#716 The Defeat of the Spanish Armada – The Spanish Armada of 1588 to invade England; the Dutch Armada of 1688 to invade England

Key Understanding: *Two attempts to invade England.* The Lord ordained *double* attempts to invade England, in 1588 and 1688. In 1588, the Spanish Armada made an *unsuccessful* attempt to invade England; in 1688, the Dutch Armada *successfully* invaded England. Let’s expand the comparisons.

1588, *unsuccessful invasion of England by the Spanish Armada* – Roman Catholic Spain under King Philip II designed an invasion from the *southern* Netherlands (the Spanish Netherlands, later Belgium) to convert the *Protestant* throne of England (Elizabeth I) to a *Roman Catholic* throne.

1688, *successful invasion of England by the Dutch Armada* – The Protestant Netherlands under William III, Prince of Orange, designed an invasion from the Netherlands (what was previously the *northern* part of the Spanish Netherlands) to convert the *Roman Catholic* throne of England (James II) to a *Protestant* throne.

This was all in preparation for the mostly-Protestant Beast to rise out of the Revelation 17:08 Pit.

*Revelation 17:08 (KJV)* **THE BEAST** that thou sawest, 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.

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