

Revelation 13:11-18 — Participant Outline

The Beast from the Earth: “Everything That Glitters Ain’t Gold”

Big Idea: God’s people must discern God’s truth from Satan’s counterfeit so that they can remain faithful to God and endure whatever opposition comes their way.

I. The Appearance of the Second Beast (13:11)

- The beast rises out of the _____, echoing Daniel’s vision of four beast in Daniel 7.
- The beast occupies a _____ role supporting the activities of the first beast.
- The beast has _____ horns, looks like a _____, but speaks like a _____.
- The dragon is _____ (cf. Rev. 12:9)

Takeaway: *The second beast represents **counterfeit religious authority**. It looks like Christ, but it’s **communicating** the dragon’s agenda.*

II. The Authority of the Second Beast (13:12)

- The beast has all the _____ of the first beast.
- The beast _____ the earth to worship the first beast.
- The beast is not content with political control. It wants _____.

Takeaway: *The second beast uses an **appearance** that can attract trust to persuade people to **worship** the first beast.*

III. The Action of the Second Beast (13:13-17)

- The beast performs **great and** _____ **signs** (v. 13).
- By the great and miraculous signs, the beast _____ the people and _____ his position (v. 14).
- The beast breathes life into an _____ **image** (v. 14-15).
- The beast _____ the people to worship (v. 15).
- The beast gives a universal _____ (v. 16).
- The beast enforces _____ **control** (v. 17).

Takeaway: *The beast’s strategy is **counterfeit** spirituality backed by **coercive** power.*

IV. The Allegiance of the People (13:18)

- A call to _____.
- The _____ of the beast.

Takeaway: *Don’t just be **impressed** by what you see; have enough **wisdom** to discern what you’re seeing.*