

## **#356 The Deadly Wound of the Beast, Phase II – September 2, 1945: The End of World War II and the Beginning of Ho Chi Minh’s Vietnam, part 1**

**Key Understanding:** There was a direct relationship between the *healing, or end*, of the Pearl Harbor World War II Head Wound and the *beginning* of the Vietnam War Cold War Head Wound. Ho Chi Minh declared Vietnam’s independence the day of the Japanese surrender to America on September 2, 1945. The day World War II ended – leaving the world with the two superpowers of the Dragon’s 7<sup>th</sup> Head USSR and 8<sup>th</sup> Head U.S. – was the day that the history of modern-day Vietnam began. Vietnam would become the site of the “proxy war” between the 7<sup>th</sup> Head USSR and 8<sup>th</sup> Head U.S., and would leave the 8<sup>th</sup> Head with another deadly wound.

**Japan gains control over Vietnam.** Going into World War II, what would become known as Vietnam was a part of French Indochina. Vietnam, Laos, and Kampuchea (Cambodia) made up the French colony of Indochina from the late 1800’s to the 1940’s. After Germany occupied France in June 1940, France effectively lost power in controlling its own colony of Indochina. Japan, as Germany’s ally, and with its own colonial ambitions in Southeast Asia, moved into Indochina (and what is now Vietnam).

In September 1940, the Vichy (German-controlled French) authorities were compelled to allow Japan to use the country as a base and staging point. During World War II, the French continued to pursue their policy of repression. Both the French and the Japanese attempted to use the resources of the country as much as they could. The Vietnamese people desperately wanted independence; neither the French nor the Japanese were willing to give it to them. Ho Chi Minh had been striving toward gaining independence for all of Vietnam for some time. The actions of the Japanese and the French in oppressing Vietnam for their own selfish purposes during World War II brought forth Ho Chi Minh as the primary effective voice for the independence of the Vietnamese people from their foreign oppressors. In 1945, with the Allied victory over the Japanese imminent, the Japanese declared Vietnam independent of its French masters and handed power to Emperor Bao Dai. This decision was unpopular with the majority of those with Ho Chi Minh who were striving for Vietnamese independence. They promptly formed a government of their own. **The emperor abdicated and Ho Chi Minh proclaimed Vietnam’s independence on September 2, 1945.**

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Again, let’s use Revelation 13:12 as our key verse, although we have yet to reach the point of fully understanding it.

***Revelation 13:12 (KJV)*** *And he [the Second Beast] exerciseth all the power of the first beast [the Beast out of the Sea in Revelation 13:1] before him, and causeth the earth and them which*

*dwell therein to worship **THE FIRST BEAST** [the Beast out of the Sea in Revelation 13:1],  
**WHOSE DEADLY WOUND** [of the Vietnam War] **WAS HEALED.***

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