

Revelation 74 Always About The Son

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Revelation 12:5-6



Perspective: Contention between Woman and Dragon

- It is not about two signs: Woman and Dragon
 - It is **Always** about the Son (He 1)
 - Woman {Israel} vehicle to produce the Son, The Last Adam (1Co 15:44-49; He 2:14-18)
- Israel {*Struggle*} is not about people coming to salvation (Ge 32:22-28)
 - About people *struggling* to bring forth Messiah and Satan *struggling* to prevent them being the agency of his judgment (Ge 3:14-15; Mt 11:11-19)
- Old Testament Dispensation should be called Messiah and not Law (Ep 1:7-10)

Contradiction?

Rule with Rod of Iron

- Is Jesus' government about humility or is the Bible contradicting itself?
 - Isaiah says Messiah {Jesus} will be humble *until...* (Is 42:1-4)
 - He has established justice (Mt 12:15-21)
 - Revelation is the establishment of His Millennial Kingdom of Justice {Third Age}
- Then, He rules with a *rod of iron* (Ps 2:7-9)
 - Rod: Used as a standard of measure and shepherd's tool of correction (Ps 23)
 - Bible *Canon* {κανών, *kanōn*} means measuring rod {Pharaoh's flail or Rome's fasces};
What is this *rod of iron*?

Rod of Iron: Ten Words {Law}

- Father spoke Ten Words emphasizing their foundation of righteousness
 - People could not endure interacting directly with Father's holiness (Ex 20:1-21)
 - Intercessor Concept: First – Moses forerunner of Christ-Eternal Advocate (He 3:1-6)
- Ten Words are the Law: Canon or Measure of Father's Holiness (Ex 20:1-17)
 - Christ came to fulfill The Law, not abolish it (Mt 5:17-20)
 - Sinners do not gain righteousness keeping the Law; impossible for sinners (Ga 2:21)
 - Christ fulfilled the Law so Saved could enter *New Covenant {Struggle}*
(Ro 10:1-4; 2Co 5:17; Ga 4:3-7)

Rod of Iron: Instant Judgment on Sin

- Millennial Kingdom will follow Old Testament example
 - First infraction severely punished setting the example {Sticks on Sabbath} (Nu 15:32-36)
 - Subsequent infractions left to individual to *judge* their own behavior (Ro 3:10-18)
- Millennial Kingdom – Rod of Iron
 - Sin immediately punished; Christ's omniscience, judged by Ten Words (Is 65:18-20)
 - As Third Age progresses, sinners abound and rebel against Jesus' rule (Re 20:7-9)
- *Rod of Iron* continues in *New Heaven-Earth*; God's holiness immutable
(Ja 1:16-18)

Prophetic Language: Time Telescoping Perspective

- Christ demonstrated prophetic perspective when reading Isaiah (Is 61:1-2; Lk 4:16-21)
 - Stopped in mid-sentence as latter portion pertained to His Second Advent
- Christ *caught up*, ascended into Heaven (Ac 1:9-11)
 - He has yet to return
- Woman, *True Israel* protected 1,260 days (3^2) God's protection insured
 - Same with Two Witnesses' ministry {Three doubled}; Satan powerless (Mt 24:9-26; Re 11:3)
- Bible and History is always about the Son: About The Son's Theocracy