

An Overview of Biblical Prophecy

(13) The false prophet

Satan (the dragon) and his second 'beast'...Rev.13:11-18

How is this 'other' beast, like a lamb, identified elsewhere? 16:13; 19:20; see 13:11b

He is the false prophet. The culmination of all false prophets, powered by the Dragon.

What is the function/purpose of this false prophet? 13:12

With authority/on behalf of Antichrist, makes the unsaved worship the 'healed' Antichrist.

What else does the false prophet do? vs.13 see Mt.7:15; Mk.13:19-23; IICor.11:12-15

He does great/miraculous signs, even fire from heaven, in full view of men.

How is this activity prophesied? IIThess.2:9; Mt.24:24 see Ex.7:9-13

False prophets are going to come. The false prophet will have power/lying wonders/signs.

What will likely be some of the claims for the fire out of heaven? IKings.18:38; Acts 2:3

Perhaps claiming to be Elijah. Or re-duplicating the day of Pentecost. Lying wonders...

Because of these lying signs what does he demand of everyone? vs. 14

He orders an image set up to honor the Antichrist who was 'slain' and yet lived, vs.3.

What lying wonder happens to this image (idol)? vs.15 see Dan.11:31; Mt.24:15-25

The false prophet was allowed to give breath to the idol. It speaks. It 'lives'!

From Mt.24:15-25, what seems to happen? (this is the abomination...)

The false prophet sets the idol (abomination that makes desolate) in the Holy Place/temple.

What is the next step toward total world control? vs.16 see 19:9-12

The false prophet forces everyone to get a mark (of the beast) on right hand / the forehead.

What is the purpose of the mark? vs.17a

Total control of the world and persecution of the remaining believers.

And what is this mark? vs.17b, 18

It's the name of the antichrist or the number of his name. Calculates as 666.

Comment?? (this calls for wisdom...)

This will be calculable at the end time. Believers then able to know. Until then...??

The end of the Antichrist and the False Prophet...Rev.19

How does God describe this final battle, Armageddon? 19:17, 19

As a God-prepared feast for the birds of the air! Carnage on a huge scale.

Why have the forces of Satan (led by antichrist/false prophet) all gathered here? 16:13-16

Because God uses 3 sign-giving demons to gather them for this final battle at Armageddon.

What happens to the antichrist and the false prophet? 19:19-20 see Mt.25:41

Captured and both thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur.

And what happens to all the rest of those gathered to make war against Christ? vs.21

Slain w/ the sword of Christ. And the birds had a feast. Only Satan 'escapes'. WHY? Next!