

CRACKING *the* GENESIS CODE



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SECRETS UNSEALED PRESENTS: “CRACKING THE GENESIS CODE”

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Revelation 14:9-11 that the plagues will fall upon those who worship the beast and his image and receive his mark. It is a matter of salvation! Will you take your stand on God's side?

**Unless stated, All quoted verses are taken from the
“New King James Version” (NKJV).*

Review Revelation .12	Matthew 22:21
Review Daniel 7	The First Amendment
Review Revelation 13	John 18:36
Daniel 7:17, 23	Daniel 3
Isaiah 17:12, 13	Daniel 6
Daniel 7:3	Daniel 7:25
Revelation 13:9, 10	Revelation 12:16, 17
Romans 13:1	Revelation 13:11
Romans 13:4	John 8:32
Revelation 13:11	
Revelation 13:3	
Revelation 13:16	
Revelation 13:17	
Revelation 13:15	
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Revelation 13:11	

“It was the Catholic Church which, by the authority of Jesus Christ, has transferred this rest to Sunday in Remembrance of the resurrection of our Lord. Thus the observance of Sunday by the Protestants is a **homage they pay**, in spite of themselves, to the authority of the [Catholic] Church.” (Louis Gaston de Segur, Plain Talk About Protestantism, p. 225)

In 1895 J. F. Snyder wrote to Cardinal James Gibbons and asked him the following question: “Does the Roman Catholic Church claim the act of changing the observance of the Sabbath from the Seventh day to the first day of the week as a mark of her power?” Chancellor H. F. Thomas responded for Cardinal Gibbons: “Of course the Catholic Church claims that the change was her act. It could not have been otherwise, as none in those days would have dreamed of doing anything in matters spiritual and ecclesiastical and religious without her. And the act is a **mark** of her ecclesiastical power and authority in Religious matters.”

9. In class we will speak about incredible movements in three branches of our government (executive, legislative, judicial) to tear down the constitutional wall of separation between church and state. Most people are unaware of these movements but you need to know what is happening! We will also study unbelievable overtures which Protestants are making towards Roman Catholicism. Don't miss this class for anything in the world!

Conclusion

1. There can be little doubt that we are living at the very end of time. Babylon has passed, MedoPersia has passed, Greece has passed, Rome has passed, the ten divisions of Rome have passed, the first stage of the beast has passed, and the United States was born like a plant and has become the world's lone superpower. We are entering upon the very last stage of prophecy. The United States is flirting with Rome on an unprecedented scale. Notice that in Revelation, the last stage before the Second Coming of Christ, is the alliance of the United States with the Papacy and then God's people will stand on Mt. Zion victorious (**Revelation 14:1-5; 15:2-4**).
2. What we are talking about is a life and death matter. We are told in

September 11 and the Destiny of America

Lecture #23

September 11 has been called the day which changed America forever. Think of the aftermath of this watershed day: War in Afghanistan followed by a devastating earthquake, United States troops in Yemen and the Philippines, threats of war against the “Axis of Evil,” stock market blues, civil war in Colombia, riots in Argentina, social turmoil in Venezuela, corporate scandals, anthrax, parents killing their children, Al-Qaeda, attempted United States embassy bombing in Peru, threats of a nuclear conflict between India and Pakistan, war in Iraq, suicide bombings in Israel and a Middle East crisis which threatens to become global in scale. What's in store for the “land of the free and home of the brave”? In this lesson we want to study what Bible prophecy has to say about the origin and destiny of the United States of America. Let us turn to Revelation 13 and study verses 11-18.

The Origin and Timing of the Second Beast

1. We have already identified the first beast of Revelation 13 (verses 1-10) as the Roman Catholic Papacy. Now a second beast comes to view (verses 11-18). There are several things we want to underline about the origin of this second beast. First of all, a beast in prophecy represents a _____ so this beast must represent a nation or kingdom (**see Daniel 7:17, 23**).
2. This beast does not arise from the sea like the previous ones but rather from the _____ (**Revelation 13:11**).

NOTE: *There is no mention of winds of strife. This beast is not trampling and devouring other kingdoms. There is no evidence that this beast had to fight any of the previous powers in order to gain dominion. The fact that this kingdom rose from the earth and not from the sea indicates that it rises in a different location than the first four beasts. It is interesting to note that as prophecy fulfils, it moves from east to west. The first two*

beast of Daniel 7 ruled in Asia. The third beast ruled toward Eastern Europe and the fourth beast, the ten horns and the little horn all ruled in Western Europe. As Christianity moves, prophecy moves with it. We would expect this new beast to rule even further west than Europe. Strangely, as the fulfilment of prophecy moves west, the eyes of most Protestants are looking east!

3. As we previously studied, the first beast ruled for 1260 years and at the end of its dominion it was wounded with the _____ and was taken into _____ **(Revelation 13:10).**
4. This deadly wound was given by France when Pope Pius VI was taken prisoner by Napoleon's armies in 1798. The second beast came to power after the first beast was wounded because John said: "_____ I saw another beast coming up out of the earth" **(Revelation 13:11).**

***NOTE:** Forty four years before the first beast received its deadly wound, John Wesley, the great founder of the Methodist Church, made a remarkable statement. After identifying the first beast as the Papacy, Wesley said: "Another beast [is to arise] ... But he is not yet come, though he cannot be far off, for he is to appear at the end of the forty-two months of the first beast." (John Wesley, New Testament With Explanatory Notes, p. 427).*

4. In 1798 this second beast had not reached the zenith of its power. In fact, at that time it was just coming into existence. It was seen by John _____ up out of the earth **(Revelation 13:11).** The expression, "coming up" (anabaino) is used in Matthew 13:7 to describe thorns which _____ up.
5. The beast from the earth does not really succeed the first but rather is contemporaneous with it and helps it regain its power. We know this because John saw that this beast "exercises all the _____ of the first beast in his _____" **(Revelation 13:12).**

***NOTE:** Each kingdom in Daniel 7 conquered and succeeded the previous kingdom. But this second beast becomes an ally of the first beast and*

Notice the words of George Washington to the Baptist Delegation on August 8, 1789: "If I could have entertained the slightest apprehension that the Constitution framed by the convention where I had the honour to preside might possibly endanger the religious rights of any ecclesiastical society, certainly I would never have placed my signature to it; and if I could now conceive that the general government might ever be so administered as to render the liberty of conscience insecure, I beg you will be persuaded that no one would be more zealous than myself to establish effectual barriers against the horrors of spiritual tyranny and every species of religious persecution. For, you doubtless remember, I have often expressed my sentiments that any man, conducting himself as a good citizen and being accountable to God alone for his religious opinions, ought to be protected in worshiping the Deity according to the dictates of his own Conscience." (quoted in, Thomas Armitage, [A History of the Baptists](#) (New York: Bryan, Taylor & Co., 1887), pp. 806, 807).

6. The United States is a contemporaneous power with the Roman Catholic Church and, as we shall see, it is helping the Papacy recover its power.
7. The United States has become a worldwide superpower, politically, economically, technologically and militarily. In 1701 the United States had 262,000 inhabitants. In 1776 the population had grown to 2 million 800 thousand. At present it is populated by over 250 million people and covers an area of over 8 million square miles. In every sense of the word, the United States has grown from small beginnings into a mighty empire.
8. It seems unbelievable, but the power which had two horns like a lamb will end up speaking like the dragon. The United States will help the Papacy get its power back. It will blend church and state and impose the mark of the beast on pain of death. We have seen that the sea beast represents the papacy. The land beast represents the United States. But what is the mark of the beast? Let's allow the Papacy itself to tell us:

"Protestants... profess great reverence for the Bible, and yet by their solemn act of keeping Sunday, they acknowledge the power of the Catholic Church. The Bible says 'Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.' But the Catholic Church says: 'No; keep the first day of the week,' and lo, the entire civilized world **bows down in reverent obedience** to the command of the holy Catholic Church." Words of Father Enright, president of Redemptorist College of America.

amendment to the Constitution says: “Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion [notice it does not say **a religion** or **a church**], or prohibiting the free exercise thereof.” The two clauses have come to be known as the “establishment clause” and the “free exercise clause.” This is also the reason why Article 6 states: “No religion test shall ever be required as a qualification to any office or public trust under the United States.” The people in Colonial America, particularly Roger Williams, would have loved to have the protection of Article 6!

The two principles were actually taught by Jesus long before the founding fathers when He said, “Render unto Caesar what is Caesar’s and unto God what is God’s” (Matthew 22:21). When Satan offered Jesus the kingdoms of this world, He refused them (Luke 4:5-8). He also told Pilate: “My Kingdom is not of this world” (John 18:36). When Peter wanted to defend Jesus with the sword, he was rebuked (Matthew 26:51-52). When the disciples wanted to call fire down from heaven upon the apostate Samaritans, Jesus rebuked them (Luke 9:54, 55). In fact, Jesus was killed when the Jews joined with the Romans. Yes, it was a churchstate alliance which killed Jesus! Stories from the Old Testament illustrate the same point. When King Nebuchadnezzar took it upon himself to enforce worship, God had to intervene to deliver His people. The same could be said about the deliverance of Daniel from the lion’s den.

Benjamin Franklin once said: “When religion is good, I conceive that it will support itself; and when it does not support itself, and God does not take care to support it, so that its professors are obliged to call for help of the civil powers, ‘tis a sign, I apprehend, of it being a bad one.”

Engraved on the Jefferson Monument in Washington D.C., are his memorable words: “Almighty God hath created the mind free. All attempts to influence it by temporal punishment or burthens... are a departure from the plan of the Holy Author of our religion... No man shall be compelled to frequent or support any religious worship or ministry or shall otherwise suffer on account of his religious opinions or belief, but all men shall be free to profess and by argument to maintain, their opinions in matters of religion. I know but one code of morality for men whether acting singly or collectively.”

actually helps it regain its power. This beast with lamb like horns will actually enforce by might the principles, teachings and practices of the first beast!

The Nature of this Nation

1. When this power was sprouting up, it had two _____ like a _____ **(Revelation 13:11).**

***Note:** In the book of Revelation the word “lamb” is used 29 times and in every case except this one, it is a symbol of Christ. This must mean that this nation would have two Christlike principles when it rose to power.*

2. The Prophecy of Revelation 13:11-18 indicates that this second beast; after its humble beginnings, would grow in power and worldwide influence. That is to say, it would become a world superpower. This is seen in the fact that it would use its influence to lead the whole world to _____ after the [first] beast **(Revelation 13:3).** The first beast would also become a world superpower after its deadly wound was healed.

3. In order to control who can _____ and sell, this beast must have great **economic** and **technological** power, (Revelation 13:17) and in order to enforce the _____ decree upon all those who are rebellious, **(Revelation 13:15)** it must have great **military** strength. And in order for the whole world to follow its example it must have great global political clout.

4. This beast would ally itself with the first beast and make an _____ of it and to it **(Revelation 13:14-15).**

***NOTE:** We know that the first beast blended church and state, thought it could change the times (God’s prophetic calendar) and the law (Ten Commandments), and persecuted everyone who disagreed with it. An image is a likeness. This must mean that this second beast will enforce the*

principles, teachings and methods of the first beast.

5. The beast with lamb like horns, “Exercises all the authority of the first beast in his _____, and _____ the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed” (**Revelation 13:12**). The word “causes” here means the use of force. It would not persuade but coerce!
6. This second beast would even go so far as to force people to receive the _____ of the beast (**Revelation 13:16**).
7. This beast is also called the _____ Prophet (Revelation 16:13) and it will deceive those who live on the earth by making _____ come down from heaven in the sight of men (**Revelation 13:13**). This power is also referred to as the daughters of the _____ (**Revelation 17:5**).

***NOTE:** It will be a counterfeit prophet Elijah who made fire come down from heaven to persuade Israel that he was a prophet of God. It will also lead out in a counterfeit Pentecost, even to the point of bringing down tongues of fire (Acts 2:1-4). In the days of Elijah, church and state were joined together to persecute him. We need to know what the true Elijah’s message was and then we will be able to detect the counterfeit.*

The Origin of the United States

1. The United States is a bonafide nation or kingdom.
2. The United States did not have to war any of the previous kingdoms of prophecy. It did not arise in the midst of strife and war. It arose in a different place than the previous kingdoms, west of Europe! The fact that this second beast did not arise from waters indicates that the United States arose in a place where there were no multitudes, nations and tongues, that is to say, a sparsely populated area.

3. The United States did arise to power when the first beast received its deadly wound. It is well known that the United States began to grow as a nation in 1776. Its constitution was signed in 1787 and the Bill of Rights was enacted in 1791. Amazingly, the first nation to recognize the United States diplomatically was France and the date was 1798!
4. In 1798 the United States was like a sprouting plant, silently rising from the earth. The editor of the Irish Nation wrote about the United States in 1850: “In the West an American empire is EMERGING. We Islanders have no conception of the extraordinary events, which **amid the silence of the earth**, are daily adding to the power and pride of this gigantic nation. Within three years territories more extensive than these three kingdoms, France and Italy put together, **have been quietly**, and in almost ‘matter of course’ fashion annexed to the Union.”

Daniel J. Boorstin, who for years was the librarian of Congress, pointed out in his 1975 Reith Lectures in London that “the vacancy of North America [was] to prove to be its peculiar promise to the world... Emptiness was America’s special fertility.” (quoted in, “Why America Happened,” Signs of the Times, October 1976, p. 26).

G. A. Townsend in his book, The New World Compared with the Old, states: “The history of the United States was separated by a beneficent Providence from the wild and cruel history of the rest of the continent, and like a silent seed we grew into an empire.” (quoted in, “Why America Happened,” Signs of the Times, October 1976, p. 26).

5. The United States did have two foundational Christlike principles upon which she built the Republic. These two principles are known as **Protestantism** (a Church without an absolutist pope, that is, full religious liberty to worship according to the dictates of conscience) and **Republicanism** (a state without an absolutist king, in other words, full civil liberty to speak, to assemble, to vote rulers in and out of office, the right to privacy; etc., in short, a government of, by and for the people).

These two principles entail a separation of church and state. The founding Fathers well knew what had happened in Europe when church and state were welded together. They also knew what happened in Colonial America when the church controlled the state. This is why the first