

## The Sovereign Power of Darkness



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### IMAGE OF DARKNESS

Christian commentator Texe Marrs [www.texemarrs.com/102001/face\\_of\\_devil.htm](http://www.texemarrs.com/102001/face_of_devil.htm) said this about the attack on the World Trade Centre, September 11<sup>th</sup> 2001. [Site not available, AP report is nymag.com/news/9-11/10th-anniversary/satans-face/.](#)

*Where carnage, bloodshed, and destruction can be found, there you will also find Satan, aka the Devil. This mind-boggling picture is real. Printed on the web sites of The Philadelphia Inquirer newspaper, Cable News Network (CNN.com), and the pages of The Fort Worth Star-Telegram newspaper in Texas, this image was also broadcast over Fox TV News network. It clearly shows the devil's face in the fire and smoke of the explosions at the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City. The Associated Press confirms that this is an unretouched photograph, a digitized close-up of the original.*

The image itself however is not the central issue. The central issue is what it depicts as the Lord Jesus Christ said on the eve of **“the suffering and death...that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man”** Hebrews 2:9.

**“This is your hour, and the power of darkness” Luke 22:53**

### THE SOVEREIGN POWER OF DARKNESS

Why, then, the title of this piece, as above? After all, fundamentalists repeatedly use the word *sovereign* to refer to the Lord Himself, by means of such well-known phrases as “*the Sovereignty of God*” and “*God is Sovereign*” etc. How does the word *sovereign* then come to be associated with **“the power of darkness”** Luke 22:53? Gail Riplinger explains why.

### THE SOVEREIGN “MAN OF SIN” 2 Thessalonians 2:3

Gail Riplinger shows in *The Language of the King James Bible* p 66, her emphases, that the popular NIV *using the word sovereign* is a precursor to the encroaching satanic new world order that the Lord Jesus Christ called **“the power of darkness”** Luke 22:53.

*The NIV omits the powerful word “GOD” over 300 times [See The number of times 15 Major words differ from the King James Bible [www.av1611.org/biblewrd.html](http://www.av1611.org/biblewrd.html) by Terry Watkins]. It substitutes the weak word ‘Sovereign.’ This term was introduced into English by the French-speaking ‘sovereigns’ who governed England during the 12<sup>th</sup> century [See [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_English\\_monarchs](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_English_monarchs) Henry I, Stephen, Henry II, Richard I].*

According to the [Oxford English Dictionary's] corpus of English language, it has been used almost exclusively to indicate a mortal political leader, **not** the transcendent Almighty GOD. The recent unfortunate popularization of this word in some religious circles, no doubt owes its emphasis to John Calvin. The word 'Sovereign' capsulizes his French training for the priesthood, his denial of man's free-will and his teachings merging church and state. This merger looms frighteningly close as the Antichrist's shadow falls over the NIV's "Sovereign Lord," a term the OED cites as indicating a "man." Paul and John have identified that man.

**"Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition"** 2 Thessalonians 2:3.

**"Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six"** Revelation 13:18.

**"That man of sin...the son of perdition"** is known by his Sovereign Catholic Version.

### **THE SOVEREIGN CATHOLIC VERSION**

See [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Douay%E2%80%93Rheims\\_Bible](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Douay%E2%80%93Rheims_Bible). The first English Bible to use the term "sovereign" was the Catholic Douay-Rheims Bible 1610, revised 1749-1752.

The DR uses "sovereignty" in Judges 5:11 and "sovereign" in Isaiah 3:1, 10:16, 33, 51:22, Amos 5:14, Jude 4 i.e. 7 times. Jude 4 shows the DR's influence on the 1984, 2011 NIVs:

**"For certain men are secretly entered in (who were written of long ago unto this judgment), ungodly men, turning the grace of our Lord God into riotousness and denying the only sovereign Ruler and our Lord Jesus Christ"** Jude 4 DR.

**"For certain men whose condemnation was written about long ago have secretly slipped in among you. They are godless men, who change the grace of our God into a license for immorality and deny Jesus Christ our only Sovereign and Lord"** Jude 4 1984 NIV.

**"For certain individuals whose condemnation was written about long ago have secretly slipped in among you. They are ungodly people, who pervert the grace of our God into a license for immorality and deny Jesus Christ our only Sovereign and Lord"** Jude 4 2011 NIV. Note that the DR, NIVs use "Sovereign" to erase "**Lord God**" in Jude 4 and rob "**our Lord Jesus Christ**" of His Deity to help set up the Antichrist as the AV1611 shows:

**"THE WORDS OF THE LORD"** Psalm 12:6

**"For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ"** Jude 4 AV1611.

### **DIFFERENT WORD, SAME THEFT, SAME SATANIC SET-UP**

The Catholic JB, NJB, Jerusalem, New Jerusalem Bibles change "Sovereign" to the more familiar synonym "Master" but still erase "**Lord God**" to rob "**our Lord Jesus Christ**" of His Deity and promote "**that man of sin...so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God**" 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4. All modern bibles; RV, ASV, NASVs, RSV, NRSV, NIVs, NKJV footnote, CEV, ESV, GNT, HCSB, NCV, NET, NLT, NWTs, follow suit. That shows that they are from the same Catholic "**troubled fountain, and...corrupt spring**" Proverbs 25:26. Note also the gender-neutral changes in the 2011 NIV in Jude 4, to further the merging of the apostate End Times church with the satanic new world order that the Lord Jesus Christ called "**the power of darkness**" Luke 22:53.

**"WATCH YE, STAND FAST IN THE FAITH"** 1 Corinthians 16:13

In conclusion note that not merely 'the Sovereign Lord' but "**the Lord God omnipotent reigneth**" Revelation 19:6. "**What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?**" Romans 8:31. Therefore "**till he come**" 1 Corinthians 11:26:

**"Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong"** 1 Corinthians 16:13.