

BOOK OF REVELATION – REVELATION 12:1-17

THE THINGS SEEN AND ARE AND WHAT SHALL TAKE PLACE

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The 2 Signs Appear in Heaven: The Woman and the Great Red Dragon

Working Outline > **Read Revelation 12:1-6** (Paragraph ¶ from NAS Bible)

Revelation 12:1-6

- I. 1 A great sign appeared in heaven:
 - A. a woman clothed with the sun, Gen 37:9-11
 1. and the moon under her feet,
 2. and on her head a crown of twelve stars;
 3. 2 and she was with child;
 4. and she cried out, being in labor and in pain to give birth. Matt 24:8, Isa 26:17, Isa 66:6-9, Mic 4:9
- II. 3 Then another sign appeared in heaven:
 - A. and behold, a great red dragon (Satan) 12:9
 1. having seven heads and ten horns (Kings), Rev 13:1, 17:3, 17:12, Dan 7:7, 7:20, 7:24
 2. and on his (dragon's) heads (Kings) were seven diadems (crowns). Rev 13:1
 - B. 4 And his (dragon's) tail swept away a third of the stars of heaven
 1. and threw them to the earth.
 - C. And the dragon (Satan) stood before the woman who was about to give birth,
 1. so that when she gave birth he might devour her child.
 - D. 5 And she gave birth to a son, a male child,
 1. who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron; Rev 2:27, 19:15
 2. and her child was caught up to God and to His throne.
- III. 6 Then the woman fled into the wilderness where she had a place prepared by God,
 - A. so that there she would be nourished for one thousand two hundred and sixty days.

A great sign appeared in heaven,

This is the first of 7 times Signs mentioned in Revelation, (1) the woman, Rev 12:1, (2) the Dragon, 12:3, (3) another Beast, 13:13, (4) 13:14, (5) 7 Angels, 15:1, (6) demons, 16:14, (7) the Beast & False Prophet, 19:20.

Sign (grk. Semeion, 4592) “a visible event intended to convey meaning beyond that which is normally perceived in the outward appearance of the event”, *Baker encyclopedia of the Bible*

a woman and the sun, and the moon, and a crown of twelve stars, Rev 12:1

Read Genesis 37:9–11, 42:9 **Joseph's Dream**

The woman here represents the Nation of Israel, and the sun represents Jacob and the moon, represents Jacob's wife(s) and the crown of twelve stars, represents the 12 sons of Israel. This is Personification.

Joseph's father Jacob and his 3 alive wives, Gen 46:26, and the 11 brothers eventually do recognize Joseph as Vice Regent of All Egypt and submit to his authority.

The woman seen by John, is the Sign the “visible event” and the “meaning” is the Nation of Israel.

she was with child, Rev 12:2

she (Nation of Israel) was with child, which is a male child (an Israelite), 12:5,

To Mary was Born a male child Lk 2:7, of Israel, Matt 1:2, Matt 1:16

she cried out, being in labor and in pain to give birth, Rev 12:2

she (Nation of Israel) cried out, being in labor and in pain to give birth, Isa 26:17, Isa 66:6-9, Mic 4:9

In Rev 12:1-6, Nation of Israel is about to cry out, in labor and in pain, because the dragon (Satan) is about to persecute the woman, 12:13, as Prophesized, for 1260 days, 12:6, 42 months, 11:2, or 3 ½ years, 12:14.

This agrees Prophetically with the “enmity (hatred) between you (Satan) and the woman”, in Gen 3:15.

The **Nation of Israel** is about to experience “**birth pangs**”, **Matt 24**

The **Nation of Israel** is about to experience “**birth pangs**”, **Matt 24:8** and “**delivered to tribulation** and be **killed**”, **Matt 24:9** and see the “**abomination in the holy place**”, **Matt 24:15** and **give birth after birth pangs** Where “**birth**” or delivery is the 2nd **Coming** in **Jesus**’, as in **Matt 24:30**.

The **Nation of Israel** will undergo, “**a great tribulation**, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will”, **Matt 24:21**.

The **Nation of Israel** is about to experience “**persecution**”,

The Nations will **tread underfoot the holy city (Jerusalem)** for **42 months**, **Rev 11:2**

“**they will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led captive into all the nations; and Jerusalem**

will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled”, **Luke 21:24**

(**Israel**) is “**persecuted**”, when **the saints of Israel**, are given into **Antichrist’s** hand for **3½ years**, **Dan 7:25**

(**Israel**) is “**persecuted**”, under “**a time of distress**”, such as never occurred, for **3½ years**, **Dan 12:1, Dan 12:7**

(**Israel**) is “**persecuted**”, until “the power of the **holy people (Israel)**”, is “completed”, **3½ years**, **Dan 12:7**

(**Israel**) is “**persecuted**”, “**that day is great, there is none like it; it is the time of Jacob’s distress**”, **Jer 30:7**

(**Israel**) is “**persecuted**”, “**A day of darkness and gloom**” “**There has never been anything like it,**

Nor will there be again”, **Joel 2:2, Matt 24:21**

(**Israel**) is “**persecuted**”, when, the **Antichrist** is **given** authority, by **God**, to act for **42 months**, **Rev 13:5**

But **the woman (Israel)** **flees** the **Dragon** to “the **wilderness**” to “be nourished” for **1260 days**, **Rev 12:5**

(**Israel**) is **persecuted** by the **Dragon**, **flies** to “the **wilderness**” to “be nourished” for **3½ years**, **Rev 12:13-14**

(**Israel**) will be under an unequalled **time of distress**”, “**But he will be saved from it**”, **Jer 30:7**

(**Israel**) is **persecuted** by **horn (Antichrist)** who **wages war** with **the saints** and overpowers **them**, **Dan 7:21**

21 “I kept looking, and that horn (Antichrist) was waging war with the saints and overpowering them

22 until the Ancient of Days came and judgment was passed in favor of the saints of the Highest One,

and the time arrived when the saints took possession of the kingdom. Dan 7:21-22

Rev 12: 1-6, the **Nation of Israel**, is about to be **Persecuted** by **Satan** and the **Antichrist**.

Then **another sign** appeared in **heaven**, **Rev 12:3**

behold, a **great red dragon** having **seven heads** and **ten horns**, and on **his heads** were **seven diadems**, **12:3**

“**a great red dragon** having **seven heads (7 Kings)**”, **Rev 12:2, 13:1, 17:12**

There are first **ten horns (10 Kings)**, then **three horns (3 Kings)** are subdued, so **7 Kings** remain, **Dan 7:7-8, 7:24**

“**a great red dragon** having **ten horns (10 Kings)**”, **Rev 12:3 Dan 2:41-43, Dan 7:7, 7:24, Rev 13:1, 17:12**

ten horns are the **10 Toe Kings** or **10 Kingdoms**, in **Dan 2:41-43** and **ten horns (10 Kings)** in **Dan 7:7, 7:24**

“**As for the ten horns, out of this (4th) kingdom ten kings will arise; Dan 7:24, Dan 7:7**

“**a Beast**” (**Antichrist**), “having **ten horns (10 Kings)** and **seven heads (7 Kings)**, and on **his horns (10 Kings)**

were **ten diadems (10 crowns)**, and on **his heads (7 Kings)**, were **blasphemous names**”, **Rev 13:1**

“**The ten horns** which **you** saw are **ten kings** who have not yet received a **kingdom**,

but **they (10 Kings)** receive authority as **kings** with **the beast (Antichrist)** for one hour. **Rev 17:12**

“on **his (dragon’s) (7) heads (7 Kings)** were **seven diadems (7 crowns)**,” **Rev 12:3 Dan 7:7-8, 7:24**

The Dragon sweeps a third of **the Stars of Heaven** to the **Earth**, **Rev 12:4**

And **his (dragon’s) tail** swept away a third of **the stars of heaven** and threw **them** to the **earth**, **Rev 12:4**

In this context “**the stars**” represent **fallen Angels** in **Heaven** that are “**swept away**” by **Satan**

and **thrown** “to the **earth**”, **Rev 12:4, 12:9, 12:10, 13:1**

This is reaffirmed when **Satan** and **his fallen Angels** are “**thrown down**” from **Heaven**, in **Rev 12:9-10, 13:1**.

This says, a **3rd** of All the myriads of **Angels** in **Heaven**, **Rev 5:11**, are taken by **Satan** to the **Earth**.

I don’t like the idea of **Satan** and **demons** in **Heaven**, but **Job 1:6, Job 2:1, and Zech 3:1-2**, speak of this.

The dragon stood before **the woman** who was about to **give birth**, Rev 12:4-5
 and **the dragon (Satan)** stood before **the woman (Nation of Israel)** who was about to **give birth**, 12:4b
 so that when **she (Israel)** gave birth **he (Satan)** might devour **her child (Jesus)**.
 and **she (Israel)** gave birth to **a son, a male child (Jesus)**, 12:5
 who is to **rule all the nations with a rod of iron**; Rev 2:27, 19:15
Jesus at **His 2nd Coming in Wrath**, will strike down **the nations**, and **rule them with a rod of iron**; Rev 19:15
 Revelation 19:15
 15 From **His mouth** comes a **sharp sword**, so that with it **He** may strike down **the nations**,
 and **He** will **rule them with a rod of iron**; and **He** treads the wine press of the fierce **wrath of God, the Almighty**.
 and **her (Israel's) child (Jesus)** was **caught up to God** and to **His throne**, 12:5, 1 Pet 3:22, Mk 16:19, Heb 12:2,
Jesus was **caught up to God's throne** after **His resurrection**, Rom 8:34. This is *Personification*.
she (Nation of Israel) cried out, being in **labor** and in pain to **give birth**, Isa 26:17, Isa 66:6-9, Mic 4:9
 In Rev 12:1-6, **Nation of Israel** is about to cry out, in **labor** and in **pain**, because **the dragon (Satan)** is **about**
to persecute **the woman**, 12:13, as **Prophesized**, for **1260 days**, 12:6, **42 months**, 11:2, or **3 ½ years**, 12:14.
 This agrees **Prophetically** with the “**enmity (hatred)** between **you (Satan)** and **the woman**”, in Gen 3:15.

Then **the woman** fled into **the wilderness**, Rev 12:6
 Then **the woman (Israel)** fled into **the wilderness** where **she (Israel)** had a place prepared by **God**,
 so that (Reason) there (**wilderness**) **she** would be **nourished** for **one thousand two hundred and sixty days**.
Israel will “**flee**” from **Satan** to **the wilderness** with **God's** help, to a place prepared by **God**,
 where **she (Israel)** will be **nourished** (fed) for **1260 days** or **3 ½ years**.
Israel will be under an unequalled “**time of distress**”, “**But he (Israel)** will be **saved** from it”, Jer 30:7
 This event is described again in, Rev 12:13-14
Israel is **persecuted** by the **Dragon**, **flies** to “**the wilderness**” to “**be nourished**” for **3 ½ years**, Rev 12:13-14

War in Heaven between Angels and Satan is thrown down from Heaven

Working Outline > **Read Revelation 12:7-12** (Paragraph ¶ from NAS Bible)

Revelation 12:7-12

- I. 7 And there was war in **heaven**, **Michael** and **his angels** waging war with **the dragon**. 10:13, 10:21, 12:1
 - A. **The dragon** and **his angels (demons)** waged war, 12:9
 1. **8** and **they** were not strong enough,
 2. and there was no longer a place found for **them** in **heaven**.
 - B. **9** And **the great dragon** was **thrown down**, 12:10, 12:12, 12:13, Lk 10:18, Jn 12:31
 1. **The serpent of old** who is called **the devil** and **Satan**, who **deceives** the whole **world**; 20:2, 13:4, 20:3, 20:8, 20:10
 2. **he** was **thrown down** to **the earth**, and **his angels** were **thrown down** with **him**. 12:10, 12:12, 12:13
- II. 10 Then **I (John)** heard a **loud voice** in **heaven**, saying,
 - A. “Now the **salvation**, and the **power**, and the **kingdom** of our **God** 11:15
 1. and the **authority** of **His Christ** have **come**, 11:15
 2. for the **accuser (Satan)** of **our brethren (believers)** has been **thrown down**, 12:9, 12:12, 12:13
 3. **he (Satan)** who **accuses them (believers)** before **our God** day and night. Zech 3:1-2, Job 1, Job 2
- III. 11 “And **they (believers)** overcame **him (Satan)** 1 Jn 2:13, Rev 15:2
 - A. because of **the blood of the Lamb** and because of **the word of their testimony**, 6:9, 7:14
 1. and **they (believers)** did not love **their** life even when faced with **death**.
 2. **12** “**For this reason**, rejoice, O **heavens** and **you (believers)** who dwell in **them**. 18:20
- IV. **Woe** to **the earth** and **the sea**, 8:13
 - A. because **the devil** has **come down** to **you (earth & sea)**, having **great wrath**, 12:9, 12:10, 12:13
 1. knowing that **he** has only a **short time**.” 10:6

War in **Heaven**, **Michael** and **his angels** with **the Dragon** and **his angels**, Rev 12:7-8

7 And there was war in **heaven**, **Michael** and **his angels** waging war with **the dragon**. 10:13, 10:21, 12:1, Jude 9

The dragon and **his angels (demons)** waged war,

8 and **they** were not strong enough, and there was no longer a place found for them in **heaven**.

We have already seen that 1/3 of **Satan's Angels** have been thrown down to **Earth**, in Rev 12:4.

But here **Michael** and **his angels** wage war with **Satan** and **his angels** and “**they** were not strong enough”

meaning **Michael** and **his angels** were stronger,

and “there was no longer a place found” for **Satan** and **his angels** in **heaven**, meaning there was before.

Michael is **Israel's** Prince, who stands guard over them and **Moses**, Rev 10:21, 12:1, Jude 9

This is what was spoken of in **Daniel 12:1**

1 “Now **at that time Michael**, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people (Israel), will arise.

And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation (Israel) until that time;

and at that time your people (Israel), everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued.

Michael who stands guard over (Israel), will arise, and all **believing Israel** will be **rescued** or **saved**,

Israel will “flee” from **Satan** to **the wilderness** with **God's** help, to a place prepared by **God**,

where **she (Israel)** will be **nourished** (fed) for **1260 days** or **3½ years**. Rev 12:6

Israel will be under an unequalled “time of distress”, “But **he (Israel)** will be **saved** from it”, Jer 30:7

Israel is persecuted by the **Dragon**, flies to “the wilderness” to “be nourished” for **3½ years**, Rev 12:13-14

the great dragon was **thrown down**, Rev 12:9

And **the great dragon** was **thrown down**, 12:9a

God emphasizes that **Satan** and **his angels** were **thrown down**, and is repeated in Rev 12:9b, 12:10, 12:12, 12:13

The serpent of old who is called **the devil** and **Satan**, who **deceives the whole world**; 12:9, 13:14, 20:2

Here we are given most of the names for **Satan** in the Bible.

He is the serpent of old from the **Garden of Eden**, Gen 3:1, 3:14, 2 Cor 11:3, Rev 20:2

He is the devil, Matt 4:1, 13:39, 25:41, **He is Satan**, Job 1:6-12, Job 2:1-7, Zech 3:1-2, Mk 1:13

He is the deceiver, he deceives, Gen 3:13, 2 Cor 11:3, 1 Tim 2:14, 20:2, 13:4, 20:3, 20:8, 20:10

He is the accuser, he accuses, Rev 12:10, Zech 3:1-2

he was **thrown down** to the earth, and **his angels** were **thrown down** with **him**. 12:9b, 12:10, 12:12, 12:13

Then **I (John)** heard a **loud voice** in **heaven**, saying, Rev 12:10

Then **I (John)** heard a **loud voice** in **heaven**, saying, 12:10

“Now the **salvation**, and the **power**, and the **kingdom** of our **God** and the **authority** of **His Christ** have come,

for **the accuser (Satan)** of **our brethren (believers)** has been **thrown down**, 12:9, 12:12, 12:13

he (Satan) who **accuses them (believers)** before **our God** day and night. Zech 3:1-2

Then an unidentified **loud voice** in **heaven**, says,

God's Salvation, Power, and Kingdom, and the **authority** of **His Christ** have come, 12:10, 11:15

This means, all of these **4 things** begin to occur:

God's Salvation, being preserved from harm. **Believing Israel** “will be **saved** from it”, Jer 30:7, Dan 12:1

God's Power, is about to be more fully released, as seen the 3rd **Woe** and 7 **Bowl Judgments**.

God's Kingdom is about to come, after 3½ **more years** of **God's Judgments** on **mankind**, and after Rev 19.

Christ's authority, His Ruling and Reigning comes, when **He** has made **His** enemies a footstool, Heb 10:13

for **the accuser (Satan)** of **our brethren (believers)** has been **thrown down**, 12:10, 12:9, 12:12, 12:13

he (Satan) who **accuses them (believers)** before **our God** day and night. Zech 3:1-2, Job 1, Job 2

We have already discussed **Satan** being **thrown down**, see previous comments hereon.

Satan accuses them (believers) before **our God** day and night, like it says in Job 1:6-12, Job 2:1-7.

Satan is constantly **accusing God's people** before **Him** in **Heaven** but is not allowed to act against **them**

without **God's** permission. **He is the accuser**, Job 1:6-12, Job 2:1-7, Rev 12:10, Zech 3:1-2.

they (believers) overcame him (Satan), Rev 12:11

11 “And **they (believers) overcame him (Satan)** 1 Jn 2:13, Rev 15:2

because of the **blood of the Lamb** and because of the word of **their testimony**, 6:9, 7:14
and **they (believers)** did not love **their** life even when faced with death.

believers are **accused by (Satan)** before **our God** day and night, 12:10

but “**they (believers) overcame him (Satan)**” 12:11

The Reason **believers overcame Satan**

Is “because (1) of the **blood of the Lamb** and because (2) of the word of **their testimony**”, 12:11

Believers Overcome Satan or have **Victory over Satan** “when **Born of God**, by **Faith** and **Belief**”, 1 Jn 5:4-5

Those “**who** keep the **commandments of God** and hold to the **testimony of Jesus**”, Rev 12:17

For this reason, rejoice, O **heavens** and **you (believers)** who dwell in **them**, Rev 12:12 18:20

For the Reason just given, that Reason is that **you Overcomers** or **you believers** have **Overcome Satan**.

Overcame or Overcome, (Grk, *nikao*, 3528) to win a victory over, to conquer. *Louw-Nida Greek-English Lexicon*

Overcomers: **those** who **overcome** the World, when **Born of God**, by **Faith** and **Belief**. 1 Jn 5:4-5

Overcomers: Rev 2 & 3

What **the Spirit** says to **the Churches** (7 assemblies), Rev 2 and Rev 3

- 1) **Overcomers (1st) Church**,
I will **grant** to eat of the **tree of life** in the **Paradise of God**. Rev 2:7
- 2) **Overcomers (2nd) Church**, **He** will not be hurt by the **second death** (Lake of Fire). Rev 2:11
- 3) **Overcomers (3rd) Church**,
I will **give** some hidden manna & a white stone with new name, Rev 2:17
- 4) **Overcomers (4th) Church**, I will **give** authority over the nations, Rev 2:26
 - a. **Overcomers** I will **give** him the morning star, Rev 2:28
- 5) **Overcomers (5th) Church**, **He** will thus be clothed in white garments, Rev 3:5
 - a. **Overcomers** I will not erase his name from the book of life, Rev 3:5
 - b. **Overcomers** I will confess his name before **My Father** and before **His angels**, Rev 3:5
- 6) **Overcomers (6th) Church**, I will make him a pillar in the **temple of My God**, Rev 3:12
 - a. **Overcomers** he will not go out from it (the temple) anymore, Rev 3:12
 - b. **Overcomers** I will write on him the name of **My God**, Rev 3:12
 - c. **Overcomers** (write on him) the name of the city of **My God**, New **Jerusalem**, Rev 3:12
 - d. **Overcomers** (write on him) **My New Name**, Rev 3:12
- 7) **Overcomers (7th) Church**, I will **grant** to him to sit down with **Me** on **My throne**, Rev 3:21
as I also **overcame** and sat down with **My Father** on **His throne**.

“**Overcomers**” are
Believers in Revelation

But “**those** who dwell on earth”
Earth Dwellers

are **Unbelievers** in Revelation

(See Chart Hereon for

“**those** who dwell on earth”)

See *Lesson 07* for more on “**Overcomers**”

Overcomers: Rev 21:1-7

A New Heaven, a New Earth, and a New Jerusalem: **Overcomers** - Rev 21:1-7

“**He** who **overcomes** will inherit these things”, Rev 21:7

1. **Overcomers**, the tabernacle of **God** is among **men**, and **He** will dwell among **them**, Rev 21:3
2. **Overcomers**, they shall be **His people**, Rev 21:3
3. **Overcomers**, **God Himself** will be among **them**, Rev 21:3
4. **Overcomers**, **He** will wipe away every tear from **their** eyes; Rev 21:4
5. **Overcomers**, there will **no longer** be any death; Rev 21:4
6. **Overcomers**, there will **no longer** be any mourning, or crying, or pain; Rev 21:4
7. **Overcomers**, the first things have passed away.” Rev 21:4
8. **Overcomers**, “Behold, **I am** making all things new.” Rev 21:5
9. **Overcomers**, I will **give** to **one who** thirsts from **spring of the water of life** without cost, 21:6
10. **Overcomers**, “**He** who **overcomes** will inherit these things (all listed), Rev 21:7
11. **Overcomers**, I will be his (overcomer's) **God** and he (overcomer) will be **My son**, Rev 21:7

those who **overcome** the World, when **Born of God**, by **Faith** and **Belief**. 1 John 5:4-5

Woe to the earth and the sea, Rev 12:11

Woe, (Grk, *ouai*, 3759) a state of intense **hardship** or **distress**. *Louw-Nida Greek-English Lexicon*

“a state of **intense hardship** or **distress**” is about to come “to **the earth** and **the sea**”, meaning the world.

The Reason for this is, “because **the devil** has **come down** to **you** (earth & sea), having **great wrath**”, 12:11

The devil has **come down** to the earth or been “thrown down” to the earth with **his angels**, 12:9-10.

Therefore, “a state of **intense hardship** or **distress**” or “**Woe**” is about to come “to **the earth**” or world.

This “state of **intense hardship** or **distress**” is **Satan’s Wrath**.
Wrath, (Grk, thumos, 2372) a state of intense anger, fury, wrath, rage. *Louw-Nida Greek-English Lexicon*
Satan has **come down** to **the earth**, or **thrown out** of **Heaven**, in “a state of **intense anger**”, in **Wrath**.

Satan does this, “knowing that **he** has only a **short time**”, 12:11

Satan has “only a **short time**” left before **he** is bound for a **1000 years** and **thrown** into the abyss, 20:1-3

Satan has only **3 ½ years** left where **he** has mostly free **reign** as **ruler** of the world.

God’s removal of **Satan** from **Heaven** is a **Key Signal** of the beginning of the end.

This is when the **Great Tribulation** Begins, **Matt 24:15-22**, the last **3 ½ years** of the **7 year Tribulation**.

The Great Tribulation Begins, the last **3 ½ years** of the **7 year Tribulation**.

The nations will **tread underfoot** the **holy city** (**Jerusalem**) for **42 months**. Rev 11:2

This **treading underfoot**, was revealed by **Jesus** in **Luke 21:24**

“**they** will fall by the edge of **the sword**, and will be led captive into **all the nations**; and **Jerusalem**

will be **trampled underfoot** by **the Gentiles** until **the times** of **the Gentiles** are **fulfilled**”, **Luke 21:24**

This **treading underfoot**, is when **the saints** of **Israel**, are given into **Antichrist’s** hand for **3½ years**, **Dan 7:25**

This **treading underfoot**, is when, “the power of the **holy people** (**Israel**)”, is “completed”, **3½ years**, **Dan 12:7**

This **treading underfoot**, is when, the **Antichrist** is **given** authority, by **God**, to act for **42 months**, **Rev 13:5**

But the **woman** (**Israel**) “**fled**” the **Dragon** to “the **wilderness**” to “be nourished” for **1260 days**, **Rev 12:5**
(**Israel**) is persecuted by the **Dragon**, **flies** to “the **wilderness**” to “be nourished” for **3½ years**, **Rev 12:13-14**

Rev 11 is about the **Nation of Israel**, their **Temple** and their **2 Witnesses** in **Jerusalem**

Rev 12 is about the **Nation of Israel**, the **Woman** and her offspring the **saints**.

Rev 12: 1-6, the **Nation of Israel**, is **about to be** Persecuted by **Satan** and the **Antichrist**.

The Dragon Persecuted the Woman (**Israel**), but **she** was helped

Working Outline > **Read Revelation 12:13-17** (Paragraph ¶ from NAS Bible)

Revelation 12:13-17

- I. 13 And when **the dragon** saw that **he** was **thrown down** to the earth, 12:9-10
 - A. **he** persecuted **the woman** (**Israel**) who gave birth to **the male child**. 12:1-6
- II. 14 But **the two wings of the great eagle** were given to **the woman**, Ex 19:4, Isa 40:3,
 - A. **so that she** (**Israel**) could fly into **the wilderness** to **her** place,
 - B. where **she** was nourished for a **time and times and half a time** (**3 ½ years**), **Dan 7:25**, **Dan 12:7**
 1. from the presence of **the serpent**.
- III. 15 And **the serpent** poured **water like a river** out of **his** mouth after **the woman** (**Israel**),
 - A. **so that he** might cause **her** to be swept away with **the flood**.
- IV. 16 But **the earth** helped **the woman** (**Israel**),
 - A. and **the earth** opened **its** mouth and drank up **the river**
 1. which **the dragon** poured out of **his** mouth.
- V. 17 So **the dragon** was **enraged** (furious) with **the woman** (**Israel**),
 - A. and went off to make **war** with the rest of **her children**, **Rev 11:7**, **13:7**
 1. **who** keep the **commandments** of **God** and hold to the **testimony** of **Jesus**. 14:12, 6:9, 19:10

when **the dragon** saw that **he** was **thrown down** to the earth, **Rev 12:13**

13 And when **the dragon** saw that **he** was **thrown down** to the earth, 12:9-10

he persecuted **the woman** (**Israel**) who gave birth to **the male child**. 12:1-6

Satan tried to devour **the woman’s** (**Israel’s**) **child Jesus**, back in **Rev 12:1-6**, But **the woman** fled to **the wilderness** to a place prepared by **God**, to be **nourished** for **1260 days**.

In **Rev 12:13**, When **Satan** saw that **he** was **thrown down** to the earth,

he immediately begins to **persecute** **the woman** (**Israel**) who gave birth to **the male child** (**Jesus**).

But the two wings of an eagle were given to the woman fly into the wilderness, Rev 12:14

14 But the two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, Ex 19:4, Isa 40:3,
so that she (Israel) could fly into the wilderness to her (Israel's) place (prepared by God, 12:6),
where she was nourished for a time and times and half a time (3 ½ years),
from the presence of the serpent. Compare, Rev 12:6

This “flying” or “fleeing” to the wilderness, is what Daniel spoke of:

And is WHEN the saints of Israel, are given into Antichrist's hand for 3½ years, Dan 7:25

And is WHEN, “the power of the holy people (Israel)”, is “completed”, 3½ years, Dan 12:7

And the serpent poured water after the woman (Israel) to Persecute her, Rev 12:15-16

15 And the serpent poured (threw) water like a river out of his mouth after the woman (Israel),
so that he might cause her to be swept away with the flood.

16 But the earth helped the woman (Israel), and the earth opened its mouth and drank up the river
which the dragon poured out of his mouth.

Apparently, Satan tries to destroy the woman (Israel), by throwing water at her to sweep her away
or kill her. This is part of Satan persecuting the woman mentioned back in Rev 12:13.

But the earth, with God's help, swallows up Satan's water, so Israel is saved from it (water).

Israel will be under an unequalled time of distress”, “But he (Israel) will be saved from it”, Jer 30:7

Not All Israel flees to the wilderness, because Satan pursues the rest of her offspring, in Rev 12:17

This group of Israel are believers, based on the rest of her children, who keep the commandments, Rev 12:17

This group may be only those Believing Israelites in Jerusalem or in the land of Israel, and not of the World.

Read on your own, Zechariah 13:1-9

Zechariah 13:1

1 “In that day a fountain will be opened for the house of David and for the inhabitants of Jerusalem,
for sin and for impurity.

Zechariah 13:8–9

8 “It will come about in all the land (of Israel)”, Declares the Lord,

“That two parts in it (of Israel), will be cut off and perish; But the third will be left in it (of Israel).

9 “And I will bring the third part (of Israel), through the fire, Refine them as silver is refined,
And test them as gold is tested. They (Israel) will call on My name, And I will answer them;
I will say, ‘They (Israel) are My people,’ And they (Israel) will say, ‘The Lord is my God.’ ”

Here it says, 2/3 of Israel will be “cut off” or Killed and “perish” in all the Land of Israel,
But 1/3 of Israel will be left in the Land of Israel. That 1/3 of Israel the Lord will bring through the fire.
Israel In that day will be “refined” and “tested” and reconciled to God as God's People.

So the dragon was enraged with the woman (Israel), Rev 12:17

17 So the dragon was enraged (furious) with the woman (Israel),
and went off to make war with the rest of her children, Rev 11:7, 13:7

who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus. 14:12, 6:9, 19:10

Because, the woman (Israel), is saved from Satan's attack, he was enraged (furious) with her (Israel).

Instead of pursuing her further, Satan went off to make war with the rest of her children.

The rest of her children are (believers) who keep the commandments and hold to the testimony of Jesus.

These may be the saints in Rev 14:12, and like the saints in Rev 6:9, and in Rev 19:10

Then Satan will make war with and attack those of believing Israel who did Not flee to the wilderness.

This means, those of believing Israel in the rest of the Earth, outside of the Land of Israel.

This probably includes the 144,000 of Israel who are first on Earth, Rev 7:3-8, and then “purchased” or
redeemed and are then in Heaven, Rev 14:1-5.

Rev 11 is about the Nation of Israel, their Temple and their 2 Witnesses in Jerusalem
 Rev 12 is about the Nation of Israel, the Woman and her offspring, the saints.
 Rev 12 the Nation of Israel will be Persecuted by Satan and the Antichrist but Flees.

3 ½ year War on Earth, Rev 12:13-13:14

This Begins Satan's 3 ½ year War and Wrath on Earth, by Him and His agents.
 First, Satan goes after Israel, 12:13, But she is rescued by God, by flying to the wilderness, 12:14
 Second, Satan goes after the rest of Israel's offspring, 12:17, "who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus", 12:17
 Third, Satan brings the Beast (Antichrist) out of the sea, having 10 horns and 7 heads, 13:2, and he (Antichrist) is given authority to act for 42 months, 13:5
 Forth, the Beast (Antichrist) of Satan, "it was given to him (Antichrist) to make war with the saints and to overcome them", 13:7
 Fifth, the Beast (Antichrist) of Satan, "it was given to him (Antichrist)" "authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him", 13:7
 Sixth, the Beast (Antichrist) of Satan, "it was given to him (Antichrist)" that "All who dwell on the earth will worship him", whose name is Not written "in the Book of Life of the Lamb", 13:8
 Seventh, Satan brings another Beast (False Prophet) out of the earth, 13:11, he had 2 horns and he spoke as a dragon (as Satan)", 13:11
 Eighth, the "another Beast (False Prophet)", "He exercises all the authority (over every nation, 13:7) of the first beast (Antichrist) in his (Antichrist's) presence", 13:12
 Ninth, the "another Beast (False Prophet)", "he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast (Antichrist)", 13:12
 Tenth, the "another Beast (False Prophet)", "He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth in the presence of men"
 Eleventh, the "another Beast (False Prophet)", "he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which were given him to perform in the presence of the beast (Antichrist)", 13:14
 Twelfth, the "another Beast (False Prophet)", "telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast (Antichrist) who had the wound of the sword and has come to life, 13:14

"those who dwell on the earth"

"those who dwell on the earth", are Unbelievers in Revelation

those who dwell on the earth,
 go through "that hour which is about to come upon the whole world", Rev 3:10
 those who dwell on the earth,
 go through a "test", "the hour of testing", Rev 3:10
 those who dwell on the earth,
 are the ones the Lord is to judge and avenge, for those slain for their testimony, Rev 6:10
 those who dwell on the earth,
 are told "Woe, woe, woe" because of the last 3 Trumpet Judgments, Rev 8:13
 those who dwell on the earth,
 rejoice over and celebrate over the 2 Witnesses of God being killed, Rev 11:10
 All who dwell on the earth,
 will worship the Beast (Antichrist), All those Not written in the Book of Life, Rev 13:8
 those who dwell in it (the earth),
 worship the first beast (the Antichrist), Rev 13:12
 those who dwell on the earth,
 are deceived by the signs of the Beast (Antichrist), Rev 13:14
 those who dwell on the earth,
 make an image to the Beast (the Antichrist), Rev 13:14
 those who dwell on the earth,
 are made drunk with the wine of the Great Harlots immorality, Rev 17:2
 those who dwell on the earth,
 are whose name has Not been written in the Book of Life, Rev 17:8

"those who dwell
 on earth"
 or Earth Dwellers
 are Unbelievers in Revelation

"Overcomers" are
 Believers in Revelation

(See Chart Hereon
 For "Overcomers")