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ARMAGEDDON AND ANTI-CHRIST

And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:

Upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast *it* into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.

And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse,

And he saith unto me, . . . Behold, I come quickly;

(Revelation 17:1, 6; 6: 2; 18: 21; 19:21; 22: 10, 12)

These are the words of John, the beloved disciple of Christ Jesus, and the Revelator of Christ and his Gospel. They are words of severe denunciation and judgment, words of condemnation, a clear prophecy of retribution which will fall upon the enemy of Christ, a definite and emphatic foretelling of the complete overthrow and destruction of evil, and evil-doers. These words are the pronouncement of a prophet of God, a spiritual Seer, a consecrated follow-er of Christ, his divine Master, who like his Master, suffered in the flesh through the persecutions of anti-Christ. In these words there appear no elements of hatred, malice, revenge, bigotry, prejudice, selfishness, or even any lack of divine love for his fellow-men. They are the fiat of a spiritual judge, a seer, and they carry with them the impress of a consciousness, imbued with the hand of Christ, which, like a two-edged sword, cuts asunder the illusion of evil and evil-doers, lays bare the iniquity of those who rebel against God and His Christ, and foretells with the precision and conviction of a divine mathematician, the utter annihilation of sin and iniquity, and the effective and complete overthrow and judgment of the evil-doer, so that he "shall be found no more at all."

In order to correct any false impression which may have been implanted in the minds of some listeners-in of Station WHAP, New York City, let it be clearly

understood that the same spirit which breathes through the entire Book of Revelation, by John the Beloved Disciple, permeates all the broadcasting from Station WHAP. Malice, anger, revenge and hatred, against any man, woman or child upon earth, have no place in Station WHAP, nor in the hearts of any of those who contribute, in any degree, to the mighty spiritual work of this Station. We recognize and acknowledge the fact proclaimed to this age through Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, and taught, exemplified and demonstrated by her student, our teacher, Augusta E. Stetson, C. S.D., that MAN, in his reality, or spiritual selfhood is a child of God and as such is immortal and perfect. To this mighty spiritual fact we cling with the invincible conviction which comes to us from Christ, the Son of God, the Elder Brother in the spiritual family of Man, in the image of God.

Like John, the Revelator, we also recognize a belief, a counterfeit, a seeming opposer of Christ and his divine Gospel of the essential perfectibility of man in the image of God, and of the supreme and eternal rulership of Christ; and at the same time we realize that this opposition manifests itself through a visible mouthpiece, or physicality, which opposeth itself against Christ. Inasmuch as matter, or flesh, is impotent in and of itself, this warfare is wholly mental or, as John expresses it, "there was war in heaven, "that 'is, in the mental realm. This opposition to Christ, the eternal Son of God, creates, or causes, the Battle of Armageddon, spoken of by John, the Revelator; and the physical, visible personalities which express this opposition or enmity against Christ and his benign and life-giving Gospel, constitute the dragon and his army. The entire picture, or vision, of the Battle of Armageddon, is portrayed in St. John's Book of Revelation — the leaders of the opposing forces, and their followers; the method of the warfare and the fierceness of it; the issue; and the final overthrow of the dragon, and his consignment to the bottomless pit, or oblivion, since God is All, and there is none beside Him. It is our purpose, since it is our duty, to interpret this evening the metaphors and symbols of St. John's vision, in terms of the present day phase of the Battle of Armageddon; because we are, now, in the days of the fulfilling of the prophecies of John's Revelation, the "latter days" which just precede the second and final appearing of Christ, when Christ himself will take over the government of the earth, the throne which God, his Father-Mother, gave him.

And there was a cloud that overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

(Mark 9:7)

In the mathematical science of Euclid, there is a proposition, problem, or theorem which is familiarly known among mathematicians and mathematical students as the "*Pons Assinorum*," or Bridge of Asses. It is the fifth problem in the First Book of Euclid; and it was so named because from experience it was assumed that if a student were able to master this problem, the entire subject would be open to him. The proposition given in the fifth theorem of the First Book of Euclid is proven by assuming a premise contrary to the proposition first laid down, and arriving at an

absurd conclusion, through logical reasoning. The premise being false, the conclusion must inevitably be wrong.

The identity of the dragon, as described in the Revelation of St. John, is clearly seen. The dragon "sitteth upon many waters," (that is. he ruleth many peoples), and he "deceiveth the nations," (that is, he putteth himself in the place of Christ, or assumes a false premise.)

The Council of Trent was a council of 247 Roman Catholic ecclesiastics, held in the City of Trent in Italy, on December 15, 1545, for the purpose of defining the powers of the pope, and the so-called catholic or universal rules and dogmas of the Roman Catholic system. The decrees passed by this council are so blasphemous that I, as a follower of Christ, the ever-living Christ, must refuse to give them expression, even in quotation. However, I may consistently describe some of them in order to show the falsity — and blasphemy — of the premise assumed by the Roman Catholic pope and hierarchy, through this so-called Council of Trent; and also to show the identity of the pope of Rome and his system and that of the dragon, or "Babylon," of St. John's Revelation, to be one and the same. My data is taken from Dr. Gorham D. Abbott's book, "Mexico and the United States, 1569," who quotes from Lectures on the Roman Catholic Church by Professor Quinet, of the College of France, "History of the Council of Trent":

In the eight decrees passed by this council, the following claims are made for the pope of Rome: (1) that Jesus Christ constituted Peter as head of the apostles, and vicegerent on earth; (2) that the pope of Rome succeeds to all the rights and titles of Peter, whose seat was placed, in Rome; (3) that the authority of the popes began in Melchizedek, continued in Aaron and his sons, was perfected in Christ, and represented in Peter, descending from him through the line of popes; (4) that the pope is immaculate, inviolable, and irresponsible¹ of all earthly power; that he is judge of all and can be judged by none; (5) that the pope is invested with all spiritual powers, and is the sovereign high supreme judge in all things relating to religion; that the pope and God are of one consistory, and that the pope may dispense with all things, even the precepts of Christ; and that every human creature, upon the necessity of his salvation, should be subject to the Roman pontiff; (6) that all temporal power is his, so that all kings, princes and rulers in all the earth are subject to the pope; (7) that all the earth is the pope's diocese, so that as this blasphemous Council asserts, the Bible gives the pope "the heathen for his inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for his possession;" (8) the pope claims supremacy in all ecclesiastical affairs so that the Roman Catholic (so-called) church asserts itself to be catholic, or universal, and all others subject to it. This blasphemous pronouncement was confirmed by the pope's bull of January 6, 1564. (¹ *irresponsible*. Not liable to be called to a higher account or authority).

May we sum up this awful array — for it would be "awful" were it real, or had it any power, which it has not, since Christ is supreme and invincible — we may sum up by pronouncing it the "false premise" in the problem under consideration. The pope claims every prerogative of Christ, builds his system on death, beginning with the death of Peter, and continuing with the death of each so-called successor of Peter, and finally attempts to set aside even the precepts of Christ, and to take over the entire rulership of the earth, politically, ecclesiastically and spiritually. Christ Jesus said:

This is life eternal, that they might know thee, the
only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.
(John 17:3.)

Therefore, the premise of popery, being the exact opposite and antithesis of the premise of Christ, must be and is false since Christ is Truth; the pope is a liar, his system is a lie, and the entire evil of the world, including its sin, sick-ness and death, its wars and its earthquakes, its storms and its cataclysms are laid at the door of the pope of Rome, and his system of popery which is mental hypnotism, or Jesuitism, a suppositional power opposed to God, who is omnipotent Mind. Is our conclusion correct? It is. Here are John's words:

Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the
number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his
number *is* Six hundred three score *and* six.
(Revelation 13:18)

This number — 666 — in Hebrew numerology or the science of numbers, signifies the sum total of evil, 6 standing for evil, and 3 for completeness. This number, in the Roman numeral letters spelling the pope's title, appears on his tiara.

Let us assure the audience of Station 'WHAP, that this same beloved disciple, John — who is with us today for he never died — comforts the people of Christ with these words:

Perfect love casteth out fear. (I John 4:18)

Every attribute which the pope of Rome — "a man," or one of mankind — claims for himself, belongs solely to God, the Father and Mother of spiritual man, and the Creator of the universe. The premise of Christ, the Son of God, is eternal life, of whom Peter — the same Peter who denied his Lord, was crucified head down, and was claimed by Rome as the "first pope," — Peter testified of Jesus in these words:

Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a
man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders
and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye
yourselves also know:

Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:

Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.

(Acts 2:22-24)

John, the beloved disciple, also testified of Christ Jesus, in the words of Christ himself:

I *am* he that liveth, and was dead; and behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

(Revelation 1:18)

Citizens of the world, these are the words of Christ, not of Peter or the pope. This is that Christ, who, through John, testified,

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

Behold, I come quickly.

(Revelation 22:13 & 12)

Our Declaration of Independence severed us from the domination of the false system of the "divine right of kings," therefore, according to the decrees of the Council of Trent, from popery, since the pope claims sovereignty over all earthly kings; our Constitution founded the American Federal Republic upon the principles of Christ's teaching, a system of government hated by the pope; and our Monroe Doctrine forbids and prohibits the presence of the Roman Catholic system in the Western Hemisphere, the beginning of which prohibition we see being fulfilled by Christ in Mexico today.

The Battle of Armageddon is a mental battle between Christ and the dragon, or the pope and the papal system. Every hour brings nearer the doom of the dragon, for Christ is "King of Kings, and Lord of Lords."

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