

**Daniel & Revelation End-time Prophecies Sermon Series**  
**Study #56: Four Things The Dragon Gives Papal Rome**  
**Revelation 13:5 - 10**  
**Bible Sermon Study Notes by Cary Rodgers, pastor**

In the great controversy that is revealed in Revelation 12 and 13 Jesus shows the contrast between His pure and righteous true church and Satan's false church system. This the same false church system that Paul warns us about that is revealed in Daniel and Revelation.

**2 Thessalonians 2:3-4**

3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, **except there come a falling away first**, and that man of sin be revealed, the **son of perdition (Greek: destruction and ruin)**;

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

God's true people who are watching and praying will not be deceived by the son of perdition. In Revelation 13, the son of perdition is described as the seven headed leopard-like beast with the name of blasphemy. As we learned in our previous studies, the leopard like beast in Revelation 13 and the little horn in Daniel 7 and 8 are the same religious political false church system, known as Papal Rome. Papal Rome, as the Bible predicted, ruled for 1260 years from 538 to 1798 as the fifth Empire from Babylon.

Unlike the other kingdoms before it (such as a Babylon, Media-Persia, Greece, Pagan Rome), Papal Rome was very unique. Papal Rome is a power that claims to have ecclesiastical authority over all Christians world-wide along with political power over the daily affairs of people. This is the reason why they call themselves "Catholic" which means "Universal".

As we learned last study, in Revelation 13 the Bible predicts that Papal Rome will rule again as the seventh kingdom over the entire planet. After Papal Rome was ousted by France in 1798 as a political Empire, it appeared that they would never come back. It looked as if this prophecy would be impossible to fulfill, but in 1929, Papal Rome was given its political power back in Rome, Italy through the Lateran Treaty. The government of Italy gave the papacy its sovereignty back.

We learned from history and current events that not only does Papal Rome have influence over all religions of the world, but they also have gained world-wide political power as the Bible predicts. There is no other nation or religion that has the religious and political power over all the world.

We are at the end of time as the Bible predicts in Revelation 13:3, 4 which, "All the world today is wondering after the beast. They worship the beast and the dragon that gives Papal Rome power."

Papal Rome is Satan's false church system that Jesus clearly reveals. No one has to be fooled unless they ignore the great deal of evidence. One of the main objectives of papal Rome is to deceive the world to rebel against the true God of heaven and destroy the true faithful people of God who keep ALL the commandments of God and have the testimonies of Jesus Christ.

The Papacy tries to hide its rebellion, iniquities, corruptions, and blasphemy under a veil of humility and peace. But when they are brought under the light of Bible prophecy their true nature is unmistakably revealed.

As they have done in the past, they use "peace" to unite the world under its deception.

**Daniel 8:25**

25 And through his **policy** also he shall cause **craft (Hebrew: Deceiving)** to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by **peace shall destroy many**: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.

Today, let's continue to look at more clear evidence of the true character of the Papacy as we study Revelation 13:5 – 10.

**What are the four things that the Dragon gives to the Papacy at the end of time as the seventh empire that is prophesied in Revelation 13:5 – 7?**

**Revelation 13:5-7**

5 And there was **given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power (Greek: governing authority & jurisdiction) was given unto him to continue forty and two months.**

6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.

7 And it was **given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.**

**Summary of four things the Dragon gives Papal Rome at the end of time as the seventh empire:**

- 1) A mouth speaking great things and blasphemies
- 2) Governing power 42 months = 1260 days
- 3) War and persecute the true saints of God
- 4) Governing power over ALL kindreds, tongues, and nations.

All four of these things are clear identifying marks of Satan's false church system. Let's look at more proof from each.

**1) A mouth speaking great things and blasphemies**

- Similarly the little horn in Daniel 7:25 says that "he shall speak great words against the most High..." Also Daniel 8:11 says that "he magnified himself even to the prince of the host." The "prince of the host" is Jesus who is also known as the "Prince of peace" in Isaiah 9:6.
- The papacy's mouth as a snake is used to deceive the world and blaspheme. This is no doubt of the character of Satan.
- Remember, blasphemy is any person who claims privileges, rights, titles, positions, or roles that only belong to God. Also, those who misrepresent the character of God are guilty of blasphemy.
- Revelation 13:6 says that the Papacy blasphemes God, His name, His tabernacle (church), and all of Heaven! They are exposed as a mockery and fraud!
- Papal Rome's "mouth speaking great things" not only applies to its civil and religious powers, but it also points to its arrogant and blasphemous character that is revealed in their doctrine, beliefs, and religious practices.

**Let's look at more evidence and facts:**

The pope and Papal Rome blaspheme God's name by claiming titles, roles, rights, and privileges that ONLY belong to God.

Historical quotes that refer to the blasphemous character of the pope and Papal Rome as the little horn in Daniel 7 & 8 and the leopard-like beast of Revelation 13 & 14:

"The Pope is not only the representative of Jesus Christ, but he is Jesus himself, hidden under the veil of flesh." - The Catholic National 1895

“He is the infallible ruler... the supreme judge of heaven and earth, the judge of all, being judged by no one, God himself on earth.” - The New York Catechism (Taken from Roman Catholicism, p. 127)

“All the names which in the Scriptures are applied to Christ, by virtue of which it is established that he is over the church, all the same names are applied to the Pope.” - Robert Bellarmine, On the Authority of the Councils, chapter 17, 1628 ed., vol. 1, p. 266

“The pope is supreme judge of the law of the land. He is the vicegerent of Christ, and is not only a priest forever, but also King of kings and Lord of lords.” - La Civiltà Cattolica, March 18, 1871

“All the faithful must believe that the Holy Apostolic See and the Roman Pontiff [Pope] possesses the primacy over the whole world, and the Roman Pontiff is the successor of Blessed Peter, Prince of the Apostles, and is true vicar of Christ, and head of the whole church, and father and teacher of all Christians; and that full power was given to him in blessed Peter to rule, feed and govern the universal Church by Jesus Christ Our Lord:” - First Dogmatic Constitution on the Church of Christ, Eternal Pastor, published in the fourth session of the Vatican Council, 1870, chap. 3, in Philip Schaff, Creeds of Christendom, vol. 2, p. 262

“In the beautiful expression of St. Ignatius of Antioch, the bishop is typos tou Patros: he is like the living image of God the Father.” - [www.vatican.va/archive/ccc\\_css/archive/catechism/p2s2c3a6.htm](http://www.vatican.va/archive/ccc_css/archive/catechism/p2s2c3a6.htm) / St. Ignatius of Antioch, Ad Trall. 3,1:SCh 10,96; cf. Ad Magn. 6,1:SCh 10, pp. 82-84

**All these statements are blasphemous! Papal Rome and the pope are literally trying to take the place of God! This is the exact character and blasphemous mouth that Satan had when he rebelled against God is heaven!**

#### **Isaiah 14:13-14**

13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

#### **What does Jesus say about church leaders using titles that belong only to God?**

#### **Matthew 23:8-10**

8 But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren.

**Rabbi (Greek) = “my master”**

9 And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven.

**Father in this context is not referring to someone’s biological father, but another human being who has elevated himself to the place of God.**

10 Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, even Christ.

**Using names and titles that only belong to God is blasphemous!**

**Blasphemy is embedded throughout the whole false church system of the papacy.**

#### **Blasphemous Titles of the head of the papacy**

1) Pope (Italian for “papa” which is an abbreviation of pater patrum which means father of fathers or principal father)

2) Most Holy Father

3) Vicar of Christ (“vicar” = a person who acts in place of another; substitute. Dictionary.com)

4) Supreme Pontiff (Latin = Pontifex Maximus = greatest “bridge builder” or “constructor of the way”)

5) His Holiness

### **Blasphemous Titles of the Pope’s clergy**

1) Reverend

2) Father

3) Monsignor (meaning “my lord”)

4) Grand Master

5) His Eminence (Cardinals)

According to the Bible no human being should be given titles that belong only to God such as “Reverend” or “Your Holiness.” “Reverend” meaning “worthy to be revered; entitled to reverence.” - Dictionary.com

“Revered” refers to devotion or worship.

Jesus says in Matthew 4:10, “Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.” No man should be worshiped or revered.

Psalms 111:9 says, “...holy and reverend is his [God’s] name.” No man’s name is holy, only God’s name.

Many who assume titles that only belong to God are trying to assert their authority to try to control the conscience or belief of others. We are all on the same level, brothers and sisters, in the family of God. No one should try to control the conscience of another. God, His Word, and the Holy Spirit should be our only guide for our beliefs and conscience.

### **Confession of Sins to Priest – Blasphemous**

Papal Rome blasphemes God by claiming that the pope and its priests have the power to forgive people from sin. They believe that Jesus gave them the “Sacrament of Reconciliation” also known as Penance or Confession which allows people to confess their sins to a Catholic priest because a priest stands “in Persona Christi” meaning that “he is in the person of Christ.” - lifeteen.com/blog/why-do-catholics-confess-to-a-priest/

This is what the papacy says about its priest’s power to forgive sins, “Seek where you will, through heaven and earth, and you will find one created being who can forgive the sinner, who can free him from the chains of hell. That extraordinary being is the priest, the Roman Catholic priest.” - The Catholic Priest, p. 78

### **Only God, Jesus Christ, can forgive and cleanse people from sin (1 John 1:9;Psalm 32:5):**

#### **1 John 1:9**

9 If we **confess our sins, he (Jesus) is faithful** and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

#### **Psalms 32:5**

5 I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, **I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD**; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

We are to go directly to God the Father through Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sin.

#### **Hebrews 4:14-16**

14 Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.

15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

### **Eucharist, Mass – Extremely Blasphemous!!!**

The Eucharist known as the Catholic Mass also speaks to the blasphemous character of the papacy. It is a ceremony and a sacrifice that is suppose to commemorate the Lord's Supper in the New Testament. All priests believe that they are given ecclesiastical powers as a man to call Jesus down from heaven and slay him as a "victim" on the "altar" and literally turn the bread and the wine served in the mass into the actual flesh and blood of Christ. Through the mass they believe they are the "creator of the Creator." This is blasphemous and Satanic. No man has power to call Jesus from heaven every mass and sacrifice Him over again and turn the bread into the literal flesh of Jesus and the wine into the literal blood of Jesus.

Christ died only once for the sins of the world.

### **Romans 6:9, 10**

9 Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.  
10 For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

### **Hebrews 9:28**

28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation."

Jesus teaches that communion is a time to reflect and remember what Jesus has done for us on Calvary. The bread (unleavened) and wine (unfermented) are only symbols that Jesus uses to point us to the work of His sacrifice and plan of salvation.

It must be emphasized that the papacy does not believe that the bread and wine in the Catholic Mass are symbolic. Again, they believe it is literal or the actual flesh and blood of Jesus. The references below confirm what the papacy of the Roman Catholic Church teaches about the Eucharist:

"343. What is the Holy Eucharist? The Holy Eucharist is a sacrament and a sacrifice. In the Holy Eucharist, under the appearances of bread and wine, the Lord Christ is contained, offered, and received. (a) The whole Christ is really, truly, and substantially present in the Holy Eucharist. We use the words "really, truly, and substantially" to describe Christ's presence in the Holy Eucharist in order to distinguish Our Lord's teaching from that of mere men who falsely teach that the Holy Eucharist is only a sign or figure of Christ, or that He is present only by His power. 350. What is the change of the entire substance of the bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ called? The change of the entire substance of the bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ is called Transubstantiation." - [www.ewtn.com/faith/teachings/eucha1a.htm](http://www.ewtn.com/faith/teachings/eucha1a.htm)

"Transubstantiation is, according to the teaching of the Catholic Church, the change of substance by which the bread and the wine offered in the sacrifice of the sacrament of the Eucharist during the Mass, become, in reality, the Body and Blood of Jesus the Christ" - [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transubstantiation](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transubstantiation)

Alphonsus de Liguori, a bishop of the papacy who lived during the mid 1700's wrote the book **Dignity and Duties of the Priest or Selva** that presents an official position on the powers and duties of the Roman Catholic priests.

**Please note, the following quotations from Liguori's book concerning the Catholic Mass are extremely blasphemous and arrogant:**

"The dignity of the priest is also estimated from the power that he has over the real and the mystic body of Jesus Christ. With regard to the power of priests over the real body of Jesus Christ, it is of faith that when they pronounce the words of consecration the Incarnate Word has obliged himself to obey and to come into their hands under the sacramental species... But our wonder should be far greater when we find that in obedience

to the words of his priests Hoc EST CORPUS MEUM God himself descends on the altar, that he comes wherever they call him, and as often as they call him, and places himself in their hands, even though they should be his enemies. And after having come, he remains, entirely at their disposal; they move him as they please, from one place to another; they may, if they wish, shut him up in the tabernacle, or expose him on the altar, or carry him outside the church; they may, if they choose, eat his flesh, and give him for the food of others." - Alphonsus de Liguori, Dignity and Duties of the Priest or Selva, pp. 26, 27

"Thus the priest may, in a certain manner, be called the creator of his Creator, since by saying the words of consecration, he creates, as it were, Jesus in the sacrament, by giving him a sacramental existence, and produces him as a victim to be offered to the eternal Father. As in creating the world it was sufficient for God to have said, Let it be made, and it was created He spoke, and they were made? So it is sufficient for the priest to say, 'Hoc est corpus meum,' and behold the bread is no longer bread, but the body of Jesus Christ. 'The power of the priest,' says St. Bernardine of Sienna, 'is the power of the divine person; for the transubstantiation of the bread requires as much power as the creation of the world.' And St. Augustine has written, 'O venerable sanctity of the hands! O happy function of the priest! He that created (if I may say so) gave me the power to create him; and he that created me without me is himself created by me!' As the Word of God created heaven and earth, so, says St. Jerome, the words of the priest create Jesus Christ." - Ibid pp. 32, 33

**Do you see the blasphemy, arrogance, and error of the Eucharist / Roman Catholic Mass?** They believe that the powers "invested" to the priest to give the mass makes them the "parents of Jesus" and also "the creator of his Creator." They believe that "the words of the priest create Jesus Christ." How much more blasphemous and arrogant can the papacy be?

The Catholic Mass is blasphemous, arrogant, and full of pride which are befitting characteristics of Satan and the beast of Revelation 13, name full of blasphemy!

## **2) The second thing given to the Papacy according to Revelation 13:5 Governing power 42 months = 1260 days**

The Papacy from 538 to 1798 for 1260 years as prophesied in Daniel 7:25 as the fifth empire.

When the Papacy reemerges as the seventh empire, it will be given political and religious power 1260 days (three and a half years). This is also confirmed in Daniel 12:6, 7, and 11. (Go back to that study for further details)

**3) The third thing given to the Papacy by Satan during the 1260 days is war against the true faithful remnant people of God who keep ALL the commandments of God and a have the testimony of Jesus Christ.** This is the exact same war revealed in Revelation 12:17 that Satan has against God's people.

What the papacy has done in the past during 1260 years under their fifth empire, it will do again during the 1260 days during their seventh empire.

**4) The fourth thing given to the Papacy according to Revelation 13:7 is governing power over the entire planet! "Over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations."**

The Papacy ruled mainly the area space of Europe from 538 to 1798 for 1260 years as prophesied in Daniel 7:25 as the fifth empire.

When the Papacy reemerges as the seventh empire, it will be given political and religious power over the entire world!

Remember the Papacy has already deceived the world to sign the "Paris Agreement" in which it had direct influence. The Paris Agreement is an international world order in disguise! As we have studied in our previous study, the papacy as a system has direct influence on all the world governments and religions, now. The

papacy power will be more realized as we get closer to the mark of the beast crisis – we will study this in more detail when we get to Revelation chapter 14.

**As a result of the four things given to the Papacy by the Dragon in Revelation 13:5-7, who will be deceived and lost and who will not be deceived and saved in the kingdom of God forever?**

**Revelation 13:8**

8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

**Whose names are written in the book of life covered by the blood of the Lamb?**

**Revelation 3:5**

5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

**In the very end what happens to those whose names are NOT in the book of life?**

**Revelation 20:15**

15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was **cast into the lake of fire.**

**What words of instruction and encouragement is given to God's faithful people whose names are written in the book of life?**

**Revelation 13:9-10**

9 If any man have an ear, let him hear.

10 He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

**Instruction given:**

"If any man have an ear, let him hear." This phrase is a reminder of the message that Jesus gave the seven churches!

**Revelation 2:7, 11, 17 and 29**

7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

11 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

17 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.

29 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Also the phrase "If any man have an ear, let him hear," is a faithful reminder of the promise of the study and understanding of book of Revelation.

**Revelation 1:3**

3 Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.

**Also our faith is built on hearing the word of Truth!**

**Romans 10:17**

17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

**Encouragement:**

Going back to Revelation 13:10, God is giving all those who will be persecuted and imprisoned and some martyred by Papal Rome encouragement that God will have vengeance. As a result of the experience that the faithful people of God MUST go through at the end of time they will have patience and true faith!

10 He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

**After Jesus exposes the lies, deceptions, political and religious power of the false church, the Papacy, what other two systems does Satan use to give power to the beast and persecute the true people of God? (These are more details on how Papal Rome receives its power to deceive the entire planet)**

To be continued...