Before I went on my holiday to Kos, Greece in October 2005, my dad asked me to keep him any Euros that I didn't spend. While I was shopping I happened to come across some Euros, and looking at the picture below you may understand the reason why my dad was so interested in getting his hands on one.



The picture on the back of the Greek €2 coin is that of the Goddess Europa, who according to Greek mythology, rode on the back of a bull. As far as I understand, the bull was actually Zeus in disguise, and in the story he throws Europa off his back and rapes her.

For more images of the Beast in official European literature and coinage, see here .

But what has this got to do with Bible prophecy?

Listen to how the Apostle John describes the identity of the beast, the last world empire...

Revelation 17:3-6

So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

On the back of the Greek Euro, we have exactly the same image as the Apostle John

describes. A woman, arrayed in purple and scarlet, sitting on a beast, with a cup in her hand. This of course is a symbolic description, but I believe John's description is so vivid, and the characteristics of the woman are so peculiar, that they reveal beyond all doubt, the identity of the woman and the beast she rides.

Many of the descriptions of this beast are already explained for us in the passage...

A seven headed and ten horned beast

Revelation 17:9, 12-13

And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth… 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.

The ten horns, as the book of Daniel also mentions, are ten kings that will give their power unto the Antichrist during the seven year tribulation period. The city of Rome is also known world wide as being the city that was built on seven hills, the "seat" of the Roman Catholic church.

A friend of mine Sam Jennings wrote a book on Revelation, called Alpha and Omega. He sees the seven heads of the beast as different aspects of the old world empires mentioned in Daniel, all amalgamated together. The seven kings represent the seven world empires that will rule over the kingdom of Israel. Five of these empires are past, one was still ruling in John's day - Rome, and the other has yet to come and will continue a short while - Revived Rome or the European Union.

Revelation 17:7-11

And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns. The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.

And there are seven kings: five are fallen,
(Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Medes and Persians, Greece)

and one is,
(Rome in John's day)

and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.
(Revived Rome - Antichrist)

And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.
(I take it that this refers to when the 10 kings shall give their power unto the Beast, this shall become the eighth world empire, and will really be a form of the seventh head - Rev 17:12).

Revelation 13:1-3
And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. 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. And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

Regarding the seven heads, all heads would have to exist in our generation in order for one to be wounded, otherwise this would only be a one headed monster. So perhaps the Revived Roman Empire is currently the main head, while the other empires still exist - only in a less substantial way. When this head is wounded and miraculously revived, all people will wonder after the system and the Antichrist. Only in the days of the 10 kings, when Christ returns to set up His Kingdom, will all seven heads be destroyed...

Daniel 2:44
And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

Riding on a sea of peoples

Revelation 17:15

And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

This last world empire will be a multi-lingual confederacy. No other regional bloc has more diverse languages and cultures than that of Europe. Even the European Parliament building was designed to look like a modern day tower of Babel, where God previously confounded the languages of all men back in Genesis 11:9. Here is the original painting of the tower of Babel , contrasted with an official European Union advertisement - the above painting subtitled with the blasphemous statement of " Many tongues, one voice ", and a photograph of the actual design of the EU parliament building .

Europa is decked with purple and scarlet, and holds a golden cup

Revelation 17:4

And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:



The fact that a woman rides the beast, and not a man, is significant. In the Bible, spiritually adulterous nations seem to always be portrayed as harlots, e.g. Ezekiel 23. The Roman Catholic church's worship and prayers are also directed towards a woman, Mary Queen of Heaven. It was also said that Pope John Paul dedicated Europe, along with his own life, to Mary. And as we will see later, many Catholic depictions of Mary show her adorned with twelve stars, as does our picture of Europa. Both women, Mary and Europa, are also worshipped as Goddesses - perhaps in the case of Mary not in name, but she was recently given the status of co-Redemptrix making her effectively equal with God.

Purple and scarlet just happens to be the colours of the Vatican's priestly garb. And it is estimated that Vatican city contains more wealth and riches than many nations combined. The cup of blood reminds us of the Roman Catholic communion, in which only the priest is permitted to drink from in contradiction of Scripture. And the blood reminds us of transubstantiation, the false belief that the wine in the cup actually becomes the physical blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Holy Spirit adds further emphasis on the blood, revealing that it is also a picture of how the woman has martyred the true saints of God, so much so that she is now become drunk on their blood. One of the most bloodiest times in the Roman Empire was during the time the book of Revelation was written, when literally millions of Christians were killed for entertainment, and sent into the catacombs of Rome with conditions so dank, life expectancy was only around six months.

Fornication here is of course in the spiritual sense. The Roman Catholic church has committed spiritual adultery with the religions of the world. Pope John Paul II possibly did more for the ecumenical movement than any other Pope.

I was forwarded the following information by my friend, John Vermeer, about the cup. A woman, presumably Mary Queen of Heaven, is adorned on many Catholic images holding a cup .

Pope Leo XII had a medal minted in commemoration of the second year of his reign, the jubilee year of 1825. The back side of the medal reveals a depiction of a woman, sitting on the globe, holding a communion cup, while sitting on the world. The inscription reads SEDET SUPER UNIVERSUM, declaring that her seat of authority is universal, i.e., over the entire globe.

The image is full of Babylonian symbolism. The woman is not Mary at all, but represents Semiramis, the ancient Babylonian Madonna. The rays emanating from her head represent Nimrod, whom the ancient Babylonians believed died, and was transformed into the Sun. Babylonians believed Semiramis was conceived by the Sun, and gave birth to Tamuz, who it was believed was really a reincarnation of Nimrod. The cross depicted on the coin is not a Christian cross, it is really the old Babylonian letter T, which pagans have used for centuries in idol worship of their god Tamuz.

Europa is a great city that rules over kings

Revelation 17:18

And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

No other city in the world can make this claim apart from Rome. She has literally ruled over kings by threat and force for centuries (remember William the Conqueror, the Spanish inquisition, the Huguenots, etc), and still desires today to maintain her Holy Roman Empire.

A woman crowned with twelve stars

Revelation 12:1-2

And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

Another woman is mentioned in Revelation. Some say that this other woman represents Israel, and I would be inclined to agree with that viewpoint. This woman is crowned with twelve stars. If you look closely at the Greek Euro, our Europa is also crowned with twelve stars. The European Union flag is also made up of twelve stars on a blue sea. The official EU line is that the twelve stars of the EU flag represents completeness. But in actual fact, you will see Mary Queen of Heaven (not the true Mary) crowned with twelve stars in many Roman Catholic pictures. The twelve star European Union flag shows us that the woman (Roman Catholic church) truly rides the beast of Europe.

The other woman in Revelation, Israel, is crowned with twelve stars with the moon is under her feet. The twelve stars could represent Israel being controlled by the European Union, or more likely representing the twelve tribes of Israel. And the moon is always symbolic of the Messiah in Jewish tradition.

Genesis 49:10

The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.

Possibly the reason why the moon is under the woman's feet is because "between the feet" is the Scriptural description of where offspring find a place of protection from their parents. This is a picture of the promise of God, that the nation of Israel would give birth to the Messiah.

Revelation 12:5
And she brought forth a man child (Jesus Christ), who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

Europa is raped by the beast
Revelation 17:16
And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.

Just like the story of Europa, this modern day confederacy will throw the woman off its back and rape her. The modern day Roman Catholic church currently rides the beast of Europe, but when the Antichrist comes to power, this worldly religion will have served its purpose and will be destroyed by the ten kings through God's will.

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