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LESSON 24

THE U.S. IN BIBLE PROPHECY

1. **Matthew 16:2, 3** ... When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is _____. And in the morning, It will be foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowering. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times?
2. **Matthew 24:4-8 NKJ** And Jesus answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and _____ in various places. All these are the beginning of sorrows."
3. **Matthew 24:8 NKJ** "All these are the beginning of sorrows."
4. **Matthew 24:9 NKJ** "Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be _____ by all nations for My name's sake."
5. **Revelation 13:15** ... the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.
6. **Matthew 24:11** ... many _____ prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.
7. **Revelation 13:14 GNT** ... deceived all the people living on earth by means of the miracles which it was allowed to perform ...
8. **Revelation 13:14** ... to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an _____ to the beast ...
9. **Matthew 24:14 NKJ** "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all nations, and then the end will come."
10. **Revelation 14:6** And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting _____ to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people ...
11. **Revelation 13:1, 2** And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a _____ rise up out of the sea ... And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.
12. **Daniel 7:17, 23** These great beasts, which are four, are four kings ... The fourth beast shall be the fourth _____ upon earth ...
13. **Revelation 13:11** Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth, and he had two horns like a lamb ...

Identifying the Lamblike Beast: Revelation 13:11-12

WHAT? A nation with a Christ like characteristics or principals

WHEN? A nation that would arise around 1798

WHERE? A nation rising in a sparsely populated area of the earth

HOW? A nation rising without conquest of another

14. **Revelation 13:12, 15** ... he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast ... that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be _____.
15. **Revelation 17:3-6** So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman ... And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls ... And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF _____ AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus ...
16. **Revelation 17:4** [the harlot] was arrayed in purple and scarlet ... and decked with gold ...
17. **Exodus 28:6** And they shall make the ephod of gold, of _____, and of purple, of scarlet ...
18. **Numbers 15:38, 39 NKJ** "... put a blue thread in the tassels ... that you may look upon it and remember all the _____ of the Lord and do them ..."
19. **Numbers 15:39 NKJ** "... that you may not follow the harlotry to which your own heart and your own eyes are inclined ..."

The Lamb Like Beast:

Begins "Christ like" Revelation 13:11

Speaks like a dragon Revelation 13:12

Issues a world-wide death decree Revelation 13:15, 16

Notes and Questions

The US in Bible Prophecy

my impressions

Choose from the following phrases those which best describe your impression of each of the statements below.

- A. It inspires my faith B. It's eye opening C. It's interesting
D. It's shocking E. It's sobering F. I see it but it's hard to grasp
G. It fits like a puzzle piece H. It's alarming I. Didn't know that!
J. It gives me assurance K. Wow! L. Other _____

1. Jesus didn't leave us in the dark in regard to the "season" or approximate time of His soon return. In fact He plainly stated that the nearness of His coming would be clearly discernible. (Matthew 16:1-3¹; Mark 13:29)
2. Paul prophesied that the end-time events would be similar to a woman in childbirth. And the signs of Christ are happening just like that! (Example: in the 19th century we've seen a 21,000% increase in notable earthquakes and a 500 to 700% increase in tornados.) (1 Thessalonians 5:3; Matthew 24:4-8²)
3. Jesus' prophecies in Matthew 24 and Revelation 13 & 14 tell of a great persecution that follows on the heels of the gospel message going to the entire world. (Matthew 24:14¹⁰; Revelation 14:6¹¹)
4. Jesus clearly identifies where this persecution will originate. It will come from a lamblike (or Christlike) nation that will turn 180° into a dragon supporting, persecuting power. (see Identifying the Lamblike Beast p. 2; Revelation 13:11¹⁴)
5. It seems hard to believe that the United States could ever be a persecuting power simply over matters of faith. But the prophecies that clearly identify the lamblike beast leave no room for doubt as to the final prediction. The US will even seek to enforce a death decree for everyone who will not worship according to the dictates of the Papacy. (Revelation 13:12, 15¹⁵)
7. The Jews were to wear blue in their tassels to remind them of God's commandments. Blue was the color that was missing on the fallen woman's garments. And now these same commandments are being ignored by the United States with the encouragement of apostate protestantism. (Numbers 15:38, 39¹⁵; Revelation 17:4¹⁷)

Choices: No matter what the US or any nation decides to do to God's true followers, I choose to obey *all* of God's royal law, the ten commandments. _____



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