

Church not only claims to have changed the Bible Sabbath to Sunday, but she also claims Sunday to be a “mark” of her authority. See for yourself:

Of course the Catholic Church claims that the change [from God’s Saturday Sabbath to Sunday] was her act ... And the act is a MARK of her ecclesiastical authority in religious things. (C. F. Thomas, chancellor of Cardinal Gibbons, in a letter dated November 11, 1895)

Ask a priest. Check Roman Catholic catechisms. Rome boasts that Sunday is a *mark* of her authority. Amazingly, the book of Revelation predicts that Rome’s “mark” will someday be globally enforced by law. *Impossible!* you may be thinking. No, it isn’t. In his encyclical, Pope Francis has spoken. Let’s all keep Sunday together, he essentially recommends, for this will supposedly please God, strengthen families, cut carbon emissions, lessen global warming, and help heal Planet Earth.

Yet God Almighty thunders, “The seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord” (Exodus 20:10). Who is “the Lord”? Clarifying His own identity, Jesus said, “The Son of Man is *Lord even of the Sabbath*” (Matthew 12:8, emphasis added). Thus, the seventh-day Sab-

bath is Jesus Christ’s own special day revealing that He is the Creator of all life. In the book of Revelation, the red hot issue is: will we worship the Creator or the beast? (See Revelation 14:7, 9.) Immediately after urgently warning humanity against worshipping “the beast,” and receiving its deceptive “mark,” the Bible says:

Here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus. (Revelation 14:12 KJV)

There you have it. God has spoken. Nearly two thousand years ago, our loving Creator took human form (see John 1:10, 14) and then died on a cruel cross for the sins of Protestants, Catholics (including Pope Francis), Jews, Muslims, Wiccans, atheists, and everyone else. Then He rose from the dead (see 1 Corinthians 15:3, 4). If we repent, He will mercifully forgive. “If you love Me,” Jesus said, “keep My commandments” (John 14:15; quoting Exodus 20:6). No matter what some anti-Sabbath advocates claim, this issue isn’t legalism, but *love* and *loyalty* to King Jesus.

In these last days before our Savior returns (see Matthew 24:30–31), let’s keep *God’s holy day*, not Sunday—a day christened with the name of pagan

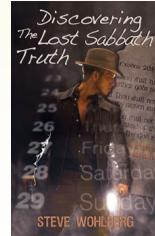
sun gods, later adopted by persecutors of God’s saints, and promoted as a “mark” of the Roman Church’s supposedly infallible authority.

The choice is yours.

Will you follow the Bible, or the beast?



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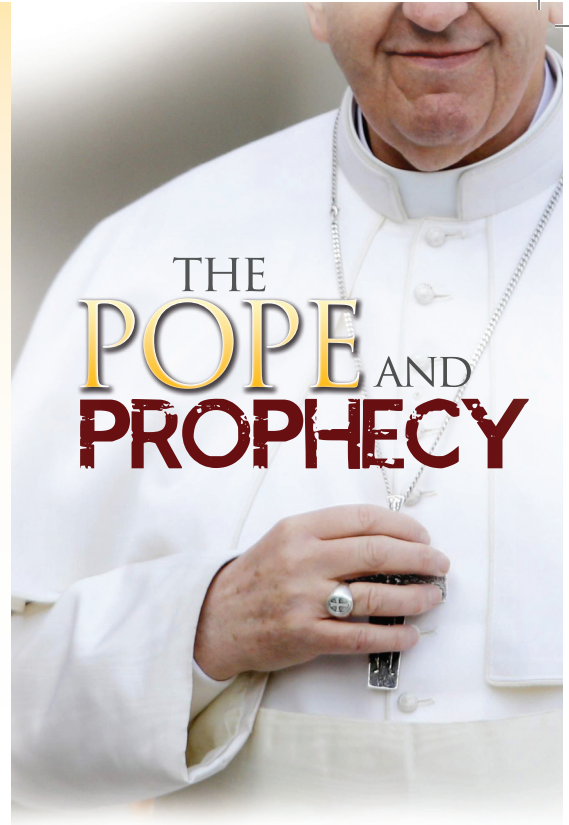


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THE POPE AND PROPHECY

“Truth is stranger than fiction” is a popular saying. Brace yourself. You are about to discover strange things, but they are factual. The Holy Bible predicts that during Earth’s darkest hour a sinister deception called “the mark of the beast” (see [Revelation 19:20](#)) will be legislated by earthly governments as a misguided solution to a global crisis. Finally, “no one may buy or sell except the one who has the mark” ([Revelation 13:17](#)). Those duped by the devil—after shutting their eyes to divine enlightenment—will reap “the wrath of God” ([Revelation 14:9–10](#)), and be doomed forever.

Sound serious? *It is. Keep reading.*

To decode the meaning of this mysterious “mark,” we must first identify “the beast” itself. Obviously, Revelation’s seven-headed, ten-horned “beast” (see [Revelation 13:1](#)) is symbolic, for no such literal monster will ever be reported on CNN or Fox News. This “beast” will sit on the “seat” of the ancient Roman empire ([verse 2](#)), has “a mouth speaking great things” ([verse 5](#)), wages “war with the saints” ([verse 7](#)), and finally, “authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation” ([verse 7](#)). Who is this beast?

Believe it or not, for nearly 400 years—from the 1500s to the 1800s—millions of reputable Bible-believing Protestant Christians like Martin Luther (Lutheran), John Calvin (Presbyterian), John Wesley (Methodist), Charles Spurgeon (Baptist), and Matthew Henry (British minister, author) interpreted “the beast” to be the religious-political *system*, not individuals, of the Roman Catholic Church, *led by popes*. Study history. These are facts.

Significantly, Pope Francis has become the most popular person on Planet Earth today. On May 18, 2018, the documentary, *Pope Francis: A Man of His Word*, opened in theaters worldwide. Prior to this, CNN aired its own original six-part series entitled, *Pope: The Most Powerful Man in History*.

Indeed, popes are powerful. They have global influence. They speak great things. Their seat of government is inside the ancient city of Rome, just as Bible prophecy predicts. Popes influence kings, kingdoms, politics and policies. Dressed in white, Pope Francis is often addressed—even by mainstream media—as “His Holiness” and as “The Holy Father.”

Yet think soberly for a moment. Are such titles appropriate for *any* mortal man? Referring to *God alone*,

King David wrote, “Holy and reverend is his name” ([Psalm 111:9](#) KJV). “Holy Father ...” ([John 17:11](#)), Jesus prayed, addressing *God alone*. Scripturally speaking, for a mere man to assume such divine titles is actually blasphemous, which is exactly what God’s Word predicts about “the beast.” “He [the beast] opened his mouth in blasphemy against God” ([Revelation 13:6](#)). Shockingly, once again, the prophecy fits perfectly.

Back to decoding “the mark.” Recently our world has experienced a deadly barrage of bizarre weather patterns, record cold spells, killer heat waves, horrific storms, monstrous tornadoes, terrible tsunamis, and devastating earthquakes. On June 18, 2015, the Vatican released Pope Francis’ 184-page encyclical, “Praised Be.” It states that part of the solution to Earth’s environmental woes—which the pope connects to “climate changes” caused by humanity’s exploitation of the earth—is for all peoples everywhere to work together, respect the planet, cherish spiritual values, and return to God. Now don’t miss this: at the heart of this encyclical is Pope Francis’ personal recommendation that everyone *keep Sunday as a day of rest*. The Pope declared:

Sunday, like the Jewish Sabbath, is meant to be a

day which heals our relationships with God, with ourselves, with others and with the world. (“Praised Be,” Section 237, emphasis added)

Honestly, what’s Sunday got to do with anything? Watch closely. The Ten Commandments, “written with the finger of God” ([Exodus 31:18](#)), identify “the seventh day” of the week (Saturday) as God’s holy rest day, not Sunday, which is the first day of the week. The fourth commandment states:

Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy ... the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God. ... For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it. ([Exodus 20:8–11](#), emphasis added)

If you study church history carefully, you will discover that the *Roman Catholic Church* led the charge away from the biblical Sabbath and over to Sunday (the day of the sun)—partly because of compromises with pagan sun worship, and partly due to hostility against Jews—which was then rationalized with the crowning argument that, after all, Jesus Christ rose on Sunday. Now here’s a shocking fact: the Catholic