

**REVELATION – Chapter 13:1-10**  
**The Second Vision: The Beast from the Sea**

Summary of this vision: *The Church will have enemies who will try to destroy her, but God will keep his elect safe in the midst of all danger.*

1 What was the most prominent enemy that persecuted the church when John wrote Revelation?

**ten horns and seven heads** see 12:3      ten horns= \_\_\_\_\_  
**crowns** = \_\_\_\_\_ diadems – 12:3, claim to divine honor, incarnate god, *dominus et deus*

**blasphemous name**

**name** = all things that are said about a person

**blasphemous** = “evil-speaking” or “slander”

Who is blasphemed?

When does government take on the appearance of the beast from the sea?

**seven (heads)**= deceitfully picture him as a \_\_\_\_\_ of believers

2 **mouth like a lion...feet like a bear...resembled a leopard** (compare to Daniel 7:3-7)

Daniel’s 4th beast had \_\_\_\_\_ horns.      John’s beast has \_\_\_\_\_ horns.

Daniel’s 4 beasts had \_\_\_\_\_ heads.      John’s beast has \_\_\_\_\_ heads.

Dan. 7:21 ..... Rev. 13:7 \_\_\_\_\_

Dan. 7:17....the 4 beasts = \_\_\_\_\_

Daniel chapter 2 identifies the beasts.

- a)
- b)
- c)
- d)

**So we know this beast in Revelation 13** stands for all the world \_\_\_\_\_

Satan uses against the \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ era.

**beast coming out of the sea** =

**dragon gave the beast his power** 12:9

Doesn’t this contradict the Biblical teaching that God establishes all civil government and gives government their authority? (Romans 13:1)

**Agree or Disagree:** Christians can feel afraid, helpless and frustrated when they see how easily Satan can enlist the power of government for his evil purposes.

3 **fatal wound** = suffered by the beast as it carries out its service to the devil, times of respite for the Church. Any examples from history?

**wound had been healed**= church can expect renewed \_\_\_\_\_

**the whole world was astonished and followed the beast**

**4 men worshiped the dragon  
because he had given authority to the beast  
Who is like the beast? Who can make war against him?**  
1Corinthians 10:20, Exodus 15:11

**5 mouth to utter proud words and blasphemies  
forty-two months= \_\_\_\_\_**  
kingdom of the cross vs. kingdom of glory

**6 given a mouth to blaspheme God  
slander his name**  
The name of God...what is God's name?  
Can you think of ways government has slandered God's name?  
**his dwelling place, those who live in heaven** (Ephesians 2:19-21)

**7 he was given power to wage war with the saints vs4  
conquer the saints...authority over every people**

**8 all the inhabitants... names not written in the book of life =  
Lamb that was slain from the creation of the world (Rev 17:8)**  
*...whose names have not been written from the beginning of the world in the book of life, which belongs to the lamb that was slain.*

#### **Overruling Providence (13:9-10)**

**9-10 into captivity he will go, with the sword he will be killed**  
How will you, you who have your name written in the book of life, reach your final goal?  
These verses help define the type of victory that the beast would win over the saints (vs7), but...

Better translation of vs10b:

**Here is the patience and confidence of the saints.**

If on the way to heaven you are destined to be imprisoned and martyred...