



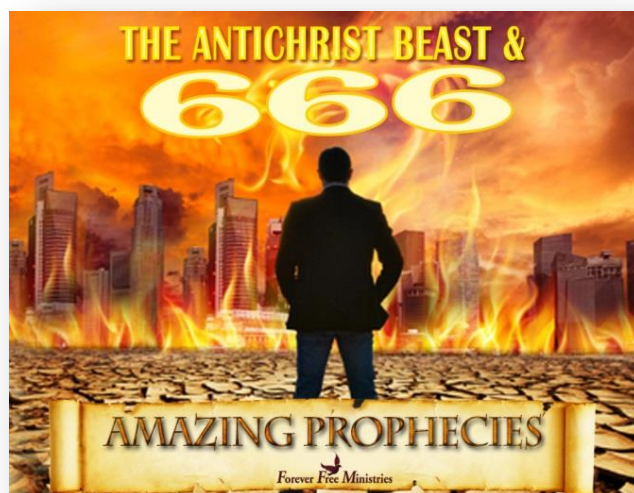
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## THE ANTICHRIST BEAST OF REVELATION & 666

### 10 CLUES ON THE ANTICHRIST BEAST OF REVELATION 13 Read Rev. 13:1-10,18

1. A ROMAN POWER.
2. A RELIGIOUS POWER.
3. A BLASPHEMOUS POWER.
4. A RELIGIOUS POWER DOMINATING CIVIL POWER.
5. A WORLD-WIDE POWER.
6. A PERSECUTING POWER.
7. A POWER HAVING SUPREMACY FOR 1260 YEARS.
8. A POWER THAT RECEIVES A DEADLY WOUND.
9. A POWER WHOSE DEADLY WOUND IS HEALED.
10. A POWER WITH A MYSTERIOUS NUMBER 666.

"Martin Luther was the first to identify that papacy as such with the Antichrist." "...a view that was to become dogma for all Protestant churches."  
Newsweek, Nov. 1, 1999



#### CLUE #1

A Power that receives it's seat, influence and power from Pagan Rome.

"...the dragon (Pagan Rome) gave him his power, and his seat (capital seat), and great authority." Revelation 13:2.

Revelation 12:9 identifies the dragon as Satan. But Satan works through human agencies. In Revelation 12 the dragon, working through pagan Rome, attempting to destroy Jesus.

Pagan Rome oppressed and brutally persecuted God's people so much that the same term "Dragon" is used for both the Devil and the power he was using.

A Roman:

- Official tried to kill baby Jesus.
- Governor condemned Jesus.
- Executioner crucified Jesus.
- Emblem sealed His tomb.
- Guard watched His tomb.

WHO DID THE DRAGON (PAGAN ROME) GIVE IT'S CAPITAL "SEAT" TO? The Papacy!

#### CLUE # 2

A RELIGIOUS POWER THAT IS WORSHIPPED. - Revelation 13:4

"To the succession of the Caesar's came the succession of the Pontiffs in Rome. When Constantine left Rome he gave his seat to the Pontiff. Labianca, Professor of History, University of Rome

As Pagan Rome was losing power, Papal Rome was gaining power!

**CLUE #3**

**A BLASPHEMOUS POWER. Revelation 13:1,5**

- The Bible defines blasphemy as assuming any rights, titles, or authority that belong solely to God
- Does the Papacy claim the titles and prerogatives which belong to God alone?
- 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." 2 Thessalonians 2:2,3.
- "The Pope is of so great dignity so exalted that he is not a mere man, but as it were God, and the vicar of God." Farraris' Ecclesiastical Dictionary.
- "The Pope is not only the representative of Jesus Christ, but he is Jesus Christ himself, hidden under the veil of flesh." The Catholic National, July, 1895
- Seek where you will, through Heaven and earth, and you will find but one created being who can forgive the sinner... That extraordinary being is the priest, the Catholic Priest. *The Catholic Priest. pp.78,79*
- What does Papal Rome say about Mother Mary? Pray to Mary as a mediatrix
- Does the Roman Papal power claim the power to change God's Law? Yes. They made three changes.
- What is the only Commandment that has anything to do with time? See Daniel 7:25; Exodus 20:8-11
- 4<sup>th</sup> = 7<sup>th</sup> day Sabbath

Three Changes:

- Deleted 2<sup>nd</sup> Commandment.
- Made 10<sup>th</sup> Commandment two.
- Changed Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday.

Does the Papal Power admit changing the Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday?

- "Question--Which is the Sabbath day?
- "Answer--Saturday is the Sabbath day.
- "Question--Why do we observe Sunday instead of Saturday?
- "Answer--We observe Sunday instead of Saturday because the Catholic Church, in the Council of Laodicea (A.D. 336), transferred the solemnity from Saturday to Sunday."  
Father Peter Geiermann, C.S.S.R., The Convert's Catechism of Catholic Doctrine, 1957 edition, p. 50.
- Daniel predicted the change.
- The Church admits the change.
- History reveals the change.
- The Bible condemns the change.

**CLUE #4**

**A RELIGIOUS POWER DOMINATING CIVIL POWER. Revelation 13:7**

**CLUE #5**

**A WORLD-WIDE POWER. Revelation 13:3,8**

**CLUE #6**

**A PERSECUTING POWER. Revelation 13:7**

Bibles were forbidden and chained to monastery walls during the Dark Ages. To be caught studying the Bible was an offense punishable by death.

**CLUE #7**

**A POWER WHICH REIGNS 1260 YEARS BEFORE IT'S POWER IS TEMPORARILY BROKEN. Revelation 13:5**

"Forty and two months" One day = one year I have appointed thee each day for a year. Ezekiel 4:6

**WHEN DOES THIS TIME PROPHECY BEGIN? IT MUST BEGIN WITH AN EVENT OR SERIES OF EVENTS WHICH GAVE INCREDIBLE POWER TO THIS SYSTEM.**

**538 AD Legal Decree**

- Head of all churches.
- Definer of all doctrine.
- Corrector of all heretics.

**1260 Years**

**538 A.D. ----- 1798 A.D.**

**This power dominated Europe during the dark ages.**

**CLUE #8**

**A POWER WHICH RECEIVES A DEADLY WOUND. Revelation 13:3.**

**"In 1798 he (Berthier) ... made his entrance into Rome. ABOLISHED THE PAPAL GOVERNMENT and established a secular one." The Encyclopedia Americana. 1941 edition.**

**DEADLY WOUND was inflicted in 1798 Exactly 1260 years from 538 A.D.**

**CLUE #9**

**A POWER WHOSE DEADLY WOUND IS HEALED. Revelation 13:3**

**"...and his deadly wound was healed." Papal States taken from Vatican in 1870**

**CLUE #10**

**A POWER WITH A MYSTERIOUS NUMBER 666.**

**A POWER WITH A MAN AT THE TOP WHOSE OFFICIAL**

**TITLE (NAME) HAS A NUMERICAL VALUE OF 666.--**

**Revelation 13:17,18 "Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man; his number is 666. "What are the letters**

**inscribed in the pope's crown and what do they signify if anything? "The letters inscribed in the Pope's mitre are these: VICARIUS FILII DEI, which is the Latin for Vicar of the Son of God." Our Sunday Visitor, April 18, 1915**

**666 THE NUMBER OF A MAN**

- VICARIUS = 112
- FILII = 53
- DEI = 501

**TOTAL = 666**



## **THE LORD'S DAY IS STILL HOLY**

**"I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day."**

**Revelation 1:10**

- John still believed and kept the Lord's Day holy.
- There has been no change in the Lord's Day.
- We need to identify and honor the Lord's Day.
- All days are not the same, one day is the Lord's Day.

**Which day is the Lord's Day?**

## **“The Son of Man is also Lord of the Sabbath.”**

### **Mark 2:28**

- Jesus is the Son of Man.
- Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath.
- The Sabbath belongs to the Lord.
- Therefore, the Sabbath is the Lord’s Day.

## **Which day is the Sabbath (The Lord’s Day)?**

## **“The Seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God”**

### **Exodus 20:8-11**

- God’s special number throughout the Bible is seven.
  - The Sabbath belongs to the Lord our God.
  - Therefore the Sabbath is the Lord’s Day.
- The Seventh-day, Saturday is the true Lord’s Day.

### **Conclusion:**

- The Seventh-day is still the true Lord’s Day; the Sabbath has not been changed.
  - Are you willing to be in the Spirit on the Lord’s Day?  
See also Matthew 12:8; Luke 6:5



## **EVIDENCES THAT SATURDAY IS THE 7<sup>TH</sup> DAY**

**CALENDAR.** No change in the calendar has ever affected the weekly sequence or cycle. See Encyclopedia Britannica, 11<sup>th</sup> ed., vol. 4., article on “Calendar” p. 988. National Observatories tell us time has never been lost.

**JESUS EXAMPLE.** Jesus knew which was the Seventh Day. He kept the Sabbath on what the Roman Calendar called Saturday. The Living Bible says Jesus went to church on “Saturday” see Luke 4:16.

**HISTORY OF THE JEWS.** Jews continue to keep the Seventh Day Sabbath on Saturday.

**105 LANGUAGES.** In over 105 languages the name for the Seventh Day is Sabbath. For example in Spanish: “Sabado.”

**WEBSTERS DICTIONARY.** “Saturday: the 7<sup>th</sup> day of the week.” “Sunday: the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the week.”

**THE WORLD BOOK ENCYCLOPEDIA.** “SABBATH...It comes on Saturday, the seventh day of the week.”

**BIBLICAL SEQUENCE OF THE CRUCIFIXION WEEKEND.** Jesus died on Good Friday, rested in the tomb on Saturday and rose on Sunday. Luke 23:54,56; 24:1-7.

Clearly, Saturday is the Seventh Day of the week. God would not say “Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy” (Exodus 20:8-11) without making it clear which is the Seventh day. Remember God’s special number is “7”.





## THE ARK OF THE COVENANT IN HEAVEN

Revelation 11:19

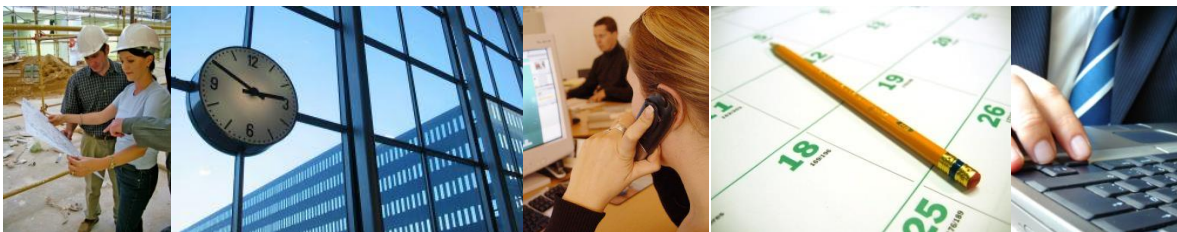
**“Then the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the ark of His covenant was seen in His temple.”**

- The Ark of the Covenant in the heavenly temple was seen by John.
- The Ark of the Covenant on earth contained the Ten Commandments.
- The Ark of the Covenant in heaven contains the Ten Commandments.
- Therefore the Ten Commandments have not been changed or done away with.
- The Ten Commandments were a primary focus in God’s Covenant with His people in both the Old and New Testament.
- The New Covenant is that Jesus will write the law in our hearts and minds. See Hebrews 8:10.
- Rev. 11:19 is also a prophecy that in the last days God’s people will keep their eyes on Jesus as He stands at the right hand of God in the heavenly temple, by the Ark of the Covenant interceding for us.
- Therefore Jesus and His Ten Commandments are inseparable.
- We are forgiven for breaking them and empowered to keep them. See Romans 3:31

**Appeal: Are you willing to behold Jesus by His Ark of the Covenant in His heavenly temple and to ask Him for the desire and power to help you to keep His Ten Commandments by faith in Christ?**

**Make a decision today that you will allow Jesus to write all His Ten Commandments on your heart and lead you to keep all of them while trusting in Him as your personal Lord and Savior.**

**“If you love Me, keep My commandments.” John 14:15**



## WHAT IF I WORK ON THE SABBATH?

**1. Is it all right to work on the 7<sup>th</sup> Day Sabbath?**

- “In it thou shalt not do any work.” Exodus 20:8-11

**2. What if my boss wants me to work on the 7<sup>th</sup> Day Sabbath?**

- “We ought to obey God rather than men.” Acts 5:29
- “No man can serve two masters.” Matthew 6:24
- If your boss wants you to steal, kill, commit adultery, bear false witness or break any other of the Ten Commandments besides the Sabbath, you would not do it. Then why make an exception with the fourth commandment? After all, if you break one, you break them all. (see James 2:10)

### **3. What if I lose my job because of the Seventh Day Sabbath?**

- “If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me.” Matthew 16:24
- “Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps.” 1 Peter 1:21
- “Narrow is the way, that leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.” Matthew 7:13

### **4. How can I be sure that God will give me another job or somehow provide for my needs?**

- “God shall supply all your need.” Philippians 4:19
- God may be testing your faith to see if you will truly “Seek ye first the kingdom of God.” Matthew 6:33
- Claim this promise that the righteous will never be “forsaken, nor his seed begging for bread.” Psalms 37:25

### **5. Will God give me the power to keep the 7<sup>th</sup> Day Sabbath holy?**

- “I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me.” Philippians 4:13
- “His commandments are not grievous.” 1 John 5:3
- “Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths.” Proverbs 3:5,6

### **6. How soon should I take a stand for the 7<sup>th</sup> Day Sabbath?**

- “I made haste and delayed not to keep thy commandments.” Psalms 119:60
- “As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me.” Psalms 18:44
- “Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.” James 4:17
- “I run in the path of your commands, for you have set my heart free.” Psalms 119:32

# **What do you do when you know about the Sabbath?**

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As you read these Scriptures you will readily see that God wants us to have a sense of urgency in following His Word without hesitation or delay. God has answered your prayers for a clearer understanding of His holy Word. Now you have the opportunity to express your love to Christ by following Him with all of your heart. Remember what Jesus said,  
**“The Sabbath was made for man.” Mark 2:27.**

### **WALK IN THE LIGHT OF GOD’S WORD**

“Then Jesus said to them, “A little while longer the light is with you. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you; he who walks in darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light.” These things Jesus spoke, and departed, and was hidden from them.” John 12:35,36

- Follow the truth about the Sabbath or you will lose your conviction to keep it, the light will vanish.

### **DON’T HARDEN YOUR HEART AGAINST GOD’S VOICE**

“Today, if you will hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts.” Hebrews 4:7

- Follow the truth about the Sabbath or your heart will harden against it.

- We must follow the convictions of our heart no matter how difficult to follow.
- Today is the day of salvation. (2 Cor.6:2)
- If we neglect to follow God's voice today we may never hear it so clear.

#### **DON'T DELAY TO KEEP THE TEN COMMANDMENTS**

**"I made haste, and did not delay To keep Your commandments." Psalms 119:60**

- We are to run with our convictions of truth.
- God never wants us to delay in keeping the Sabbath holy.

#### **IT IS A SIN TO NOT FOLLOW WHAT WE KNOW IS RIGHT**

**"Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin." James 4:17**

- When we know what is right we must obey Jesus.
- Sin is disobeying our convictions of truth.

#### **DON'T LOOK BACK NOW**

**But Jesus said to him, "No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." Luke 9:62**

- Don't give in to second thoughts.
- Follow the light you have about the Sabbath and don't look back.

#### **DON'T DRIFT AWAY FROM WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED**

**"Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away." Hebrews 2:1**

- Don't let yourself drift away from what you now know about the Sabbath.
- If you do not follow the truth, you will drift away.

#### **DON'T DECEIVE YOURSELF ABOUT THE SABBATH**

**"But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves." James 1:22**

- If we do not obey the Word of God, we will deceive ourselves.
- Doing the Word is as important as knowing the Word.

#### **YOU ARE BLESSED WHEN YOU OBEY THE TEN COMMANDMENTS**

**"Blessed are those who do His commandments,<sup>[a]</sup> that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city."**

- Only those who do His commandments will enter into the gates of the New Jerusalem.
- We can only obey His commandments by faith in Jesus Christ.

#### **FOLLOW JESUS**

**"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me." John 10:27**

- We know we are His true sheep if we are listening to His voice and following it.
- What a privilege to follow Jesus.

#### **DENY SELF**

**"Then He said to *them* all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily,<sup>[a]</sup> and follow Me." Luke 9:23**

- To follow Jesus we must deny ourselves.
- To follow Jesus always requires a cross of sacrifice.

**Appeal: Make a solid decision that you will follow Jesus and keep all of His commandments because you love and trust Him with all of your heart.**





## OPEN YOUR EYES TO THE SABBATH!

**Ezekiel 22:26** “Her priests have violated My law and profaned My holy things; they have not distinguished between the holy and unholy, nor have they made known the difference between the unclean and the clean; and they have hidden their eyes from My Sabbaths, so that I am profaned among them.”

**Acts 20:27** “Their eyes they have closed.”

**John 8:32** You shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free.”

- The truth about the Sabbath is easy to see if you want to see.
- Our heart is naturally deceptive and we believe what we want to believe unless we continue to surrender fully to Jesus.
- Open the eyes of your heart to see and believe what God’s Word says.
- Appeal: Be willing to see as a humble child sees.

**Most people who believe Sunday is the Lord’s Day do not even keep the wrong day right.**





# Smooth teachings.

Some things people actually say...

- **“Just go to church on Sunday and use the rest of the day as you wish.”**
- **“God understands if you have to work on the Sabbath.”**
- **“God is not going to judge you just because you keep a different day.”**
- **“It does not really matter which day you keep.”**
- **“The Law of God has been done away with.”**

Appeal: “Buy the truth and sell it not.” Proverbs 23:23



## Religious Leaders Still Teach Many Errors

The religious leaders in the time of Christ were teaching many errors even in regard to the Sabbath.

This is still true today.

The reason why most rejected Jesus is because they believed their religious leaders could not be wrong.

This is still true today.

- Matthew 23:16 “Blind guides”
- Isaiah 9:16 “For the leaders of this people cause them to err.”
- Ezekiel 22:26 “Her priests have violated My law”
- Matthew 15:14 “They are blind leaders of the blind.”

**Appeal: Truth is never popular or pleasing. Truth always requires being different and at times persecuted.**

## THE TWO COVENANTS OF GOD

### Similarities Between the Two Covenants

1. Both are called covenants.
2. Both were ratified with blood.
3. Both were made concerning the law of God.
4. Both were made with the people of God.
5. Both were established upon promises.

<b>Differences Between the Two Covenants</b>	
<b>OLD COVENANT</b>	<b>NEW COVENANT</b>
Called the old covenant	Called the new covenant
Called the first covenant	Called second covenant
A temporary compact	An everlasting covenant
Dedicated with the blood of animals	Ratified with the blood of Christ
Was faulty	Is a better covenant
Was established upon the promises of the people	Is established upon the promises of God.
Had no mediator	Has a mediator
Had no provision for the forgiveness of sins.	Has provision for the forgiveness of sins.
Under this, the law was written on tables of stone.	Under this, the law is written in the heart.

"The chief fault in connection with the old covenant lay with the people. They were not able, in themselves to fulfill their part of it, and it provided them no help for so doing. There was no Christ in it. It was of works and not of grace. It was valuable only as a means of impressing upon them their sinfulness and their need of divine aid." Bible Readings for the Home, page 361,362 (See Hebrews 8:7,8; Ephesians 2:11-13)

#### **Where was God's law written under the old covenant?**

"He wrote on the tables...the ten commandments." Deuteronomy 10:3,4

#### **Where is the law of God written under the new covenant?**

"saith the Lord, I will put My law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts." Jeremiah 31:33

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