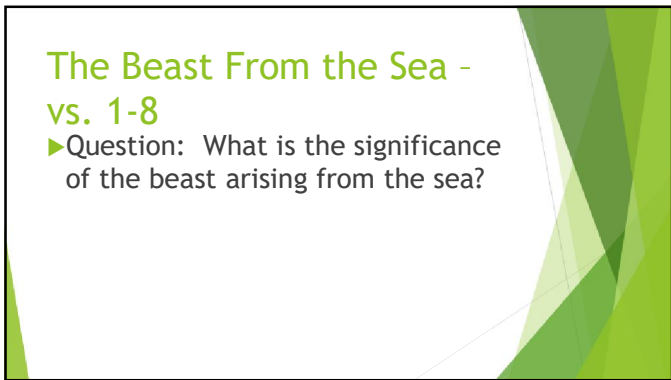
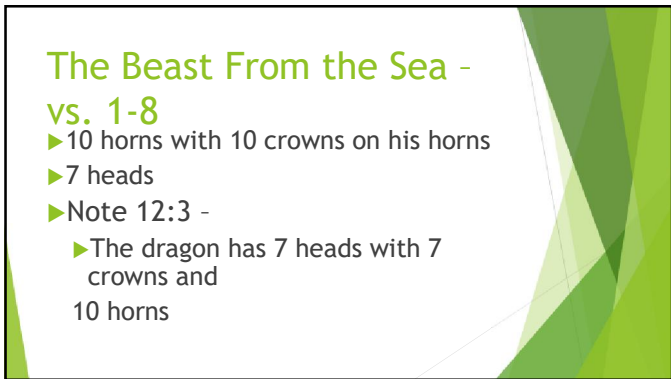


The counterfeit
Trinity
▶ Revelation 13
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The Beast From the Sea -
vs. 1-8
▶ Question: What is the significance
of the beast arising from the sea?



The Beast From the Sea -
vs. 1-8
▶ 10 horns with 10 crowns on his horns
▶ 7 heads
▶ Note 12:3 -
▶ The dragon has 7 heads with 7
crowns and
10 horns

The Beast From the Sea -

vs. 1-8

- ▶Horns denote military power
- ▶Heads denote headship or kingship
- ▶The two beast and the dragon are clearly related but have different roles. The dragon is the head and the beast is the military leader

The Beast From the Sea -

vs. 1-8

- ▶The body of the beast from the sea:
 - ▶Leopard, feet of a bear, mouth like a lion
- ▶Note Dan 7:1-7
- ▶The beast of Revelation seems to be a culmination of the 4 beasts of Daniel - a culmination of all the evil empires.

The Beast From the Sea -

vs. 1-8

- ▶The beast from the sea is the antichrist
- ▶See also 17:12-14; Dan 7:23-25
- ▶The dragon gives the antichrist his authority

Antichrist, the Counterfeiter

- ▶ One of the heads seems to have been healed
- ▶ This is a clear counterfeit of the Lamb who was slain
- ▶ Is Rev 13:14 an allusion to Gen 3:15?

Antichrist, the Counterfeiter

- ▶ Jesus has 7 horns - 5:6
- ▶ The lamb had been slain
- ▶ The phrase, "Who is like him?"
- ▶ God gives authority and power to Jesus

The Activity of the Antichrist

- ▶ Exercises authority for 42 months - 3 ½ years
- ▶ Blasphemes and slanders God, heaven, and the saints in heaven
- ▶ Makes war against the saints

The Activity of the Antichrist

- ▶ Given authority over the nations - see Mt 28:18,19
- ▶ All the earth will worship the beast, except for Christians

The Warning - vs 9-10

- ▶ See Jeremiah 15:2
 - ▶ A punishment for being unfaithful
- ▶ In Revelation it is a consequence of being faithful

The Beast From the Earth- 11-18

- ▶ The false prophet who leads people to worship the antichrist
- ▶ The symbol of the religious ruler/force
- ▶ The 3rd person of the unholy trinity

The Beast From the Earth- 11-18

- ▶ Two horns like a lamb
 - ▶ Another attempt to counterfeit Jesus
- ▶ Performs miracles like Elijah
 - ▶ Counterfeiting the deeds of the prophets of God
- ▶ Deceives the nations

The Beast From the Earth- 11-18

- ▶ He is given power to give breath to the image of the antichrist
 - ▶ Animating idols through ventriloquism and magic

The Beast From the Earth- 11-18

- ▶ The Mark of the beast - 666
 - ▶ It was common to give numbers to refer to people
 - ▶ Nero
- ▶ John seems to be forecasting the coming of the antichrist as a man in the form and evil of Nero

Conclusion/Summary

- ▶ Satan will be allowed to set up his unholy trinity with the antichrist and his religious leaders and system
- ▶ He will rule the world
- ▶ There will be an eradication of anyone Christian and anything that points to God
