

SESSION 29

REVELATION

3:1-6

(DOCTRINAL APPLICATION, PART 3)

THE LAST SESSION IN 10 TWEETS

1. In the OT, regardless of how APOSTATE the Nation of Israel may have been, God had His few who would not bow their knee to Baal. #Wordstrong
2. In the Church Age, regardless of how DARK it became, God had His "few" who would not defile their garments. #Wordstrong
3. Jesus said there were a "few names" even in the Sardis period (1000-1500) who had not defiled their garments. #Wordstrong
4. These few stood FOR the truth of the Word of God and AGAINST the Roman Catholic Church long before the Reformation. #Wordstrong
5. There were at least 5 major points of theology these "few" (Anabaptist groups) had in common...#Wordstrong
6. They all professed to believe that the Bible alone was the final authority in every matter. #Wordstrong
7. They all believed that baptism was only for believers and was only to be done by immersion. #Wordstrong
8. They all believed in the separation of church and state. #Wordstrong
9. None of them would ever pray to any dead person ("Saints"); nor would they pray for any dead person (relative in "purgatory"). #Wordstrong
10. They all rejected the Roman Catholic mass. #Wordstrong

THE CRUSADES

◆ THE KEYS TO UNDERSTANDING THE CRUSADES FROM GOD’S PERSPECTIVE

(The Origin of Satan, Formerly Known as “Lucifer.”)

1) Lucifer was a very SPECIAL CREATION.

- He was given the HIGHEST _____.
- * He “sealed up the _____.” (Ezekiel 28:12)
- * He was “full of _____.” (Ezekiel 28:12)
- * He was “perfect in _____.” (Ezekiel 28:12)

- He was given the HIGHEST _____.
- * He was the “_____ cherub.” (Ezekiel 28:14)

- He was given the HIGHEST _____.
- * He was the “_____ -bearer,” created of beautiful _____ to shine forth the _____ of God. (Ezek. 28:13)

- He was given the HIGHEST _____.
- * He was the “_____ leader,” created of _____ instruments of praise to apparently be used to lead the angelic hosts to praise God. (Ezek. 28:13c)

- *Note where Lucifer was while he carried out this ministry as the “anointed cherub”... in _____! (Ezek. 28:13a)*

2) Lucifer was given a very SPECIAL COMMISSION.

- To _____ the _____ of God throughout the universe, and to lead beings called “the _____ of _____” to glorify, love and worship God. (Ezek. 28:12–15a; Job 38:4, 7)

3) Lucifer enacted a very SPECIFIC COUNTER

- HIS AGENDA

- * To _____ himself!
“Thine _____ was lifted up because of thy _____.” (Ezek. 28:17)

- HIS ATTACK

- * I WILL ascend into _____... (Isa. 14:13b)
- * I WILL exalt my _____ above the stars of God...(Isa.14:13c)
- * I WILL sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the _____. (Isa. 14:13d)
- * I WILL ascend above the heights of the _____. (Isa. 14:14a)
- * I WILL be like the _____ _____. (Isa. 14:14b)

- HIS AFTERMATH

- * Lucifer lost his _____ as the “anointed cherub,” though he still possesses more _____ than any created being (c.f. Jude 1:9)
- * Lucifer lost his _____ on the earth, though he is still the “god of this _____.” (c.f. 2 Cor. 4:4)
- * Lucifer lost his _____, though he still transforms himself into an _____ of _____. (2 Cor. 11:14 c.f. Rev. 12:9)

◆ THE KEYS TO UNDERSTANDING THE CRUSADES FROM AN HISTORICAL/BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE

- The rise of _____ and the religion of _____.

- The Muslims, through their power in the Turkish Nations had taken control of _____.
- The devil has become firmly established in Europe, through what was called the _____ Empire.
- In the Sardis Period, he begins to turn his attention to the _____.

◆ THE ACTUAL BEGINNING OF THE CRUSADES

- The time is _____ A.D.
- The Pope on the throne is _____.
- Note the infatuation of the Roman Catholic Church with relics, images, holy things and places...

“To the [Catholics] of Europe, Jerusalem in the Holy Land was a sacred city. The tomb of Christ, the Mount of Olives, Golgotha, and all places associated with the life and death of Christ were believed to have divine powers of healing and of absolving penitents of sin. People from all parts of Europe made pilgrimages to Jerusalem and other holy places.” –*Compton’s Encyclopedia, Article: Crusades.*

- The report from the Catholics returning from the pilgrimages...
- The response of Pope Urban II...
- In November of _____, in Southern France, Pope Urban II calls the Council of _____.

* It brought:

_____ Archbishops, _____ Bishops, _____ Abbots, and _____ of tents were pitched outside the walls. ¹

¹Philip Schaff, *History of the Christian Church* (Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans’ Pub. Co., 1907) V., 227.

* After _____ days of deliberation, Urban walked out on an elevated platform to address the people. Schaff writes,

“The address was the most effective sermon ever preached by a pope or any other mortal. It stirred the deepest feelings of the hearers and was repeated throughout all Europe.” ²

² Ibid

* Key elements of the “sermon”...

- The Catholics are “the _____ of God.”
- The Muslims (Turks) are “the _____.”
- We (European Catholics) are the answer to the cry of our brothers and sisters in the _____.
- If we go, _____ Himself will lead the armies!
- Those who fight will receive an “_____.”
- The theme throughout the “sermon” was ... “_____!”
- An excerpt from the “sermon”,
“It is the _____ of _____. Let these words be your war-cry when you unsheathe the sword. You are the soldiers of the _____. Wear on your breasts or shoulders the _____.”

blood-red sign of the _____. Wear it as a token that His help will never fail you, as the pledge of a vow never to be recalled.”³
³ Schaff, V, 229.

- The response of the people:
 “Thousands at once took the _____ and sewed _____ on their garments or branded it upon their bare _____.”⁴
⁴ Ibid

- * Meanwhile, back in Jerusalem...
 The leader of the Turks in Jerusalem is saying, “It is the _____ of _____ that we stay in Jerusalem!”
- * The Crusades were actually “It is the will of _____” vs. “It is the will of _____.”
- * From a biblical perspective, however, the Crusades were a _____ move of Satan, dressed in the _____ clothes of the Roman Catholic Church, to get the Holy Land under _____ domination in order to put his _____ on the throne in Jerusalem.

◆ THE CRUSADES

- **The First Crusade** (_____ to _____)
 - * The first wave was led by “_____ the penniless”...
 - * The second wave was led by “_____ the Hermit”...
 - * The third wave was led by the _____.
 - * On July 15, _____, they finally conquered Jerusalem.
- **The Second Crusade** (_____ to _____)
 - * Led by two kings: Conrad III and _____ VII.
- **The Third Crusade** (_____ to _____)
 - * The most popular and glamorized Crusade...
 - * Led by King _____ the _____.
- **The Fourth Crusade** (_____ to _____)
 - * Though they did not capture Jerusalem on this trip, they were able to bring back:
 - The head of _____.
 - A _____ from Christ’s crown.
 - Mary’s _____.
 - The Lord’s _____ He used to gird Himself in John 13.
 - One of John the Baptist’s _____.
 - The _____ Thomas put into Christ’s side (John 20:27)
 - The head of _____.

- A _____ Christ shed.
- Some of Christ's actual _____ that was shed on the cross.
- **The Tragic Children's Crusade** (_____)
 - * Stephen, a _____ year old boy's vision and letter...

 - * The Result...

 - * The Explanation...
- **The Fifth Crusade** (_____ to _____)
- **The Sixth Crusade** (_____ to _____)
- **The Seventh Crusade** (_____ to _____)
- **The Eighth Crusade** (_____ to _____)

◆ SEEING WHAT'S REALLY HAPPENING IN THE SARDIS PERIOD