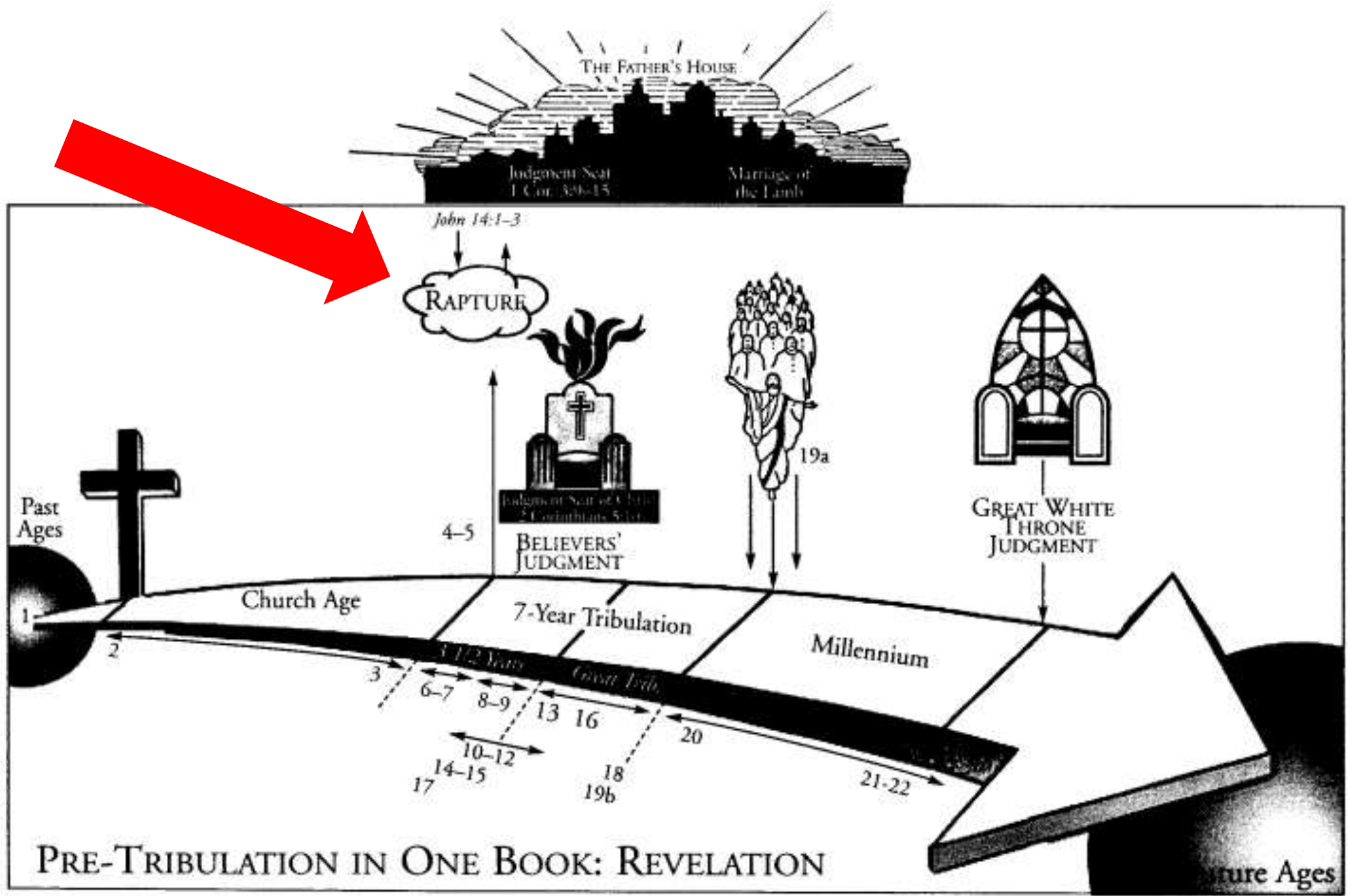


PROPHECY in the NEWS

- ✓ A **world** facing troubles.
- ✓ A **people** needing answers.
- ✓ A **God** offering promises.

What is the Rapture?

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18



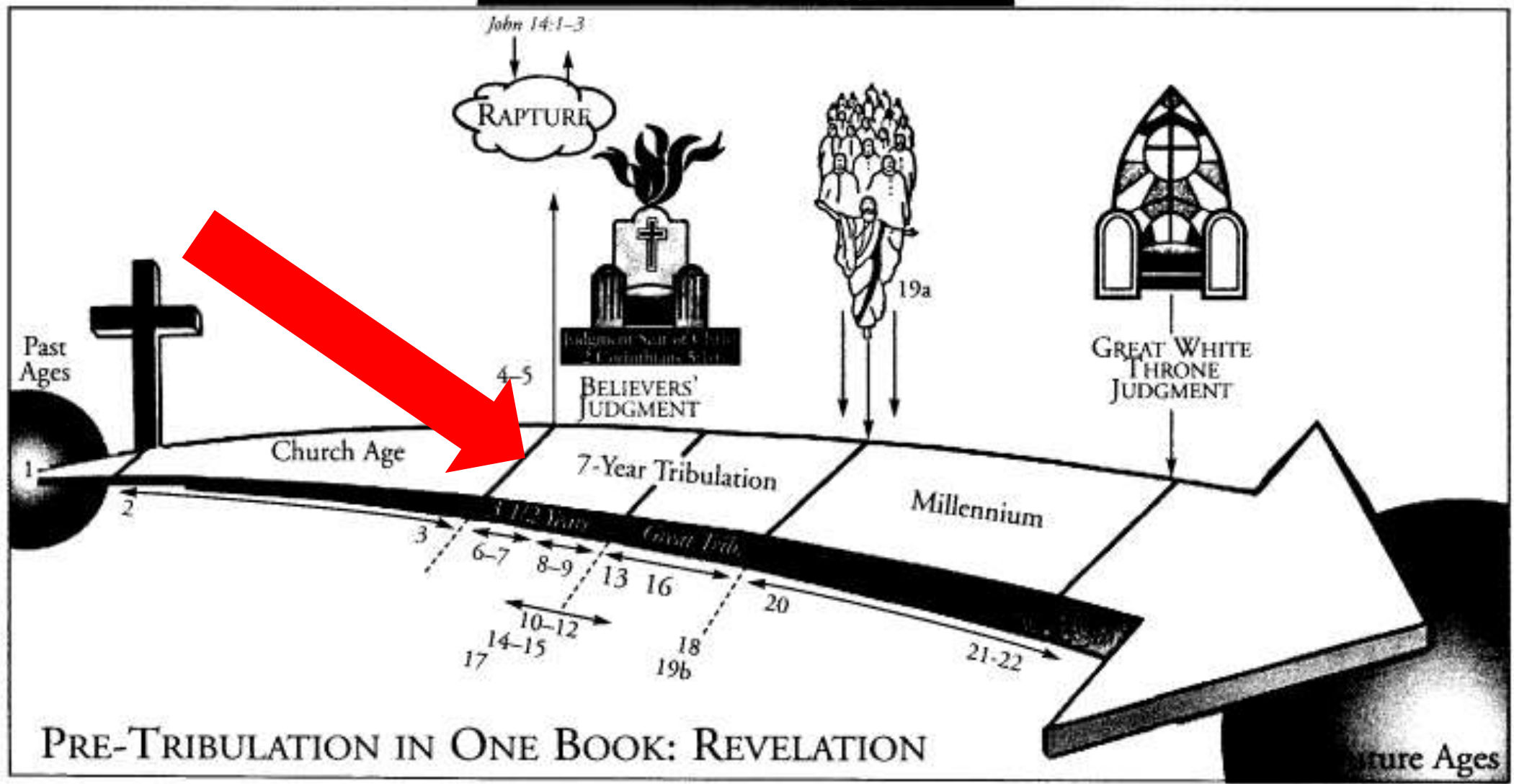
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“But we do not want you to be uninformed, brethren, about those who are asleep, so that you will not grieve as do the rest who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep in Jesus. For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort (encourage, *parakaleite*) one another with these words.” 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Examples of rapture in the Bible

1. Enoch (Genesis 5:24)
2. Elijah (2 Kings 2:1)
3. Philip (Acts 8:39-40)
4. Jesus (Acts 1:9-10)





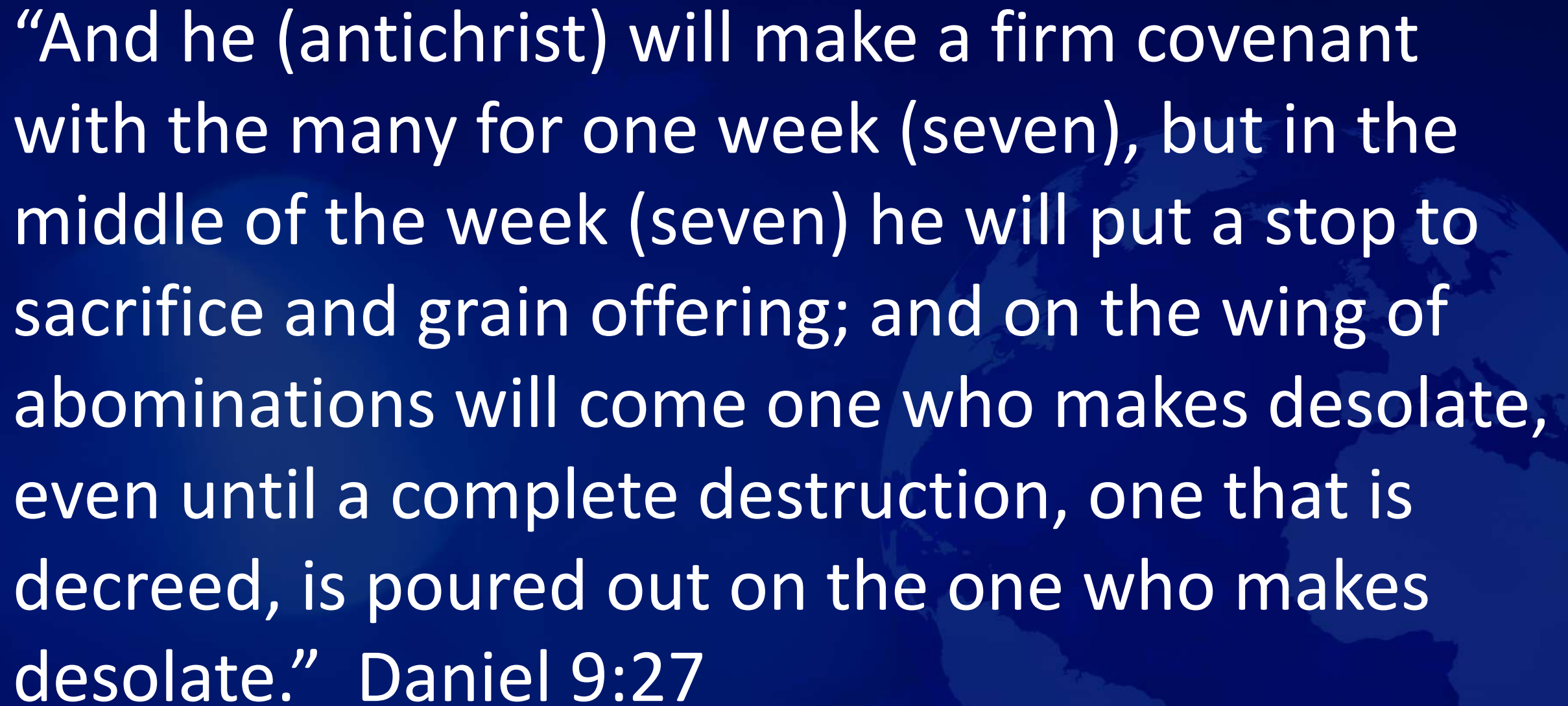
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Future Ages

Apostle John wrote, “Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have appeared; from this we know that it is the last hour.” 1 John 2:18

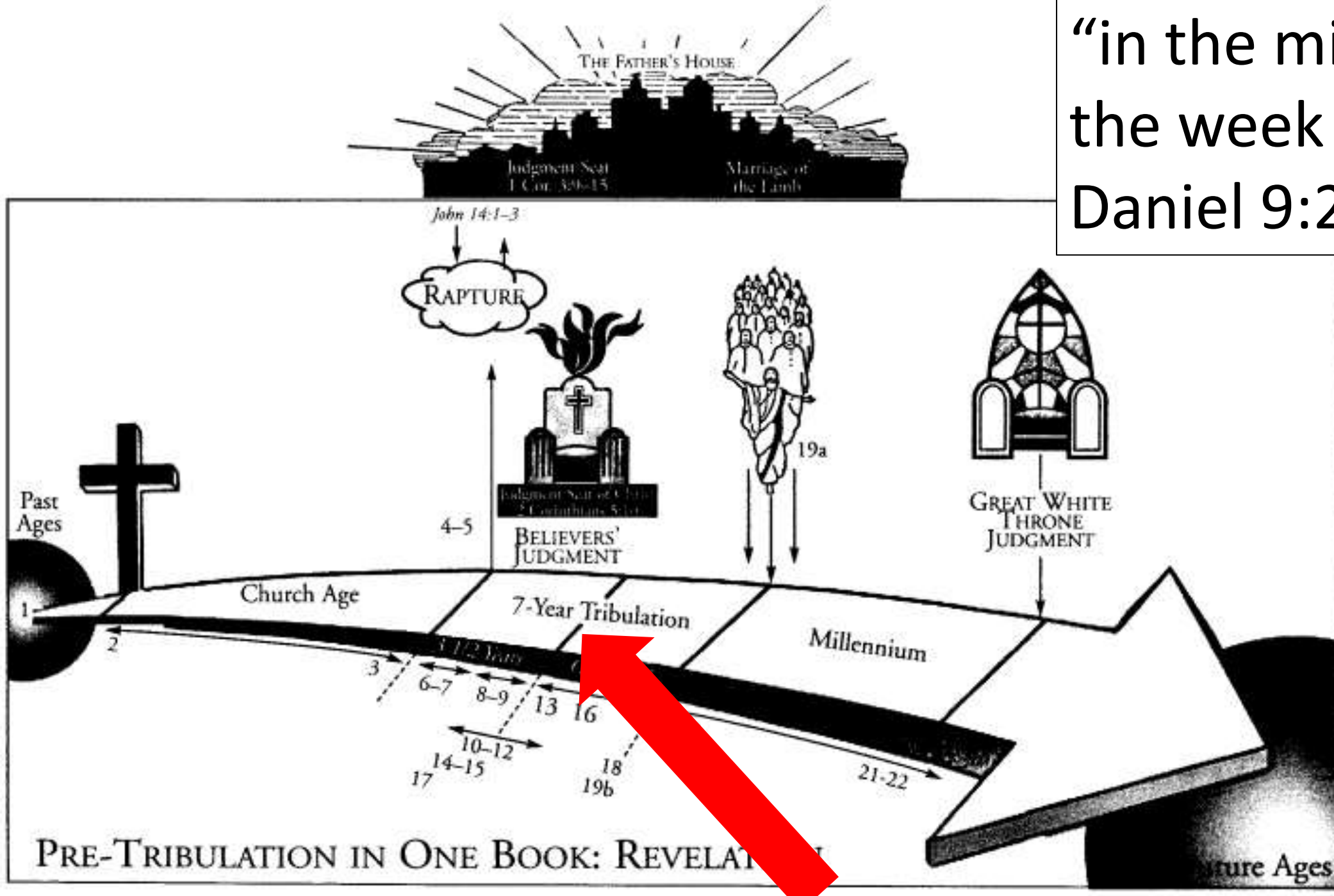
“Anti”=opposed to, against, in the place of, a substitute for; He will be both opposed to God and a substitute for God. He will pretend to be Jesus.

“Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy place. So you are to know and discern that from the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; it will be built again, with plaza and moat, even in times of distress. Then after the sixty-two weeks the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. And its end will come with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined.” Daniel 9:24-26



“And he (antichrist) will make a firm covenant with the many for one week (seven), but in the middle of the week (seven) he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate.” Daniel 9:27

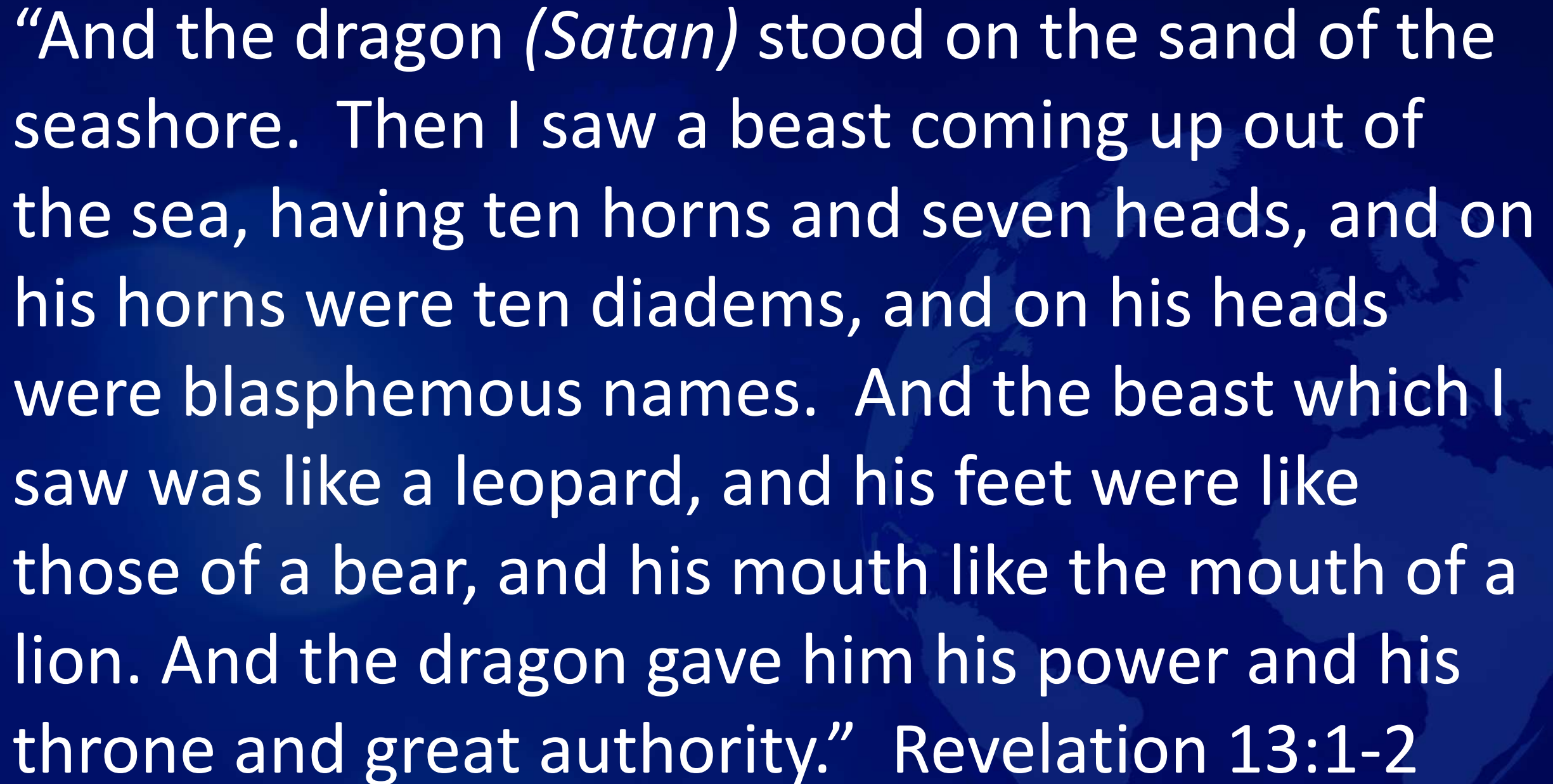
“in the middle of the week (seven)”
Daniel 9:27



Revelation 13

Satanic/Unholy/Evil Trinity during the End Times

- Satan (dragon) – imitates the Father
- Antichrist (first beast) – imitates the Son
- False Prophet (second beast) – imitates the Holy Spirit



“And the dragon (*Satan*) stood on the sand of the seashore. Then I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and on his horns were ten diadems, and on his heads were blasphemous names. And the beast which I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were like those of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. And the dragon gave him his power and his throne and great authority.” Revelation 13:1-2

“I saw one of his heads as if it had been slain, and his fatal wound was healed. And the whole earth was amazed and followed after the beast;” Revelation 13:3

How can the whole world be amazed?

The Most Watched Sporting Events in The World

By Alison Baker on September 20, 2021

1. Tour de France – 3.5 Billion Viewers

The preeminent event in cycling takes place each summer in France. In addition to being one of the most prestigious competitions in the sport, it is also one of the most difficult with a course that winds through the country's scenic mountain roads. The race consists of 21 stages totaling approximately 2,300 miles, raced over 23 days. Competitors race as part of an 8-person team, working together to achieve the fastest cumulative time.

Dating way back to 1903, the Tour de France has become one of the biggest events in the sporting world. A recent article estimates that 3.5 billion viewers worldwide tune in to watch the Tour de France every year.

Next Tour de France: July 1-24, 2022 in France

2. World Cup of Soccer – 3.3 Billion Viewers

In the same company as the Summer Games, the World Cup is right up there at the top in terms of popularity. This 32-team tournament (which will be expanded to 48 teams in 2026) features national soccer teams from around the globe competing until ultimately one team is crowned champion. Held quadrennially, the World Cup is the pinnacle event in the sport and boasts huge attendance numbers every year. The 1950 Final game holds the record for attendance at a sporting event in an enclosed stadium with a whopping 199,854 spectators.



In terms of TV viewership, the World Cup numbers are regularly in the billions, with 3.262 billion (that's half the world's population!) tuning in in 2018.

Next World Cup: November 21 – December 18, 2022 in Qatar

3. Cricket World Cup – 2.6 Billion Viewers

North Americans may be surprised to find cricket on a list of most watched sporting events, but fans of the sport are well aware of how hugely popular cricket is in many parts of the world. The Cricket World Cup is the international championship for One Day International cricket. The contest features ten teams and lasts just over six weeks. Like the soccer World Cup, the tournament takes place every four years, with the next Cricket World Cup scheduled for 2023 in India.

The 2019 Cricket World Cup, hosted by England and Wales, set a new record for viewership. An incredible 2.6 billion people tuned in, making it the most watched cricket event of all time.

Next Cricket World Cup: February 9 – March 26, 2023 in India

4. Summer Games – 2 Billion Viewers

Without a doubt, the Summer Games are one of the most anticipated sporting events in the world. The Games not only offer a variety of different sports to watch, they also feature incredible personal triumphs, underdog stories, record-breaking feats of strength and endurance, and the opportunity to showcase national pride. With people around the world eager to cheer on their home country, it is no wonder billions of people want to spectate.

Every four years, the Summer Games are hosted in one of the world's most attractive destinations, contributing to it being one of the highest attended sporting events. With a global average reach of 2 billion viewers, it's also one of the most watched on TV.

Next Summer Games: July 26 – August 11, 2024 in Paris, France

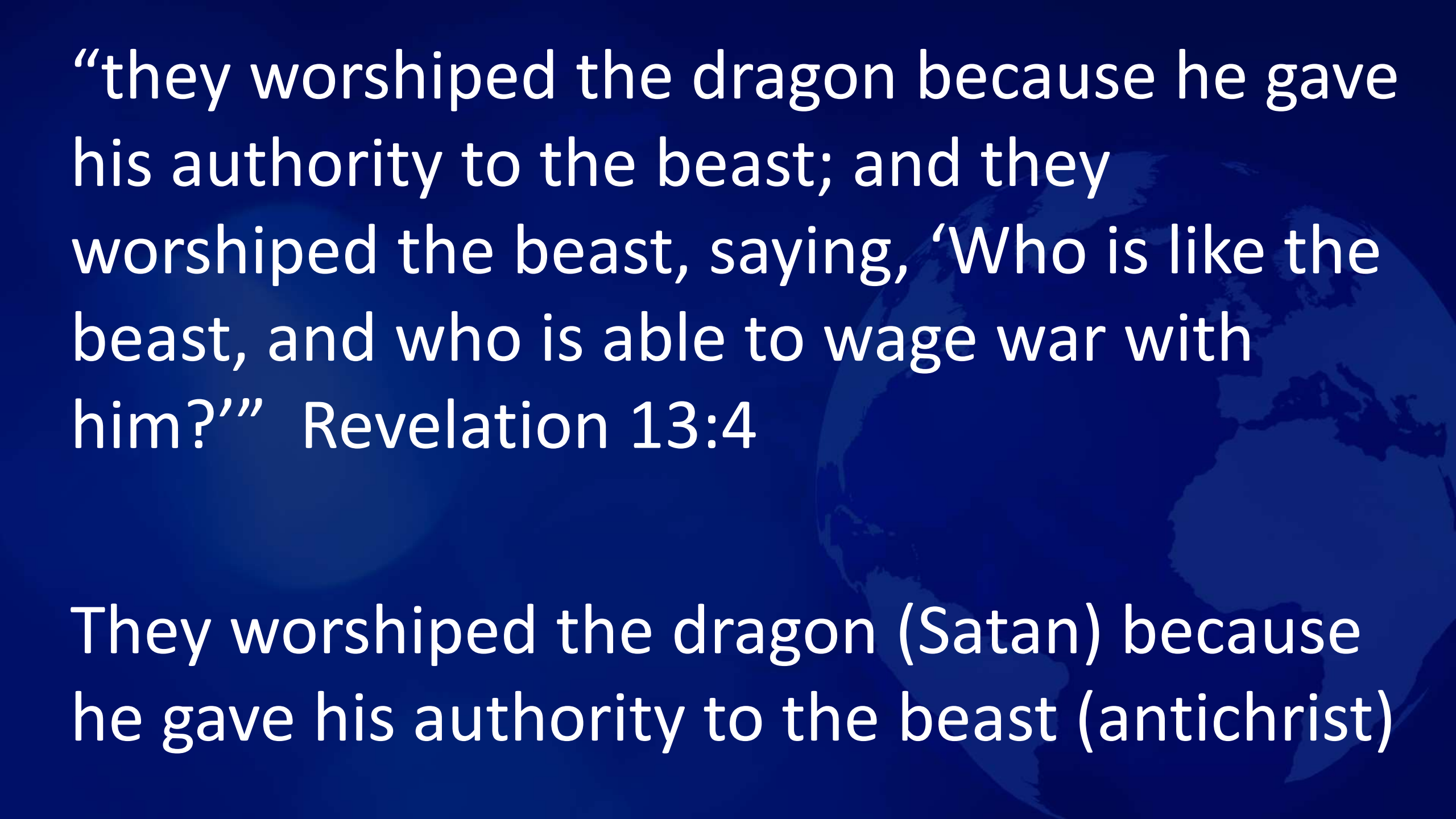
5. Winter Games – 2 Billion Viewers

Though it may not attract the same amount of attention as the Summer Games, the Winter Games are still a hugely popular event that draws interest from around the globe. With popular sports including figure skating, alpine skiing, ice hockey, and snowboarding, the Games reaches a broad audience. The Winter Games take place over a 17-day period every four years. The next edition of the Winter Games will take place in 2022 in Beijing, China, which will become the first destination to host both a Summer and Winter Games.



A quarter of the world's population (1.92 billion people) tuned in to watch a portion of the 2018 Winter Games, down slightly from the previous event in 2014, which drew 2.06 billion.

Next Winter Games: February 4-20, 2022 in Beijing, China



“they worshiped the dragon because he gave his authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, ‘Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?’” Revelation 13:4

They worshiped the dragon (Satan) because he gave his authority to the beast (antichrist)

Buddy Holly and Roy Orbison hologram tour coming to American Music Theater in 2022



KEVIN STAIRIKER | [Digital Staff](#) Aug 13, 2021

“his fatal wound
was healed”
Revelation 13:3

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https://lancasteronline.com/features/entertainment/buddy-holly-and-roy-orbison-hologram-tour-coming-to-american-music-theater-in-2022/article_a3ab7884-fb7a-11eb-8b9c-5f342a63f96f.html

“There was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies, and authority to act for forty-two months (*3 ½ years*) was given to him. And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, that is, those who dwell in heaven. It was also given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them, and authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him (*political power*).” Revelation 13:5-7



Paul Henri-Spaak, president of the United Nations General Assembly (1946-1947) and Secretary General of NATO (1957-1961), prime minister of Belgium and a proponent of socialism and one-world government, said this in a General Session of the UN in 1957:

“We do not want another committee. We have too many already. What we want is a man of sufficient stature to hold the allegiance of all people, and to lift us out of the economic morass in which we are sinking. Send us such a man and, be he God or the devil, we will receive him.”

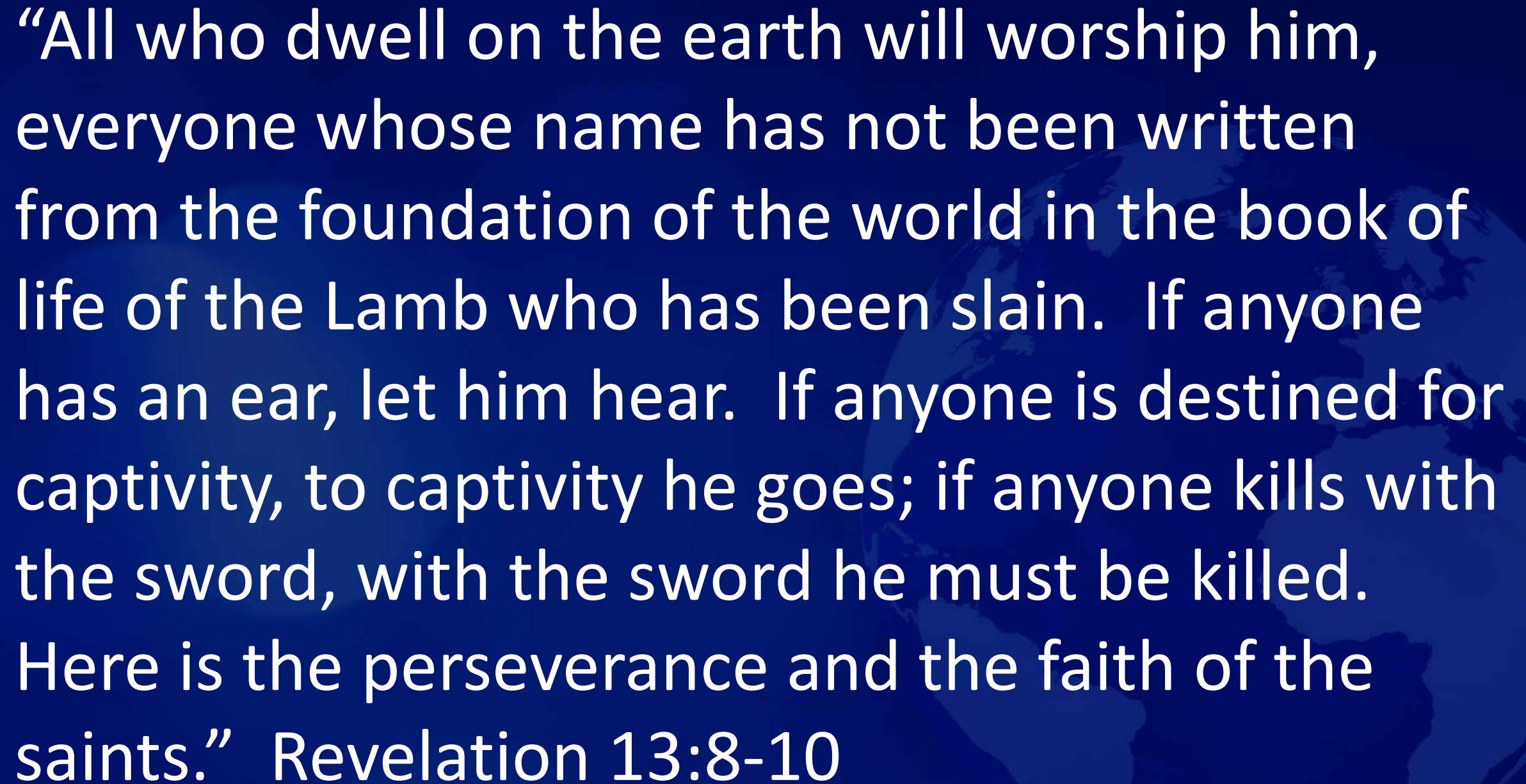
How could the antichrist come to power?

“authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him” Revelation 13:7

- COVID vaccines cost \$20-30 per dose.
- \$20 per dose X 8 Billion people = \$160 Billion
- What would it take for Elon Musk (\$202 Billion) or Jeff Bezos (\$201 Billion) or Bill Gates (\$131 Billion) to become the ruler of the world?
- These men are NOT the antichrist, but you could see them being in the position for the world’s leaders to GIVE them ruling power.

Forbes List of October 11, 2021

<https://www.businessinsider.in/business/news/top-10-richest-people-in-the-world/articleshow/74415117.cms>



“All who dwell on the earth will worship him, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been slain. If anyone has an ear, let him hear. If anyone is destined for captivity, to captivity he goes; if anyone kills with the sword, with the sword he must be killed. Here is the perseverance and the faith of the saints.” Revelation 13:8-10

“Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb and he spoke as a dragon. He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence. And he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed (*religious power*). He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth in the presence of men. And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who had the wound of the sword and has come to life.” Revelation 13:11-14

“And it was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast would even speak and cause as many as do not worship the image of the beast to be killed.” Revelation 13:15

Jesus said, “Then they will deliver you to tribulation, and will kill you, and you will be hated by all nations because of My name.” Matthew 24:9

“And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand or on their forehead, and he provides that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark, either the name of the beast or the number of his name (*economic power*).”

Revelation 13:16-17

Our Cash-Free Future Is Getting Closer

The pandemic is propelling a shift toward a cashless society in ways that no other single event has. Experts say that's not necessarily a good thing.



A customer makes a so-called contactless payment at the Entrepôt St. Claude cafe in Paris. Elliott Verdier for The New York Times



By [Liz Alderman](#)

July 6, 2020

PARIS — On a typical Sunday, patrons at Julien Cornu's cheese shop used to load up on Camembert and chèvre for the week, with about half the customers digging into their pockets for euro notes and coins. But in the era of the coronavirus, cash is no longer à la mode at La Fromagerie, as social distancing requirements and concerns over hygiene prompt nearly everyone who walks through his door to pay with plastic. "People are using cards and contactless payments because they don't want to have to touch anything," said Mr. Cornu, as a line of mask-wearing shoppers stood three feet apart before approaching the register and swiping contactless cards over a reader. While cash is still accepted, even older shoppers — his toughest clientele when it comes to adopting digital habits — are voluntarily making the switch. Cash was already being edged out in many countries as urban consumers paid increasingly with apps and cards for even the smallest purchases. But the coronavirus is accelerating a shift toward a cashless future, raising new calculations for merchants and enriching the digital payments industry.

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Payments by Selfie: New tech lets stores be paid by facial recognition

A Holon-based startup is looking to make the entire shopping process as simple as taking a selfie.

By ZEV STUB · JANUARY 3, 2021 14:12



Customers use Preciate's kiosks to pay using facial recognition.
(photo credit: Courtesy)

Imagine this: You walk up to your favorite cafe, and a kiosk outside the door recognizes you by face and asks if you want your usual. After you make your order, your account is charged automatically, without you pulling out your wallet or phone to make a payment. That's the idea behind Preciate, a Holon-based start-up looking to make the entire shopping process as simple as taking a selfie. The company's Pay by Face kiosk system is already in use in several restaurants at the Azrieli Business Center in Holon.

<https://www.jpost.com/jpost-tech/coming-soon-payments-by-selfie-654112>



How to buy ice cream with your phone. Photo: Lieselotte van der Meijs/imagebank.sweden.se

A cashless society

In Sweden, technology is close to making cash a thing of the past. All aboard with the cashless society?

<https://sweden.se/life/society/a-cashless-society>

Updated 14 October 2021

From 2010 to 2020 the proportion of Swedes using cash has fallen from 39 to 9 per cent, according to Sweden's central bank, the Riksbank. The use of cash is mostly limited to making small payments and by the elderly. In shops and cafés, it is much more common to find the sign 'Card only' or 'Cashfree' than 'Cash only' as in many other countries.

Somalia points the way to first cashless society

An op-ed by Ahmed Mohamed Yusuf



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How Our Cashless Society is Changing Homelessness



BY SONYA TUROVA

Salvation Army adds Venmo, Paypal as options for giving amid the COVID-19 pandemic

The red kettles are back for the holiday season, but the Salvation Army knows that people's giving methods have changed.

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Volunteer Steve Santos of Mendota Heights greeted a donor during his first ever shift as a bell-ringer for The Salvation Army Friday, Nov. 12, 2021 at the Cub Foods in West St. Paul.

The Salvation Army's iconic red kettles are back this holiday season, but the charity this year also is debuting new ways to give: Venmo and PayPal. As the nonprofit kicked off its annual Red Kettle campaign Friday, leaders are encouraging more online donations through use of the new mobile pay options. Grocery stores and retailers where the Salvation Army posts its red kettles with bell ringers to collect cash every year are still seeing fewer customers amid the COVID-19 pandemic. "We've always known that we're moving more and more to a cashless society as people's habits have changed. I think the pandemic really locked that in, that we have to find new ways," said Lt. Col. Dan Jennings, commander of the Salvation Army's Northern Division, which includes Minnesota and North Dakota. "We're trying to find every opportunity for people to be able to give in whatever way they've become accustomed to giving."

<https://www.startribune.com/salvation-army-adds-venmo-paypal-as-options-for-giving-amid-the-covid-19-pandemic/600116030/>



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China's 'social credit' system ranks citizens and punishes them with throttled internet speeds and flight bans if the Communist Party deems them untrustworthy

Alexandra Ma and Katie Canales Updated May 9, 2021, 7:30 AM



“Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and sixty-six.”

Revelation 13:18

What does “666” mean?



CHRIST IS COMING

ARE YOU READY?

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentle spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things. The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. Philippians 4:4-9