



## The Chronicles of the End: The Child, the Dragon, and the Woman

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### Revelation 12:1-18 Douglas Translation

<sup>1</sup>Then a great sign appeared in heaven - a woman wrapped in the sun, with the moon under her feet, and a crown of twelve stars upon her head. <sup>2</sup>She is pregnant, crying out in labor, and being tormented by the pain of giving birth. <sup>3</sup>Then another sign appeared in heaven - Behold! - a colossal, fiery red Dragon. It has seven heads, ten horns, and seven crowns on its heads. <sup>4</sup>Its tail swept away a third of the stars of heaven and threw them down upon the earth. The Dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she gave birth it might devour her child. <sup>5</sup>Then she gave birth to a Son, a male who is destined to shepherd all nations with an iron rod. Her child was snatched away to God and His throne. <sup>6</sup>The woman fled to the wilderness where she has a place prepared by God, in order that They may provide food for her there for 1,260 days. <sup>7</sup>Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the Dragon. The Dragon and its angels fought back, <sup>8</sup>but they were not strong enough. From that point forward, no place could be found for them in heaven. <sup>9</sup>So, the colossal Dragon - the ancient Serpent, the one called both the Devil and Satan, the one deceiving the whole world - was cast out to earth along with its angels. <sup>10</sup>Then I heard a booming voice in heaven declaring, "Now the salvation, the power, the Kingdom of our God, and the ruling authority of His King have come, since the accuser of our brothers and sisters, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been cast out. <sup>11</sup>They won the victory over it by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony as well as the fact that they did not love their life to death. <sup>12</sup>Because of this, the heavens and those that dwell within them ought to celebrate! But woe to the earth and sea since the Devil fell down to you. It still clings to incredible rage, for it knows that it has but a short time." <sup>13</sup>So, when the Dragon saw that it been thrown down to earth, it sought to harm the woman who bore the male child. <sup>14</sup>Then the woman was given the two wings of an extraordinary eagle so that she could fly into the wilderness, to her dwelling place. It is there in that place, away from the Serpent, where she is provided food for a time (specifically a season, seasons, and a half a season).

<sup>15</sup>Then the Serpent spewed forth water from its mouth like a river after the woman in order to drown her. <sup>16</sup>But the earth came to the aid of the woman. The earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the river that the Dragon spewed out of its mouth. <sup>17</sup>Thus, the Dragon became enraged against the woman and went out to make war with her remaining offspring, the ones keeping God's commands and holding fast to the testimony concerning Jesus. <sup>18</sup>The Dragon stood on the seashore.

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