

Study: Antichrist Part 1 (AC1)

Purpose of Study: Satan works to deceive the whole world by having a counterfeit for every truth that God has. The only way to distinguish the genuine from the fake is to know the truth intimately.

Center It: Jesus does not want us to be deceived by the antichrist so the Bible tells us what to be looking for.

Know It Mark It:

1. Revelation 12:9

Godhead

2. Matthew 28:19 (God)

3. Revelation 12:9; 13:1; 13:11 (satan)

The Power

4. Matthew 28:18 (Jesus receives all power from Father)

5. Revelation 13:2 (Dragon gives sea beast power)

The Spirit

6. John 16:13-14 (Spirit directs worship to Jesus) (*John 15:26*)

7. Revelation 13:12 (Land beast directs worship to sea beast)

The Throne

8. Revelation 4:9-11

9. Revelation 3:21

10. Revelation 2:13

11. Revelation 13:2

The City and The Woman

12. Revelation 21:1-2

13. Revelation 14:8 (*Revelation 17:18*)

The Mark or Seal in the foreheads

14. Revelation 7:2-3

15. Revelation 13:16-17

The ministry of the antichrist impersonates that of Jesus Christ

16. Luke 3:21 (Comes out of Water)

17. John (Jesus' Ministry lasts 3 1/2 years John 2:13-25, John 5:1, John 6:4, John 19:14-15)

18. John 12:32-33 (Jesus would receive wound and die then be raised and draw all men to Him)

19. Revelation 13:1 (Beast comes out of water to begin "ministry")

20. Revelation 13:5 (Beast "ministry" lasts 3 1/2 prophetic years)

21. Revelation 13:3 (Beast receives deadly wound and is resurrected and all the world follows.)

We must know Jesus so that we are not deceived

22. Appeal: John 17:3

Share It:

1. Revelation 12:9 The devil knows that he cannot get most of us to openly worship him, but he does not care if we worship him openly or not. If he can deceive us into worshipping him then he has achieved his goal. Ask the question "Are you deceived? Are you sure?"

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The devil is not original. As we will see this false trinity is very much a copy of the true set up that God has.

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Just as Jesus receives all power from His Father, the beast power receives his power from the dragon (Devil)

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The Holy Spirit brings conviction to us and that leads us to Jesus for help. This land beast tries to usurp the power of the Holy Spirit by causing us to worship the sea beast, which in turn means we are worshipping the devil! Just as when we worship the Son we are worshipping the Father. (1John 2:23)

The Throne

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11. Revelation 13:2

It is the Father that gives the son a throne just as the dragon (devil) gives his seat (throne) to the sea beast. They both have thrones and both share it.

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The city of God and Babylon the city of the devil (spiritual confusion) are called a woman.

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This land beast causes people to receive this mark of the beast and it is the Spirit of God that is the sealing agent for the saved. (Ephesians 1:13; 4:30)

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This is the most powerful comparison. The sea beast tries to copy the ministry of Jesus! Notice that these are not open attacks, but more of a subtle impostor. The dictionary definition of impostor is a person who pretends to be someone else in order to deceive others, esp. for fraudulent gain.

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Knowing who the antichrist is will do us no good if we don't know who Jesus Christ is. Eternal life comes from knowing Jesus. Now that we have discovered that the plan of the devil is to counterfeit the truth it will make the work of finding out who the Bible points to as the antichrist an easy task.

Our next lesson will be The Bible Identifies the Antichrist.