

*All have one mind.* "These have one mind. There will be a universal bond of union, one great harmony, a confederacy of Satan's forces. "And shall give their power and strength unto the beast." Thus is manifested the same arbitrary, oppressive power against religious liberty, freedom to worship God according to the dictates of conscience, as was manifested by the papacy, when in the past it persecuted those who dared to refuse to conform with the religious rites and ceremonies of Romanism." (Mar 187.4).

*United by two great errors.* "Through the two great errors, the immortality of the soul and Sunday sacredness, Satan will bring the people under his deceptions. While the former lays the foundation of spiritualism, the latter creates a bond of sympathy with Rome." (GC 588.1).

*Satan leads the union.* "There is one pointed out in prophecy as the man of sin. He is the representative of Satan...this man of sin comes in and represents to the world that he has changed that law, and that the first day of the week instead of the seventh is now the Sabbath. Professing infallibility, he claims the right to change the law of God to suit his own purposes. By so doing, he exalts himself above God, and leaves the world to infer that God is fallible.... here is Satan's right-hand man ready to carry on the work that Satan commenced in heaven...And the Christian world has sanctioned his efforts by adopting this child of the Papacy--the Sunday institution." (7BC 910.3; 910.4).

*Church & state to unite.* "When the leading churches of the United States, uniting upon such points of doctrine as are held by them in common, shall influence the state to enforce their decrees and to sustain their institutions, then Protestant America will have formed an image of the Roman hierarchy, and the infliction of civil penalties upon dissenters will inevitably result." (GC 445.1).

*Papal religion become state religion.* "The false Sabbath, the first day of the week, will be accepted, and the rulers will unite with the man of sin to restore his lost ascendancy....The religion of the Papacy will be accepted by the rulers, and the law of God will be made void." (7MR 192.1).

*Sunday law promotes the papal religion.* "It is at the time of the national apostasy when, acting on the policy of Satan, the rulers of the land will rank themselves on the side of the man of sin. It is then the measure of guilt is full... Roman Catholic principles will be taken under the care and protection of the state." (2SM 373).

*Satan excites hatred.* "Satan will excite indignation against the humble minority who conscientiously refuse to accept popular customs and traditions. Men of position

and reputation will join with the lawless and the vile to take counsel against the people of God...By false representations and angry appeals they will stir up the passions of the people. Not having a "Thus saith the Scriptures" to bring against the advocates of the Bible Sabbath, they will resort to oppressive enactments to supply the lack. To secure popularity and patronage, legislators will yield to the demand for a Sunday law...On this battlefield comes the last great conflict of the controversy between truth and error...Now, as in the days of Mordecai, the Lord will vindicate His truth and His people." (5T 450.2).

*Satan, Papists & Protestants unite.* "This lamb-like power unites with the dragon in making war upon those who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ. And Satan unites with Protestants and Papists, acting in consort with them as the god of this world, dictating to men as if they were the subjects of his kingdom, to be handled and governed and controlled as he pleases...Thus Satan usurps the prerogatives of Jehovah. The man of sin sits in the seat of God, proclaiming himself to be God, and acting above God." (Mar 191.2).

*The war is against the Sabbath.* "In the warfare to be waged in the last days there will be united, in opposition to God's people, all the corrupt powers that have apostatized from allegiance to the law of Jehovah. In this warfare the Sabbath of the fourth commandment will be the great point at issue; for in the Sabbath commandment the great Lawgiver identifies Himself as the Creator of the heavens and the earth." (Mar 187.5).

# Union of Evil Forces

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John saw a ten horned beast with seven heads (the first beast of Rev. 13). A beast is a kingdom (Dan. 7:17) and this beast rose out of the sea, sea are people (Rev. 17:5), and it had seven heads and ten horns, upon his heads, the name of blasphemy (Rev. 13:1).

The world wondered after this beast (Rev. 13:3). This beast was given power by the dragon (Rev. 13:4) who is Satan (Rev. 12:9). The beast blasphemed against God (Rev. 13:6) and fought against the saints (Rev. 13:7). All the inhabitants of the earth shall worship him whose names are not written in the book of the lamb (Rev. 13:8).

"In chapter 13 [VERSES 1-10.] is described another beast, "like unto a leopard," to which the dragon gave "his power, and his seat, and great authority." This symbol, as most Protestants have believed, represents the papacy, which succeeded to the power and seat and authority once possessed by the ancient Roman Empire...This prophecy, which is nearly identical with the description of the little horn of Daniel 7, unquestionably points to the papacy." (GC88 439.1).

## THE SECOND BEAST

John saw another beast coming out of the earth with two horns like a lamb, but spoke as a Dragon (Rev. 13:11). He exercises all the powers of the first beast and force the inhabitants of the earth to worship the first beast (Rev. 13:12). He perform great wonders (Rev. 13:13) and deceives the inhabitants of earth by his miracles. He says to the inhabitants of the earth that they must make an image of the first beast (Rev. 13:14).

The leopard beast of Revelation 13 is the same as the little horn power of Daniel 7- Papal Rome. The little horn came up among the ten kingdoms of Europe. The leopard beast came out of the sea, which means that it arose from many people (water symbolises people. (Rev. 17:15).

## THE IMAGE OF THE BEAST

The second beast, give power to the image of the beast and empowers it to kill those who will not yield to its powers (Rev. 13:15). He causes those who yield to his power to receive a mark in their right hands and foreheads (Rev. 13:16). He institutes a law that only those who have the mark, the name of the beast or the number of his name can buy and sell (Rev. 13:17). The number of this beast is six hundred, three score and six (Rev. 13:18). The Bible student must note that John mentions three main

players; the first beast (Papacy), the second beast (USA) and the image of the beast (Protestant Churches). All of them are instruments of the Dragon who are on a mission to set up his worldwide ecclesiastical government, whose rules are to be enforced by the civil government of the second beast.

In Bible prophecy, political powers are frequently represented by animals, or "Beasts". But the appearance of this particular Beast is different from any animal we know. It is made up of several different beasts put together into one. Thus, we are unable to call it by the name of any particular beast, such as a lion or a bear; and so it has commonly become known as the Beast, or the Leopard-like Beast, or the composite Beast. This Beast is of such interest because it demands worship in opposition to God. And it is against this false system of worship, along with those who form a part of it, that God's wrath, unmingled with mercy, is to be poured out (Rev. 14:9-10). Another important observation is that there is worship connected with this power (Rev. 13:8) that all the people on earth will worship it, except for those whose names are in the Lamb's book of life.

## THE CRISIS OF ALL AGES

The world is a theater; the actors, its inhabitants, are preparing to act their part in the last great drama...A power from beneath is working to bring about the last great scenes in the drama--Satan coming as Christ, and working with all deceivableness of unrighteousness...Those who are yielding to the passion for confederation are working out the plans of the enemy." (8T 27.4).

*Cup of iniquity is almost full.* "Never did this message apply with greater force than it applies today...The wickedness of the inhabitants of the world has almost filled up the measure of their iniquity. This earth has almost reached the place where God will permit the destroyer to work his will upon it." (7T 141.1).

*On the threshold of the crisis.* "We are standing on the threshold of the crisis of the ages. In quick succession, the judgments of God will follow one another--fire, and flood, and earthquake, with war and bloodshed. We are not to be surprised at this time by events both great and decisive; for the angel of mercy cannot remain much longer to shelter the impenitent." (PK 278.1).

*Every case is eternally decided.* "The crisis is stealing gradually upon us...The highest excitement prevails, yet probation's hour is fast closing, and every case is about to be eternally decided. Satan sees that his time

is short. He has set all his agencies at work that men may be deceived, deluded, occupied, and entranced until the day of probation shall be ended, and the door of mercy forever shut." (SW, October 3, 1905 par. 8).

*Transgression at its limit.* "Transgression has almost reached its limit. Confusion fills the world, and a great terror is soon to come upon human beings. The end is very near." (8T 28.1).

*Restraint is being withdrawn.* "The restraining Spirit of God is even now being withdrawn from the world...Men cannot discern the sentinel angels restraining the four winds that they shall not blow until the servants of God are sealed; but when God shall bid His angels loose the winds, there will be such a scene of strife as no pen can picture." (6T 408.1).

*Satan is combining his forces.* "The Spirit of God is gradually but surely being withdrawn from the earth. Plagues and judgments are already falling upon the despisers of the grace of God. The calamities by land and sea, the unsettled state of society, the alarms of war, are portentous." (9T 11.1).

*God is trying to arouse men.* These calamities are capricious outbreaks of disorganised, unregulated forces of nature, wholly beyond the control of man; but in them all, God's purpose may be read. They are among the agencies by which He seeks to arouse men and women to a sense of their danger." (PK 277.1).

*Confederacy.* "The professed Protestant world will form a confederacy with the man of sin, and the church and the world will be in corrupt harmony." (7BC 975.9).

*Threefold union.* "The Protestants of the United States will be foremost in stretching their hands across the gulf to grasp the hand of spiritualism; they will reach over the abyss to clasp hands with the Roman power; and under the influence of this threefold union, this country will follow in the steps of Rome in trampling on the rights of conscience." (GC 588.1).

*False religion.* "When Protestant churches shall unite with the secular power to sustain a false religion, for opposing which their ancestors endured the fiercest persecution, then will the papal sabbath be enforced by the combined authority of church and state. There will be a national apostasy, which will end only in national ruin." (Evangelism, 235.1).

*Promotion of Sunday sacredness.* "Roman Catholics and Protestants shall unite for the exaltation of the Sunday." (GC 578.2).

*Law against the Sabbath.* "Protestantism shall give the hand of fellowship to the Roman power. Then there will be a law against the Sabbath of God's creation." (7BC 910.5).