

"The Two Beasts"

Discipleship For Today, Part 17

Revelation 13
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... works against God's desires

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... attacks God's people

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The earth beast = religion gone astray ...

... calls people away from God

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... has the appearance of spirituality

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... uses power to force conformity

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