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# Follow the dots... How close is the end?

It has been said that prophecy is history in advance. The dates of fulfilled prophecies are extremely important because they reveal where we are in the flow of history. It is imperative you know the facts, because this knowledge can make a difference between life or death—eternally.

**The following dates establish that time as we know it is drawing to a close.**

**1773**

Pope Clement XIV suppresses the Jesuits, fulfilling Christ's prophetic words in Matthew 24:22.

**1798**

The "deadly wound" spoken of in Revelation 17:3 is inflicted on the papacy when Napoleon's general, Louis-Alexandre Berthier, arrests Pope Pius VI, and declares the end of his temporal power. The "time of the end" commences. The persecuted Protestant Church leaves its wilderness, and the persecuting papal church enters its wilderness.

**1804**

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**1814**

Immediately following Napoleon's defeat, Pope Pius VII is released from imprisonment and returns to Rome. He promptly restores the Jesuit Order.

**1860**

Pope Pius IX loses a lot of papal territory when many of the papal states join the movement for Italian unification.

**1870**

Italy fully unites. Pope Pius IX loses Rome as the papacy's capital. He becomes the first "Prisoner of the Vatican" pope in history.

**1878**

Pope Leo XIII becomes the second pope confined to the Vatican, never leaving until his death.

**1903**

Pope Pius X is the third pontiff confined to the Vatican.

**1914**

Pope Benedict XV, like his predecessors, remains confined to the Vatican.

**1922**

The Ottoman Empire, the prophesied "king of the north" comes to an end. The "time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation" begins. Deaths by war, disease, and natural disasters skyrocket.

**1922**

Ambrogio Ratti ascends the papal throne as Pope Pius XI.

**1929**

The "deadly wound" inflicted in 1798, is healed when Pope Pius XI and Benito Mussolini sign the Lateran Treaty. The pope is acknowledged as sovereign monarch over the Vatican for the first time in history. The countdown of the seven kings of Revelation 17:10 has begun. Pius XI is the first.

**1939**

Pope Pius XII becomes the second king.

**1958**

Pope John XXIII becomes the third king.

**1963**

Pope Paul VI becomes the fourth king.

**1978**

Pope John Paul I becomes the fifth king. The timeline focuses at this point because "five are fallen." (Revelation 17:10)

**1978**

Pope John Paul II becomes the sixth king, the one who "is" in Revelation 17:10. "One is."

**2005**

Pope Benedict XVI becomes the seventh king. He is the first pope to resign in nearly 600 years, fulfilling the rest of the prophecy: "And the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space."

**2013**

Pope Francis becomes the eighth king. Francis is the first Jesuit in history to become the pope and, according to Revelation 17 he is the last king before the Saviour returns.

## **There's little time left before the end!**

Revelation 9 reveals that a series of events will soon occur that will fission history. Alien-looking demons will overrun the world. In the ensuing chaos, the last pope will be elevated to a position of supreme power. He will then enforce false worship on all.

There's not much time left! Already, events are developing that will usher in the final movements. There is no time to waste; there is no time to cling to pet theories.

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