What is the beast with two horns like a lamb depicted in Revelation 13:11-18? Is it the United States? Is it the Vatican? You will be astonished to learn exactly what this second beast of Revelation actually is!

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In Revelation 13 John tells of another beast when he wrote, “And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spoke as a dragon” (Revelation 13:11). This second beast John saw is none other than Islam and here is why.

First, the second beast has “two horns like a lamb”. A lamb is a young sheep. Islam claims to be the one true religion of Allah and that Allah is the one true God of Abraham. By this claim, Islam makes itself out to be the true sheep of God’s pasture.
Second, the two horns themselves symbolize the two main factions of Islam known to us as the Shiites and the Sunnis.

Third, this beast speaks “as a dragon”. In other words this beast speaks with the mouth of a dragon. However, this is not any old garden variety dragon. The indefinite article “a” as used in this verse is not in the Greek texts of Revelation 13:11 and was supplied by the translators.

The indefinite article “a” inaccurately renders this verse into English. The definite article “the” should have been supplied. The definite article “the” would more accurately render this verse into English as, “And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spoke as the dragon.”

John wanted us to know that this beast speaks with the mouth of the dragon which is none other than that spirit of Edom embodied in Rome (Revelation 12:9).

This beast speaks lies, threats and blasphemy. The lies of Islam are manifest which include these three:

Lie #1: Denies the crucifixion of Jesus ever happened. As it is written in the Qur’an, “That they said (in boast), we killed Christ Jesus the Son of Mary, the Messenger of Allah; but they killed him not, nor crucified him . . . for of a surety they killed him not” (Surah 4:157).

Lie #2: Denies that Jesus is the only begotten Son of God. As it is written in the Qur’an, “No son did Allah beget” (Surah 23:91).

Lie #3: Denies salvation is by grace through faith but can be earned by works. As it is written in the Qur’an, “Then those whose balance (of good deeds) is heavy; they will attain salvation: But those whose balance is light, will be those who have lost their souls, in Hell will they abide” (Surah 23:102-103).

The Torah says in Deuteronomy 19:15 that the testimony of two or three witnesses is sufficient to establish the truth of a matter. Using this
Scriptural principle, we have exposed just three lies of Islam as it also says in the Scriptures to demonstrate that John’s description of the beast with two horns like a lamb and speaks with the mouth of the dragon fits Islam. As it is written, “And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them” (Ephesians 5:11).

But the exposing does not stop here. That infamous number “666” which captivates the imagination of so many and invokes fear in others is most certainly not the "mark" of the beast.

**The “Number” 666**

Revelation 13:18 says, “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 threescore and six.”

It's important to understand that numbers as we see them today, 0123456789, did NOT exist 2,000 years ago when John wrote the Book of Revelation. The numbers we use today are called "Hindu Arabic Numbers". They were first invented by the Hindu's in India. Then they were adopted by the Muslim Arabs, and then the Catholic Church and Europe. All of this is well documented history. Each time that they moved to another group of people and over time, the numbers changed in appearance. In John's lifetime, the Hindu numbers were used only in India (and perhaps China) and looked MUCH different than they do today. During John's lifetime, in Israel and the Roman Empire, they would write numbers four possible ways.

**The Number 666 is NOT a Number!**

They would write them out with complete words. All of the numbers in the Scriptures were originally written with complete words, such as when John wrote hexakosioi for six hundred in Revelation 14:20. He wrote hexekonta for sixty in Revelation 11:3 and 12:6. He wrote hex for six in Revelation 4. Yet in Revelation 13:18, he did NOT write hexakosioi hexekonta hex which is what he would have written for 666 following the pattern of his writing style of always writing out the complete word for all numbers.
They also used Roman Numerals. The Roman numerals for 666 would be DCLXVI. This is NOT what John wrote in Revelation 13:18.

They would also use Hebrew numerals which were ancient Assyrian Aramaic letters and each letter represented a number, similar to the Roman system, but using a different language. This is NOT what John wrote in the Scriptures.

Greek numerals were also used; similar to the Hebrew numerals except using the Greek letters. This is what most people claim that John wrote. However, that's impossible and this is why:

In his lifetime, the Hindu numbers, used only in India at that time, for 666 would look something similar to three fours. If he saw the modern Hindu Arabic "666" OR the ancient Hindu numbers "444", he would not recognize it as numbers. He would not know what he was seeing or how to translate it into his Greek, Aramaic or Roman. If he had seen "666", the only way that he could write it would be to just copy it down the way that he saw it, thus he would have written the modern number "666". Yet he did NOT do that. He did not write "666" with Hindu-Arabic numbers, the way they look today, nor how they were written in India in his lifetime.

John was having a vision of the end times, OUR time. Why would John write 666 with three ancient Greek letters when in these end times, the time he was seeing in the vision, we are using a modern European form of the Hindu-Arabic numbers?

Most people claim that we should add up the letters of a man's name, the person that we will know as "the antichrist", and that name will add up to 666. That's called gematria, a sort of "Bible code", the practice of using letters for numbers and adding them. It is a false theory and a decoy/trap. Gematria is ancient Assyrian, Babylonian witchcraft. There is absolutely no proof that Jesus, the disciples, apostles or prophets used gematria or any other form of Bible code. Every instance of Bible code revelations and gematria are deceptions.

The Meaning of “666”
Let's look at what he wrote, according to Strong's Concordance. Let's start with the word "count" in Revelation 13:18:

Strong's #G5585 -- *psephizo*. From #G5586: 1) to count with pebbles, to compute, calculate, reckon, TO DETERMINE 2) to give one's vote by casting a pebble into the urn 3) to decide by voting.

Now let's look at Strong's for the word "number":

Strong's #G706 -- *arithmos*. From #G142: 1) a fixed and definite number, 2) an indefinite number, A MULTITUDE.

Strong’s #G706 ALWAYS refers to a GROUP OF PEOPLE. Never does #G706 refer to an actual number in the Bible! Since this Greek word NEVER refers to an actual number in Scripture, we must NOT assume that it is referring to an actual number.

Now let's look at the Strong's word for "man":

Strong's #G444 -- *anthrōpos*. From #G435 and #G3700; man-faced, i.e. a human being (A GROUP OF HUMAN BEINGS) 1) a human being, whether male or female a) generically, to include all human individuals.

Since this Greek word is NOT referring to a male, but rather mankind, we MUST embrace that this is NOT referring directly to one man, "the antichrist", as taught by traditional doctrines of man. Therefore, it's IMPOSSIBLE for this to be telling us to add up the letters of one man's name.

So basically we have so far: **"Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding determine the multitude of the beast: for it is a multitude of mankind; and his multitude is. . ."**

So now let's look at Strong’s 666:
Strong's #G5516 -- \textit{chi-xi-stigma ΧξϚ}. Root Word (Etymology): the 22nd, 14th and an obsolete letter (#4742 as a cross) of the Greek alphabet (intermediate between the 5th and 6th, used as numbers.

Notice: Strong’s says that the 3rd letter is the \textit{stigma}. "Stigma" means "mark" or badge of servitude! So instead of the 3rd character being a number, it's actually saying that the OTHER 2 characters represent the mark!

In All other places in the Bible, numbers are spelled with words, NOT symbols. For example, the number 600 in Revelation 14:20 is \textit{ἑξακόσιοι}, the number 60 in Revelation 12:6 is \textit{ἑξήκοντα} and the number 6 in Revelation 4:8 is \textit{ἕξ}. Revelation 13:18 is the ONLY place in the Bible where these symbols are used! Even though the numbers 600, 60 and 6 are found in the Bible in many places!

The simple interpretation of \textit{chi-xi-stigma} is: \textit{Ch}(ristos) = Christ, \textit{x}(ylon) = "tree" (the cross), \textit{stigma} = "pierced" = "Christ pierced on the tree" = "If (Greek: "when") they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame" (Hebrews 6:6).

Simply, Revelation 13:18 refers to II Thessalonians 2:3: "Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition. . ." The "number" of the beast is APOSTASY!

The “mark” is the apostasy itself! It is the spirit of lawlessness. Just as God’s Law is spiritually placed upon a person’s forehead or hand (Exodus 13:16; Deuteronomy 6:8 and 11:18), the “mark of the beast” is also spiritually placed upon the hand and forehead!

\textbf{The Image of the Beast}

Revelation 13:15 says, "And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both \textit{speak}, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed."
Islamic tradition says, “Allah will raise up the black stone on the Day of Judgement and it will have two eyes and a tongue which it talks with, and it will give witness to everyone who touched it in truth.”

It has also been said, “By Allah, Allah will bring it forth on the Day of Resurrection, and it will have two eyes with which it will see and a tongue with which it will speak, and it will testify in favor of those who touched it in sincerity.”

It is believed by Muslims that you receive forgiveness of sins by touching the black stone. It has been said, “Touching them both [the Black Stone and al-Rukn al-Yamani] is an expiation for sins.”

The black stone is in the corner of their Mecca temple. We know that JESUS is the true Chief Cornerstone! So the stone is also a false Christ!

The stone is roughly 30 cm (12 inches) in diameter. It is the eastern cornerstone of the Kaaba, the ancient sacred stone building towards which Muslims pray, in the center of the Grand Mosque in Mecca, Saudi Arabia. According to Islamic tradition, the Stone fell from Heaven.

Muslims teach that Jesus is NOT the Son of GOD and that Judas, not Jesus, was crucified on the cross!

I John 4:2-3 says, “Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: and every spirit that confesses not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.”

Now the spiritual “image of the beast” is most likely Islam with a religious head (like the Pope of Rome). They already have one! Muhammed is the Pope of Islam! If one does not obey Muhammed, many times people are killed!

Beheadings in Prophecy!
Revelation 20:4 says, “And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.”

It is very well known that beheadings are very common in Muslim countries! Muslims beheaded many Syrian Christians after the 1260 years ended around 2015/2016. The great tribulation began for those poor people and it will not end until our Savior returns.

Muslims have been coming into the English speaking countries of Europe, Britain, Canada and the United States. Their next move is to lash out at the modern tribes of Israel! As a matter of fact, there have been beheadings in these countries orchestrated by Muslims but the media stupidly has tried to cover it up!

**Fire from Heaven**

"And he does great wonders, so that he makes fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men. . ." (Revelation 13:13).

This “fire” causes deception (verse 14). Muslims continually teach about hell fire and have used this so-called judgment from Allah to convert people! This verse is symbolic of this false doctrine!

**Sharia Law: Cannot buy or Sell**

"And he caused all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had (Greek: "is joined to") the mark, or the name (Greek: “authority”) of the beast, or the number (i.e. multitude) of his name" (Revelation 13:16-17).

Islam is NOT just a religion. It is a way of life that includes EVERY part of life including finances. In Islam, you are required to submit to Sharia Law.
In Sharia Law, you cannot buy or sell without submitting to the laws of Sharia Law or Islamic financial practices. There are actual Sharia courts across the globe including America. Sharia Law continues to gain ground and power in America and across the world. American courts and Canadian courts have upheld Sharia Law over and above the Constitution of the United States and of Canada. There are even banks that practice under sharia law. These banks continue to increase in number and power. Eventually, as more nations come under total Islamic control, all financial actions, buying and selling will be regulated under Sharia Law and anyone who refuses to submit to Islam will be first required to pay a fee to stay alive and out of jail. Anyone who refuses to pay the fee will be arrested and in many cases beheaded! Muslims do this very thing in the Middle East! Don’t EVER think they won’t do it here!

Notice that in Revelation 14:1 and Ezekiel 4:4-6, God's people have a “mark” in their forehead! We know that we Christians are NOT going to have a microchip in our foreheads nor are we going to have eye scans that God uses to recognize us as His people. The "mark" or "badge of servitude" is SPIRITUAL. It is NOT a microchip or tattoo! Many people have received a microchip without submitting to any form of worship or false gods. Many hospitals now offer a microchip to be implanted in all newborn babies. FEMA put microchips in dead people from Hurricane Katrina. Some hospitals implant a microchip into unconscious patients who enter the Emergency room. Many nursing homes offer RFID microchips for their elderly patients. Many people have microchips in their pets. But yet NONE of these people are submitting to Islam, Nazism or Communism which is directly related to the mark of the beast.

Notice the mark of God:

Exodus 13:9 says, "And it (the moral laws of God) shall be for a sign unto thee upon thine hand, and for a memorial between thine eyes, that the LORD'S law may be in thy mouth: for with a strong hand hath the LORD brought thee out of Egypt."

Exodus 13:16 says, "And it shall be for a token upon thine hand, and for frontlets between thine eyes: for by strength of hand the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt."
Deuteronomy 6:8 says, "And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes."

Deuteronomy 11:18 says, "Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul, and bind them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes."

We see from the verses above that the Mark of God is the spiritual Law of God, the Ten Commandments, including THOU SHALT NOT KILL and THOU SHALT HAVE NO OTHER gods BEFORE ME!

The Mark of the Beast is the law of wicked deception (Isaiah 44:20): Sharia Law including, "Thou should kill Christians and Jews and you should serve Allah", the moon god (demon)!

When it comes to the conditions that exist in many Islamic nations for Christians, Dr. Labib Mikhail, a former professor of homiletics from the Faith Mission Bible College in Cairo, Egypt, states that one reason why people are forced to embrace Islam is because of the poverty they will assuredly find themselves in if they do not. If you don’t embrace Islam you may not find a job; you may not find an apartment, and you’ll be in financial trouble. In many Islamic countries everyone has an ID card. The ID card must specify what religion you are, for instance “M” for Muslim or “C” for Christian or “J” for Jew. If anyone gets microchipped for this reason, it would be a sin but the “mark” itself is STILL spiritual!

In Egypt, Christian converts and members of minority religions suffer daily discrimination in Egypt, which restricts their access to work, education, travel and healthcare. Every Egyptian over 16 years old must have an ID card which mentions religious belief. In fact, an ID card is required for the most basic needs in Egypt -- to open a bank account, get a driver’s license, obtain a pension check, enroll at school, get a job, and even for childhood immunizations. Some Muslims will convert to another faith other than Christianity, but Muslims who convert to Christianity account for many more and their treatment is often harsher as they are considered to be apostates, which some Muslims see as punishable by death!
Another example is in Iraq where, according to NIFCON (Network for Inter Faith Concerns), minorities have also faced crises due to their religious identity and were increasingly becoming the targets of unprecedented terror. Canon Andrew White, vicar of St. George’s Anglican Church in Baghdad and head of the Foundation for Reconciliation and Reconstruction in the Middle East, testified as a witness at a hearing that Christians, in particular, are being disproportionately targeted and many Christians are being threatened either to convert to Islam or face execution.

When we begin to understand the dire social and economic situations that Christians are increasingly facing in Islamic nations we begin to understand that those who will not be able to buy or sell, or are targeted for execution, are those Christians who remain in these Islamic nations during the rise of the Beast and refuse to submit to Islam, both in mind (forehead) and in deed (right hand). Even today a Christian in a Muslim country is often treated as a second-class citizen or worse, unable to serve in the military or police, many cannot work or own a business, or even find a place to live. They cannot own a weapon to defend themselves, nor can they testify against a Muslim in court.

**The Halal Mark!**

The Halal Mark is part of Sharia Law and Islam. It is a mark/stamp/seal on products. Currently, the mark is on many products in Europe and the Middle East, Detroit and other heavily Muslim populated areas. Their goal is to get this mark on all or most products worldwide ASAP.

The word *halal* is related in Hebrew to the word *heylel*. The word is translated “Lucifer” in the Latin Vulgate and King James Version. It refers to the King of Babylon who historically was Nebuchadnezzar. Prophetically, it is the Roman beast (the Pope) which will align himself with ten Muslim kings (Psalm 83). Revelation 17 reveals this system as a scarlet colored beast with ten horns.

**The Shriners Are Linked to Islam and Communism!**
The Shriners are the highest echelon of Masons/freemasonry. There are 32 levels of Masons, then you reach the Shrine, hence the name Shriners. They are a branch of Islam.

The Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, abbreviated A.A.O.N.M.S., commonly known as "the Shriners" is a Islamic organization founded in Mecca, Saudi Arabia in 644 A.D. by the family of Muhammad. It is an organization of Freemasonry. Freemasonry originates from ancient Assyria. Members of the Shriners are called "Mohammedans". A "Shrine" is a tomb of a Muslim that is worshipped by other Muslims; perhaps because he was a martyr for the Islamic cause. The Alawi sect of Bashar Assad does not believe in mosques. Therefore they lift up the shrines as being the most holy buildings of Islam. A Shriner is therefore a person who honors the holy buildings of Assad's Alawi sect of Islam. The organization is best-known for the Shriners Hospitals for Children they administer and the red fezzes that members wear. There are at least 350,000 members from 191 Islamic temples (charters) in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Republic of Panama and Europe. To join the Shiners or any other organization of Freemasonry, you must swear allegiance to Allah (the Islamic moon god) and you must do so on the Koran which says that Christians and Jews must be killed. The Shiners symbols on their cars/trucks include the Islamic sword in the shape of a crescent moon with a star which are very clearly Islamic symbols. Another symbol on their vehicles is the "Eastern Star" which is the symbol of the demonic goat god called by different names such as Pan, Yah, Baphomet, Allah and Mendez. You can very clearly see that it's the same symbol of a two horned star worn by admitted devil worshipers.

The Shriners and other Freemasons believe in ALL religions as a path to Allah. So although they may at first embrace anyone of any religion, they will always ultimately point that person to Allah and to Islam. They place a great deal of importance on secret knowledge which they refuse to share with the little people of the world. They believe that only "the better", more intelligent, people have a right to the truth. There are a lot of Baptist preachers who are Freemasons and Shriners. Many members do not reveal that they are secretly Freemasons. They swear allegiance to help all other Freemasons over and above non-members even if it's not the right thing to do. For example, a judge in a courtroom is required to give the favor in the verdict to the fellow Freemason even if that Freemason has committed a
crime. The only exception is in a murder trial, but many Freemasons would give that special favor even in that case.

Candidates for induction into the Shriners are greeted by a High Priest, who says:

“By the existence of Allah and the creed of Mohammed; by the legendary sanctity of our Tabernacle at Mecca, we greet you.”

The inductees then swear on the Bible and the Koran, in the name of Mohammed, and invoke Masonry’s usual gruesome penalties upon themselves:

“I do hereby, upon this Bible, and on the mysterious legend of the Koran, and its dedication to the Mohammedan faith, promise and swear and vow . . . that I will never reveal any secret part or portion whatsoever of the ceremonies . . . and now upon this sacred book, by the sincerity of a Moslem’s oath I here register this irrevocable vow . . . in willful violation whereof may I incur the fearful penalty of having my eyeballs pierced to the center with a three-edged blade, my feet flayed and I be forced to walk the hot sands upon the sterile shores of the Red Sea until the flaming sun shall strike me with livid plague, and may Allah, the god of Arab, Moslem and Mohammedan, the god of our fathers, support me to the entire fulfillment of the same. Amen. Amen. Amen.”

As you can see, even so-called God fearing Protestants have sold their souls to demons! This is why it will be easy to infiltrate the modern Israeliite nations of Europe and America! Islam has already taken root! That is why the second beast of Revelation 13:11 is seen “coming up out of the earth.” The Greek for “coming up” literally means “springing forth” or “growing up” like a plant. Muhammed was the seed. Islam is the plant. The plant has many leaves and Freemasonry is one of them!

God gave us all some good advice about false religions and cults. He said, "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues" (Revelation 18:4). One should heed that warning!