The Death of the Roman Catholic Church

The topic for this program is the death of the Roman Catholic Church. In these End Times, there will be three major restraints on the Antichrist. The first, is the most powerful nation in the world, the United States, and he will destroy the United States in World War 3. The second restraint on the Antichrist is the Roman Catholic Church, the largest Christian denomination, with over a billion members. The Antichrist will also succeed in destroying the Catholic Church.

The third restraint will be the two prophets which God sends down from heaven, Enoch and Elijah. The Antichrist also succeeds in clearing away this roadblock to his public appearance as the world's foremost dictator. On this program, I will concentrate on the end of the Roman Catholic Church. The Roman Catholic Church prophesies this end in its own prophecy, even though you won't hear the Pope or Catholic bishops talk about it. Let's take a look at the official Catechism of the Catholic Church itself.

Let's see what the Catechism says in paragraphs 675 and 677. 'Before Christ's second coming, the church must pass through a final trial which will shake the faith of many believers. The church will enter the glory of the kingdom only through this final Passover, when she will follow her Lord in his death and Resurrection.'

Thus the Church itself is saying here, that the Roman Catholic Church will die, just as Jesus died. Saint John also describes the destruction of the Roman Catholic Church, in chapter 11 of his book of Revelation. 'And there was given me a reed like a rod, and the angel said, Arise and measure the temple of God and the altar and them that worship therein. But the court which is without the temple cast out, and measure it not, for it is given to the Gentiles, and the holy city they shall trod under foot forty-two months.(11:1-2)

Now every Christian bible scholar, both Catholic and Protestant, have always assumed that this holy city is Jerusalem, and the temple of God and the altar refer to a Jewish temple. This is not true. The temple is the Roman Catholic Church and the holy city is the city of Rome. Let's see how Saint John verifies this amazing prophecy.

Of course I admit, the holy city should be Jerusalem, because it's holy. But let's see what Saint John writes in verse number 8. 'And their bodies', and he is talking about the two prophets, Enoch and Elijah,

'shall lie in the streets of the great city.' (11:8) Well 'the great city', of course, would be Rome, because Rome was the greatest city during Saint John's time; 'which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt.' Now that certainly could be Rome, because Rome was a Sodom; 'where also their Lord was crucified.' Oops! This great city can't be Rome. The 'great city' must be Jerusalem.

So now we have a problem. If the 'great city' here is Jerusalem, then what is the 'holy city' back in verse number 2? This is a case of reverse identification. In other words, it's like saying, if the grass is blue, then the sky must be green or if a lemon as sweet, than an apple must be sour. In other words, if this great city is Jerusalem, which Saint John makes clear that it is, then the holy city must be Rome!

Is there any verification in Revelation itself, where Saint John verifies that Rome will be given to the Gentiles? Let's look at chapter 17; 'And the ten horns shall hate the harlot and shall burn her with fire. Now these ten horns represent the revived Roman Empire, and Saint John continues. 'For God has given to their hearts that which pleases him, that they shall give their kingdom to the beast.' The kingdom of the Roman Empire is Rome. The beast is the Gentiles that Saint John was writing about. The forty two months is the first half of the Great Tribulation. That is when the Roman Catholic Church will be trodden under by the Gentiles.

But what about when Jesus said, 'the gates of hell will not prevail against my church'. Let's see what happens to the faithful Catholics, who represent the true faith. In chapter 12, verse 1, Saint John writes. 'And a great sign appeared in heaven, a woman clothed with the sun and the moon under her feet and on her head a crown of twelve stars.' Now, this woman is the remnant Catholic Church, and also Mary. Don't listen, by the way, to the false prophets, who say that this woman represents Israel. Later on, Saint John makes it clear, that the seed of this woman, that is her spiritual children, have the testimony of Jesus Christ. No way does Israel have the testimony of Jesus Christ. I challenge the false prophets to go to Israel itself. Ask the Israelis. Do they consider Israel, the woman clothed with the sun? I don't think so.

Now let's continue with verse 6.' And the woman fled into the wilderness where she had a place prepared by God that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and sixty days.' Now this 1,260 days is the same time frame we mentioned earlier, that the holy city would be trod underfoot by the Gentiles. This is the first half of the

Great Tribulation. It's interesting to note, that in this passage, the woman flees into the wilderness.

In the next passage we read, she flies to her place in the desert. There is a difference between fleeing and flying. You flee from something, and you fly to something. 'And there were given to the woman, two wings of a great eagle that she might fly to her place in the desert, where she is nourished for a time, times and half a time.' In the earlier passage, the woman, that is the remnant Catholic Church, flees from the Catholic Church, which is taken over by the False Prophet. In the second half of the Great Tribulation, the woman, that is the remnant Catholics, fly away from the Antichrist, and to the desert.

Now, let's take another look at this holy city in chapter 11 of Revelation, where Saint John describes a holy city, which is Rome. 'And the angel said: arise and measure the temple of God and the altar and them that worship therein.' In other words, the angel says to only count the remnant Catholics at the heart of the church. But the church outside, that is the exterior structure of the church, will be given to the Gentiles. 'But the court which is without the temple cast out.'

Now this 'court outside the temple' represents all the outwardly visible institutions of the Catholic Church: all of the hospitals, all of the colleges and universities, all the parochial schools, all the convents, seminaries, churches, cathedrals and every other structure you can think of. All those things will be given to the One World Government and the Antichrist.

I don't like to be the bearer of bad tidings for you Catholics, any more that I like to tell Americans that their country will be destroyed in World War 3. I am both an American and a Catholic myself, but I know that God is giving me these prophecies, not to scare us, but to prepare us.