

“Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!”

(Isaiah 5:20)

Darkness For Light

In Revelation, chapter 13 we read:

“He (the false prophet) doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live”.

Jesus, in His famous discourse on the End Time in Matthew, chapter 24, said:

“When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.”

The image of the beast and the abomination of desolation are considered one and the same by most Bible prophecy teachers, and its placement in the “holy place” also marks the beginning of the Great Tribulation. This is also referred to as the last three and one half years of the seven year covenant which the anti-christ confirms according to Daniel 9:27.

One thing however that is not generally noticed or pointed out, and that it is the “miracles” which the false prophet is able to perform that helps to convince the people of the world “that they should make an image to the beast”. This apparently must happen before the Great Tribulation begins, possibly during the first half of the seven year covenant.

There has been a tremendous amount of material recently written concerning the “singularity”, which would seem to fit right in with the concept of the “image of the beast”.

(A very brief description of the Singularity is as follows:

“The technological singularity is the theoretical emergence of greater-than-human superintelligence through technological means. Since the capabilities of such intelligence would be difficult for an unaided human mind to comprehend, the occurrence of a technological singularity is seen as an intellectual event horizon, beyond which events cannot be predicted or understood.” Wikipedia)

What this may mean therefore is that there may be mighty manifestations of Satanic power before the Great Tribulation even begins. As the scripture states:

“by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; (he deceives the people of the world) saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.”

Also notice:

“the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live” apparently occurs before the Tribulation begins and his image is placed in the “holy place”.

We live in an age of global deception.

“We’ll know our disinformation program is complete when everything the American public believes is false.” – William Casey, CIA Director (from first staff meeting, 1981)

And we all know what follows in the remainder of the chapter: the mark of the beast.

There will be a mighty widening of the eyes for those who have not discerned the “signs of the times”.

Matthew 16:3

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