The Unholy Trinity
PART I
Revelation 12:1-6

MAIN THOUGHT  The UNHOLY TRINITY is introduced as SATAN (12:1-17), the ANTICHRIST (13:1-10), and the FALSE PROPHET (13:11-18).

SATAN – THE DRAGON (12).

THE WOMAN (1-2).
• Though the SIGN (Isa. 7:14) appeared in heaven, it will take place on earth.
• The WOMAN is ISRAEL: clothed with the sun (Rachel) and the moon (Leah) under her feet and 12 stars on her head – the 12 sons of Israel (Gen. 37:9).
• Israel is often likened to a woman (Isa. 54:5; Jer. 3:6; Micah 4:10; 5:2-3), while the apostate church is like a harlot (17:1), and the church a bride (19:7).
• The woman was pregnant with her child Jesus Christ (5; 19:15; Psa. 2:9).
• She would cry out in PAIN (Micah 4:10; 5:2) symbolizing her entire history of anti-Semitism and sin (Gen. 3:16).

THE DRAGON (3-4).
• The DRAGON is Satan (7). Dragons were a popular motif with the Babylonians, Greeks, and Egyptians.
• RED is symbolic of death (6:4) & murder (Jn. 8:44).
• His 7 heads are the 7 hills of Rome – the world empire (17:9); the 10 horns are 10 kings the dragon uses (17:12; Dan. 7:7, 23-25); the 7 crowns imitate the many crowns Christ would wear (19:12).
• The dragon’s tail sweeps ⅓ of the stars (angels – 9) to earth (Gen. 1:2– formless, void, darkness?) as he fell from heaven (Isa. 14:12-15; Luke 10:18). This ⅓ are demons (Jude 6) with ⅔ remaining holy angles.
• The dragon stood defiantly in front of the woman ready to devour her child. This was both predicted (Gen. 3:15) and foreshadowed in Pharaoh (Ex. 1:15-16; Ezek. 29:3 KJV), Athaliah (2 Kings 11:1-2), Nebuchadnezzar (Jer. 51:34 KJV), and Herod (Matt. 2:13).

THE CHILD (5-6).
• Jesus, a son, was born (Isa. 9:6) and he will rule with an iron scepter (19:15).
• The child was SNATCHED UP to heaven to His throne as in Jesus’ ascension (Acts 1:9).
• The woman will now flee into the desert (mountains – Matt. 24:15-25). In AD 70, Israel fled from the Romans to Petra in Jordan.
• God promised to protect His people during this unprecedented time of anti-Semitism (Dan. 9:27) – 1260 days or 3½ years.