

# Madonna, The Beast Within

Blessed is he who reads aloud the words of the prophecy  
And blessed are those who hear  
And who keep what is written therein  
For the time is near

He is coming with the clouds  
And every eye will see him  
Everyone who pierced him  
And all the tribes of the earth will wail on account of him

Those of you who have not learned  
What some call the deep things of Satan  
I know your works  
I know your toil  
And your patient endurance  
And how you cannot hear evil men  
But have tested those who call themselves  
Apostles  
But are not  
And found them to be false  
I know you are enduring patiently  
And bearing out  
For my namesake  
And you have not grown weary  
But I have this against you  
That you have abandoned  
The love you had

I know your tribulation and your poverty  
And the slander of those who say  
That they are Jews  
But they are not  
They are a synagogue of Satan  
Do not fear what you are about to suffer  
Behold the devil is about to throw you into prison  
Wanting  
Needing  
Waiting  
For you  
To justify my love  
Hoping  
Praying  
For you  
To justify my love  
And I saw a beast rising out of the sea  
With ten horns and seven heads  
And a blasphemous name upon its head  
And the beast that I saw was like a leopard  
Its feet were like a bear's  
And its mouth was like a lion's mouth  
And to it the dragon gave his power  
And his throne  
And great authority  
One of his heads had a mortal wound  
But it seemed to have a mortal wound  
That was healed  
And the whole earth followed the beast with wonder  
Men worshipped the dragon  
For he had given his authority to the beast  
And they worshipped the beast saying  
"Who is like the beast and who can fight against the beast?"  
And the beast was given a mouth  
Uttering haughty and blasphemous words  
And it was allowed to exercise authority for forty-two months

It opened its mouth to utter blasphemous  
Words  
Against  
God  
It was allowed to make war on the saints  
And to conquer them  
And authority was given it over every tribe  
And a people and tongue and nation  
And all who dwell on earth could worship it  
In vain  
If anyone has an ear let him hear  
If anyone is to be taken captive, into captivity he will go  
If anyone who slays with the sword, with the sword  
Wanting  
Needing  
Waiting  
For you  
To justify my love  
Hoping

Then  
I saw a new heaven  
And a new earth  
And I heard a great voice from the throne saying  
"Behold the dwelling of God is with men  
He will dwell with them  
And they shall be his people  
And God himself will be with them  
People will wipe away every tear from their eyes  
And death shall be no more  
Neither shall there be mourning  
Nor crying  
Nor pain  
Anymore  
For these things will have passed away  
To the thirsty I will give water without price  
From the fountain of the water of life  
He who conquers shall have this heritage  
And I will be his God and he shall be my son  
But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the polluted  
As for the murderers, fornicators, sorcerers, idolators  
And all liars  
Their lot shall be in the lake  
That burns with fire and brimstone";

And he said to me  
He said to me  
"Do not seal up the words of the prophecy  
For the time is near  
Let the evildoers still do evil  
And the filthy still be filthy  
And the righteous still do right  
And the holy still be holy  
Behold  
I am coming soon  
I am the alpha  
And the omega  
The first  
And the last  
The beginning  
And the end";

Amen  
What are you gonna do?

