## <u>#717 The Defeat of the Spanish Armada – The two notable Protestant Winds: The</u> <u>Protestant Wind of 1588 and the Protestant Wind of 1688</u>

**Protestant Wind** – refers to <u>literal, specific weather-related winds</u> that helped the Protestants to military victory.

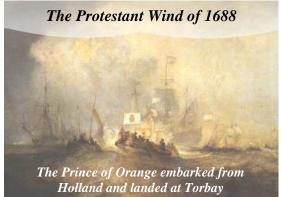
Key Understanding: *The two notable Protestant Winds*. The two notable "Protestant Winds" in history occurred with (i) the attempted invasion of England in 1588 by Philip II's Spanish Armada, and (ii) the successful invasion of England in 1688 by William III's Dutch Armada. (The latter will be discussed more in the next Unsealing.)

Here are the Protestant Winds of 1588 and 1688 added to the understandings in the previous Unsealing:

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 <u>Protestant</u> throne of England (Elizabeth I) to a <u>Roman Catholic</u> throne. Weather conditions that resulted in what is called the Protestant Wind helped dismantle the Spanish Armada.

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 <u>Roman Catholic</u> throne of England (James II) to a <u>Protestant</u> throne. Weather conditions that resulted in what is called the Protestant Wind carried William III westward to Torbay, and a successful invasion.





*Matthew* 7:26-27 (KJV) And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto <u>A FOOLISH MAN, WHICH BUILT HIS HOUSE UPON THE SAND</u>: 27 And <u>THE RAIN DESCENDED</u>, and <u>THE FLOODS CAME</u>, and <u>THE WINDS BLEW</u>, and beat upon that house; and it fell: <u>AND GREAT WAS THE FALL OF IT</u>.

Since the Protestant Wind helped William III, Prince of Orange, secure Protestantism for England, it would seem as though the *sword*-bearing Protestant Church of England/State of

England represented a *Church on the Rock*. Instead, it will be revealed to be a *Church-ill on the sand* – which is why the Lord ordained that John *Churchill* would defect from James II to William III – and great will be the fall of it.

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