

## FINDING HOPE IN A MESSED UP WORLD

### CHAPTERS 12-14

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**HOW ARE YOU?**

**HOW IS YOUR FAMILY**

**HOW ARE YOUR EMOTIONS**

**HOW IS YOUR FAITH**

### **WHY IS THERE EVIL IN THE WORLD**

#### REVELATION 12:1-2

1A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars on her head. 2She was pregnant and cried out in pain as she was about to give birth.

#### REVELATION 12:3-5

3Then another sign appeared in heaven: an enormous red dragon with seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns on its heads. THAT'S SATAN.. 4Its tail swept a third of the stars out of the sky and flung them to the earth. The dragon stood in front of the woman who was about to give birth, so that it might devour her child the moment he was born. 5She gave birth to a son, a male child, who "will rule all the nations with an iron scepter." And her child was snatched up to God and to his throne.

## REVELATION 12:10-11

**10**Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say:

“Now have come the salvation and the power  
and the kingdom of our God,  
and the authority of his Messiah.

For the accuser of our brothers and sisters,  
who accuses them before our God day and night,  
has been hurled down.

**11**They triumphed over him  
by the blood of the Lamb

## REVELATION 12:12

**12**Therefore rejoice, you heavens  
and you who dwell in them!

But woe to the earth and the sea,  
because the devil has gone down to you!  
He is filled with fury,  
because he knows that his time is short.”

**WHY IS THERE SO MUCH EVIL IN THE WORLD?**

**ANY ONE ELSE BEEN DEALING WITH SPIRITUAL BATTLES IN YOUR  
LIFE?**

**HOW ABOUT IN YOUR MARRIAGE**

## **HOW ABOUT YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE**

### **REVELATION 12:17**

**17**Then the dragon was enraged at the woman and went off to wage war against the rest of her offspring—those who keep God’s commands and hold fast their testimony about Jesus.

### **EPHESIANS 6:12-18**

**12**For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. **13**Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. **14**Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, **15**and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. **16**In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. **17**Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

**18**And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.

## **DO YOU REALLY KNOW WHAT THE NUMBER OF THE BEAST MEANS?**

### **REVELATION 13:11-18**

**11**Then I saw a second beast, coming out of the earth. It had two horns like a lamb, but it spoke like a dragon. **12**It exercised all the authority of the first beast on its behalf, and made the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast, whose fatal wound had been healed. **13**And it performed great signs, even causing fire to come down from heaven to the earth in full view of the people. **14**Because of the signs it was given power to perform on behalf of the first beast, it deceived the inhabitants of the earth. It ordered them to set up an image in honor of the beast who was wounded by the sword and yet lived. **15**The second beast was given power to give breath to the image of the first beast, so that the image could speak and cause all who refused to worship the image to be killed. **16**It also forced all people, great and small, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hands or on their foreheads, **17**so that they could not buy or sell unless they had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of its name.

**18**This calls for wisdom. Let the person who has insight calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man. That number is 666.

**SO WHAT DOES THE NUMBER 666 MEAN?**

**WHO DOES IT REPRESENT?**

**666 IS SIGNIFICANT BECAUSE IT IS JUST SHORT OF GODS NUMBER  
777**

Deuteronomy 6:6-8

**6**These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts.

**7**Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

**8**Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.

**9**Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

**WHO HAS POSSESSION OF YOUR HEART?**

**HE WANTS YOU TO QUESTION YOUR FAITH**

**THAT BIBLE**

**MORALITY IS JUST CULTURAL**

**FAITH IS GOOD**

**HE WANTS TO USE YOUR STUFF AGAINST YOU**

**LUST**

REVELATION 14:1,3-4

**1**Then I looked, and there before me was the Lamb, standing on Mount Zion, and with him 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads. **3**And they sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders. No one could learn the song except the 144,000 who had been redeemed from the earth. **4**These are those who did not defile themselves