

The United States in Prophecy

Text Guide #12

Rev. 13:1 This first beast represents the papal power.
Rev. 13:3, 10 The Bible predicted the papacy would receive a deadly wound. After reigning 1,260 years, the power of Rome was broken when the pope was taken prisoner by Napoleon's general in 1798.

Rev. 13:11 At the time the first beast goes down, another beast rises into power. Remember, in prophecy a beast represents a kingdom or nation (Daniel 7:17).

Rev. 13:11

- This beast rises up out of the earth (a sparsely populated area).
- It rose up around 1798 (around the time of the first beast's decline).
- It has two horns like a lamb, representing the two foundational principles of freedom which would make this country great.
- This beast, in contrast to the one before it, wears no crown. There is no kingly power.

Only one nation meets the specifications of this prophecy — the **United States of America**.

Rev. 13:11 A change takes place at the heart of this nation, and it speaks as a dragon.

Rev. 13:12 The United States will exercise all the power of the papacy.

Note: The Bible predicts that Protestant America will unite hands with the papacy, and will revert back to the style of the Old World, in terms of lack of freedom.

Rev. 13:14-15 The United States will form an image to the beast. Remember, the first beast is the epitome of church/state union. This state of things will again be developed.

Rev. 13:15-17 The Bible teaches that all who refuse to go along with the beast power and receive its Mark will be persecuted.

John 16:1-3 When the leading churches of the United States unite upon such points of doctrine as are held by them in common, and they shall influence the state to enforce their decrees relating to worship and sustain them, then Protestant America will have formed an image to the Papacy. What will be the result? The infliction of penalties upon all those who do not comply.

Acts 5:29 We ought to obey God rather than men.

Rev. 12:11 We may overcome through the blood of Jesus.

John 14:15 — If you love me, keep my commandments.