

ISRAEL DURING THE TRIBULATION—PART 2

- I. The Identity of the “WOMAN” (Rev. 12)
 - A. A great red DRAGON
 - 1. Identified as SATAN (12:9)
 - 2. Described like the BEAST (12:3; 13:1)
 - 3. Desires POLITICAL authority over the woman’s “REMNANT” (12:17)
 - B. A MALE CHILD—who is JESUS CHRIST (12:3; cf. Ps. 2)
 - C. A WOMAN clothed with the SUN—represents ISRAEL (12:1)
 - 1. Implied by the CONTEXT (cf. Rev. 11:19)
 - 2. Reference to the SUN, the MOON, and STARS (cf. Gen. 37:9)
 - 3. Significance of having TWELVE STARS in her crown
 - 4. Use of the term “WOMAN” (Isa. 47:7-9; 54:5-6; 66:7-8; Jer. 4:31; Micah 4:9-10; 5:3)
 - 5. The Dragon is a special ADVERSARY of Israel (Isa. 27:1; Ezek. 29:3)
 - 6. Use of the term “WILDERNESS” (Ezek. 20:35-36; Hosea 2:14-23)
 - 7. Relation to the MALE CHILD (cf. Micah 5)
 - 8. Specific statement of SCRIPTURE (Rom. 9:4-5)
 - 9. Duration of 1260 DAYS refers to the last half of Daniel’s 70th week (12:6; cf. Dan. 9:24-27)
 - 10. Reference to MICHAEL, the DEFENDER of Israel (12:7; cf. Dan. 12:1)

- II. The REMOVAL of Israel's BLINDNESS (Isa. 6:9-10; 2 Cor. 3:13-15)
 - A. A MYSTERY, never before experienced by man (Rom. 11:25)
 - B. Revealed to have been IMPOSED for their repeated REJECTION of revelation
 - C. Only PARTIAL—SOME Jews are being saved today
 - D. There is a definite, foreordained TIME for its REMOVAL—will occur at the RAPTURE of the church (Rom. 11:17-27)