"THE SIGNS OF ISRAEL & SATAN" REVELATION 12

- I. WE ARE INTRODUCED TO TWO GREAT "WONDERS" (12:1,3)
 - A. A Great Red Dragon With Multiple Heads, Horns & Crowns (12:3)
 - B. A Woman Arrayed With Celestial Bodies (12:1)
 - 1. Many Have Erroneously Identified Her As Mary
 - 2. She Is Best Identified As The Nation, Israel
 - a. The Imagery Of [12:1] Is Similar To Joseph's Dream
 b. The "Sign" Bespeaks A Time Period From The Birth Of The Messiah To The End Of The Tribulation, Signifying Something Other Than A Single Human Being

II. WE ARE TOLD OF THE CONDITION OF THE NATION AT THE TIME OF THE TRIBULATION (12:2-6)

- A. She Is An Expectant Mother Already Crying Out From The Contractions Of Delivery (12:2)
- B. She Has An Adversary Who Is Depicted In The Fashion Of A Contemporary Holloween Costume (12:3-4)
 - 1. This Adversary Appears As A Personality From Which Springs Multiple Entities (12:3)
 - 2. There Is A Confederacy Between Himself & A Third Part Of The Angels Of Heaven (12:4)
 - 3. There Will Be A Place Of Protection For The Nation Prepared By God Himself In The Judean Wilderness (12:6)
 - 4. There Is An Amazing Time Gap Between The Ascension Of Christ & The Last Half Of The Tribulation (12:5-6)

- III. WE ARE TOLD OF WAR IN HEAVEN (12:7-9)
 - A. Michael & His Angels vs. Satan & His Angels (12:7-8)
 - B. Satan & His Angels Are Cast Down To The Earth (12:9)
- IV. WE ARE TOLD OF THE REACTION OF HEAVEN OVER THE RESULT OF THIS WAR (12:10-12)
 - A. This Victory Was A Necessary Precursor To The Millennium (12:10)
 - B. A Parenthetical Statement On How The Church Had Previously Overcome The Devil (12:11)
 - C. The Celebration Contains A Warning To The Earth (12:12)
- V. WE ARE TOLD OF SATAN'S FINAL PERSECUTION OF THE NATION & GOD'S PRESERVATION OF HER (12:13-17)
 - A. An Israeli Airlift (12:14)
 - B. Deliverance From The Clearly Revealed Purposes Of Satan (12:15-17)
 - 1. The Devil's Drowning Attempt Is Thwarted (12:15-16)
 - 2. The Devil Redoubles His Effort To Kill As Many As Possible (12:17)