The Unholy Trinity
PART II
Revelation 12:7-13:1a

Main Thought  The UNHOLY TRINITY is introduced as SATAN (12:1-13:1a), the ANTICHRIST (13:1b-10), and the FALSE PROPHET (13:11-18).

Satan – the Dragon (12).

The Dragon Defeated in Heaven (7-12).

The War (7-9).
- Satan was initially (prior to Genesis) kicked out of heaven and fell to earth with ⅓ of all angels making them his demons (4; Isa. 14:12-15; Luke 10:18).
- But Satan (literally means ACCUSER) has been returning to heaven as the ACCUSER OF THE BRETHREN (10; Job 1:6-7; 2:1-2; Zech. 3:1). But Jesus Christ is our defense attorney making our salvation sure (1 John 2:1-2).
- Now here, Satan is excluded from heaven permanently following a war against Michael ("who is like God?" – Isa. 14:14) the Archangel (Dan. 12:1; Jude 9).
- Satan is not STRONG ENOUGH to defeat God (1 John 4:4).
- The dragon has many names: (1) Satan (55x – accuser); (2) the devil (35x – slanderer); (3) serpent (8x – 20:2; Gen. 3:1); also Lucifer, Beelzebub, Belial, evil one, tempter, prince of this world, god of this age, prince of the power of the air, and angel of light.

The Celebration (10-12).
- Those in heaven will rejoice in Satan’s exclusion from heaven; but those on earth will not! Satan is part of the THIRD WOE upon earth (11:14).
- NOW HAVE COME (past prophetic) anticipates (proleptically as in 11:15) what is sure to be accomplished – it continues with this step.
- Salvation and the kingdom of God under Christ is coming (Acts 1:6).
- Note the connection (our brothers) with those in heaven with us (Heb. 12:1).
- Their belief (testimony) in the blood of Jesus OVERCOMES (John 16:33) Satan.

The Dragon’s Revenge on Earth (13-13:1a).
- As Satan is hurled to earth, he renews his pursuit of the woman (ISRAEL).
- Satan has always been against God’s chosen people through whom salvation would come – Jesus Christ. But a remnant of Israel must be protected by God to receive Jesus at His 2nd Coming (1:7).
- As God delivered Israel from EGYPT (Ex. 19:4) and BABYLON (Isa. 40:31) on the wings of an eagle, so too the woman (ISRAEL) in the desert (Acts 12:11).
- God would care for her there like Elijah in the Kerith Ravine (1 Kings 17:3).
- This will be during the last 3½ years of the 7 year Tribulation period.
- WATER LIKE A RIVER (Psa. 124:1-7) is anti-Semitic hatred (KORAH – Num. 16:31-32).
- Then the dragon turned his hatred to kill other believing Jews (13:7).
- Some were spared while others of Israel who believed in Jesus were not.