

The Seventh Vial Chapter XVII The Commencement And Termination Of The Twelve Hundred And Sixty Days



We now come to discuss the question of time. There is a certain period fixed by God between the birth and death of every man. The same Providence, by an irresistible decree, has numbered the days of the Man of Sin. Between his appearance above the dark flood, and his descent into his burning grave, an interval will elapse of twelve hundred and sixty years. This number occurs in the Apocalypse, in connection with the existence of Antichrist, not less than five times.

The Seventh Vial Chapter XVI. The Two-Horned Beast Of The Earth



It is the *ecclesiastical hierarchy* which we take to be here symbolized. The vision brings the Pope again before us; in the beast of the sea he is seen as the ruling head of the ten Papal kingdoms; here he is beheld as the ruling head of the Papal clergy. This beast rose out of the earth—the symbol of the western empire in its tranquilized state had two horns like a lamb.