

Keys to Prophecy



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#16 - Mark of the Beast - Seal of God

1. Revelation 12 (1182)
 - a. v.1-6 Dragon - Woman - Child - 1260 days = years
 - b. v.7-12 War in Heaven - Dragon defeated but not dead
 - c. v.13-16 Dragon after Woman in Wilderness - 3½ times
 - d. v.17 Dragon enraged with Woman's end-time children

2. Revelation 13:1-10 (1183) - Devil's End-time Super Weapon - Old World System Revived - Bigger - Badder
 - a. v.1-2 Composite Beast - From Daniel 7
 - b. v.3 Mortally wounded - Yet alive
 - c. v.4 Power that can end war
 - d. v.5-9 Just like the Little Horn

3. Revelation 13:11-18 (1183) - Something NEW - End-time World-commanding Superpower
 - a. v.11 Dragon in Sheep's clothing
 - b. v.12 In league with Composite Beast
 - c. v.13-14 Spiritual deception - False Prophet - Matthew 24:24 (960)
 - d. v.14-15 Image to the Composite Beast
 - e. v.15-17 Worship the Image or Die - Daniel 3 (858)
 - f. v.16-18 Mark in right hand or forehead
 - g. What is the central issue? - WORSHIP

4. God's people caught in the middle - Revelation 14:1-5 (1183) - Keep on following the True Lamb - 144,000

5. Seal of God
 - a. Revelation 14:1 (1183) - Father's name in Forehead

 - b. Revelation 7:1-3 (1179) - Sealed in the Forehead
 - 1) v.4 - HEARD - 144,000 Israelites
 - 2) v.9 - SAW - Innumerable multitude of every ethnic origin

 - c. HEARD-SAW
 - 1) Revelation 1:10-13 (1174) - Trumpet-Man
 - 2) Revelation 5:5-6 (1177) - Lion-Lamb

- d. Spiritual Israel - after the Cross
 - 1) Romans 2:28-29 (1086)
 - 2) Galatians 3:7 (1121)
 - 3) Galatians 3:26-29 (1122)

- 6. Three Angels - Revelation 14:6-11 (1183) - God's response to the threats of the Beast
 - a. v.6-7 1st Angel's Message = Everlasting Gospel - 3 Commands and 1 Reason
 - Fear God
 - Give Him Glory
 - Worship Him who made the heaven and earth - Exodus 20:11 (71)
 - BECAUSE - Judgment time = Decision time

 - b. v.8 2nd Angel's Message - Babylon is fallen
 - Revelation 18:1-4 (1071)

 - c. v.9-11 3rd Angel's Message - Don't accept the Mark
 - Wine of God's wrath
 - Tormented with fire and brimstone
 - Smoke of their torment ascends forever
 - No rest while worshipping the beast - Isaiah 57:20-21 (714)

 - d. v.12 Be patient - Keep following and trusting

- 7. Worship - The Central Issue
 - a. Sign (mark, seal) of our relationship with God
 - 1) Ezekiel 20:12,19-20 (819)
 - 2) Exodus 31:13 (82)

 - b. Worshiping God as Creator
 - 1) Exodus 20:8-11 (71)
 - 2) Genesis 2:1-3 (2)

- 8. The Connection
 - a. God identifies His end-time people twice
 - Revelation 12:17 (1182) - Keep Commandments - Testimony of Jesus
 - Revelation 14:12 (1184) - Keep Commandments - Faith of Jesus

 - b. God calls the world to worship Him as creator - Revelation 14:7 (1183)
 - 1) Sabbath is from Creation - Genesis 2:1-2 (2)
 - 2) Sabbath commandment points to Creation - Exodus 20:11 (71)

 - c. Sabbath is the sign or seal of our relationship with God - Ezekiel 20:12,19,20 (819); Exodus 31:13 (82)
 - God's Seal is received only in Forehead - Belief - Revelation 7:3 (1179); 14:1 (1183)

 - d. Satan's Mark demands worship contrary to God's commandments - On pain of death - Revelation 13:11-18 (1183)
 - Satan's Mark is received in the Forehead or the Hand - Belief or coerced compliance

 - e. The Issue of Allegiance
 - 1) Daniel 3 - Babylon's Golden Image - The 2nd Commandment
 - 2) Revelation 13 - The Image to the Beast - The 4th Commandment