MARANATHA GLOBAL BIBLE STUDY THE BOOK OF REVELATION // JOEL RICHARDSON

DAY 38: THE ANTICHRIST AND THE BEAST FROM GENESIS TO REVELATION

I. THE BEAST

- A. The horns/heads represents kings who are blasphemous against God (Revelation 13:1)
- B. The "sea" the beast comes from represents the Gentile world (v. 1)
- C. The fatal head-wound and healing takes place before the return of Jesus (v. 3)
 - 1. The people are amazed and worship Satan (v. 4)
- D. The beast represents a profound military power (v. 4)
- E. "Allowed to act for 42 months" is the critical final time period (v. 5)
- F. God does allow the beast to overcome the saints (v. 7)
- G. The beast is the Antichrist and his coalition of nations
- H. His appearance (features of a leopard, lion, and bear) (v. 2) relates back to Daniel 7
- I. When we follow the story of the Messiah, the Antichrist is often not far behind

II. THE BEAST IN THE BEGINNING

- A. After the fall, God makes a declaration to the serpent and introduces the Messiah (Genesis 3:15)
- B. This begins the battle of the two seed lines
 - 1. The Righteous Seed Line: YHVH The Messiah The People of God
 - 2. The Unrighteous Seed Line: Satan The AntiChrist The Enemies of God
- C. The Lord names nations, tribes, and regions where the seed lines will come from
 - 1. Promised One, from Judah (Numbers 24:6-9, Genesis 49)
 - 2. The Antichrist given a name: Gog/Agag (Numbers 24:6-7)

III. THE BEAST'S ORIGIN

- A. The Antichrist likely comes from the Middle East
- B. "Gather the nations and bring them down to Jerusalem" (Joel 3:2)
- C. The nations listed are in the Middle East, surrounding Israel (Joel 3:1-2, 4, 11-12)
- D. "All the peoples around" (Zechariah 12:2-3)
- E. "My judgment will descend upon Edom" (Isaiah 34:2-8)
 - 1. Both the location and the people
- F. Jesus marches through the land to save His people (Isaiah 63:1-4)
- G. Description of the Antichrist's military invasion (Micah 5:2-6)
- H. The nations who will be judged on the Day of the Lord are named (Ezekiel 30:2-5)
- I. Gog and some additional adversaries are listed (Ezekiel 38:2-6)

