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**Henry VIII.** One of the most famous kings in English history is Henry VIII (*pictured below left*). He ruled from 1509 to 1547, during a time period which included the birth and early phases of the Protestant Reformation. He is famous for his six wives.



Key Understanding: *The prophetic reason for Henry the 8<sup>th</sup>*. It was Henry VIII who separated the Church of England from the Roman Catholic Church. He established the Protestant Reformation in England. Prophetically, why Henry VIII was the 8<sup>th</sup> is the same reason why the key battle in the defeat of the Spanish Armada – the Battle of Gravelines – occurred on 8/8 of '88 (1588), and why William III, Prince of Orange, invaded England in '88 (1688). Henry VIII represented the birth of Protestant England, which led to the birth of Protestant America as the 8<sup>th</sup>, the Beast, Revelation 17:08-11. In a sense, you could say that Henry VIII started it all, and God left his clue through Henry VIII being numbered the 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Revelation 17:08 (KJV)** <u>THE BEAST</u> [the 8<sup>th</sup> Kingdom, as is seen in Revelation 17:11] *that thou sawest was, and is not; and* <u>SHALL ASCEND OUT OF THE BOTTOMLESS PIT</u> [America's ascension as the 8<sup>th</sup> Kingdom included the initial phase of Protestant England 'rising' out of the Netherlands, represented through (a) Henry VIII's separation of the Church of England from the Roman Catholic Church and the establishment of England as a

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**Protestant Reformation nation during his reign (1509-1547)**, (b) the defeat of the Spanish Armada on 8/8 of '<u>88</u> (1588), that is, 8/8 of the 88<sup>th</sup> year of the 8<sup>th</sup> century after the 8<sup>th</sup> century, and (c) the successful invasion of the Dutch Armada in '<u>88</u> (1688)], 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.

We will be returning to examine the fascinating prophetic story of Henry VIII in much more detail, but we need to cover other matters first.

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