Daniel tells us antichrist is behind the agreement because there must be a temple first
  - The man-of lawlessness not revealed until midpoint/abomination
  - How do we tell who he is – by his fruit (characteristics)

# Who is the Beast of the Sea?

- Does the Bible give any hints to who is the Beast of the Sea
  - Does 666 help – No, it is far too late; the abomination is before this
- In Ezek 38 it talks of a king called Gog
  - Is this the Antichrist?

- Let's examine the scripture to see Gog is Antichrist

# Gog – Beast of the Sea?

## Ezekiel 38 ESV

- 1 The word of the Lord came to me: 2 “Son of man, set your face against Gog, of the land of Magog, the **chief [Ros]** prince of Meshek and Tubal; prophesy against him 3 and say: ‘This is what the Sovereign Lord says: I am against you, Gog, **chief [Ros]** of Meshek and Tubal. 4 I will turn you around, put hooks in your jaws and bring you out with your whole army—your horses, your horsemen fully armed, and a great horde with large and small shields, all of them brandishing their swords.

- **So is Gog the Beast of the Sea**

# Not certain Gog is Antichrist?

## Ezekiel 38-39

God makes it clear that he is

- 38:17 “This is what the Sovereign Lord says: You are the one I spoke of in former days by my servants the prophets of Israel. At that time they prophesied for years that I would bring you against them.
- In the future, we plan to do an interlude on this topic

# Not certain Gog is Antichrist?

## Ezekiel 38:7-12

God makes it clear that he is

- 7“Be ready and keep ready, you and all your hosts that are assembled about you, and be a guard for them. 8After many days you will be mustered. In the latter years you will go against the land that is restored from war, the land whose people were gathered from many peoples upon the mountains of Israel, which had been a continual waste. Its people were brought out from the peoples and now dwell securely, all of them. 9You will advance, coming on like a storm. You will be like a cloud covering the land, you and all your hordes, and many peoples with you. 10“Thus says the Lord GOD: *On that day, thoughts will come into your mind, and you will devise an evil scheme* 11and say, ‘I will go up against the land of unwalled villages. I will fall upon the quiet people who dwell securely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having no bars or gates,’ 12to seize spoil and carry off plunder, to turn your hand against the waste places that are now inhabited, and the people who were gathered from the nations, who have acquired livestock and goods, who dwell at the center of the earth.

- Restored from war
- Gathered from many peoples/from the nations
- Previously Israel was a continual waste
- They now dwell securely

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Return -- The 3<sup>rd</sup> return always has a completion to it, this does not!

# Not certain Gog is Antichrist?

## Ezek 38:15-16

- 15 You will come from your place out of the uttermost parts of the north, you and many peoples with you, all of them riding on horses, a great host, a mighty army. 16 You will come up against my people Israel, like a cloud covering the land. In the latter days I will bring you against my land, that the nations may know me, when through you, O Gog, I vindicate my holiness before their eyes.

- God redeems the Israel before their very eyes

# Not certain Gog is Antichrist?

## Ezekiel 39:25-29 – after that event – this happens

- 25“Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: *Now I will restore the fortunes of Jacob and have mercy on the whole house of Israel, and I will be jealous for my holy name.* 26They shall forget their shame and all the treachery they have practiced against me, when they dwell securely in their land with none to make them afraid, 27when I have brought them back from the peoples and gathered them from their enemies’ lands, and through them have vindicated my holiness in the sight of many nations. 28Then they shall know that I am the LORD their God, *because I sent them into exile among the nations and then assembled them into their own land. I will leave none of them remaining among the nations anymore.* 29*And I will not hide my face anymore from them, when I pour out my Spirit upon the house of Israel, declares the Lord GOD.”*
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Return – When Jesus returns: He destroys Antichrist [Ezek 39:3-5] and restores Israel permanently [Ezek 39:25-29]

# Still not certain Gog is Antichrist?

## Ezekiel 38 – now He tells you what He does when He comes

Ezekiel 38 describes Day of the Lord [Jesus Return] but to Gog (Zech 14, Rev 19)

- 38:18 This is what will happen in that day: When Gog attacks the land of Israel, my hot anger will be aroused, declares the Sovereign Lord. 19 In my zeal and fiery wrath I declare that at that time there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel. 20 The fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the beasts of the field, every creature that moves along the ground, and all the people on the face of the earth will tremble at my presence. The mountains will be overturned, the cliffs will crumble and every wall will fall to the ground. 38:21 I will summon a sword against Gog on all my mountains, declares the Sovereign Lord. Every man's sword will be against his brother. 22 I will execute judgment on him with plague and bloodshed; I will pour down torrents of rain, hailstones and burning sulfur on him and on his troops and on the many nations with him. 23 And so I will show my greatness and my holiness, and I will make myself known in the sight of many nations. Then they will know that I am the Lord.'

- A Massive Earthquake
- Everyman's sword against each other
- Pestilence, torrential rains and hailstones, fire and sulfur
- God makes Himself known in the sight of the nations

- This is the Day of the Lord

# Still not certain Gog is Antichrist?

## Zech 14 agrees with Ezekiel

- 3 Then the Lord will go out and fight against those nations as when he fights on a day of battle. 4 On that day his feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives that lies before Jerusalem on the east, and the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from east to west by a very wide valley, so that one half of the Mount shall move northward, and the other half southward. 5 And you shall flee to the valley of my mountains, for the valley of the mountains shall reach to Azal. And you shall flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the Lord my God will come, and all the holy ones with him. 6 On that day there shall be no light, cold, or frost. 7 And there shall be a unique day, which is known to the Lord, neither day nor night, but at evening time there shall be light.
- 8 On that day living waters shall flow out from Jerusalem, half of them to the eastern sea[d] and half of them to the western sea. It shall continue in summer as in winter. 9 And the Lord will be king over all the earth. On that day the Lord will be one and his name one. 10 The whole land shall be turned into a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem. But Jerusalem shall remain aloft on its site from the Gate of Benjamin to the place of the former gate, to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hananel to the king's winepresses. 11 And it shall be inhabited, for there shall never again be a decree of utter destruction. Jerusalem shall dwell in security.
- 12 And this shall be the plague with which the Lord will strike all the peoples that wage war against Jerusalem: their flesh will rot while they are still standing on their feet, their eyes will rot in their sockets, and their tongues will rot in their mouths. 13 And on that day a great panic from the Lord shall fall on them, so that each will seize the hand of another, and the hand of the one will be raised against the hand of the other.
- A Massive Earthquake
- Everyman's sword against each other
- Pestilence, ~~torrential rains and hailstones, fire and sulfur~~ – No light, cold or frost
- God makes Himself known in the sight of the nations

- Ezek 38 is the same event

# Still not certain Gog is Antichrist?

## Joel 2

- 1 Blow a trumpet in Zion; sound an alarm on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the **day of the LORD** is coming; it is near, **2a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness! Like blackness** there is spread upon the mountains a great and powerful people; their like has never been before, nor will be again after them through the years of all generations.
- **3Fire devours before them, and behind them a flame burns.** The land is like the garden of Eden before them, but behind them a desolate wilderness, and nothing escapes them. **4Their appearance is like the appearance of horses, and like war horses they run. 5 As with the rumbling of chariots, they leap on the tops of the mountains, like the crackling of a flame of fire devouring the stubble, like a powerful army drawn up for battle.**
- **6Before them peoples are in anguish; all faces grow pale. 7Like warriors they charge; like soldiers they scale the wall. They march each on his way; they do not swerve from their paths. 8They do not jostle one another; each marches in his path; they burst through the weapons and are not halted. 9They leap upon the city, they run upon the walls, they climb up into the houses, they enter through the windows like a thief.**
- **10The earth quakes before them; the heavens tremble. The sun and the moon are darkened, and the stars withdraw their shining. 11The LORD utters his voice before his army, for his camp is exceedingly great; he who executes his word is powerful.** For the day of the LORD is great and very awesome; who can endure it?
- A Massive Earthquake
- Everyman's sword against each other
- Pestilence, torrential rains and hailstones, **fire and sulfur – No light, cold or frost**
- **God makes Himself known in the sight of the nations**

- Ezek 38 is the same event

# Still not certain Gog is the Antichrist

## What does God say about what happens after this battle

- Ezek 39:25-29
  - 25 “Therefore this is what the Sovereign Lord says: I will now restore the fortunes of Jacob and will have compassion on all the people of Israel, and I will be zealous for my holy name. 26 They will forget their shame and all the unfaithfulness they showed toward me when they lived in safety in their land with no one to make them afraid. 27 When I have brought them back from the nations and have gathered them from the countries of their enemies, I will be proved holy through them in the sight of many nations. 28 Then they will know that I am the Lord their God, for though I sent them into exile among the nations, I will gather them to their own land, not leaving any behind. 29 I will no longer hide my face from them, for I will pour out my Spirit on the people of Israel, declares the Sovereign Lord.”
  - Ezek 40 massive temple mount - millennial temple built
    - Zech 14:4-5 – massive earthquake levels Jerusalem, raises new larger temple mount
  - Ezek 43 Glory of the Lord returns
  - Ezek 44 Priesthood restored
  - Ezek 45 Israel land restored
  - Ezek 46 river flows from the temple to the dead sea
    - Zech 14:8 – actually two rivers flow from altar – one east, one west
  - Ezek 47-48 land divided amongst Jewish tribes
- Final line: “And the name of the city from that time on will be: the Lord [Yahweh] is there.” – Gog is the Antichrist

# Dave's section



# Recap

- The 8<sup>th</sup> Beast is the antichrist, who is part of an anti-trinity
  - Rev 13's description of the 8<sup>th</sup> beast is consistent with Daniel's description of the 8<sup>th</sup> beast
    - They both share the same characteristics
    - The mortal wound does not necessarily mean a previous antichrist physically comes to life – more likely spiritual
- Ezek 38 is the Day of the Lord
  - Zech 14, Joel 2, and other old testament prophets on the Day of the Lord
  - Gog is the antichrist
  - Some people falsely say this is before the tribulation because Israel doesn't dwell securely
- They have missed that it is still future and they dwell securely because of the agreement

# Question of the Day/Homework

- Who is the 8th Beast?

- Homework – Read Ezekiel 38-39

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