

# VBF Study in Revelation

## Lesson 43 Revelation 13:3-10

As you read through Revelation and begin this study, ask God to open your heart. As the Psalmist prayed; "Open my eyes, that I may behold Wonderful things from Thy law" (Psalm 119:18).

**Assignment:** Read through Revelation chapter 13. Attempt to answer the following discussion questions from the text alone.

*Questions:*

1. Review: What is Chapter 12 of Revelation about?
  
2. Review: What does John see in 13:1-2? From your last lesson, explain the symbolism relating to what John sees.
  
3. What did John see in 13:3 and what was the result?
  
4. How might the following help us understand the "fatal wound" of the beast in 13:3? Make observations.
  - a. 13:3
  
  - b. 13:12
  
  - c. 13:14b
  
  - d. 13:13-14,
  
  - e. 2Thes 2:9-12
  
  - f. Maybe Zech. 11:15-17
  
5. Looking at verse 4, what is the relationship between the worship of the dragon and the worship of the beast? How is the beast worshipped?
  
6. What was given to the beast in 13:5? Explain. Who gave this to him? (cf. 13:2, 4)
  
7. Thinking of our Revelation 12:6,14, Daniel 7:25, Rev 11:2, and Matt 24:15-22, do you think these 42 months of authority given to the beast in 13:5 was in the first or second half of the tribulation?
  
8. How might the following relate to Revelation 13:6?
  - a. Daniel 7:8, 11, 20, 25

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- b. Daniel 9:27
  
  - c. 2Thes. 2:3-4
9. In 13:6, we see the beast blasphemes against God. What two things does the beast blasphemes specifically? Explain.
10. Looking at 13:7, what was given to the beast and who gave it to him? Hint: Who would be the only one who can give the beast authority to overcome the Saints?
11. What do you think the term “overcome” (13:7) means in this context? See Daniel 7:21, 25, Rev. 13:15, 17:6, 20:4.
12. Looking at 13:8, what will all the earth dwellers do in relationship to the beast? Who will not do this?
13. In the following verses, make observations concerning “the book of life”
- a. Phil. 4:3
  - b. Rev. 3:5
  - c. Rev. 17:8
  - d. Rev. 20:12, 15
  - e. Rev. 21:27
14. Is your name in the book of life? If so why (cf. Rev. 3:5, 1John 5)
15. How to the same phrases in Rev. 2:7, 11, 17, 29, 3:6, 13, 22 differ from what is said and Revelation 13:9? Why do you think there's a difference in a phrase which was so consistent?
16. Thinking of the context what do you think John means in 13:10? What are you destined for and why?