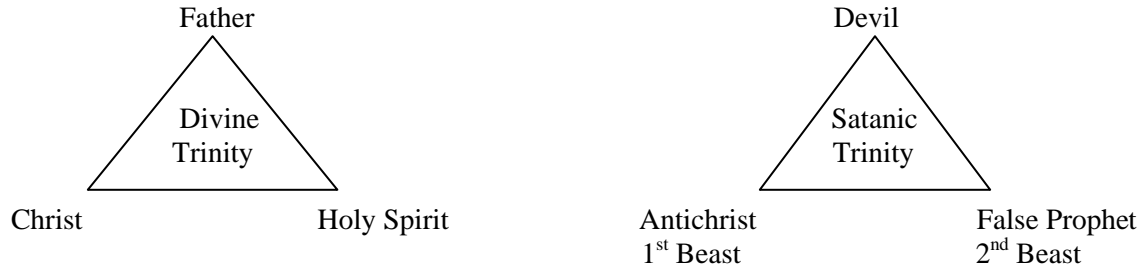


Key Definition of the Term “Antichrist”

1. One who is against Christ.
2. One who is in the stead of (in place of) Christ.



While the Tribulation period from a divine viewpoint will be a period of judgment on the earth, it will also be a period in which the prince of the kingdom of darkness will be permitted to manifest his kingdom in that realm over which Christ will ultimately triumph and reign. Satan intends to present the world with his masterpiece of deception. He will offer the world a substitute for Jesus Christ who, by Satan’s power, will appear to give the world everything it wants, but that which only Jesus Christ will give when He assumes His rightful role as King.

The instrument whom Satan will empower and through whom he will work to establish his kingdom here on earth is described in Revelation 13:1-10. This one referred to as “the beast,” we popularly call the Antichrist, will seek to imitate the reign of Christ and provide those in his kingdom with the benefits only Christ can truly provide. By Satan’s power (v. 2, cf. 11:7), Antichrist will be given political power over all the earth (v. 7). By establishing a one-world government, he will imitate the worldwide authority that will belong to Jesus Christ in His kingdom. Further, he will introduce a one-world religion which will be an imitation of authority which Jesus Christ will exercise as King-Priest when He reigns. In addition, he will introduce a one-world economy (cf. 13:16-17).

ANTICHRIST: THE COUNTERFEIT CHRIST Revelation 13:1-18

World Empires of the Bible in the History of Israel: The Seven Kings of Revelation 17:10

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	CHRIST’S MILLENNIAL KINGDOM FINAL WORLD EMPIRE
EGYPT Gen. 46 – Deut. 34 Jacob and Family in Egypt until Exodus	ASSYRIA 722 BC – 605 BC Ten Tribes of Israel in Captivity	BABYLON 605 BC – 539 BC Two Tribes in Captivity	MEDO- PERSIA 539 BC – 331 BC Captives of Israel Return 536 BC	GREECE 331 BC – 63 BC Israel under Control of Syria	ROME 63 BC – AD 70 Israel under Rome Jerusalem Destroyed AD 70 Decline of Rome	Rome to be revived after the Rapture	