

1. Read Revelation 12:1-6. How has Satan's evil desire to ruin God's plans resulted in persecution of Israel throughout history?
2. How would you explain the gap between verse 5 and verse 6?
3. Read Revelation 12:7-18. Why is the second half of the Tribulation the worst and how do people overcome Satan's fury during this time? (See verse 11)
4. Read Revelation 13:1-10. Why is this beast often referred to as the Antichrist?
5. What world conquerors from the past have foreshadowed the end times Antichrist? (If you really want to dig go to Daniel 7!)
6. What does it mean to have endurance and faithfulness as a believer in Christ?
7. Read Revelation 13:11-18. How is the landscape of churches today setting the stage for the apostate church of the end times?
8. How does technology today make the image and the mark of the beast more possible than ever before?
9. According to 1 Peter 4:7-11, how should Christians respond during the end times, or any difficult time for that matter?
10. Make sure to pray for one another as you end your study.

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Answers to fill in the blanks:
CHAPTER 12 1. A. ISRAEL 2. A. SATAN B. MESSIAH 3. GREAT TRIBULATION
3. A. THROWN OUT B. FOLLOWS JESUS
CHAPTER 13 1. A. ANTICHRIST B. JOHN'S EPISTLES C. DANIEL 7 D. WORLD EMPIRES
E. MIMIC F. GOD G. ENDURANCE, FAITHFULNESS 2. A. FALSE PROPHET B. APPEARANCE
C. PERMITTED D. DEMAND E. ALLEGIANCE F. UNVEILED
DO THE BEST THINGS IN THE WORST TIMES 1. HEAD 2. HEART 3. HOME 4. HANDS



SATAN'S HEYDAY – THE GREAT TRIBULATION

REVELATION 12-13

CHAPTER 12 – SATAN'S ROLE – PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE

1. A GREAT SIGN – VERSES 1-2

- A. The woman here represents _____.
Joseph's dream in Genesis 37:9-11 uses a similar description for his parents, Jacob and Rachel, and his eleven brothers.
- B. Her labor pain describes Israel's pain waiting for the _____
to come and deliver them from Gentile oppression.

2. ANOTHER SIGN – VERSES 3-6

- A. The dragon represents _____.
The seven heads with crowns and ten horns represent Satan's use of earthly kingdoms to oppress Israel. (See Daniel 7:23-25, Revelation 17:9-10)
- B. Satan and his demons (a third of the stars in heaven) have desired to _____
the Messiah (Christ) from the beginning, promoting anti-Semitism through the centuries. (See Genesis 3:15)
- C. Verses 1-5 review Christ's first coming. verse 6 moves ahead to the _____
period, the last 3 ½ years (1260 days), or second half of the 7-year tribulation.

3. WAR IN HEAVEN, HELL ON EARTH – VERSES 7-18

- A. Satan and his demons are _____ of heaven
at the midpoint of the Tribulation by Michael and his angels.
- B. There's rejoicing in heaven, but on earth, because he knows his time is
short, Satan persecutes Israel and anyone who _____
_____.

CHAPTER 13 – A TALE OF TWO BEASTS

1. THE BEAST OUT OF THE SEA – VERSES 1-10

- A. This beast represents both the _____ and his kingdom.
- B. The term “Antichrist” is found in _____ and has a twofold meaning, 1) against, opposed to and 2) instead of, in place of the real Christ – Jesus. (1 John 2:18, 2:22, 4:3, 2 John 7)
- C. The ten horns (this time they have the crowns), seven heads, and animal descriptions of leopard, bear and lion link this kingdom to the kingdoms in _____.
- D. The Antichrist’s kingdom is the end times version of the Gentile _____ directed by Satan to oppose God, His plan and His people.
- E. At the midpoint of the Tribulation, the Antichrist will die and come back to life to _____ the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
- F. The Antichrist sets himself up as _____ to be worshiped, and anyone who doesn’t worship him will be jailed or killed by the sword.
- G. Believers during this time are to have _____ and _____, for God will hold back so more can be saved. (Matthew 24:21-22)

2. THE BEAST OUT OF THE EARTH – VERSES 11-18

- A. This beast represents the right-hand man of the Antichrist called the _____ who heads up the apostate church in the tribulation period. (Rev. 19:20)
- B. The apostate church will have an _____ of godliness but will deny the Gospel of Jesus Christ. (2 Timothy 3:1-5, Romans 1:16)

- C. He promotes worship of the Antichrist through _____ signs similar to those of Elijah. (calling fire from heaven, 1 Kings 18)
- D. He has an image made of the Antichrist somehow _____ the world worship the Antichrist (in reality Satan) or be killed. (1 Corinthians 10:19-20, Revelation 9:20)
- E. He requires everyone to receive a mark of identification and _____ to the Antichrist, his name or number, which will be necessary to buy or sell.
- F. The Antichrist will not be _____ until the beginning of the tribulation period (2 Thessalonians 2:2-3). At that future time, people will be able to identify him because the number of his name will be 666.

DO THE BEST THINGS IN THE WORST TIMES – 1 PETER 4:7-11

(From Mark Hitchcock, The End Times Survival Guide)

- 1. Keep your _____ clear.**
1 Peter 4:7 - *The end of all things is near; therefore, be alert and sober-minded for prayer.*
- 2. Keep your _____ warm.**
1 Peter 4:8 – *Above all, maintain constant love for one another, since love covers a multitude of sins.*
- 3. Keep your _____ open.**
1 Peter 4:9 - *Be hospitable to one another without complaining.*
- 4. Keep your _____ busy.**
1 Peter 4:10-11 – *Just as each one has received a gift, use it to serve others, as good stewards of the varied grace of God...so that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ in everything.*