

Questions from Revelation 13:

1. As Satan stands on the shore beside the sea (Rev. 12:18), a beast rises out of the sea that Satan gives his own power and throne and great authority. What is it that makes this beastly figure acceptable to the people on earth? What makes it easy for the general public to be deceived by celebrities and political figures?
2. Read verses 8-10. How does this impact the way you live your life in the present?
3. In his commentary, Warren Wiersbe says, "The world's population will be divided: Those who are saved, with their names in God's book, will not submit to 'the beast'; those who are lost – the earth dwellers – will worship the beast and do his bidding." What has divided the world's population in the past? What is dividing the world's population today? What is the ultimate truth that will divide people in the future?
4. What is the closest comparison you can make in our current experience to the mark that will be required in order to buy and sell? Share your thoughts concerning the possibility of verses 16 and 17 becoming reality in our lifetime.
5. What is Jesus revealing about himself to the church through Revelation 13?