

The Seed of the Woman
vs
The Dragon
Genesis 3, Revelation 12

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- Revelation is a bookend with Genesis / OT.
- Matthew opens with genealogy of Jesus son of David, son of Abraham,
 - Who are David and Abraham? Are they important? Two of the biggest names in OT!
 - Why is Moses left out? Important.
- David appears in last chapter of NT. Jesus is not just the descendent — he is The Root of David (Revelation 22:16).
 - Answers Jesus' riddle to the scribes in Matthew 22:42 concerning Psalm 110:1.

Enmity Between The Serpent and The Woman
Genesis 3

Genesis 3:1-7 : The Serpent = Dragon = the devil (slanderer) and Satan (accuser) (Revelation 12:9, 20:2)

"Deceiver of whole world" (Revelation 12:9) deceives the woman Eve and man falls.

Genesis 3:15 : *Protoevangelium* — foreshadows Satan's ultimate defeat (crushed head) by "her seed." Romans 16:20, Hebrews 2:14.

Genesis 3:16 — Woman's curse: pain of childbirth and subjugation to husband.

Genesis 4:1 — Does Eve expect Cain to be the one to crush the serpent's head?

Revelation 12 : Same battle from a cosmic perspective reaches its climax.

- Allusion to virgin birth?
 - Typically "the seed" is supplied by the male (Abraham Genesis 12:7, 13:6; Galations 3:16,16), but the child comes "the seed" of the woman.
- Historically woman have frequently had to bear the burden of childbirth often died (and/or their child) under horrific conditions.
 - <https://ourworldindata.org/child-mortality>
 - Often women have had oppressive husbands who dictated perpetual pregnancies.
 - Pain may be more from raising and protecting child in cruel world.
 - Simeon's message to Mary "*a sword will pierce through your own soul*"

Revelation 12 in Context of
The Great Tribulation

Revelation 11 : Seventh Trumpet

The Great Tribulation (Matthew 24:15-22), "*Jacob's trouble*" (Jeremiah 30:7)

The Victor (11:15) : The Heir receives His inheritance

Revelation 12 - 13 : Satanic Trinity

The Great Red Dragon (12)

The Beast out of the sea (13:1 - 13:10)

The Beast out of the earth (The False Prophet, 13:11-18)

Revelation 15, 16 : Seven Bowls of God's Wrath

- Tribulation : Daniel 12:1, Day of The Lord (Isaiah 13:6-9), Jacob's (Israel's) Trouble (Jeremiah 30:7; Daniel 12:1)
 - Last 3 1/2 years is tribulation for Israel (Jacob, "thy people" - Dan 12:1), where they will be protected and delivered
 - Last half of Daniel's 70th week which concerns "they people" = Israel
 - After war in heaven, Satan and his demons cast to earth (Luke 10:18?)
- Tribulation lasts 7 years (1 week, Daniel 9)
 - Great Tribulation: Last Half = 3 1/2 Years: 42 Months (11:2), "times, times, and half a time" (Daniel 7:25, 12:7, Rev 12:14), "half a week" (Daniel 9:26), 1260 days (11:3, 12:6)

Main Characters of Revelation 12, 13

The Woman	Michael
Great Red Dragon	Beast out of the sea
Male Child	Beast out of the earth

- The Woman, The Serpent (Dragon), and the Woman's Seed (Male Child) are the same character's from Genesis 3 which describes the Fall of man and alludes to the future defeat of Satan.

The Woman Revelation 12:1-2

"a great sign appeared" (v. 1) : a symbolic vision typical of prophecy

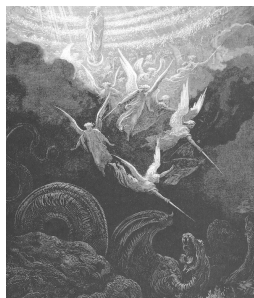
Joseph's Dream : Genesis 37:5-11

Woman is Israel though whom would come the Christ

Birth pains (Matt 24:8) of Second Advent (Isaiah 26:17-21; 66:7)

Pursued by Satan

Protected by God during the Great Tribulation (12:6,14; Jeremiah 30:6,7)



The Great Red Dragon Revelation 12:3,4

Identity of Dragon in Revelation 12:9, 20:2

7 heads, 10 horns, 7 crowns

Beast out of the sea (Revelation 13:1)

Conglomerate of Four Beasts of Daniel 7.

Identified in Revelation 17:9-14

Fallen Angel (Ezekiel:14-18; Isaiah 14:12-14)

Drags 1/3 of angels with him (Revelation 12:4)

The Male Child Revelation 12:4-6

Identity : “one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron” (v. 5, Psalm 2, Revelation 2:27, 19:15).

Satan seeks to devour the child

Pharaoh (Exodus 1:15,16) ; Haman (Esther 3:5,6); Herod the Great (Matthew 2:16); Antiochus IV Epiphanes, Hitler, ...

Satan has Christ executed to his own demise (Colossians 2:15)

Christ's ascension: “her child was caught up to God and to his throne”

He “set down at the right hand of the throne of God” (Acts 1:9, Hebrews 1:3, 12:2)

Woman flees to a place to be nourished by God for 3 1/2 years.

“flee to the mountains” Matthew 24:15-22.

- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Timeline_of_antisemitism

War in Heaven Revelation 12:7-12

Michael vs Satan

Daniel 12 — “time of the end” — 3.5 years in 12:7

Jude 9 — Michael the Archangel fighting with Devil over the Body of Moses.

Satan defeated : he and his angels are thrown down to earth.

Conquered “by the blood of the Lamb.”

Full wrath of Satan as The Great Tribulation begins

Satan knows his time is short.

- Satan is not presently in Hell and will be the lowest creature there when cast into the Lake of Fire.
 - Fallen Cherub — still has access to Heaven — will be cast out of Heaven to Earth.
 - John 12:31, Heb 2:14, Col 2:14— ruler of this world has been “cast out,” “destroyed” and “defeated” at the cross, but he is still awaiting his execution.
- Michael fought Prince of Persia — Daniel 10:13.
- 1 Thess 4 — archangel blows the trumpet
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Wrath of Satan Revelation 12:13-17

The Great Tribulation: Time of Jacob's Trouble (Jeremiah 30:7, Matthew 24:21; Daniel 12)

The Dragon pursues the woman (Israel),

Woman flies into the wilderness (Exodus 19:4).

Dragon tries to “sweep her away with a flood.” (Psalm 124)

- Matthew 25 : Sheep: Gentiles that help Israel.
- Revelation 13 : those who don't have the mark of the beast will not be able to buy or sell.
- The horn prevailed over the saints Daniel 7:13
- Flood “figurative” of an army?
- Earth opened up and swallowed those who were part of Korah's rebellion (Numbers 16:31)
 - Earthquake? Revelation 6