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### THE SCARLET BEAST AND THE WOMAN WHO SITS UPON IT

Sermon by Dr James McConnell

1. And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: 2. With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication. 3. So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet colored beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. 4. And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet color, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: 5. And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. 6. And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration. 7. And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel: I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns, 8. The beast that thou sawest was, and is not: and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. 9. And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth. 10. And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space. 11. And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition. 12. And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power and strength unto the beast. 13. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. 14. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

**Revelations 17:1-14**

The primary purpose of these studies on the book of the Revelation which, alas, is a closed book to many ministers, is to show you the incredible accuracy and truth of this prophecy; proving that it is none other than the Word of the living God Himself.

We are living in days of great international tension and severe crisis. Days that are filled with fear and insecurity at the things that are happening all around us. During this past thirty years the world has shrunk, as it were, into a global village. News and events travel extremely fast while years ago it literally took weeks and months to tell people what actually happened.

The words of the Lord Jesus are coming to pass when He said in Luke chapter 21 verses 25 to 27, *And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. But look at this He continues, And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.*



I believe, friend, with all my heart, that we are living right in the centre of those days the Lord Jesus spoke about; the second coming of Christ has become to me personally a living hope and a living reality. In fact, I am convinced it is the only hope for the church, His blood washed people, and the only hope for this planet's survival before it explodes, and burns itself into a floating cinder drifting aimlessly into outer space. The Lord Jesus said in the Bible that He would come the second time, and I believe it.

So let's again, friend, look at the things He has revealed in this book, and see how every word He has shown, and spoken has come to pass, and has never fallen to the ground.

To begin my introduction to this great chapter, Revelation chapter 17. Let me repeat the true title of the book of Revelation is: The Revelation of Jesus Christ. The word 'revelation' here means apocalypses, which means the unveiling - the laying bare. The unveiling of mysteries which God alone knows. But every Bible student knows, that in the original manuscripts of the scriptures there were no chapter divisions. They were put in by the translators at a later date. And while they are a great convenience, there are occasions where they make breaks in the sequence which are anything but helpful.

The chapter with which we are dealing with is an obvious example: for it is really the story of chapter 16. It is still the story of things still happening under the judgements of the seven vials of wrath. Then it goes into detail to identify the system upon which the wrath of God is being poured. John indeed says here that the vision of the scarlet woman is given to him by one of the angels who poured out the vials.

Now notice verse 1, the angel is delegated to reveal to John important characteristics of identification. Not just for his personal enlightenment because the events were still far into the future, but for our enlightenment who live in the age of their fulfilment. John could not possible know what these things meant. It was enough for him to faithfully record what he saw. But I say to you friend, who live in the very end of this age, with all the historic details of the last 2000 years behind us, there should be little difficulty in determining to whom, and to what this passage refers.

John is taken into the wilderness to see a woman arrayed in purple, and scarlet, and decked with precious stones. She had the golden cup in her hand full of abominations, and filthiness of her fornication. She is sitting upon a scarlet coloured beast full of the names of blasphemy. This beast having seven heads and ten horns. Surely the word wilderness here is in itself something we could interpret as the symbol of a spiritual jungle. Note that today. The beast is described in language which admits of no misinterpretation for we have met this ugly monster in the past. It is indeed the old familiar seven headed ten horned beast. Recognised by all students of prophecy as the fourth beast of Daniel, the prophets vision, of Daniel chapter 7 and verse 17, the fourth world empire -- the Roman empire in its pagan and later in its papal development.

Upon this strange beast, so strange indeed, that it is not like the former beasts given the name of any living animal, is seated this female figure covered with blasphemous titles. On her forehead is written, **MYSTERY BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.**

Now notice, John saw her drunk. This woman is drunk. Drunk with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of the Lord Jesus Christ. We cannot wonder that he marvelled greatly at this apparent triumph of evil. The angel indeed had to comfort him with the message that has comforted and sustained many a suffering saints since. The message identified that evil system, and gave its assurance of its eventual judgement and doom.

What did John really see? He saw in the woman of the rise of the papacy, and he saw the woman or the papacy was riding this scarlet covered beast which was the old pagan Roman empire. By the way, the wearing of the purple is the sign of royalty. Here we have a woman decked with all the emblems of royal regalia. In a book of Roman ceremonials compiled by Archbishop Marcilo, and dedicated to Pope Leo the 10th. Five articles of dress in scarlet are listed: a vest is mentioned studded with pearls, the Popes mitres of gold, and precious stones, his hat and those of the cardinals are also scarlet colour.

But notice this in verse 3, this woman is full of the names of blasphemy under the harlots superintendents. The church of Rome puts forth blasphemous pretensions far worse than imperial Rome did in pagan days. The Pope is placed by the cardinals in God's temple, and the cardinals kiss the feet of the Pope. This ceremony is called, The adoration, in fact, the

Roman Catholic church celebrated a Papal coin representing the cardinals kneeling before the Pope, and on it this blasphemous legend quorum quanta adorant which is whom they create they adore. This is nothing less, friend, than paganism baptise, and is blasphemous in the sight of God.

In verse 4, the woman has a golden cup in her hand, full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication. The cup is often used in the scriptures as an emblem. The Psalmist said in Psalm 23 and verse 5, *My cup runneth over*. Meaning, an indication of multiplicity of blessing. And in Isaiah chapter 51 and verse 7. Jerusalem is referred to as having drunk, at the hand of the Lord, the cup of His fury. So the cup can mean blessing, and the cup can mean fury.

Then in Jeremiah chapter 51 and verse 7, we have a very revealing statement, the prophet said, *Babylon hath been a golden cup in the Lord's hand, that made all the earth drunken: the nations have drunken of her wine; therefore the nations are mad*. The woman on the beast holds in her hand from which the kings of the earth, and the inhabitants drink of her doctrine which turn them away from the pure worship of Jehovah into idolatrous practices.

In the days of the Babylonian empire king Belshazzar, and his lords, desecrated God's holy vessels which had been taken out of the temple at Jerusalem. In a somewhat similar manner, in these latter days, Rome has taken many of God's sacred symbols and doctrines, and has poured her own wine of false teaching into them for her own glory and end causing the European nations in particular to drink the wine of her fornication. That golden cup, its dregs has damned many a precious soul.

In 1825 A.D., on the occasion of the jubilee of Pope Leo the 12th, he struck a metal bearing on the side his own image, and on the other that of Church of Rome; symbolise as a woman, holding in her left hand a cross, and in her right the cup with the legend around her 'sedet super universum', the whole world is her seat.

The angel told John in verse 15, *The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues*. Thus in a dual capacity she not only sat upon a Roman beast, but actually exercised control and rule over many peoples. The church of Rome has exercised supreme authority both spiritual and otherwise over millions of its adherents throughout the entire world. Friend, that is an historical fact, and it cannot be denied, and it cannot be refuted.

The accuracy of this prophecy to John is absolutely incredible. Surely friend, we are looking at the revelation of Jesus Christ who is risen from the dead and is coming again.

But there is something else you must look at, in verse 5 it says, *There was a name written on the woman's forehead, MYSTERY BABYLON THE GREAT*. If you go to the epistle of the Thessalonians chapter 2 and verse 7, you will find the apostle Paul talking about the mystery of iniquity which was beginning to work in his day. He described it to the first century church as the rise of the man of sin, and he identifies the man of sin as a false bishop and as a false apostle. He doesn't identify him as an infidel Jew or an atheist. He identifies him as a false bishop and a false apostle.

So Paul's mystery of iniquity spoken of in Thessalonians 2:7 was in its fulfilment in this mystery of Revelations chapter 17 and verse 5, the description by Paul of this lawless one; and the record of John as to the activity of the Papacy. Definitely indicating that they one in the same. The Babylon of this 17th chapter of Revelation is characterised by the word MYSTERY.

The great and distinguished feature of worship in ancient Babylon was under the name of MYSTERIES. The Chaldean mysteries can be traced up to the days of Queen Semarames who lived only a few centuries after the flood, and is known to have impressed on Babylonians the image of her own depraved and polluted mind. That beautiful but abandoned Queen of Babylon was not only a paragon of unbridled lust and licentiousness, but in the mystery she had a chief hand informing. She was worshipped as Rea - the great mother of the Gods.

Here we have the mother and the child coming into being. Isn't it amazing? She was worshipped as Rea mother of the Gods with such atrocious rights as would identify her with Venus the mother of all impurity; and raised the very city where she had reigned to a bad eminence among the nations as the grand seat of idolatry and consecrated prostitution. Thus, was this Chaldean Queen fit, and a remarkable prototype of the woman in the

apocalypse with the golden cup in her hand and the name MYSTERY BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

**F**riend, what John saw in this woman sitting upon this scarlet coloured beast was a vivid picture of the rise and the fall of the papacy. In fact, she is so big in the picture she is breaking the very frame. Shamelessly this very day, Rome is wearing this very raiment, the very hues, and the very colours portrayed on the pages of inspired prophecy. Go to a mass, and you will see all the colours that are mentioned in this portion of scripture! You may know the harlot by her attire, certainly by the name on her brow.

**A**h, but notice this friend, and it is another true historical fact, and I shudder when I say it, John continues his description of the woman. He says in verse 16, *And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of saints. I want you to notice this, she is drunken with the blood of saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. Then he says, When I saw her, I wondered at her with great admiration.* The best way for me to interpret this verse is to quote from the book *The Approaching End of the Age* which is now out of print. Men and woman don't read books like this anymore! Written by the marvellous Granton Guinness who ministered in Dublin.

**H**e was a lawyer and mightily anointed by God in the days of Spurgeon and in the days of the great preachers. "It has been calculated that the popes of Rome have directly or indirectly slain, on account of their faith, 15,000,000 men and woman who hold to the Bible as the Word of God, and who loved not their lives unto death, but resisted against blood, striving against sin." No wonder friend, when John saw this he wondered with great amazement which is the literal translation of the last line. John himself was the victim of persecution by pagan Rome. He saw literally thousands martyred for their Christian faith. But when he saw here in vision that it was a church, supposedly Christian, persecuting the followers of the Lamb, and drunken with their blood, he could not but wonder with great amazement!

**B**ut here is something you must consider. One of the startling facts is that Roman Catholic writers, and I'm quoting from their books -- if there is a priest reading this book and I'm glad you are reading this book. I challenge you. I'm only quoting from your books. As I quoted in the sermon about *The Worship of Mary*, I quote it in your books, and I'm quoting again. One of the startling facts is that Roman Catholic writers freely admit that the beast referred to in this chapter is the Roman Empire.

**I**ndeed, they are forced to this admission the marks are too definite and conclusive to admit any other interpretation, but they very cleverly evade the logical conclusion. You see, there is a conclusion to this matter and they cleverly evade it - that naturally follows! They claim the scarlet whore is not the present day church of Rome, but a later development at the end of the age, when they say, the Roman Catholic church will apostatise. Now they say that in their books, friend, they already have!

**T**hus, and I say this with respect to her deluded followers, they preserve the illusion that the church of Rome is still the true and only church of Jesus Christ. The truth, of course, remains that they have had the apostasy since the days of Constantine, and indeed, before. Even Cardinal Belamine says that, "Rome is signified in the apocalypse by the name of Babylon." Cardinal Buronius admits that, "All persons confess that Rome is denoted by the name of Babylon in the apocalypse of John." Bosnet observes that, "The features are so marked that it is easy to decipher Rome under the figure of Babylon." I am quoting from these Roman historians and theologians. But while admitting that, Babylon the great seated on the seven hills means Rome. Papal interpreters assert that it means heathen Rome and not Christian Rome. The Rome of the Caesars, and that not of the popes.

**F**riend, in reply to this we must say first that the name upon the harlot's brow is MYSTERY and that heathen Rome was never a mystery! The true character of heathen Rome was never concealed. On the other hand, so-called Christian Rome is a MYSTERY! It is not what it seems. In profession it is divine. In character it is satanic. I could go on today giving point after point, evidence after evidence proving the accuracy, and the minute details of God's holy Word; and showing the scarlet woman of Revelation chapter 17 is a picture of an apostate church manifested in the papacy and in the church of Rome. I know I have been strong, but friend, I trust you can detect the love that is in my heart for Protestants and for Catholics, but I must preach the truth.

**L**et me close this part of our study by giving you another unanswerable proof. Look at verse 8 to 11. We are reading symbolic language here. Language of symbols you've got to decipher them. You've got to find out what they are. The angel says to John, *I will tell you of*

*the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carried her which had the seven heads and the ten horns.* Verse 8, The beast that thou sawest, now notice the language, WAS and is not. That's funny language. *The beast that thou sawest was, and is not, and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder.*

**L**ook at this remarkable statement friend, Whose names were not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world! Powerful! Theologians would like to leave verses like that out. These are powerful verses. When they behold the beast that was not, and now yet is.

Verse 9, And here is the mind that hath wisdom, God give us minds today that have wisdom. I see Protestant clergymen on the way to Rome. They haven't minds and they haven't wisdom. I see them trucking with them. I see them worshipping with them. I see them entering into their doctrines, I see them, they have no minds, and they have no wisdom!

**H**ere is the mind that hath wisdom, the seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth - there you have the first clue. Verse 10, *And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.* Verse 11, *And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.* What does all this mean? Which was, is not, and yet is? Strange language, but clear as clear can be to the thoughtful student of prophecy and of history.

**T**his is a powerful, accurate description of the historic development of the fourth gentile world empire. It existed that's where this little word WAS comes in. And it existed for a long time as the pagan Roman empire. It then ceased to exist, and then WAS NOT during the barbarian invasion of the 5th century. And yet, rose again in another and in more sinister forms under the dynasty of the popes. That's where Daniel saw a little horn rising out of the sea speaking blasphemy!

**T**he great apostasy which was in reality a continuation of paganism with a veneer of Christianity. No wonder the angel said, The world wondered after the beast: meaning the unregenerated masses of mankind were amazed and enamoured by the peculiar semi-religious, semi-political system drunken with the heady wine of her fornication.

**W**atch again, friend, the accuracy of God's holy Word. We see in these verses the seven heads of pagan Rome. The seven forms of government of which in John's day, 5 had fallen, one was, and one was yet to come; and we are told there is another significance here, the seven hills in which the woman was seated - here we have it. What more proof do we need? The city of Rome, today, is still spoken of as the city of seven hills.

**W**hen John had this vision five different forms of government had come and gone, the sixth, the imperial room of the Caesars was still in being. The one other, Anartoxery, introduced by Diocletian was yet to come, but as verse 10 indicated, was only to be for a very short duration. As an historic fact, it lasted less than 30 years. The Barbarian hoards swept down from the north, and to all appearances, destroyed the empire; yet we know today, only too well, that the deadly wound was healed. When the eighth head the papacy arose, symbolised here as the beast, rising again from the abyss.

**N**ow, please note, and this is a deep study, that this resurrected beast rising from the ruins of the old pagan empire finally goes into perdition. Do you know what that means? I want you to read carefully. And there are a lot of Protestant ministers, and they are always fighting against Rome; because some of you are always fighting against Rome, you forget the vision that God has given you of the salvation of precious souls. Do you know what this means? This scarlet woman will continue to exist until the Day of the Lord which is the day of judgment upon the ungodly, and the Christ rejecter. I repeat, the papacy will continue right to the final moment of the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ! The Catholic church will not be destroyed before the second coming. The Catholic church will be destroyed at the second coming. God has it that way. That coming will destroy the woman, and will destroy the apostate church that she represents.

**I**f you want proof of that, we'll go to Thessalonians chapter 2 verses 7-9. Paul says to the blood-washed believers of Thessalonica after he talks about the man of sin. This is what he says, *For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let* (the he who now letteth will let is the old pagan empire), *until he be taken out of the way. And then! shall that Wicked be revealed* (that is the papal empire now), *whom the Lord shall consume with the Spirit of His mouth* (that is the preaching of the Gospel), *and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming.* The Greek word for coming is parousia. He shall destroy with the

brightness of His coming. Friend, we are living today right at the fulfilment of this prophecy.

**W**ho will deny that this book is not the Word of God? I challenge anyone to take a stand and refute me in this. The Bible is God's holy Word. It's not man's interpretation of it. We are told that, he that hath a mind and hath wisdom! examine this. And a man who has a mind, and has wisdom, under the anointing of the Holy Spirit God, will show him the things that are needed for these crisis, and these last days. Friend, I would like to show you more and more startling truths that are revealed in Revelations chapter 17. I say this in Christ, and I say it humbly, there is no one who can refute the things that have been shown in this chapter. It is the very Word of God Himself showing everyone of us, whether we are a Protestant or a Roman Catholic, that we are living in the very last of the last days. The shortened days that precede the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. The kingdom of God is coming, friend, and it is coming literally.

**L**et me tell you, the entrance into that kingdom is not on the grounds of what church or what denomination or what creed you believed in, and were brought up in. Salvation is not in any church. Salvation is not in any denomination. Whether it be Protestant or Catholic. Salvation, friend, is totally and completely in a person! The person is God's sinless Son the Lord Jesus Christ, and in His finished and atoning work at the place called Calvary. Reject Him and reject His lovely work at Calvary, and God will reject you. Friend, you can display the many masses you attend, and Protestant you can display the many communions you attend. In fact, both of you Protestant and Roman Catholic may have your names on the book and the registers of your particular denomination; but if your name is not in the Lamb's Book of Life. that we have read of, it avails nothing - you're lost.

**W**hen we had our first church, let me tell you this personal experience, the little church at the bottom of the Whitewell road. Sometimes I got the young men to do the garden, but then they got lazy. And then an odd day, believe it or not, I went down, and did the garden myself. Every morning round about 9 o'clock there was a little old lady who used to pass by me and I would say, hello, and she would say, hello Pastor. I would see her going to the local chapel here, going into mass. She never missed whether it be rain, hail, or snow she went there every day. I used to watch her, and I watched her carefully. She's in eternity today.

**I** remember this day working away and I heard a wee voice behind me saying, "if anybody is going to heaven it's you." And I looked around, and it was this wee soul, and I said, love, I'm not going to heaven because I do good works; I'm going to heaven because of the wonderful work that Jesus did at Calvary. She looked at me and she said, "what do you mean?" I said, I'm tired and I'm thirsty come in for a drop of tea. I went into the wee kitchen, and I put the kettle on, and a couple a wee buns. I set her down in one of the wee chairs, and I locked the door. She said, "what do you mean?" I showed her Ephesians 2:8 where it says, *By grace are you saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.* Then I turned her over to Titus 3:5, *Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost.*

**S**he began to cry. She said, "Pastor Jim, and that's what she called me, I do love the Lord Jesus." Now when I looked at that woman my spirit responded to her, she was a Catholic. She went to mass every morning. Do you know how old she was? She was 80 years of age. As I looked at her, and I was a young pastor at the time, I know that said, you need to come out. Can you see an old lady at 80 years of age, rare, coming out with her grand children? And she said, "pastor how can I come out? But what you've told me I'll carry with me to every service." She said, "I've got to go to mass because my family are there. They will wonder why I'm not going. I'll cause great consternation if I say I've been wrong in what I've been doing," but she said, "I believe in what you are saying to me. Pray for me. I haven't long to live. I've have been trying to serve Christ all these years, and said, look at me today where am I?"

**A**nd I said, hold on, and you know I gave her another drop of tea, because the tears began to roll down my cheeks; and I looked at her, here's a wee soul in darkness, does she need the rod of my correction? Does she need me to tell her that she is wrong? No, she needs a lamp shone at her feet. She needs a torch shone there, and it's a loving one, and I began to tell her of God's lovely, beautiful Son. She said, "I love Him, she kept on saying, I love Him, pastor, I love Him and I believe He died for me." I leave her with God. Soon after that she went out into eternity, I leave her with God. Isn't wonderful we have a God who will judge righteously.

**B**ut there are Protestants, and they believe that, but they are not living for God. There are Evangelical believers reading this book, and you believe that, and you are not living for God.

Where do you stand today? Oh, Jesus was right when He said, *If the light that be in thee be darkness how great is that darkness.* And I realised the great darkness that wee soul was in as morning after morning she went to mass!

**A**nd then, when I began to shine the torch of God's Word at her feet. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. She began to realise her need of God! I suddenly realised, I suddenly realised how we have been caught up with ourselves as men and woman who have lived their lives, and died without Christ. The light that was in her was darkness, and the darkness was great. The darkness that she had she believed it was light. Do you know what I'm saying friend? The darkness that she had she believed it was light! And it was dark.

**T**hen I introduced her to the one who said, *I am the light of the world - isn't He lovely. He that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness but have the light of life.* I'm glad I went down that day, raging as I was at the young men, and done the garden, and I'm the worst gardener. I'm glad God didn't put me in Eden. I would have made an awful job of it. Do you know what I would have done? I would have concreted it, and said, it was cleaner. But I'm glad I heard the wee voice behind me saying, "If anybody's going to heaven, it's you." I turned around and said to her, darling, I'm not going to heaven by what I've done. I'm going to heaven because of what He has done. Isn't He lovely.

**R**ead the book of the Revelation closely, and you will find the Lamb, the Lord Jesus Christ is the person who is exalted, and worshipped, and adored. The Lamb is the One who washes, and cleanses from sin. The Lamb is the One who gives victory over sin, and power to live for the glory of God. The Lamb is all the glory in Emanuel's land.

**O**ne more little footnote to this study. If you go to verses 12, 13, 14 of Revelations chapter 17 it is very important. You'll read an incredible thing, and I wrote it down in the fly leave of my Bible: an incredible thing, and it is incredible. I have a very solemn reason for pointing this out to everyone of you. John tells us, The kingdoms which this woman overrules gives their power and authority unto the beast.

**N**ow look at verse 14 it says, *These kingdoms shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: (hallelujah) for He is the Lord of lords, and the King of kings: and they that are with Him are called, and chosen, and faithful.* It is a fact of history that those nations under the influence of the papacy have persecuted the faithful followers of the Lord Jesus Christ, and thus, made war with the Lamb. Because those that touch the humblest follower of the Lord Jesus touches Him. That's why when the Lord Jesus blinded Saul on the Damascus road said, *Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou Me. And Saul said, Who art thou? And He said, I am Jesus whom you persecute. But Saul argued I'm persecuting this church. He said, If you are persecuting the church, you are persecuting Me. You are persecuting the Lamb.*

**F**riend, Pope Gregory II called himself the Lamb of God. I'm going to say that again. Pope Gregory II called himself the Lamb of God, and he also said that he was more merciful than Christ. For Christ left souls in purgatory while he, Gregory, mercifully lifted them out. By calling himself the Lamb of God, the papacy is making war with the Lamb. I counted it, and Bible student I challenge you, John mentions the Lamb in the book of the Revelation Jesus Christ 26 times. If you can find any more, I will not complain. It's Him, and Him only the people of God love and adore. The Lamb. The Lamb! The Lamb! The Lamb! I'm going to say it again, The Lamb! He's all the glory in Emanuel's land. He bare our sins in His own body on the tree that we being dead to sin might live unto righteousness by whose strips we are healed - The Lamb.

**J**ohn the Baptist saw Him coming on the banks of the Jordan and it says, *John lifted up his eyes, and saw Him coming,* and he said, ladies and gentlemen, *Behold, the Lamb of God which bareth away the sin of the world.* He's lovely. Protestant, Catholic it is Him that you need to go to. There is no priest that can help you. There is no pope that can help you. There is no cardinal that can help you. There is no minister that can help you. I can't even help you, but He can help you! The Lamb, and do you know what the Lamb says? Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. Call upon Him because salvation is totally and completely in Him.

**M**ay God bless His Word. The reason that I showed you this is to show you the accuracy of this book. Who says it is full of contradictions? Where are they? Oh, I would love to be invited on television about this book - the Bible. Not about the political scene, no, about the book. I would love to be invited with all the eggheads, and all the mealy mouthed Protestant ministers who can't even talk to homosexuals. They are mealy mouthed while these flaunt

about! Oh, God give us a chance, and if I got a chance, I would never shut up.

**M**ay God take His Word and bless it to our hearts for His lovely glory, and His lovely honour, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. And they shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for He is the Lord of lords and the King of kings.

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