## #335 The Deadly Wound of the Beast – The Double 7th Heads' (Kingdoms') literal Deadly Wounds, the 8th Kingdom's seemingly Deadly Wounds

When we look at Revelation 13:3, 13:12, and 13:14 in the King James Version (KJV), the New International Version (NIV), and the New American Standard (NAS), we can see the ideas that the wound might *literally* be deadly, or – with a hedge – might *seemingly* be deadly.

## A literal deadly wound, or a seemingly deadly wound?

**Revelation 13:3 (KJV)** 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.

**Revelation 13:3** (NIV) One of the heads of the beast <u>seemed to have had a fatal wound</u>, but <u>the fatal wound had been healed</u>. The whole world was astonished and followed the beast.

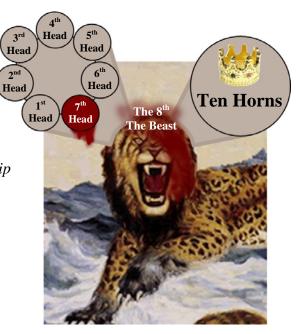
**Revelation 13:3** (NAS) I saw one of his heads <u>as if it had been slain</u>, and <u>his fatal wound was healed</u>. And the whole earth was amazed and followed after the beast;

**Revelation 13:12** (KJV) 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, whose deadly wound was healed.

Revelation 13:12 (NIV) He exercised all the authority of the first beast on his behalf, and made the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast, whose fatal wound had been healed.

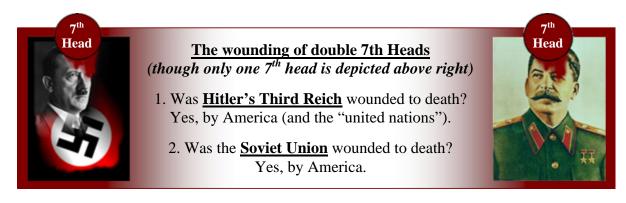
**Revelation 13:12** (NAS) And he exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence. And he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed.

Revelation 13:14 (KJV) 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.



**Revelation 13:14** (NIV) Because of the signs he was given power to do on behalf of the first beast, he deceived the inhabitants of the earth. He ordered them to set up an image in honor of the beast who was wounded by the sword and yet lived.

Revelation 13:14 (NAS) And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who had the wound of the sword and has come to life.



Key Understanding: A literal deadly wound, or a seemingly deadly wound? The wording in Revelation 13:3 that begins the theme of the deadly wound to the head seems to hedge a slight amount on the characterization of the veracity or totality of the deadly wound. Because of this, we can see that there is allowance for the various degrees of deadliness of the wounds associated with Revelation 13. In the case of the Double 7<sup>th</sup> Heads (Kingdoms), their Deadly Wounds were so literal that their entire governmental systems (the Third Reich and the Soviet Union) passed away (above). In the case of the 8<sup>th</sup> Kingdom's – the Beast's – deadly wounds, the governmental system did not pass away. In one case, the Beast lost a major battle (Pearl Harbor) that forced America's entry into a war (World War II). In another case, the Beast lost a major war (Vietnam War).



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