

Summer Prophecy Series

Tribulation Characters

Text: Revelation 12–13

- This passage presents five key characters that have a place in history and in the Tribulation events—precisely, the last half of the Tribulation.

1. The Woman – _____ (Revelation 12:1, 6)

- The woman represents the nation of Israel—specifically, the persecuted Jews of the Tribulation.
- They will survive the last part of the Tribulation to enter into the Millennial reign of Christ. (Matthew 24:15–21, 32–34)
- This is important because the Millennium must commence with a totally _____ remnant. (Matthew 25:31–46, Ezekiel 20:33–44)

2. The Child – _____ (Revelation 12:2, 5)

- The child would be Jesus Christ who came from Israel.
- Of course, Jesus is the _____ character during the Tribulation period.

- Jesus opens the seal judgments during the Tribulation.
- He comes at the end of the Tribulation to conquer Satan and the kingdoms of this world so that He can set up His earthly kingdom.

3. The Great Red Dragon – _____ (Revelation 12:3–4)

- Satan is out to _____ the woman and the child.
- Satan led a rebellion in Heaven that caused a third of the angels to fall.
- Since then, he has directed his attention to destroying the seed of the woman.

- After the resurrection of Jesus, Satan has sought to destroy Israel to thwart the plan of God. The Jews are still persecuted today.

- And they will be persecuted during the Tribulation period.
- So much so that they will flee to the wilderness to survive.

4. The Beast – The _____ (Revelation 12:3b, 13:1–10)

- Verse 3 connects Satan to the fourth beast of Daniel’s vision (a renewed Roman empire) and to the Antichrist who leads the world through this empire.

- Chapter 13:1 calls him “*a Beast.*”

- This connection to Daniel’s prophecy indicates that the Antichrist, the Beast, shall rule from a revived _____ empire.

5. Another Beast – the _____ (Revelation 13:11–18)

- He works in association with the First Beast.

- We come to learn that the First Beast is a political ruler.

- The Second Beast is a _____ ruler.

- In other places, He is called “the False Prophet.”

- The number of the Beast is 666. What does it mean?

- 666 is called “*the number of man.*” (Revelation 13:18)

- Six reflects the limitation of human labor, the condition of human servitude, the incapacity of human safety, and the ultimate in human power which is no match against the power of God.

- Jesus will save Israel and usher them with all the redeemed into His 1,000-year kingdom on earth.

What are we to do with all this?

- Be _____ for the return of Jesus.

- _____ of false prophets.

- Be _____ so that we don’t settle for six when we can have seven.