

538 A.D. in prophecy.

The understanding of this starting point for the 1260-year prophecy tells us much about the mark of the beast found in Revelation 13 when there will be no buying or selling in the near future.

1260-year prophecy is given 7 times and points to God's church in the wilderness.

God's church are His commandment keeping people. It also points to a time when the Bible remained in obscurity because of persecution and it gives us the beast that causes the persecution.

7 times denotes its importance therefore it is important to establish the starting time.

Here are two of the 7 references: Revelation 13:5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue **forty [and] two months**.

11:3 And I will give [power] unto my two witnesses (Old & New testaments), and they shall prophesy **a thousand two hundred [and] threescore days**, clothed in sackcloth.

**BUT ONLY ONE IS IDENTIFIED 7 TIMES BY 1260 DAY TIME AND
ONCE BY THE ONE HOUR MENTIONED IN REVELATION 11**

Identifying time Rev 13:5



1260 days/years

538 AD

1798 AD

The date is held in place by two pins

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John 10:33 For a good work we stone thee not: but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God.

7 times marks its importance- use a day for 1 year

- This 1260 day time period is referred to 7 times in the Bible's prophecies
- Scriptures: Daniel 7:25, Daniel 12:7, Revelation 11:2, Revelation 11:3, Revelation 12:6, Revelation 12:14, Revelation 13:5

- 42 months
- 1260 days
- Time, times and half a time- that is 3 ½ years

• 538 AD ← _____ → 1798



How did the 1260-year period start?

Rome had been ruled by Arian powers and Germanic tribes overthrowing the Roman Empire in the West along with its civil leadership as prophesied by the trumpets of Revelation. The Arian kings afforded freedoms which a church and state policy would never afford, preventing the embellishment of the Catholic faith and lowering the status of the Bishop of Rome.

Rome, the capital, had been sacked by the Ostrogoths in A.D. 476. The empire's economy was in ruins, from North Africa, to Rome and Western Europe. The Western empire appeared to be dead as it was commanded by foreigners.

So Emperor Justinian's vision from the East was to restore the Roman Empire for at this time Rome had no Emperor.- "One empire, one church, one law," following in the steps of Constantine the Great.

'For Justinian church and state were indissolubly linked as essential aspects of a single Christian empire.' Justinian followed the trinitarian doctrine as stated at Constantine's council of Nicaea. (There was heavy debate on the nature of Christ and His divinity.)

It was in 533 A. D. that Justinian addressed the Pope John II as being "the head of all the churches."—Code of Justinian, lib. I, title I. "we have been sedulous

(*sed·jool.us*) to subject and unite all the priests of the Orient throughout its whole extent to the see of Your Holiness... For, as we have said before, we are zealous for the increase of the honor and authority of your see in all respects."

" The same year, the emperor repeats and adds "Head of all bishops, and the true and effective corrector of heretics," possessing authority to speak for the church universal.

Daniel 8:24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practice, and shall destroy the mighty

and the holy people. The bishop of Rome would be a corrector of heretics through the power of the state.

Justinian had stated “those who are not orthodox in their worship of God, earthly goods should also be withheld. Right belief was made a condition for admission to the service of the state.” The little horn was given power by Justinian to be the ‘corrector of heretics’ and pass judgment on men and women according to their creed and would hand those who were heretics over to the state to be dealt with. Does this sound familiar to the future prophecy of Revelation 13? That no man should buy and sell except he has the mark of the beast.

The death penalty was given for those who had converted to the true creed but had relapsed. Here Justinian blazed a trail for the inquisition. Paganism or occult practices were similarly dealt with.

In 533 A.D. Pope John II came to the Papacy, “At this period simony in the election of popes and bishops was rife among clergy and laity. After the death of the predecessor of John II there was a vacancy of over two months, and during that period shameless trafficking in sacred things was indulged in. Even sacred vessels were exposed for sale.”

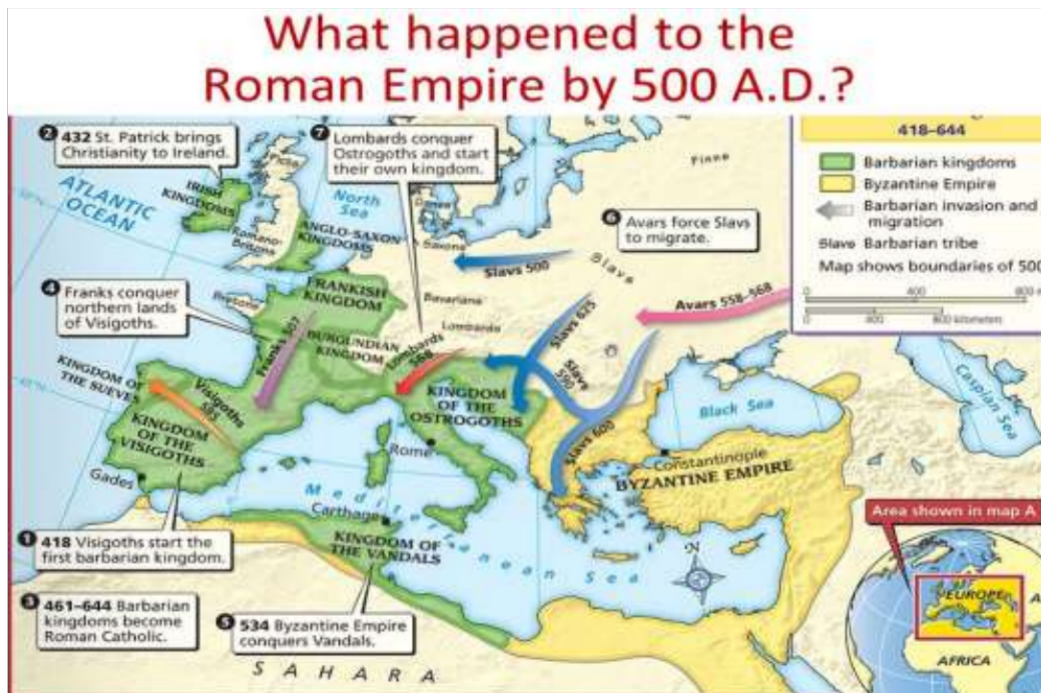
In other words, often the position was bought and was corrupt.

Pope John II appointment was brief as was those that followed. Pope Agapetus I was poisoned by emperor’s wife Theodora in Constantinople. Justinian’s general in Rome, Belisarius was commanded by the emperor’s wife Theodora to depose Pope Silverius for suspected sympathy with the Ostrogoths and Arian teachings. Justinian would set the Bishop of Rome in a permanent protectory from henceforth.

For 60 years, Rome had not been in Roman hands until Belisarius, Justinian’s general entered the city. The first siege of Rome ended in 538 A.D. but others were to follow but this marked the downfall of the Ostrogoths that was to follow. If the Gothic kings continued in history the Papacy would have ceased to exist. Here marked the rise of the Papacy while the Roman Empire would fade this new and very different religious

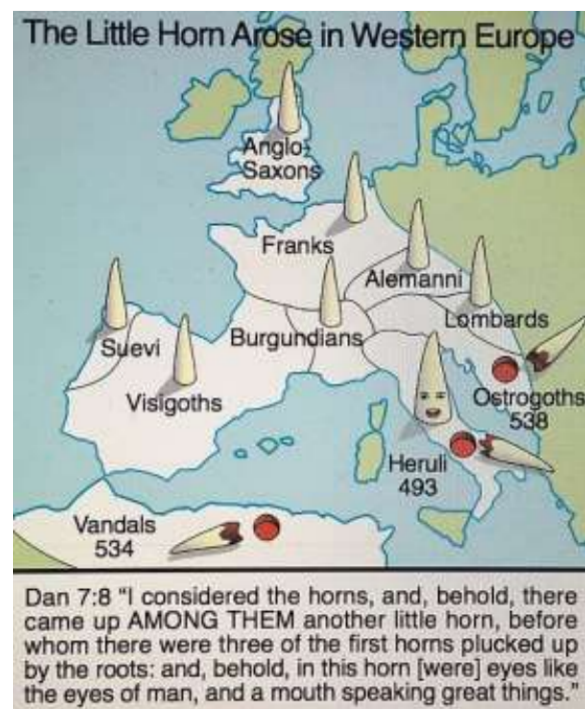
political power would rise in its name. The Pope became not just a religious power but a "religio-political" power in 538 A.D., yet it was its infancy.

I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots (Daniel 7:8). He shall subdue three kings- three horns were plucked up by the roots



The Heruli, Vandals, and Ostrogoths were eliminated by the year 538 A.D. Three

kingdoms were removed making way for the little horn the detail of which I go into elsewhere. The Heruli, the Vandals and the Ostrogoths. "Take three from ten, and seven are left. And these seven of the original ten kingdoms that divided Western Rome are in that territory to-day, and are the Powers of Western Europe to-day. The Saxons, the Franks, the Alemanni, the Burgundians, the Visigoths, the Suevi, and the Lombards are the powers respectively of Britain, France,



Germany (in the French language, and with the French people of to-day, the Germans are only Allemands, and Germany is only Allemagne), Switzerland, Spain, Portugal, and Italy of to-day.” {August 28, 1900 ATJ, ARSH 552.16} The above image of the horns from <https://www.returnofelias.org/post/daniel-chapter-7-the-little-horn>. Good simple representation of the development of Western Europe up till the time of the ending of the first siege of Rome.



500 A.D. Rome at this time is not under an emperor, its territory under Arian power

Note the little horn comes out of Rome. So, the empire reforms and shapes itself, allowing the growth of a new power. The Roman city is taken into Byzantium Empire but now unfolds as something unique.

In 538 A.D. the Pope was granted an army by Justinian. 538 A.D is the turning point following the removal of a Pope Silverius with Arian persuasion to Vigilius, a vassal of the emperor and one upholding the trinitarian doctrine. Known as the first pope of the Byzantine papacy.

The History of Christianity by Dr Phillip Schaff says (highly regarded historian of church history) “Pope Silverius (a son of Hormisdas, 536–538), was deposed on the charge of treasonable correspondence with the Goths, and banished to the island of Pandataria, whither the worst heathen emperors used to send the victims of their

tyranny, and where in 540 he died—whether a natural or a violent death, we do not know.

Vigilius, a pliant creature of Theodora, ascended the papal chair under the military protection of Belisarius (538–554).”

This marks the beginning of the 1260-year duration of papal persecution and the church in the wilderness.

Summary

Vigilius is recognised as the **first pope** of the Byzantine papacy. At its inception the Papacy’s teaching **follows the doctrine of Constantine’s council of Nicaea**. This meant the **removal of Popes of any Arian persuasion and the removal of the Arian kingdom, so that it no longer had control over Rome**.

The Papacy is established in 538 A.D. by Roman law, affirming it as **‘head of all churches and corrector of heretics.’** It became a persecuting religiopolitical power by **state recognition**-a deeply political organization. **Justinian’s ecclesiastical laws could not become reality until a victory was achieved by Justinian in Rome.**

Constantine made ‘Christianity’ the religion of the empire but this did not last. **Justinian made the Catholic faith the custodians of doctrine and the ‘corrector of heretics,’ and it endured for 1260 years.**

The power of the Papacy received a deadly wound when **Pope Pius VI** was imprisoned, abolishing Papal temporal power in 1798. This affirms the 1260-year prophecy which began in 538A.D. Law 8 of Napoleon enacted brings the final blow to the papacy. The laws of emperors start and ends the rule of the Papacy and both times the wishes of the emperor are enacted by their generals.

7 times this same prophetic time period is mentioned but points us to the 8th time in which the Papacy will have universal domination with the powers of Europe.

Daniel 7:25 says And he shall speak [great] words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

The Papacy placed themselves above the law of God Exodus 20:8-11 and that which God instituted as Holy and the

*means of salvation. The institution of the 'Christian' sabbath as Sunday was carried forward by the Papacy but did not just stop there. Everything that pertains to God's law and the gospel was changed. Says Pope Silverius, "If every Sunday is to be observed joyfully by the Christians on account of the resurrection, **then every Sabbath on account of the burial is to be execration** [loathing or cursing] of the Jews."--quoted by S. R. E. Humbert, *Adversus Graecorum calumnias* 6, in *Patrologie Cursus Completus, Series Latina*, ed. J.P. Migne, 1844, p. 143. And the Papacy would be a persecuting power for time, times and half a times or 3 1/2 years or in other words 1260 years (day for a year)*

Over time the position of the pope became more arrogant. "It is a remarkable fact, that **the popes to this day wear a triple crown, — a fact that exists in regard to no other monarchs. . .** . The papacy [is] **well represented by the little horn.**' . . . In fact, **this one power absorbed into itself three of these sovereignties.**" — Barnes's Notes on Daniel, p. 307

Symbolic of "teacher, lawmaker and judge" and above all other monarchs on earth.



Figure 1 Clever illustration of events from 538 AD

As we study the rise of the Papacy, we can better understand what the future mark of the beast could mean which is shaping itself around climate change; that the idea of confiscating property or not allowing dissenters to earn an income or trade and the death penalty are all the weapons that the Papacy began with, which will shape the future for the Bible says in Revelation 13:3 the deadly wound was healed.

The devil is a clever operator so when Revelation says the deadly wound was healed, that power is operating and influencing behind the scenes and the front actor is those who have connected to her through ecumenism. US Protestant churches shall be foremost in the persecution that will follow shortly, creating an image to the beast.

‘When our nation shall so abjure the principles of its government as to enact a Sunday law, Protestantism will in this act join hands with popery’.--5T 712 (**Published 1889**). {LDE 128.2}

Revelation 13:15 And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

‘The persecutions of Protestants by Romanism, by which the religion of Jesus Christ was almost annihilated, will be more than rivaled when Protestantism and popery are combined’.--3SM 387 (**Published 1889**). {LDE 147.2}

To appearances just like Constantine stopped the persecution of Christianity but corrupted it, so Christian values legislated as Trump’s administration started to do appeared liberating but set a dangerous precedent that down the same road is prophesied to lead to persecution. At this time the government can and will cut off the financial services of detractors by placing pressure on private companies to cut finances and it is just a matter of time till American evangelicals will take the helm back to enjoin church and state. Donald Trump was presenting religious liberty, a Vatican II model at the United Nations, which is to enhance the joining of church and state whereas America was founded on separation of church and state. The only

course to follow is to get back to the fundamentals of the American constitution with separation of church and state in its purist sense and eradicate CIA (that is Catholic intelligence) powers which remain unchecked, reign in the military industrial complex, break the media monopoly and allow family values and religion back into the class room. At this point the cards are stacked for the fulfillment of Revelation Chapter 13.

It may well be a small group and I expect such that will be considered dissenters. Not many who believed that the vaccines were dangerous stood their ground when it came to their job. The group who takes a stand in what should be God's remnant church maybe few indeed, though they see and understand the issues at stake.