I need you right now to really think and pray about what you are going to read here, because the information is of vital importance. Pray for the teaching of the Spirit of God. Please cast off any preconceived ideas and any teaching of men you have had concerning the mark of the beast and let the Word of God open your understanding. So many people are focused on the mark of the beast being a literal mark like an RFID chip, and they are missing the deeper truth concerning the mark and are going to fall right into Satan's trap!

Many people, when looking at the mark of the beast read Revelation 13:16 on its own. They see the words ... "And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads" ... and they think, "the word MARK means a literal mark, so it must be a literal mark they are going to enforce upon us." - That verse is divorced from the rest of the context, which stops them gaining a proper understanding. Well, guess what? The harlot riding a beast in Revelation 17 deceiving the world, in the literal language means a LITERAL harlot, riding a beast. But are we going to see a literal harlot woman riding a beast, deceiving the world to follow her? Of course not! Revelation is full of symbolic language.

So let us look at some of the context dealing with the mark of the beast. Do not miss this point.

Revelation 13:4,8,12,15,16 ... 'And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast ... And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb ... And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast ... And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed. And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads.'

Revelation 14:6,7,9,10 ... 'And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters ... And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud
voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, the same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God ... And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.'

Now there are many speculations and pure guesses out there as to who the first and second beasts of Revelation 13 are. But when you study this out properly, using scripture and historical facts, then there is only one conclusion you can come to - that the first beast is none other than Papal Rome. To save turning this study into a massive long page, you can see the evidence of the Papal Church of Rome (Roman Catholic Church) being the first beast on our page - WHO IS THE SEVEN HEADED BEAST OF REVELATION? You can also see our page AMERICA IN BIBLE PROPHECY to see that the second beast of Revelation 13 is America.

There are a couple of important points you need to see regarding the verses above from Revelation 13 and 14. First of all, you can see that the context is talking about 'WORSHIP.' Secondly, in Revelation 13:8 it says "all that dwell upon the earth shall worship" the first beast. And then in Revelation 13:16 it says "all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads." I hope you see the connection.

Those who receive the mark of the first beast, are those who worship the first beast.

Do you see? We know a 'law' is going to be enforced around the world, because Revelation 13:15 says the image of the beast, which the second beast (America) creates (an image of the Papacy - church state union in America) is going to "speak and cause" the world to worship the image and take the mark. What does 'speak and cause' mean? Legislation! So a law is going to be enforced around the world to take the mark of Papal Rome. Now if the mark is connected directly to worship, as we discovered above, then what kind of law are we going to see enforced upon the world? A religious law concerning WORSHIP.

So the mark of the beast is the mark of the Papal Church of Rome and it is going to be connected with worship.

Now please pay careful attention. Revelation 13 contains the enforcement of the mark of the beast. And Revelation 14 contains the ANSWER to the mark of the beast deception, with a three fold message - the three angels message. So let us find out what the ANSWER to the mark of the beast deception is, and this will help us find out what the mark itself is.

Revelation 14:6-7 'And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.'

This is the first of the three angels message of Revelation 14. And if you dig deep into the message, you will find a treasure that will guard you in these last days. Over what part of the earth is the mark of the beast enforced according to Revelation 13? ... "And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb ... And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark.
in their right hand, or in their foreheads." ... ALL the earth. So over what part of the earth does the first angels message need to go according to Revelation 14? Naturally "to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people."

Now let's look at the details of the message. But before we do, I want to include something else. The second and third angels message contain a warning of the 'fall of Babylon' (the fall of the various churches) and the warning of receiving the mark. Isn't it interesting that God includes in the warning message the fall of the churches? Again, pointing to the fact that this mark of the beast deception is to do with WORSHIP. But look at what is also included in the FINAL part of the third angels message:

Revelation 14:12 ...'Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.'

Remember, the three angels message is the ANSWER to the mark of the beast deception. So let us look at the details of the above. The first angels message tells us to 'Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.' What does it mean to 'fear God'? Proverbs 8:13 and Psalm 34:11-14 tell us that the 'Fear of the Lord' is to hate evil - hate sin. Which means we should love righteousness. But what did the apostle John tell us sin is? ...

"Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law." (1 John 3:4). Now it goes a lot deeper than just the breaking of God's written commandments, but in a basic way, we are told that sin is the transgression of God's law. So to 'fear God' is to seek righteousness, which means to KEEP God's holy law. This we can NEVER do ourselves due to our fallen nature. But through surrendering our lives to Christ and allowing His Spirit to live in us, then HE will lead us into keeping God's law.

See our page JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH IS VICTORY OVER SIN for more.

But please notice this important point. The ANSWER to the mark of the beast deception, according to Revelation 14 is to be keepers of God's commandments. Therefore the mark of the beast is something that goes against God's commandments, as we have seen it is all to do with worship. But praise God, He has given us more details for us to get even more specific.

Let us read again what we are told to do in the first angels message ... "Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters." ... Where have we seen those words before about God creating the "heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters."? The 4th commandment!

Exodus 20:8-11 ...'Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.'

What is the first angels message pointing us to? The Creator and creation itself. And what is wrapped up in and part of creation itself? The seventh day Sabbath. The ONE DAY that God set aside at creation to be a 'Sabbath rest' for holy use.
Why did God set aside the seventh day as a holy day for us? Well, we all need rest each week from our labours, but there is more. In Exodus 31:13 God says "Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep: for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that ye may know that I am the Lord that doth sanctify you." So by keeping the 7th day Sabbath, we acknowledge that God is our Creator, redeemer and sustainer. So it is a WORSHIP issue.

And remember what the answer to the mark of the beast deception was? Keeping God's commandments! (Revelation 14:12) Not in our own strength, but by the faith of Christ. And yet it goes even deeper than the Sabbath. Did you notice that the first angels message told us to 'worship God' as 'HIM'? Who is the 'Him'?

John 4:22-24 ... 'Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship HIM. God is a Spirit: and they that worship HIM must worship HIM in spirit and in truth.'

So we see that the 'HIM' in Revelation 14:7 whom the world is being directed to worship is God the Father. But why? Isn't Jesus God? Yes, as God's own Son, Jesus is also fully divine, fully God. But the Father is the source of ALL life, including the life of His Son Jesus (John 5:26), which makes the Father the 'only true God.' Take a look at the following:

Ephesians 1:17 ... 'That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of HIM.'

John 17:1-3 ... 'Father ... this is life eternal, that they might know the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.'

1 Corinthians 8:4-6 ... 'As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto idols, we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is none other God but one. For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,) but to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.'

John 20:17 ... 'Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God.'

1 Corinthians 11:3 ... 'But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.'

2 John 1:3 ... 'Grace be with you, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.'

As we can see, God the Father is that 'one God' (1 Timothy 2:5). He is the 'only true God' according to Jesus and our 'one God' according to the apostles. So the first angels message is also a call for the world to turn back to the one true God - the Father. Again, it is an issue of WORSHIP.
So what is the answer to the mark of the beast deception? Let us read Revelation 14:12 again...

"Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus." ... Let us read that in the right order - Having the faith of Jesus and as a result, keeping the commandments of God. And which specific commandment points us to the Creator, as the first angels message points out? The 4th commandment, concerning the 7th day Sabbath. And who is the true God who we are directed to worship? God the Father, the 'only true God' whom Jesus Himself directed us to worship (John 4:22-24, John 17:3).

So if the warning and answer to the mark of the beast deception is concerned with the God we worship and acknowledging Him as our Creator, by keeping the day HE set aside for holy use (the 7th day Sabbath). And the mark of the beast is connected directly to worship. Then what is the mark going to be? A 'religious' law that is in opposition to God's 7th day Sabbath and in opposition to the Father being the 'only true God.'

The Mark of Papal Rome

We know that the mark of the beast is the mark of the Papal Church of Rome (Roman Catholic Church). We also now know that the mark of the beast is directly connected with worship. Specifically, it is connected to the commandments of God and the God we worship. So what is the mark of the beast going to be? Well, what TWO things has the Roman Catholic Church deceived the world's churches into doing? Rejecting the 7th day Sabbath and keeping the 1st day in it's place. And rejecting the one true God the Father and replacing Him with a '3 in 1 trinity god.' And what is the Vatican and various Evangelical churches seeking to have enforced BY LAW? A SUNDAY rest law in honor of their trinity god!

"In respecting religious liberty and the common good of all, Christians should seek recognition of Sundays and the Church's holy days as legal holidays." (Catechism of Catholic Church, 2188)

Not only has the Roman Catholic Church deceived the various denominations to honor Sunday in place of the Lord's 7th day Sabbath. It has also been a long desire of the Roman Catholic Church to have their Sunday rest law enforced around the world by law ('speak and cause' - legislation). And this is being pushed more and more all the time. Did you know that Sunday rest laws are on state books all around the world? That's right. They are just sitting there waiting for the right time to be enforced by law. Not only that, part of those Sunday law bills is another law which forces recognition of the trinity god! Please see our page THE TRINITY IS PART OF THE SUNDAY LAW for more info.

And what is the foundation of the ecumenical movement? The trinity god! SEE HERE.

Please understand this! By accepting Rome's Sunday rest as the Sabbath instead of God's 7th day Sabbath. And by accepting Rome's '3 in 1' trinity god instead of the one true God the Father, you are giving your WORSHIP to the beast, instead of to God! And as we know, the beast's mark is all to do with worship.

Does that mean you have already received the mark of the beast if you keep Sunday or worship the trinity god? No, not yet. Praise God that you still have time to turn to the TRUTH and give your worship to God instead of Rome and the fallen churches. The Sunday rest and
false god of Rome do not become the mark until they are enforced by law upon us.
Remember, America is going to 'speak and cause' the world to worship the beast (the Papacy and it's image in America), as Revelation 13 says. This 'speaking and causing' is putting something into LAW. So no one receives the mark until the Sunday rest law and false god of Rome (the trinity) are enforced upon us to keep by law.

But what about 'buying and selling'? How does this tie into buying and selling? Simple. What is being brought about now? A cashless society. So what will the leaders be able to do when we refuse to bow to Rome's Sunday law and false trinity god? They will simply be able to press a button and BLOCK our finances! It's that simple! And this is what it means in Revelation 13 about us not being able to buy and sell. When we refuse to go along with Rome's mark which is in opposition to God and His commandments, they will block our finances and we will not be able to buy and sell.

This is all to do with worship friends ... "Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus." (Rev.14:12)