Daniel 11:42 He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape.

Stretching forth the hand upon Egypt is to overcome:

Jeremiah 46:24 "The daughter of **Egypt** shall be **confounded**; **she shall be delivered into the hand of the people of the north.**"

Isaiah 19:4 "And the **Egyptians will I give over into the hand of a cruel lord; and a fierce king shall rule over them**, saith the LORD of hosts." (*See Daniel 8:23*)

Stretching for the hand also leads to deception of the nations through miracles or Spiritualism:

Exodus 3:20 "And <u>I will stretch out my hand, and smite Egypt with all my wonders</u> which I will do in the midst thereof: and after that he will let you go." (*See also Exodus 4:21; Deuteronomy 4:34; 7:19; 26:8*)

Revelation 13:13, 14 "And <u>he doeth great wonders</u>, so that <u>he maketh fire come down from heaven</u> on the earth in the sight of men, And <u>deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles</u> which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live."

"...It was by Satanic aid that Pharaoh's magicians were enabled to counterfeit the work of God...<u>No mere impostures</u> are here brought to view. Men are deceived by the miracles which Satan's agents have power to do, not which they pretend to do." (GC88, p. 553)

Matthew 24:24 "For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect."

While the King of the North is stretching his hand, so also will God stretch forth His hand to save a remnant:

Deuteronomy 6:21, 22 "Then thou shalt say unto thy son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt; and <u>the LORD</u> brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand: And the LORD showed signs and wonders, great and sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his household, before our eyes" (See also Exodus 6:6; 7:3-5; Jeremiah 32:20, 21) **Isaiah 11:11** "And it shall come to pass in that day, that <u>the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people</u>, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea."

Hosea 11:1 "When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt."

Is Egypt just atheism?

• Egypt is also a Confederacy

Ezekiel 30:6-8 "Thus saith the LORD; <u>They also that uphold Egypt shall fall</u>; and the pride of her power shall come down: from the tower of Syene shall they fall in it by the sword, saith the Lord GOD... And they shall know that I am the LORD, when I have set a fire in Egypt, and when **all her helpers** shall be destroyed."

Ezekiel 30:4, 5 "And the sword shall come upon Egypt, and great pain shall be in Ethiopia, when the slain shall fall in Egypt, and they shall take away her multitude, and her foundations shall be broken down. Ethiopia, and Libya, and Lydia, and all the mingled people, and Chub, and the men of the land that is in league, shall fall with them by the sword."

Revelation 17:12, 13 "And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast"

Psalm 83:5-8 "For they have consulted together with one consent: **they are confederate against thee**: The tabernacles of *Edom*, and the *Ishmaelites*; of *Moab*, and the *Hagarenes*; *Gebal*, and *Ammon*, and *Amalek*; the *Philistines* with the inhabitants of *Tyre*; *Assur* also is joined with them: they have holpen the children of Lot. Selah."

{Note: ten kings represent a world-wide confederacy \rightarrow see Zechariah 8:23 & a resurrection of her power in those kingdoms that she once had influence \rightarrow see Daniel 7:20, 21; UN \rightarrow "... a centre for harmonizing the actions of nations." (How the UN Works, Retrieved April 12, 2011 from http://www.un.org/Overview/uninbrief/about.shtml)}

"It has been shown that the United States is the power represented by the beast with lamblike horns, and that this prophecy will be fulfilled when the United States shall enforce Sunday observance, which Rome claims as the special acknowledgment of her supremacy. But in this homage to the papacy the United States will not be alone. The influence of Rome in the countries that once acknowledged her dominion is still far from being destroyed. And prophecy foretells a restoration of her power." (GC88, p. 58-9)

• Egypt is a Dragon

Ezekiel 29:2, 3 "Speak, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, Pharaoh king of **Egypt, the great dragon** that lieth in the midst of his rivers, which hath said, My river is mine own, and I have made it for myself."

We see a dragon in Revelation...and this dragon has a primary and secondary meaning

• Primary Meaning: The Dragon → Satan

Revelation 12:9 "And the <u>great dragon</u> was cast out, <u>that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan</u>, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him."

Revelation 20:2 "And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years"

• Secondary Meaning: The Dragon → a red beast or kingdom (Daniel 7:23) the chief agent of Satan in making war upon Christ & His People

Revelation 12:3-5 "And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold <u>a great red dragon</u>, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: <u>and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.</u> And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne." (*See also Matthew 2:13-18*)

Revelation 12:17 "And the <u>dragon</u> was wroth with the woman, and <u>went to make war with the remnant of her seed</u>, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ"

Revelation 17: 13, 14 "These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. <u>These shall make</u> <u>war with the Lamb</u>, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful."

"...The dragon is said to be Satan; Revelation 12:9. he it was that moved upon Herod to put the Saviour to death. But the **chief agent of Satan in making war upon Christ and his people** during the first centuries of the Christian era, was the Roman Empire, in which paganism was the prevailing religion. **Thus while the dragon, primarily, represents Satan, it is, in a secondary sense, a symbol of pagan Rome.**" (GC88, p. 438)

"Kings, and rulers, and governors have placed upon themselves the brand of antichrist, and are represented as the dragon who goes to make war with the saints,—with those who keep the commandments of God, and who have the faith of Jesus. In their enmity against the people of God, they show themselves guilty also of the choice of Barabbas instead of Christ." (*RH*, August 29, 1893)

• The Dragon also gave its power over to the Papacy

Revelation 13:2 "And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority."

• We see another dragon in the book of Revelation, who gives its power over to the papacy

Revelation 17:3 "So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a <u>scarlet coloured</u> <u>beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.</u>"

Revelation 17:12-14 "And <u>the ten horns</u> which thou sawest <u>are ten kings</u>, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. <u>These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto</u> <u>the beast</u>. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful."

Revelation 17:17 "For God <u>hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the</u> beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled."

• The Dragon, disguised as a serpent, is Spiritualism

Genesis 3:4, 5 "And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil."

2 Corinthians 11:3, 4 "But I fear, lest by any means, as the <u>serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety</u>, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. For if <u>he that cometh preacheth another Jesus</u>, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him."

Revelation 16:13-14 "And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come <u>out of the mouth of the dragon</u>, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For <u>they are the spirits of devils, working miracles</u>, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty."

- "Satan has long been preparing for his final effort to deceive the world. The <u>foundation of his work was laid by the</u> <u>assurance given to Eve in Eden, 'Ye shall not surely die</u>.' 'In the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.' (Genesis 3:4, 5) Little by little he has <u>prepared the way for his master-piece of deception in the development of Spiritualism..."</u> (GC88, p. 561-2)
- "...But <u>Spiritualism</u>, which numbers its converts by hundreds of thousands, yea, by millions, which has made its way into scientific circles, which has invaded churches, and has <u>found favor in legislative bodies</u>, and even in the courts of <u>kings</u>—this mammoth deception is but a revival, in a new disguise, of the witchcraft condemned and prohibited of old." (*GC*88, p. 556)

Under this three-fold union, Babylon is formed & deceptions and persecution will increase

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"By the decree enforcing the institution of the papacy in violation of the law of God, our nation will disconnect herself fully from righteousness. When Protestantism shall stretch her hand across the gulf to grasp the hand of the Roman power, when she shall reach over the abyss to clasp hands with spiritualism, when, under the influence of this threefold union, our country shall repudiate every principle of its Constitution as a Protestant and republican government, and shall make provision for the propagation of papal falsehoods and delusions, then we may know that the time has come for the marvelous working of Satan and that the end is near." (5T, p. 451)

"As we approach the last crisis it is of vital moment that harmony and unity exist among the Lord's instrumentalities. The world is filled with storm and war and variance. **Yet under one head--the papal power--the people will unite to oppose God in the person of His witnesses**. This union is cemented by the great apostate." (7T, p. 182)

• The three-fold union is a counterfeit of the union in heaven--of the Father, son, & the Holy Ghost 1 John 5:7 "For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one." (see also verse 8)

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"The word of God plainly declares that his law is to be scorned, trampled upon, by the world; there will be an extraordinary prevalence of iniquity. The professed Protestant world <u>will form a confederacy</u> with the man of sin, and <u>the church and the world will be in corrupt harmony</u>. Here the great crisis is coming upon the world. The Scriptures teach that popery is to regain its lost supremacy, and that the fires of persecution will be rekindled through the time serving concessions of the so-called Protestant world..." (April 13, 1891 N/A, GCDB, p. 257)

Father \rightarrow **Dragon** (Egypt is the Dragon, see Ezekiel 29:3)

Revelation 12:9 "And the **great dragon** was cast out, that old serpent, called **the Devil, and Satan**, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him."

John 8:44 "Ye are of your <u>father the devil</u>, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for **he is a liar, and the father of it**."

Jesus Christ → False Prophet (U.S. is false prophet, see Revelation 13:13, 14, Matthew 24:24 &Mark 13:22)

Acts 2:22 "Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know" (See also Acts 4:29)

John 3:2 "The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him." (See also Hebrews 2:4)

Revelation 13:14 "And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

2 Thessalonians 2:9-11 "Even him, whose coming is <u>after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders</u>, And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause <u>God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie</u>" (*See also Revelation 13:11 & John 1:29*)

"...By the work that he wrought through the magicians he {Satan} made it appear to the Egyptians that Moses and Aaron were only magicians and sorcerers...Satan hoped also to shake the faith of Moses and Aaron in the divine origin of their mission... He was unwilling that the children of Israel should be released from bondage to serve the living God... He well knew that Moses, in breaking the yoke of bondage from off the children of Israel, pre-figured Christ, who was to break the reign of sin over the human family... By counterfeiting the work of God through Moses, he hoped not only to prevent the deliverance of Israel, but to exert an influence through future ages to destroy faith in the miracles of Christ...In many minds he thus destroys faith in Christ as the Son of God, and leads them to reject the gracious offers of mercy through the plan of redemption." (PP, p. 264)

Beast \rightarrow **Holy Ghost** (*Beast is the Papacy, see Revelation 13:2, 3*)

Ephesians 4:30 "And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby <u>ye are sealed unto the day of redemption</u>." **Revelation 7:2, 3** "And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the <u>seal of the living God</u>: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed <u>the servants of our God</u> in their foreheads." (*See also Ezekiel 9:4-6; Romans 4:11; Isaiah 8:16; Exodus 31:13; Ezekiel 9:4; Revelation 9:4; Ezekiel 10:12, 20*)

Revelation 13:16, 17 "And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, <u>to receive a mark</u> in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, <u>save he that had the mark,</u> or the name of the beast, or the number of his name."

Those who did not answer the call to "Come out of her" are left in Egypt and will perish with its destruction:

Jeremiah 44:11-17 "For I will punish them that dwell in the land of Egypt, as I have punished Jerusalem, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: So that none of the remnant of Judah, which are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall escape or remain, that they should return into the land of Judah, to the which they have a desire to return to dwell there: for none shall return but such as shall escape."

Jeremiah 44:26, 27 "Therefore hear ye the word of the LORD, all Judah that dwell in the land of Egypt; Behold, I have sworn by my great name, saith the LORD, that my name shall no more be named in the mouth of any man of Judah in all the land of Egypt, saying, The Lord GOD liveth. Behold, I will watch over them for evil, and not for good: and all the men of Judah that are in the land of Egypt shall be consumed by the sword and by the famine, until there be an end of them."

Ezekiel 17:18 "Seeing <u>he despised the oath by breaking the covenant</u>, when, lo, he had given his hand, and hath done all these things, <u>he shall not escape</u>."

- **1 Thessalonians 5:3** "For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape."
- "As God called the children of Israel out of Egypt, that they might keep His Sabbath, so <u>He calls His people out of Babylon</u>, that they may not worship the beast or his image. . . . (*Maranatha*, p. 189)
- "...the Protestant churches are paying her homage in their acceptance of the false Sabbath... The Christian world will learn what Romanism really is, when it is too late to escape the snare..." (4SP, p. 397)
- 1 Corinthians 10:13, 14 "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it. Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry."
- **Isaiah 19:19, 20** "<u>In that day shall there be an altar to the LORD in the midst of the land of Egyp</u>t, and a pillar at the border thereof to the LORD. And <u>it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt</u>: for they shall cry unto the LORD because of the oppressors, and he shall send them a saviour, and a great one, and he shall deliver them."
- "At the time of the loud cry of the third angel those who have been in any measure blinded by the enemy, who have not fully recovered themselves from the snare of Satan, will be in peril, because it will be difficult for them to discern the light from heaven, and they will be inclined to accept falsehood. Their erroneous experience will color their thoughts, their decisions, their propositions, their counsels. The evidences that God has given will be no evidence to those who have blinded their eyes by choosing darkness rather than light." (*RH*, December 13, 1892)
- "Great power and glory were imparted to the angel, and as he descended, the earth was lightened with his glory...The work of this angel comes in at the right time to join in the last great work of the third angel's message <u>as it swells to a loud cry</u>. And the people of God are thus prepared to stand in the <u>hour of temptation</u>, which they are soon to meet." (FLB, p. 335)