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The woman represents ______.

The *child* represents ______.

The dragon represents ______.

The Beast from Sea represents the ______.

The Beast from the Earth represents the _____ prophet.

n Revelation 16:13; 19:20; and 20:10, the 'beast from the earth' is called 'the false prophet.' The dragon (or Satan) is the counterfeit father ('I will be like the Most High'), 'the beast' from the sea is the counterfeit Christ—the antichrist, and the false prophet is the counterfeit Holy Spirit. <u>This completes the satanic</u> <u>trinity</u>. – Dr. Warren Wiersbe

Revelation 16:13, NLT - ¹³ And I saw <u>three evil spirits</u> that looked like frogs leap from the mouths of the <u>dragon</u>, <u>the beast</u>, and the <u>false prophet</u>.

A Portrait of the False Prophet

"The third member of the satanic trinity.

1. The Mission of the Beast.

Revelation 13:11–12, NIV84 - ¹¹ Then I saw <u>another</u> [and different] beast, coming out of [it., from the, probably a reference to the land called Israel], the earth. He had two horns like a <u>lamb</u> [i.e., he will be gentle], but he spoke like a <u>dragon</u> [i.e., he will be deceptive]. ¹² He exercised all the authority of the first beast on his [the antichrist's] behalf, and <u>made the</u> <u>earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast</u> [the antichrist], whose fatal wound had [seemingly, cf., 13:3] been healed.

• His mission is the make all people worship the antichrist. (v. 12)

2. The Miracles of the Beast.

Revelation 13:13–15, NIV84 - ¹³ <u>And he performed great and</u> <u>miraculous signs</u>, even causing fire to come down from heaven to earth in full view of men. ¹⁴ Because of the signs he was given power to do on behalf of the first beast, he deceived the inhabitants of the earth. He ordered them to set up an image <u>in</u> <u>honor of the beast</u> [i.e., this statue bears the image of the antichrist] Who Was [seemingly] wounded by the sword and yet lived. ¹⁵ He was given power to give breath [$\pi v \varepsilon \hat{v} \mu \alpha$, pneu-ma, lit., "breath"—the same word used to describe the Holy Spirit of God] to the image of the first beast, so that it could speak and cause all who refused to worship the image to be killed.

- He called down fire from heaven so all could see. (v. 13ff)
- He gave life to a statue. (v. 14)

3. The Mark of the Beast.

Revelation 13:16–18, NIV84 - ¹⁶ <u>He also forced everyone</u>, small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, <u>to receive a mark</u> on his right hand or on his forehead, ¹⁷ so that no one could buy or sell unless he had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of his name. ¹⁸ This calls for wisdom. If anyone has insight, let him calculate the number of the beast, for it is man's number. <u>His</u> [the antichrist] <u>number is 666</u>.

- Where is it applied? Either the right hand or forehead. (v. 16)
- Why was it applied? No one is able to buy or sell without it. (v. 17)
- What was that number? 666 (v. 18)



Answers to "The Beast of the Earth" Sermon Based on Revelation 13:11-18 Dr. Joe K. Taylor, Senior Pastor, South Reno Baptist Church, Reno, NV • October 21, 2012

The woman represents <u>ISRAEL</u>.

The dragon represents <u>SATAN</u>.

The Beast from Sea represents <u>THE ANTICHRIST</u>.

The *Beast from the Earth* represents the <u>FALSE</u> prophet.