

APPENDIX A: HISTORY OF ROME, VATICAN AND THE PAPACY

1 Rome shall be both a Church and a City - Rev. 17:18

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* "The agreements included a political treaty, which created the state of **Vatican City** and guaranteed to the Holy See full and independent sovereignty."

2 "Shall be seated upon seven hills..." Rev. 17:9

- The Palatine, The Capitoline (Seat of Government), The Aventine, The Caelian, The Esquiline, The Viminal and The Quirinal.

3 "And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue (language) and nation." Rev. 13:7 (NKJV)

- "...We define that the Holy Apostolic See and the Roman Pontiff (pope) hold the primacy **over the whole world...**" (*-Laetentur Coeli*, Council of Florence, 1439)

- There is "**no higher authority...**" (*Pastor Aeternus*, 1870)

- Pope Gregory (reigned 1073-85) "presented himself as heir to the **unlimited commission...over all souls.**" (*Encyclopedia Britannica*, 1990, Vol. 26, p. 927)

***Catholic - "Universal**; pertaining to the Universal Church..." (*Webster's New Expanded Dictionary*, 1991)

At this point the Roman Catholic Church hijacked the Universal Church, the one established during and after the birth and resurrection of Jesus. They added Rome to the beginning of the title.

4 "...The waters...where the harlot (unfaithful church) sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues." Rev. 17:15 (NKJV)

- The Roman Catholic Church-state rose to power from within the ten original tribes of a divided Europe:

Anglo Saxons (modern day England), Alemanni (Germany), Visigoths (Spain), Franks (France), Lombards (Italy), Burgundians (Switzerland), Suevi (Portugal), Heruli, Ostrogoths, Vandals.

5 "...and there, in this horn (kingdom) were eyes of a man and a mouth speaking pompous words." Daniel 7:8 (NKJV)

- Bishops "are not to be regarded as vicars (substitutes) of the Roman Pontiff (pope), for they exercise an authority which is proper for them..." The College "together with its head, the Roman Pontiff, and never without this head" is "the subject of supreme and full power over the universal church.

(*De Ecclesia, 1964, Vatican II*)

The pope is the only spokesman for the entire Roman Church." (*Encyclopedia Britannica, 1990, Vol. 26, p. 951*)

6 "...do not be fooled. For that day will not come until there is a great rebellion against God and the man of lawlessness is revealed—the one who brings destruction. **He will exalt himself, defy every god there is, and tear down every object of adoration and worship. He will position himself in the temple of God, claiming that he himself is God...**he can be revealed only when his time comes. (Also see Isa. 14:13-14)...**this lawlessness is already at work secretly...this man will come to do the work of Satan with counterfeit power and signs and miracles.** He will use every kind of wicked deception to fool those who are on their way to destruction. (Not true believers.)

- We hold upon this earth the place of **God Almighty.**" - Pope Leo XIII, (*Encyclical Letter*), June 20, 1894.

7 "...and he was given a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies..." Rev. 13:5 (NKJV)

- Blasphemy 1—Claiming to be God here on earth. John 10:33—"...you, a mere man, have made yourself God." A ridiculous claim by mere men! Jesus is the only One who can claim to be God.

- Blasphemy 2—Claiming to have the power to forgive sins. Mark 2:7—"...Who but God can forgive sins!" These are the words of Jesus!

- "The pope is not only the representative of Jesus Christ, but **He is Jesus Christ, hidden under a veil of flesh.**" - *The National Catholic, July, 1985*

Here is another ridiculous claim by the Roman Catholic pope:

- "This judicial authority will even include **the power to forgive sins.**"

(*The Catholic Encyclopedia, Vol. 12 - Article "Pope", p. 26* Back to Blasphemy 2 above! How evil can they get, forcing all their believers to believe this nonsense? Most Roman Catholic believers have no idea how much evil is going on right before their eyes!

8 "I could see that she (the harlot of Babylon) was drunk, drunk with the **blood** of the saints and with the **blood** of God's holy people who witnesses for Jesus were. Rev. 17:6

- **We must rank the inquisition...as among the darkest blots on record of mankind.**" (Will Durant, *The Story of Civilization, Vol. 4, p. 78.* There were many bloody wars fought by the Roman Catholic Church in nations all across the world, killing, beheading and torture!

- "That the **Church of Rome** has shed more innocent blood than any other institution that has ever existed among mankind will be questioned by no Protestant who has a complete knowledge of history... It is impossible to form a complete conception of the multitude of her victims...and it is quite certain that no powers of imagination can adequately realize their sufferings." (W.E.H. Lecky, *History of the Rise and influence of the Spirit of Rationalism in Europe, Vol. 2; 32*

9 "The (Bishop of Rome) is of so great authority and power that he can **modify**, explain or interpret even divine laws... The (Bishop of Rome) can **modify** divine law, since his power is not of man, but of God, and he acts as vicegerent (substitute) of God upon earth." (Lucius Ferraris, *Prompta Bibliotheca, article "Papa, II Vol. 6, p. 29*) This is also blasphemy against God!

- The Catholic Church for over one thousand years before the existence of a Protestant, by virtue of her Divine mission, **changed the day...to Sunday.** ...The Christian **Sabbath** is therefore to this day the acknowledged offspring of the Catholic Church. ...without a word of remonstrance from the Protestant world." (*The Christian Sabbath, 2nd Edition, "The Catholic Mirror," Baltimore, 1893.*)

- "You may read the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, and you will not find a single line authorizing the **sanctification of Sunday...**" (Cardinal Gibbons, *The Faith of Our Fathers*, p. 111)

- "The **Papacy** also removed the 2nd Commandment, which forbids image and **idol worship**, and, in order to keep the number of Commandments to ten...divided the 10th Commandment (regarding covetousness) into two parts.

- "...the council **validated the veneration of images** and ordered their restoration in churches throughout the Roman Empire." - 2nd Council of Nicaea, 787 A.D. (*Encarta Reference Library, 2004*)

10 "...before whom of the first horns (kings) were plucked out by the roots..." Daniel 7:8 (NKJV)

History records that the Roman Papacy stamped out three of the original ten tribes (monarchies) of divided Europe. They were: 1 - The Vandals (454 A.D.), 2: The Heruli (493 A.D.), and 3: The Ostrogoths (538 A.D.) Not one bloodline can be traced to any of these three kingdoms! They were completely subdued or wiped out.

11 "...and he was given authority to continue for forty-two months (3 1/2 yrs.)" Rev. 13:5 (NKJV)

- **The Hebrew Calendar:** 42 months = 3 1/2 years = 1,260 days.

A prophetic day = 1 year (Ezekiel 4:6) and 1,260 prophetic days = 1,260 years. This same period is also mentioned in Daniel 7:25, Rev. 11:2-3 and Rev. 12:6, 14.

533 - Emperor Justinian recognized the Pope's ecclesiastical sovereignty as head of all of the churches in the Empire, with the exception of one tribe still in opposition—Ostrogoths.

538 - The Papacy defeated the Ostrogoths...leaving the Pope's claim of **ecclesiastical supremacy unchallenged.** The Roman Church could (and would) now exercise her full authority.

1798 - "In 1798, General Berthier (of France) made his entrance into Rome, abolished the papal government and established a secular one." (*Encyclopedia Britannica, 1941 edition*)

- From 538 A.D. (The Papacy is empowered) until 1798 A.D. (The Papacy is stripped of all its power) is **exactly** 1,260 days! "Then the woman (True Church) fled into the wilderness, where God had prepared a place to give her care for 1,260 days." Rev. 12:6

12 "The people who are destined for prison will be taken away. Those who are destined for death will be killed." Rev. 13:10a

"The ultimate humiliation of the Church came when Pius VI was driven out of Rome by the French armies in **1798** and in the following year **was taken captive** by them and dragged back to France, where he died." (*Encyclopedia Britannica, 1990, Vol. 26, p. 938*)

13. This was the "mortal wound" mentioned by John when he was describing the beast that came out of the sea in Rev. 13:5!

- "In 1798, General Berthier (of France) made his entrance into Rome, abolished the papal government, and established a secular one." (*Encyclopedia Britannica, 1941 edition*)

- The wound begins to heal...and the Papacy is revived!

- **1929** - "Rome surrounds Vatican City, which was granted sovereign extraterritorial status in 1929 by the Lateran Treaty and Concordat." *Encyclopedia Britannica*, 1990 edition)

- "**Mortal Wound Healed:** Rome, June 7. From 11 o'clock this morning there was another sovereign independent State in the world. At that time Premier Mussolini...exchanged with Cardinal Gasparri, Papal Secretary of State, representing Pope Pius XI, ratifications of the treaties signed at the Lateran Palace on Feb. 11. **By that simple act the sovereign Independent State of Vatican City came into existence.**" New York Times, July 7, 1929

- "**All the world marveled at this miracle and followed the beast in awe.**" Rev. 13:3

14 **The truth about the Virgin Mary**

- **1884** "Pope Pius IX...acting on his own prerogative and without any council...defined as official teaching the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary..." (*Encyclopedia Britannica*, 1990 edition, Vol. 26, . 938)

- "The cult of the Virgin Mary and of the saints diminished the office of Christ as the sole mediator between God and the human race." (...p. 934)

- "...for he (God) wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth. There is only one God and one Mediator who can reconcile God and the people. He is the man Christ Jesus. He gave his life to purchase freedom for everyone. This is the message that God gave to the world at the proper time." I Timothy 2:3b-6

- "The objection (of the Reformers) was raised more intensely when the Immaculate Conception of Mary...and her Assumption (Pius XII, 1950) were defined as dogmas. **For neither of these is there any biblical evidence...**" (*Encyclopedia Britannica*, 1990, Vol. 26, pp.950-51)

"Veneration of the mother of God received its impetus when the Christian Church became the imperial church under Constantine and the pagan masses came under Christian influences and became members of the church... Their piety and religious consciences had been formed for millennia through the cult of the "**great mother" goddess and the "divine virgin,"** a development that led all the way from the old popular **religions of Babylonia** (Babylon) and Assyria to the mystery cults of the late Hellenistic period." (*Encyclopedia Britannica*, 1990, Vol. 16m o, 279)

- "**Pagans** were normally devoted to local shrines of particular gods (to meet their spiritual needs). The church tried to meet this psychological need by establishing **shrines of martyrs...** By 400, particular saints were being invoked for particular needs..." (*Encyclopedia Britannica*, 1990, Vol. 16, p. 264)

"And don't address anyone here on earth as your **Father**, for only God in heaven is your spiritual Father." Matthew 3:16

This does not refer to children calling their dad, father. This is referring to **titles** of ecclesiastical leaders that everyone uses to call their oversight.

15 "There are two points of controversy that still exist in modern times. One is baptizing by pouring rather than immersion, even though immersion was...the biblical and early Christian rite. ...The second is the baptism of infants." (*Encyclopedia Britannica*, 1990, Vol. 26, p. 954)

-...certain truths or practices (such as infant baptism), although **not found in Scripture**, were validated by the **tradition** of the church." (*Encarta Reference Library*, 2004)

- "After his (Jesus) baptism, **as Jesus came up out of the water...**" Matt. 3:16a

16 - The doctrine of justification by faith and works...

- "The Legislation of the Council of Trent enacted the formal Roman Catholic reply to the doctrinal challenges of the Protestant Reformation...the doctrine of justification by faith and works on the basis of the authority of Scripture and **tradition**." (*Encyclopedia Britannica*, Vol. 26, p. 935)

- "And so, by your own tradition, you nullify the direct commandment of God." Matthew 15:6

APPENDIX B:

BABYLONIAN ROOTS:

- Vatican = "The Divining Serpent (Vatis = diviner; can = serpent)

- Roman Bath (Bath, England) - The serpent was said to be a "symbol of healing."

- Tridentine Mass (...administering the round disc wafer)
(Carmelite Monastery in Munster, Indiana)

- The Roman Catholic monstrance (a case used to display the **wafer-god of the mass**) uses a crescent to mount the **wafer-god**, thus duplicating the pagan imagery of the solar disc in a crescent, the ancient symbol of cosmic conception.

- The placing of Mary in a crescent (over her head or under her in some pictures) is a remnant of the fertility cults of the ancient mother-goddess, which is traceable to the Babylonian queen, Semiramis, who was titled..."Mother of God" and "Queen of Heaven."

- Every symbol and ceremony embraced by the Roman Catholic Church can be traced back to the **Babylonian mystery cults of sun worship**... Babylon is a blasphemous system of confusion and deception. It is founded on (and empowered by) the "father of lies"...SATAN!

- In 133 B.C., the Babylonian solar cult was bequeathed to Rome by Attalus III. There, its symbols and forms were incorporated in Roman Catholicism!

- The **Roman Mass** has its origin, not in the Christian communion, but in the initiation rites of the ancient mystery religions which are themselves traceable to the fertility cults and mystery ceremonies of **Babylon**.

- **Satanic hand signs**, symbolic of occult power, **appear in the Roman Church** on statues, paintings, and throughout the priesthood! If you want to know what they are, you can watch all types of videos showing these signs that are being used by Satanists today - out in the open! The "dragon, Satan" is coming out into the open and this tells us that the end times are coming very soon.

There are many more examples I could give you, but I think I have provided enough for you to "get it," as the saying goes.

Satan knows his time is short and he will do everything he can to stop Christians and create chaos in the world. Beware, folks! Are you ready to meet God?