

Time of the End began in 1798

Dan 7:25 The Papacy would wear out the saints of the Most High for a time, times, and dividing of time.

Dan 11:13 (Margin) Times equals years.

1 Time equals	1 year
Times equals	2 years
Dividing of time equals	½ year (Rev 12:14)
Total	3 ½ years

Rev 13:5 Same period called 42 months or 3 ½ years.

Rev 12:6 Same period called 1260 days or 3 ½ years.

Eze 4:6 A day in prophecy represents a literal year. Therefore 1260 days equals 1260 literal years.

In the year 533 AD. , Justinian, Emperor of East em Rome, wrote a letter to Pope John acknowledging him to be the head of all the churches. RF. Littledale records it in The Petrin Claims p.293: "We have been sedulous to subject and unite all the priests of the Orient to the see of your Holiness, for we do not suffer that anything pertaining to the state of the church should fail to be made known to your Holiness, as being the head of all the churches."

Dr. George Croly in The Apocalypse of St. John, p. 170, (2nd Ed.), says: "In another letter written by Justinian on March 25, 533, he repeated his decision that all affairs touching the church shall be referred to the pope, 'Head of all Bishops and the true and effective corrector of heretics' ".

The authority granted the pope by letter could not then be fully exercised, for at that time Italy was ruled from Ravenna by a Gothic king, who was opposed to Roman Catholicism. But in 538 the armies of Justinian, under Belisarius, defeated the Goths, and deposing Pope Silverius, whom they accused of plotting with the Goths, they made Vigilius pope.

In Shaff's Church History vol. 3, p. 327, we read: "Vigilius ascended the papal chair under the military protection of Belisarius, AD. 538."

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Bemont and Monod's History of Medieval Europe, p. 120, Says: "Vigilius is the first of a series of popes who no longer believe solely to the church. They are rulers of the state."

Thus the year 538 became a turning point in the history of the Papacy. From that date she continued for 1260 years to exercise more or less control of the nations. The armies of Europe enforced the pope's decrees and put to death those whom he denounced as heretics.

"The church of Rome has shed more innocent blood than any other institution that ever . existed. It is impossible to form a complete conception of the multitude of her victims, and no power of imagination can realize their sufferings." - Lecky's History of Rationalism in Europe , vol. 2, p. 32.

This is also acknowledged by Catholic writers as follows: "The Catholic Church does not content herself with persuasion. She has recourse to *force, to corporal punishment, to torture*. She lit in Italy and Spain the funeral piles of the Inquisition. In France and England she tortured the heretics." The Catholic Church, the Renaissance, and Protestantism, pp. 182,183, by Alfred Baudrillant, a Roman Catholic.

"HERESY, deciding for oneself what one shall believe and practice." Art., "Heresy", p. 440, in the New Catholic Dictionary, 1929.

Beginning in 538, the 1260 years terminated in 1798. In The Modern Papacy, by Joseph Rickaby, p. 1, we read: "When Pope Pius VI fell grievously ill in 1797, Napoleon gave orders that in the event of his death, no successor should be elected. The pope recovered but Berthier (with a French army) entered Rome on the 10th of February, 1798, and proclaimed a republic. The aged pontiff was hurried from prison to prison in France. He died on the 19th of August, 1799, in the French fortress.

Dan 11:33-35 This persecuting power would last till the Time of the End. 1798 begins the "Time of the End."

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Matt 24:21,22 The actual persecuting time would be shortened for elect's sake. By the revival of learning, which was followed by the Reformation of the 16th century, a spirit of liberty was developed which opposed the persecuting spirit of the Papacy. The pope temporarily abolished the persecuting order, the Jesuits, in 1773 at the request of European rulers. He did not have to but thought it wise. After that date the persecutions rapidly died out.

Mark 13:24 In those days (the 1260 years) , AFTER the tribulation ceased (after 1773, between 1773-1798) the sun would be darkened.

May 19, 1780 was called and is still known as "The dark day." "That this darkness was not caused by an eclipse, is manifest by the various positions of the planetary bodies of that time." -- Our First Century, p.95.

The great astronomer Herschel said, "The dark day in North America was one of those wonderful phenomena of nature which philosophy is at a loss to explain."

Webster's New International Dictionary of 1929 said: "May 19, 1780, a remarkable and unexplained darkness extended over all New England.

Isa 13:10 Darkness to begin in A.M., moon would not give light. Samuel Williams, Professor of Mathematics and Philosophy at Cambridge University says: "This extraordinary darkness of May 19, 1780, came on between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. and continued unto the middle of the next night."

Joe 12:31 The moon would appear as blood. Milo Bostwick, Camden, N.J., says: "My father and mother sat up that night. They said the moon, which was at its full, had the appearance of blood." It gave no light.

The night was so dark that white paper was equally invisible with the blackest velvet.

The History of the Town of Astrim N.H., pp. 58,59, says: "Hosts of people believed the end of the world had begun to come. Men dropped to their knees to pray, many ran to their neighbors to confess wrongs and ask forgiveness."

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Dr. Dwight in Connecticut Collections says: "It was the general opinion that the day of judgment was at hand."

It was Christ's great warning sigh of the approaching TIME OF THE END which began in 1798.

Dan 12:4 At the TIME OF THE END the book of Daniel would be unsealed and knowledge be increased and men would run to and fro to give gospel to the world.

Everyone of our modern inventions for travel and communication have come in since 1798 when the TIME OF THE END began.

Gas for lighting purposes	1798
Cast-iron plows	1800
First locomotive	1804
First steamboat.	1808
Steam printing press	1811
Railroad passenger cars	1825
Electric Telegraph	1837
Typewriter.	1868
Telephone	1876
Automobile	1893
Airplane	1903
Radio	1921

These great inventions were all planned of God for the TIME OF THE END when they would be made to carry God's last warning message to the world in preparation for the coming of Jesus.