

System 666 analysis

(One col, or unit may be added or subtracted without effecting the symbolic meaning. Triple numbers such as 111, 666; all multiples of 37 are supposed to be of particular significance)

Euporia = property/ affluence/ wealth/ gain (Acts 19:25) = 666)
Apollumetha = "we perish" (Luke 8:24/ Mark 4:38) = 666
Helkusai = "to draw" (John 21:6) net = 666
Plueran = "side" (John 19:34/ 20:20/ 20: 25/ Acts 12: 7) = 666
Wonders = (2 Thess 2:9) = 666
Made clay = (John 9:14) = 666

For her sins are piled high as heaven
(Rev 18:5)= 4040 = 666 x 6.06
Whoever receives the mark of its name
(Rev 14:11)= 3997 (666 x 6)
For her sins are piled as high as heaven
- Rev 18:5 = 3996 (666 x 6)
The kingdoms of this world
- Luke 4:5 = 3996 (666 x 6)
Merchants of the earth
- Rev 18:3 = 666
Those who worship the beast and its image
- Rev 14:11 = 3996 (666 x 6)
World - Jn 1:10 = 600

POPULARISED CONSPIRACY theory, literal interpretation of Bible prophecy and rumor mongering have given the number 666 an odious reputation.

In 1984 many publications, particularly in Australia, picked up a story that claimed 6000 Swedes had received an invisible mark to use for all transactions with their banks. However thorough inquiry in Sweden revealed nothing of the sort. The story was almost certainly another end-time hoax and not the implementation of the mysterious mark of the beast or 666.

Many fear such a global numbering system that will brand us on the "right hand of forehead" as if "we were so many cattle". Films like the Omen series depicted a specific individual born to fulfill the "anti-Christ" prophecies. The lead character Damien, even had the number as a birthmark in his head.

But a serious search through a variety of sources can soon put paid to popular misconception. The remarkable number 666 has for many centuries been a thorn in the side for Bible detectives. Since the prophet John first received "revelation" from Jesus Christ on the Isle of Patmos circa A.D.90, six sixty six has been a point of religious division, debate and conjecture.

However, Bible readers would never have been told to keep an eye out for number, man and beast if there were no hope of unravelling the mystery. Most of the pieces to this end-time jigsaw can be found in Revelation 13, 17 and 18 and in Daniel 2, 3 and 7. As we unravel the threads to "mystery 666" the first priority is to read the scriptures involved.

Inspired book

The Bible is no ordinary book. It is inspired and contains within its pages timeless wisdom and types and shadows of things to come. The Book of Revelation in particular is for the "last-days" as much as it was for the seven churches in the Middle East some 60 years after Christ's death. It unfolds the deeper purposes of Christ's mission and things which must come to pass before the climax of this age.

Where the meaning of prophecy is clear no other meaning should be immediately sought. If the meaning appears symbolic the scriptures will also lead to an interpretation. In the book of Daniel we see the Babylonian King, Nebuchadnezzar puzzling over a powerful dream. He summons the prophet Daniel to interpret it. The dream showed the image of a man, representing five kingdoms which rule over the world.

The kingdoms are represented by metals of declining value. The head of gold is Nebuchadnezzar's kingdom which is overtaken by the breast and arms of silver or the Medo-Perisan nations. The belly and thighs of bronze are in time revealed as the Grecian Empire. The legs of iron conquer Greece. History tells us Rome was ruling at the time of Christ. All that is left are the feet of iron and clay; a divided kingdom and a poor foundation to uphold such a massive image. Daniel's interpretation is important because of its proven historical accuracy and because the feet of iron and clay or "ten toes" have not yet come to power. It's believed this final kingdom which proceeds from the iron of Rome is on the rise today. As expected, this kingdom like the others, will fall.

Smash the image

Daniel says a stone cut without hands shall smash the image at the feet and send it toppling. This stone is Jesus Christ who comes to usher in global government as it was designed to be.

Nebuchadnezzar, however, instead of acknowledging the sovereign God who gave Daniel the insight to read his dream, made a golden image of the figure. He then forced everyone, under the threat of death, to bow down and worship his idol.

The height of the image was 60 cubits, the breadth was six cubits and six musical instruments were used to summon the people to worship Perhaps this is our first example of 666?

Three of Daniel's friends refused to bow down to the image. Shadrach, Meshech and Abednego were tossed into the fiery furnace. However it was Nebuchadnezzar who was to get the shock: "Lo I see four men loose walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like unto the Son of God," (Dan 3:25). These three are full of faith knowing their God will protect them even when the heat is turned up seven times.

Back in Revelation we see a similar story told. "A beast rises up out of the sea "of peoples and nations and multitudes and tongues" (Rev 17:5) having seven heads "in a country of seven mountains (17:9) and ten horns. There are "ten kings who receive power one hour with the beast (17:12). This beast is mortally wounded but his deadly wound is healed (13:3,4).

False prophet

At this point another powerful beast is shown, popularly known as the false prophet. He performs great miracles and causes people to make an image to the first beast. The nations are amazed and worship the "dragon" who gave power to the beast. They also worshipped the beast (12:9). Those who won't worship the "image of the beast" are killed.

"And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save that he had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred three score and six (Rev 13:16-18).

It seems we are being warned of an economic system which will demand allegiance from all persons on the planet. Aren't we already bonded to money? Plainly this scripture speaks of a mark, to be imprinted in the human body for all buying and selling, perhaps an invisible laser etched personal identification number or code?

Whatever this turns out to be, the Bible warning is loud and clear, don't take the mark (Rev 14:9-10). The verse in Revelation which gives the number 666 is verse 18 (3 x 6). The word beast occurs 36 times in Revelation in reference to this prophecy (6 x 6).

We are told "power was given unto the beast to continue forty and two months" (Rev 13:5 6) which is 7 x 6. One strange quality about the digit six comes from its square (6 x 6 / 36). If you add together all the numbers up to 36 you get a total of 666.

Throughout the Bible certain numbers are endowed with specific meaning. Six represents man under sin. Man was created on the sixth day. Some believe the genesis of modern creation was about 6000 years ago therefore we may be in the age of six.

The old world

Noah was in his 600th year when he entered into the Ark before global judgment was poured out on the old world. Goliath the giant who young David fought (1 Sam 17) was six cubits in height, his iron spear weighed 600 shekels and he had six pieces to his armour (Christians have seven pieces: Eph 6).

There are six words used for " man in the Bible. Six is also stamped in time calculations (minutes, hours, days) and imperial measurements (1 yard / 36 inches). Curiously the duration of the old Assyrian Empire before it was conquered by Babylon was 666 years.

Jerusalem was trodden down by the Roman Empire (Gentiles) exactly 666 years from the battle of Actium B.C 31 to the Saracen conquest in A.D 636. Let us return for a moment to Revelation where John tells us (Ch 17) that the beast who is to take power follows on from seven kings who've previously ruled. Five are fallen and one is at the time of prophecy (vs 10). The five fallen are Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece and Rome which was ruling in John's time. Each of these nations was opposed to God's people of Israel and indulged in the Babylonian Mystery religions, worshipping false gods (17:5).

The seventh king, yet to come, will take the reins of a revived Rome and its 10 kings, in the final fulfilment of Daniels prophecy (Rev 17:12 / Dan 2:34) In other words the 10 toes are the same as the 10 kings and both represent Rome on the rebound.

In the original languages the Bible was written in, mostly Hebrew and Greek, there are no separate symbols for numbers. Letters of the alphabet represented numbers. The numeric value of a word is the sum total of its letters.

Mirror for 666

In the New Testament there are certain words which reveal the numeric total 666. These may well act as a mirror for 666 activity in our own lives. They may also be seen as warnings concerning the system (both present and future) which demands to be worshipped by humankind.

The word apollumetha or "we perish" is the faithless cry of Jesus' disciples caught in a sudden storm on Galilee (Lk 8:24 / Mk 4:38). "Tradition" or paradosis is echoed many times by Jesus: "But in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men" (Matt 15:2,3,6 / Mk 7 / Gal 1:14 / Col 2:8 / 2 Thess 2:15 etc).

The word pleuran, interpreted "side", is used where a Roman soldier dared believe he had completed the work at the cross by piercing Christ's side (Jn 19:34 / 20:20,25 / Acts 12:7). In John 2:16 the word helkusa meaning "to draw" is used when the disciples who'd complained of having no fish, by obeying the masters command, suddenly had more fish in their nets than they could "draw out" alone.

Another word relevant to our search is euporia or "wealth". In Acts 19:25 Demetrius, who makes silver shrines for the goddess Diana is boasting about the wealth made from his trade. The word diaspora or "scattered" is found in a letter addressed to the scattered saints of God (1 Ptr 1).

These six references, when we add up their numeric value, each come to 666. The Bible warns those involved in 666 activity: "Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, the Lord Jesus shall consume with the spirit of his mouth and destroy by the brightness of his coming." The word "wonders" used here is tightly sealed 666.

Asked for a sign Jesus was asked six times by his disciples for a sign. In Revelation the phrase they who worship the beast and its' image totals up to 3996 (666 x 6). Hard on the tail of this phrase is "whoever receives the mark of its' name" (N.I.V) totals 3997 or 666 x 6.

Further light is cast on our subject when we examine the Hebrew Romiti which means "Roman man" and Romiith or "Roman kingdom". Both reveal beneath their surface 666.

For curiosity's sake let's look at Edward Gibbon's book The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire. He said there were five attributes which marked the fall of the last Rome: "A mounting show of luxury, a widening gap between the rich and the poor, obsession with sex, freakishness in the arts masquerading as originality and an increased desire to live off the state."

Rome was once known as Saturnalia, "the city of Saturn". In the Chaldean mysteries the Babylonian dictator Nimrod was deified as Saturn. His birthday was celebrated on December 25th or Saturnalia. In Chaldee, Saturn is spelt STUR which totals 666.

Saturn was also synonymous with Latium Latinus (Gr: Lateinos) "the father of the Latin race". By adding the Greek letters together we again arrive at 666. Lateinos and Saturn were worshipped as "offspring of the sun".

"S" in Greek was originally the symbol for the number 6, its modern use is for 200 unless it has an emphasis mark above it. The letter was called stigma which means "a mark", especially in reference to a "brand" as burnt upon slaves, cattle or soldiers by their owners or masters.

Branded themselves

Often devotees branded themselves as "belonging to the gods" by the same means. The word stigma comes from a word meaning "to prick or brand with irons".

"SSS" or 666 was the secret symbol of the ancient pagan mysteries connected with the worship of the Devil and was also part of the "rites of Isis".

Janus was another title used by Babylon's first ruler Nimrod. He took the title for himself claiming to be the Messiah. He set himself up as a god- man, the "promised seed of the woman", a role which only Christ could fulfil. Janus is associated with Saturn. By totalling the Greek letters we again find 666.

The Greek word Teitan is also branded 666. It is synonymous with Typhon the Serpent or Dragon, the author of wickedness. In the Chaldean this is Sheitan or Satan.

In Nimrod's time an attempt was made to establish a global language. The offspring of Noah had decided to establish a city. The move displeased Jehovah who required this remnant of humankind to go out and repopulate the whole earth.

An attempt at global kingdom was made under the rulership of Nimrod. God halted his plans by confusing their language. They were forced to scatter across the globe (Gen 11:7,9). The city became known as Babylon (confusion).

What had been one language was now many. A more recent attempt at establishing a global language seems to have been similarly confounded. Adding all the numerals of the original Latin language, including the now defunct D, we arrive once more at 666 (I = 1, V = 5, X = 10, L = 50, C = 100, D = 500).

The phrase "the Latin kingdom" also totals 666. Curiously, in the year 666 AD the Pope Vitallian issued a decree commanding the exclusive use of Latin in all services of the Roman Catholic Church.

Still on the trail of 666 we see Antiochus 1V contending for the fulfilment of Bible prophecies about "the abomination of desolation". He sacrificed a pig on the temple altar in Jerusalem. He wanted to shame the Jews into changing their faith to the Romish-Greek deities.

Destroyed books

He forbade circumcision and destroyed all the Old Testament books he could find. He placed an idol of Zuess (Jupiter) in the Holy of Holies and took for himself the title Epiphaneia or "God manifest".

This title has the numeric value 666. In fact the whole idea of man setting himself up as God is branded with this number. The phrase "I am God on earth" totals 666.

Caesar Nero was another well known for his severe persecutions of Christians and Jews. He turned Christians into human torches to light his gardens at night, fed them to hungry lions for entertainment and had them run through with swords and burned at the stake in public ceremonies.

It's estimated about 4 million Christians are buried in the Catacombs of (?) resulting from the actions of this perverse man and his successors during the first three centuries after Christ.

Caesar Nero is spelt NRON KRS in the Hebrew, which totals 666. In the Greek Neron Caesar (Nero) totals 1332 (666 x 6).

When the Pope is crowned today there is placed upon his head a golden crown with three inner crowns representing his rulership in heaven and earth and his dominion over hell. On the main crown is the inscription "VICARIUS FILII DEI", which means "Vicar of Christ" or one who stands in the place of Christ. The "anti" in anti-Christ also means "in place of". The numeric value of the inscription on the Papal crown is 666.

Speaks to us all

However, I would warn against naming the Pope or any individual as inheritor of the horrors of 666. I suggest the mystical number, instead speaks to all of us. It points out clearly that humankind without God has missed the mark (sinned). We have fallen short of what we are meant to be. Having been shown our error we are pointed to the "higher calling in Christ Jesus". I

believe individually we all have 666 potential. This can manifest in a materialistic, domineering, dictatorial, animal nature which thrives on power games, lust, or possession and position.

Six six six is the ultimate, sinful Godless system or man. Six falls short of God's perfect number 7. Six is the "number of the beast" (animal nature) pursuing only self interest and gratification for the five senses. 666 is material activity rather than spiritual - it is works without faith.

Six sixty six governs the lower universe under the name Lucifer, who disguising himself as an angel of light, brings subtle erosion and deception pleasingly packaged.

Triple six is tyranny and self willed government. It is the electric attractive power of the dictator who drums up hysterical support for his destructive ends.

Six six six is Rome and all Caesars, past present and future, who are only interested in power (money and influence) and the destruction of all Christian principles.

Jesus himself was once offered the job as leader over all the nations of the world. But it was not his time. "And the Devil, taking him up into a high mountain, showed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment in time (Luke 4:5). Kingdoms of the world totals 3996 (666 x 6).

Satan said "all of these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me." Now if Christ turned down the position (he would have had to by-pass the cross) then what lesser man can be trusted with it? - Keith Newman

GOD IS A MATHEMATICIAN By Keith Newman.

The authenticity of the Holy Bible has been attacked at regular intervals by athiests and theologians alike but none have explained away the mathematical seal beneath its surface.

It would seem the divine hand has moved to prevent counterfeiting in the pages of the Bible in a similar manner to the line that runs through paper money. Bible numerics appears to be God's watermark of authenticity.

Vital research on this numeric seal was completed by a native of the world's most reknowned athiestic nation, Russia. Dr Ivan Panin was born in Russia on Dec 12, 1855. As a young man he was an active nihilist and participated in plots against the Czar and his government. He was a mathematical genius who died a Harvard scholar and a citizen of the United States in 1942. <Picture>

Panin was exiled from Russia. After spending a number of years studying in Germany he went to the United States where he became an outstanding lecturer on literary criticism.

Panin was known as a firm agnostic - so well known that when he discarded his agnosticism and accepted the Christian faith, the newspapers carried headlines telling of his conversion.

It was in 1890 that Dr Panin made the discovery of the mathematical structure underlining the vocabulary of the Greek New Testament. He was casually reading the first verse of the gospel of John in the Greek: "In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with the God and the Word was God...".

Dr Panin was curious as to why the Greek word for "the" preceeded the word "God" in one case and not the other. In examining the text he became aware of a number relationship. This was the first of the discoveries that led to his conversion and uncovered the extensive numeric code.

Dr Panin found his proof in the oldest and most accurate manuscripts - the Received Hebrew Text and the Westcott and Hort Text.

In the original languages of the Bible, mostly Hebrew and Greek, there are no separate symbols for numbers, letters of the alphabet are also used to indicate numbers.

The numeric value of a word is the sum total of all its letters. It was curiosity that first caused Dr Panin to begin toying with the numbers behind the texts. Sequences and patterns began to emerge. These created such a stirring in the heart of the Russian that he dedicated 50 years of his life to painstakingly comb the pages of the Bible.

This complex system of numbering visibly and invisibly saturates every book of the scriptures emphasizing certain passages and illustrating deeper or further meaning in types and shadows. The 66 books of the Bible 39 in the Old and 27 in the New were written by 33 different people.

Those authors were scattered throughout various countries of the world and from widely different backgrounds. Many of them had little or no schooling. The whole Bible was written over a period of 1500 years with a 400 year silence apart from the Apocrypha between the two testaments. Despite the handicaps the biblical books are found to be a harmonious record, each in accord with the other.

Dr Panin says the laws of probability are exceeded into the billions when we try and rationalize the authorship of the Bible as the work of man. He once said: "If human logic is worth anything at all we are simply driven to the conclusion that if my facts I have presented are true, man could never have done this.

"We must assume that a Power higher than man guided the writers in such a way, whether they knew it or not, they did it and the Great God inspired them to do it".

The Bible itself states clearly that it is the literal God-breathed" living word of the Creator. The words "Thus saith the Lord" and "God said" occur more than 2500 times throughout scripture.

In 2 Timothy 3:16 it states "All scripture is given by inspiration of God". Then in 2 Peter 9:20-21 it plainly states: "No prophecy of the scriptures is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost".

Let's take the number seven as an illustration of the way the patterns work. Seven is the most prolific of the mathematical series which binds scripture together. The very first verse of the Bible "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth" (Gen 1:1), contains over 30 different combinations of seven.

This verse has seven Hebrew words having a total of 28 letters 4×7 . The numeric value of the three nouns "God", "heaven" and "earth" totals 777. Any number in triplicate expresses complete, ultimate or total meaning.

Also tightly sealed up with sevens are the genealogy of Jesus, the account of the virgin birth and the resurrection. Seven occurs as a number 187 times in the Bible (41×7), the phrase "seven-fold" occurs seven times and "seventy" occurs 56 times (7×8).

In the Book of Revelation seven positively shines out: there are seven golden candlesticks, seven letters to seven churches, a book sealed with seven seals, seven angels standing before the Lord with seven trumpets, seven thunders and seven last plagues. In fact there are over 50 occurrences of the number seven in Revelation alone.

There are 21 Old Testament writers whose names appear in the Bible (3×7). The numeric value of their names is divisible by seven. Of these 21, seven are named in the New Testament: Moses, David, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Daniel, Hosea and Joel. The numeric values of these names is 1554 (222×7). David's name is found 1134 times (162×7).

God's seal also pervades creation as though it were woven into the very fabric of nature.

The Bible has declared man's years to be three score and ten (70). The development of the human embryo is in exact periods of sevens or 28 days (4×7). Medical science tells us the human body is renewed cell for cell every seven years.

We're told the pulse beats slower every seven days as if it were in accord with the seventh day of rest proclaimed in the Genesis creation week. And God formed man of the dust of the ground (Gen 2:7); science confirms the human body is made of the same 14 elements (2×7) found in your average handful of dust.

The light of the sun is made up of seven distinct colors as shown in the rainbow. In music there are seven distinct notes which climax in a chord or octave at the beginning of a new seven.

In almost all animals the incubation or pregnancy period is divisible by seven. Seven is often referred to as "God's seal" or the number of spiritual perfection.

Eight is the number of new life or "resurrection". It is the personal number of Jesus. When we add together the letter values of the name Jesus in the Greek we get 888. Jesus was called The Christ, the numeric value of this title is 1480 (185×8). He was Saviour which has the value 1408 ($2 \times 8 \times 88$).

Jesus is also Lord which again is a multiple of eight being 800 (100×8). Messiah has the numeric value 656 (82×8). Jesus also called himself the Son of man. The term occurs 88 times and is valued at 2960 (370×8).

Jesus said "I am the truth": the numeric value of "the truth" is 64 (8×8). The last book in the Bible is the Revelation of Jesus Christ which has exactly 888 Greek words. Eight persons were saved in the Ark at the great Noahic flood. God made a covenant with Abraham that every male Jewish child was to be circumcised on the eighth day of his life.

There are eight individual cases of resurrection spoken of in the Bible apart from Jesus. Three occur in the Old Testament, three in the gospels and two in Acts. It was on the eighth day or the first day of the new week that Jesus rose from the dead. The Holy Spirit also came down from heaven on the eighth day.

Nine is finality or completion. The first example of its use is that infinitely sealed first verse of the Bible: "In the beginning God" which in Hebrew is: Brayshith Elohim which has the numeric value of 999. The very next statement "created the heaven" is also sealed with 999.

The number nine is endowed with a peculiar quality, it is finality in itself. Not only is it the final single number, but if you multiply it by any other number, the addition of the resulting figures will always revert back to nine ($2 \times 9 = 18 / 1 + 8 = 9$ etc).

There are nine basic gifts available to the Christian believer through the power of God's Holy Spirit (1 Cor 12:8-10). There are nine basic fruits which should be evident in the life of the believer (Gal 5:22-23). The words "my wrath" have the numeric value 999. The word Amen or verily is valued at 99 and occurs 99 times.

The work on the cross was completed at the ninth hour when Jesus said "It is finished". The shedding of his blood was final. It saw an end to the old system of animal sacrifice to atone for sin. The word "blood" in this sense occurs 99 times.

Great superstition has always surrounded the number 13 as being unlucky or dark. Perhaps there is good reason. One of the most convincing proofs of the origins of this number can be found by unravelling all the names by which Satan is known. Drakon or dragon has a value of 975 (13×75) and it occurs 13 times. Peirazon or tempter has a value of 1053 (13×81). Belial which is personification of evil has a value of 78 (13×6).

Anthropoktonos or "murderer" has a value of 1820 (13×40). Ophis or "serpent" is 780 (13×60). The phrase used by the Holy Spirit Ho kaloumenos diabolos kai ho Satanas or "called the Devil and Satan" is valued 2197 ($13 \times 13 \times 13$).

This article is in truth an oversimplification of the work of Dr Panin and others who followed in his footsteps. Dr Panin's work initially involved some 40,000 pages of material on which he had written millions of small neat calculations. It involved volumes.

He often labored up to 18 hours a day exploring the vast numeric structure. By and large it was a thankless task. Dr Panin said "When I first made the discovery I was of course, taken off my feet - I was in the same condition as our friend Archimedes who when he solved a great mathematical problem while in the bath, rushed in to the street naked, crying 'I have found it'. I thought people would be delighted to embrace the new discovery, but I found human nature is always the same. So I quietly withdrew and did my work all by myself".

Although it would appear that his work has been largely lost from popular reading today Dr Panin did accomplish several outstanding works. He published Structure in the Bible the Numeric Greek New Testament and the Numeric English New Testament.

The works of Dr Ivan Panin have been put before the experts many times. Dr Panin once challenged nine noted rationalists and Bible critics through the medium of the New York Sun newspaper Nov 9, 1899. He dared them to publicly refute or give explanation for a few of his presented facts. Four made lame excuses. The rest were silent.

Dr Panin issued a challenge throughout leading newspapers of the world asking for a natural explanation or rebuttal of the facts. Not a single person accepted.

666 AND THE MARK OF THE BEAST

By Scott Pearson

Recently I was speaking with a few friends at the Albany Airport when the subject of my ministry came up and various questions were raised. As I began to answer them, the topic of the mark of the beast was raised. One friend looked a bit puzzled-- rather a bit spooked. I asked him if he knew what the mark of the beast was. He answered, "No." I then asked him if he ever heard of 666? This time he responded, "Yes." The reason I asked that question is because the two are inseparable. Whether in Christian or non-Christian circles, one of the very most widely asked questions today as we race towards the year 2000 and beyond is this: "What is 666 and the mark of the beast we hear so much about?" We've heard rock bands, such as Black Sabbath and Iron Maiden, refer to it, We've also seen it in movies, such as "The Omen," "Rosemary's Baby" and other horror films as well. Furthermore, many curious people are asking the following questions about 666 and the mark of the beast ...

- "Is there any real validity to it?"
- "Is it fact or fiction?"
- "Is it truly possible to understand what all this really means?"
- "Does this possibly effect my own future, and the future of my loved ones, including my own children?"

To be sure, speculation is becoming rampant. Sadly, it is often also devoid of genuine understanding and the truth often remains elusive. If you would rather not know what all this means, then please ... S T O P now, proceed no further

Apparently, curiosity has gotten the best of you, so let's proceed together, because the following information could possibly save your own life or the lives of loved ones.

The mark of the beast is referred to in scripture on eight different occasions. The place that draws the most attention is Revelation 13:16-18, "And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads. And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is six hundred threescore and six, 666." (KJV)

For many centuries the meaning of these passages was veiled in obscurity. It's interesting that after almost 2000 years these verses, like never before in all of human history, have started to really come into focus. Fascinating, in light of Daniel 12:4: "But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, even to the time of end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased."

Today most people believe the mark of the beast will be a clearly visible tattoo, perhaps the number 666 on the right hand or forehead to identify the individual as a child of the devil. However, to fully understand the meaning, you must remember that the New Testament was written in Greek. The etymology of the word "mark" will shed great light on the actual, intended meaning.

The word "mark", as used in Revelation 13:16-17, is the Greek word "charagma." The root word of charagma is charasso, which means "to engrave." Now, charagma is a Greek noun in the accusative neuter singular and is preceded by the Greek preposition "epee," which means "upon." By this we understand the mark is actually an incision made in the upper layer of the skin. This clears up the common misconception that the mark of the beast is a visible tattoo.

To put all this into perspective, let's investigate some of the latest developments in technologies and we'll see if there are any similarities in the Bible. Dr. Daniel Man has been awarded a patent for developing a microchip to be placed under the skin. For whom and why? In a fascinating interview with outstanding prophecy teacher Peter LaLonde, Dr. Man, a Jew, stated that it is his desire to see every Israeli Jew have the microchip transponder that he developed implanted under their skin. The stated purpose: the end of kidnapping and terrorism, as each individual could be precisely located instantly. No one questions Dr. Man's intentions for the good of his fellow Israelis. It also must be emphasized that technology-- in and of itself --is not evil. However, imagine Adolph Hitler with similar surveillance ID microchip capability at his disposal. The very thought is horrifying.

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How does this microchip identification technology work? Here is a basic illustration. Suppose you have a pet. Info-Pet and other similar animal ID companies are marketing pet identification systems. Each chip, about the size of a grain of rice, has a unique number that can be read with a hand-held scanner. A hypodermic needle is used to insert the microchip painlessly into the animal. Information is stored in the chip such as the identity of the owner, address, veterinarian and the pet's medical records. For approximately \$25 you can have your animal implanted. So, if your cat is lost in Albany, NY and turns up in Kansas City, Missouri without an ID tag but has been implanted, a scanner can read the invisible chip and all the information comes up for review. As a result, your pet will be properly identified and returned to you. A great system? Yes, in a lot of ways, especially if you love pets! However, there are many who suggest people should be next. The two groups being targeted are prisoners and children. Overcrowded jails have caused some people to suggest microchip transponder ID s for them, because by using a remote scanning device it is possible to know their exact location at all times. Any attempts to escape or hide will be futile. Any prisoner could be located instantly. With children, what better way to stop kidnapping?

We need to understand that the microchip's main purpose is simple: IDENTIFICATION AND INFORMATION. Incidentally, some people still think the UPC bar code will ultimately be used to operate the world wide information system, leading to the mark of the beast. But the UPC bar code system is very limited. It does not have the capacity to update data on the individual. However, the microchip because it has an eprom embedded in it, can have its data updated effortlessly.

Are biochip/microchips in their various forms really the wave of the future? In May 1996 the Chicago Tribune featured a headline "In Future Tiny Chip May Get Under Your Skin." The following article gave all the beneficial reasons for microchip implants. You would never have to worry about lost or stolen credit cards, you would also have safety, protection, security, etc . Think it will never happen in humans?

Consider this, from this same Chicago Tribune article. Edward Cornish, President of the World Future Society, which is a globalist new age group, stated, "The locator ID chip may be inevitable." He also made this chillingly candid statement about the microchip's use: "Things that are voluntary today, have a way of becoming compulsory tomorrow."

Could the microchip implant lead to the future mark of the beast, spoken of in the Bible?

According to Strong's Concordance, the Greek word charagma means "a scratch or etching, stamp a badge of servitude, graven mark." Derivatives of the word are: "charakter"- a graver, the figure stamped, i.e. an exact copy or representation, express image; "charax"- to sharpen to a point through the idea of scratching. Evangelist Dr. Carl Sanders, an engineer who previously helped develop the microchip, shared the following information in his book, Are You Ready For the New World Order?

The pattern for the microchip transponder data when read under a scanner, will be as follows:

1.Name and picture 2.Social security number 3.Fingerprint data 4.Physical description 5.Address 6.Family history
7.Occupation and income 8.Tax information 9.Criminal record

Only naivety would cause one to believe that privacy of any kind really exists today.

The Grand Finale - The Missing Piece 666

In Revelation 13 we see three components of the future new world order working in tandem under this future 666 Antichrist and his world system. Jeff Baker, political analyst, researcher, and journalist, in his excellent classic book, Cheque Mate, (p. 203) comments on the meaning and significance of 666.

"I believe that the 666 is actually a combination of three sets of sixes. The first 6 represents man's political system, The second 6 represents the economic system of man, and the third represents the religious system of man." A very astute observation, and that is exactly the three headed structure we find in Rev. 13. The 666 referred to in verse 18 is very significant, because in ancient times a person's name had a fixed numerical value. The reason for that: the letters of the alphabet were used for numbers. In scripture, 6 is the number representing man. The number 6 is also considered sacred by many new age and secret society groups, A triad, or 3, is God's number. So, the triple 6 (666) is the symbol of man making himself God. See Daniel 11:36 and 2 Thess. 2:4. The number 666 is also the Greek word chi xi stigma. (Rev. 13:18) Strong's Concordance:"The 22nd, 14th, and an obsolete letter of the Greek alphabet, used as numbers; denoting respectively 600, 60, and 6; 666 as a numeral-six hundred threescore and six."

Now, the word "stigma" --"from a prim. stizw stizo (to stick; i.e. to prick- a mark incised or punched) for recognition of ownership i.e. (fig.) scar of service- mark."

By now, it should be clear that presently the technology of the microchip is not the mark of the beast. However, it is also plain to see, though the technology is still continuing to be fine tuned, some of its benevolent uses. Someday, in the wrong hands, it will become a malignant curse. Dr. Carl Sanders, in a recent conversation at Boston Medical Center, posed the following question to a physician: "What if the concentration of lithium in the microchip breaks down, or what if there is a blowstruck (term for a microchip malfunction.)? The doctor, an atheist, replied, "it will cause a grievous sore." Incredible, because Rev. 16:2 states, "and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image."

The mark of the beast is not going to be implemented today or tomorrow. It will happen midway through the Tribulation period. However, at the very least, for the first time in history, from a technological stand point Rev 13 could soon become reality. Apparently, someone else thinks so too. Ralph Nader, the consumer advocate who recently also ran for president and who does not claim to be a Christian, made this startling statement: "Is there a number or mark planned for the hand or forehead in a new cashless society? Yes, and I have seen the machines that are now ready to put it into operation."

We have only scratched the surface. For further documentation on this subject, I highly recommend Terry Cook's book, The Mark of the New World Order, an exhaustive documentary showing that biochip/microchip technology is here to stay. If you are somewhat upset or startled by what you read, perhaps consider taking Terry Cook's advice, "don't let it get under your skin!" Rev. 14:9-11.

My earnest hope is that many of you that took the time to read this information, won't just let all this fall by the wayside. Right now you have two options. You have an opportunity to freely receive Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord, or someday face a global tyrannical dictator who will demand all the world to worship him and show allegiance to him by receiving his mark. This mark will reveal that you are owned by him; failure to comply will result in execution by beheading-Rev 20:4. I believe the first option is far more workable, don't you?

"But as many as received Him (Christ) to them He gave power to become sons of God, even to them that believe in His name." Jn. 1:12

I would encourage you to not delay in receiving Christ as your Savior today if you have not already done so. He died for your sins, and rose from the dead. He offers you eternal life, but that's your choice to make. I hope you will consider doing that today, If I can be of any further help in answering any questions for any of you, I am available to communicate with you through PropheZine.

666, The Number of the Beast

Rev 13:18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.

Note that the above does not limit the association of 666 to a man's name, it just says that 666 is his number. It takes a certain understanding and wisdom to discern just how this number is actually applied. Below are several words and phrases that have been put forth over the centuries as probable solutions to this enigma.

GREEK

The numeric equivalents of Greek letters can be found in the Encyclopedia Britannica under "Languages of the World", Table 8.

See also <Picture> The Greek Alphabet for a complete table of Greek gematria.

The ancient Greek word for "the Latin speaking man" is LATEINOS

L = 30 lambda A = 1 alpha T = 300 tau E = 5 epsilon I = 10 iota N = 50 nu O = 70 omicron S = 200 sigma -----
666

NOTE: Latin is the official language of the Roman Catholic Church. Church Documents are usually published first in Latin, and then translated from the Latin into other languages. The association of "Lateinos" with 666 was first suggested by Irenæus (ca. 130-202 A.D.) who proposed in his Against Heresies that it might be the name of the fourth kingdom in Daniel 7:7.

Then also Lateinos has the number six hundred and sixty-six; and it is a very probable [solution], this being the name of the last kingdom [of the four seen by Daniel]. For the Latins are they who at present bear rule: I will not, however, make any boast over this [coincidence].

Source: <Picture> Against Heresies, by Irenæus, Book 5, chapter 30, paragraph 3.

<Picture>St. Irenaeus biography online at the New Advent Catholic Supersite.

The ancient Greek for "The Latin Kingdom" is HE LATINE BASILEIA. BASILEIA is Strong's #G932

H = 0(transliterated) E = 8eta L = 30lambda A = 1alpha T = 300tau I = 10iota N = 50nu E = 8eta B = 2beta A = 1alpha S = 200sigma I = 10iota L = 30lambda E = 5epsilon I = 10iota A = 1alpha ----- 666

The ancient Greek for "Italian Church" is ITALIKA EKKLESIA. EKKLESIA is Strong's # G1577

I = 10iota T = 300 tau A = 1alpha L = 30lambda I = 10iota K = 20kappa A = 1alpha E = 5epsilon K = 20kappa K = 20kappa L = 30lambda E = 8eta S = 200sigma I = 10iota A = 1alpha ----- 666

And in Greek the word APOSTATES

A = 1 alpha P = 80 O = 70 omicron ST = 6 A = 1 alpha T = 300 tau E = 8 eta S = 200 sigma ----- 666

LATIN

VICARIUS FILII DEI

THE LITERAL MEANING: VICARIUS - substituting for, or in place of FILII - means son DEI - means God

V = 5 F = no value D = 500 I = 1 I = 1 E = no value C = 100 L = 50 I = 1 A = no value
I = 1----- R = no value I = 1501 I = 1 ----- U = 5
53 S = no value ----- 112 112 + 53 + 501 = 666

DUX CLERI ... translated means Captain of the Clergy

D = 500 U = 5 X = 10 C = 100 L = 50 E = no value R = no value I = 1 ----- 666

LUDOVICUS ... translated means Vicar of the Court

L = 50 U = 5 D = 500 O = no value V = 5 I = 1 C = 100 U = 5 S = no value ----- 666

HEBREW

The numeric equivalents of Hebrew letters can be found in the Encyclopedia Britannica under "Languages of the World", Table 50.

ROMIITH means the Roman Kingdom

R = 200 resh O = 6 waw (vav) M = 40 mem I = 10 yod I = 10 yod TH = 400 tav ----- 666

And the Hebrew ROMITI, or the Roman Man is -
R = 200 resh O = 6 waw (vav) M = 40 mem I = 10 yod T = 400 taw I = 10 yod ----- 666

Note:

•Lateinos, Ecclesia Italika, and Romith are cited as possible solutions by Johannes Gerhard (1582-1637), a Lutheran, in his Adnotationes in Apocalypsin, page 110. •Romith, Vicarius Filii Dei, Dux Cleri, Ordinarius Ovilis Christi Pastor, and Dic Lux are cited by the rector of Berlin, Andreas Helwig [or Helwich] (1572-1643) in his Antichristus Romanus. •Dux Cleri is cited by Walter Brute (or Britte), a fourteenth century follower of Wycliff, in his Registrum, page 356. •Ludovicus was proposed by James Bicheno (d. 1831), a British minister and author, applying it at the time to the French King Louis XIV, as the two-horned beast from the earth. •He Latine Basileia and Lateinos are cited by Alexander Campbell (1788-1866), founder of the Disciples of Christ, in A Debate on the Roman Catholic Religion of 1837.

See The PROPHETIC FAITH OF OUR FATHERS, The Historical Development of Prophetic Interpretation, by Le Roy Edwin Froom, Volumes II and IV, published by the Review and Herald Publishing Association, Washington D.C., Copyright 1948.

This relationship of 666 in Greek, Latin, and Hebrew is only one relatively small, yet important indicator that the Papacy is the AntiChrist and the beast from the sea of Revelation 13. This association by itself proves little, as 666 can fit other people using the same methods. All the other biblical characteristics of the AntiChrist must be considered and met as well, then this association becomes significant.

666 and CÆSAR NERO

Some will suggest that the book of Revelation was written only for those living at the time, and that 666 most probably applies to Cæsar Nero, who ruled Rome from 54 to 68 A.D., rather than someone from latter centuries. This point of view, which suggests Revelation was historic rather than prophetic, is known as preterism, and is commonly held by the Catholic Church. So, just how is Nero linked to 666?

The preterist takes a relatively uncommon form of Nero's name, Nero Cæsar or Cæsar Nero, and adds an "n", resulting in Neron Cæsar. Next the Latin is transliterated into Aramaic, resulting in nrwn qsr, which when using the numeric equivalent of the letters, then adds up to 666 as follows:

Nun = 50 Resh = 200 Waw = 6 Nun = 50 Qoph = 100 Samech = 60 Resh = 200

An example of this spelling has apparently been recently discovered in one of the Dead Sea scrolls. (If you use the same process, but without the added "n" the result is 616. Interestingly, some early manuscripts of the Bible have 616 rather than 666, but even scholars such as Irenæus attribute the 616 to only a copiest error.)

There is a problem though with the above calculation. According to the rules of Jewish numerology, known as gematria, when the letter Nun appears a second time in a word, it is known as a "Final", and takes the value of 700.* So to be precise, NRWN QSR actually adds up to 1316 and not 666.

*Source: Behind Numerology, by Shirley Blackwell Lawrence, copyright 1989, published by Newcastle Publishing Co., Inc., North Hollywood, California, ISBN 0-87877-145-X, page 41.

See also <Picture> The Hebrew Alphabet for a complete table of Hebrew gematria.

So the preterist calculation which attributes 666 to Nero, however, is nothing more than a rather desperate attempt to find some likely candidate for the AntiChrist other than the Papacy.

THE WORD ANTI-

Look up in Strong's Concordance word 473 in the Greek dictionary. You will find the the word anti is often used to denote substitution-

473. anti, an-tee'; a prim. particle; opposite, i.e. instead or because of (rarely in addition to):--for, in the room of. Often used in composition to denote contrast, requital, *substitution*, correspondence, etc.

An example of how anti is used this way can be found in the words type and antitype, which are used with respect to Bible prophecy. The "type" is the pattern or symbol, and the antitype is the fulfillment. The Jewish Passover was a "type" and the crucifixion of Jesus is the "antitype" or fulfillment of the example of the type. You substitute the antitype into the symbolism of the type to arrive at the complete meaning.

The Catholic Church has essentially confirmed this usage of the word anti. In the 1994 Catholic Almanac on page 158 there is "the list of men who claimed or exercised the papal office in an uncanonical manner." So these men tried to substitute themselves for the true Pope, and usurp that office, so to speak. The Catholic church denies the papal authority of the men on that list because they attempted a substitute (false) claim on the Papacy. That list is a list of ANTI-POPEs! So the word anti can clearly mean a substitute for something.

THE WORD ANTICHRIST

Antichrist (word 500 in Strong's Greek dictionary) can be correctly interpreted then, as someone who substitutes himself for Jesus Christ, the Son of God, just as an antipope substituted himself into the office of the Papacy.

THE WORDS VICARIOUS AND VICAR

Now look up the word vicarious in almost any common dictionary. Here is what you would find in the Webster Handy College Dictionary: "substituting for or, feeling in place of another."

Also in the Webster's II New Riverside Desk Dictionary for the definition of Vicar-

1. A parish priest in the Church of England.
2. A cleric in the Episcopal Church in charge of a chapel.
3. One who serves as a *substitute* for another.

A Vicar General is defined in the 1994 Catholic Almanac on page 330 as "a priest or bishop appointed by the bishop of a diocese to serve as his deputy, with ordinary executive power, in the administration of the diocese." So a vicar serves in the place of (substituting for) the bishop, and assumes his power of office for certain duties. So the Papal title of VICAR OF JESUS CHRIST which in Latin is VICARIUS FILII DEI or VICARIUS CHRISTI, means a SUBSTITUTE FOR CHRIST, or assuming the power of God on earth! This blasphemous claim is made repeatedly by various Popes and is the very foundation of Roman Catholicism and its Papacy.

Some Catholics may protest that the Pope represents, but does not substitute for Jesus Christ, to avoid the association.

Now, from the Webster Hand College Dictionary, the definition of the word represent:

1. portray; depict; describe.
2. play the role of; impersonate.
3. denote; symbolize; stand for.
4. speak and act for; *be a substitute for*.
5. set forth; assert.
6. be composed of; consist in.

Clearly then, Vicar of Christ (Vicarius Christi) and AntiChrist mean exactly the same. The Pope substitutes himself in place of God on earth, and that is *exactly* the meaning of AntiChrist.

Some Catholics will claim that the title VICARIUS FILII DEI is an anti-catholic fabrication, a complete fake, never used by the Catholic church. One example of this can be found online at the Catholic <Picture> Envoy Magazine in the article titled <Picture> Pope Fiction by Patrick Madrid (See Fiction 5). The following evidence is offered to prove that VICARIUS FILII DEI is indeed genuine.

VICAR OF THE SON OF GOD

Vicarius Filii Dei translated in English is Vicar of the Son of God, a phrase that has been used by Catholics:

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... Lastly, the only other point upon which I shall speak to is this. We have already seen how the powers and glories of the Holy See have been progressively unfolding; how the time of St. Gregory I. was a period of apostolic missions, converting the nations to the faith; how the time of St. Leo III. was a period

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of creating the Christian world; how the time of St. Gregory VII. was a period of purifying the sanctuary of the Church; and how the time of Alexander III. was a period of royalty of government and of ecclesiastical order, when the divine power of the church directed, by a firm and sacred authority, the civil powers of the world within the sphere of the law of God and of obedience to the faith. Now I observe these powers of the Holy See have been always rising, always culminating. The temporal power in the hand of St. Gregory I. was a fatherly and patriarchal rule over nations not as yet reduced to civil order. In the hands of St. Leo III. it became a power of building empires. In the hands of St. Gregory VII. it was a scourge to chasten them. In the hands of Alexander III. it was a dynasty, ruling supremely, in the name of God, over the powers of the world. And now in these later times the temporal sovereignty has become a law of the conscience, an axiom of the reason. Through long contests and denials it has passed into consciences, intellects, and hearts of men. Like the great dogmas of the Church, through controversy it has reached its analysis and expression. It stands by the side of the Immaculate Conception a theological certainty, if not a definition. So that I may say there never was a time when the temporal power of the Vicar of the Son of God, though assailed as we see it, was more firmly rooted through-

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out the whole unity of the Catholic Church in the hearts and convictions of its members; and that by a double process, not only by its own proper evidence, not only by the light of God's dealing with the world, but by contrast. For the nations of Europe have already seen that the society of the world, without the guidance and preservation of the Church of God, resolves itself into confusion. They have seen every form of political society, and the confederations of kingdoms and nations, dissolve and pass away. While all the floating societies of the world have drifted down the stream, the centre of obedience has become more stable. Men have learned from the history of modern Europe that the law which is called the law of nations—that is, the rule of justice which regulates the relations of people with people—has become weak and powerless. And why? Because the nations have broken the bonds which bound them to the centre of obedience, and have shaken off the noble submission to a tribunal higher than man, from which came forth, in other days, the judgements of equity and of justice. It was a dignified obedience to bow to the Vicar of the Son of God, and to remit the arbitration of their griefs to one whom all wills consented to obey.

Source: The Temporal Power of the Vicar of Jesus Christ, by Henry Edward Manning, D.D. (appointed Archbishop of Westminster in 1865 and Cardinal in 1875), published in 1862 in London by Burns & Lambert, 17 & 18 Portman Street, pages 230-232.

From <Picture> "Crossing The Threshold of Hope", by Pope John Paul II:

First Chapter: "The Pope": A Scandal and a Mystery (bold emphasis is mine):

[pg. 3] The leader of the Catholic Church is defined by the faith as the Vicar of Jesus Christ (and is accepted as such by believers). The Pope is considered the man on earth who represents the Son of God, who "takes the place" of the Second Person of the omnipotent God of the Trinity.

[pg. 13] The Pope is not the only one who holds this title. With regard to the Church entrusted to him, each bishop is Vicarius Christi.

If you directly translate "represents the Son of God" into Latin, the official language of the Church, you get "Vicarius Filii Dei", which in Roman Numerals will add up to 666. John Paul II also claims to "take the place" of Christ (the Second Person of the Trinity), the precise meaning of both AntiChrist and the papal title of Vicar of Christ (Vicarius Christi).

VICARIUS FILII DEI

The Historical Proof.

The <Picture> Donation of Constantine is the most famous forgery in European history. Originally discovered in the Pseudo-Isidorian Decretals in the 9th century (c. 847-853), which are now also recognized to be forgeries, parts of the Donation of Constantine were later incorporated into most of the medieval collections of Catholic canon law (Anselm's, Cardinal Deusdedit's (c. 1087), and Gratian's Decretum (c. 1148) also known as Concordia Discordantium Canonum). So the Donation of Constantine was held to be genuine for centuries.

The Donation of Constantine is cited in writing by no less than 10 Popes as proof of their civil authority and sovereignty over Rome, and what came to be known as the Papal States, which included a large portion of Italy. It was eventually exposed as a pious fraud in 1440 by <Picture> Laurentius Valla who proved it had to have been written several centuries after the death of Constantine (337 A.D.) The document reads in part as follows in Latin: (caps added for emphasis) -

Sicut B. Petrus in terris VICARIUS FILII DEI esse videtur constitutus, ita et Pontifices, qui ipsius principis apostolorum gerunt vices, principatus potestatem amplius quam terrena imperialis nostrae serenitatis mansuetudo habere videtur, concessam a nobis nostroque imperio obtineant...

In English that is-

As the Blessed Peter is seen to have been constituted vicar of the Son of God on the earth, so the Pontiffs who are the representatives of that same chief of the apostles, should obtain from us and our empire the power of a supremacy greater than the clemency of our earthly imperial serenity is seen to have conceded to it,
(continuing beyond the latin above)

choosing that same chief of the apostles and his vicars to be our constant intercessors with God. And to the extent of our earthly Imperial power, we have decreed that his holy Roman Church shall be honored with veneration, and that more than our empire and earthly throne the most sacred seat of the Blessed Peter shall be gloriously exalted, we giving to it power, and dignity of glory, and vigor, and honor imperial. And we ordain and decree that he shall have the supremacy as well over the four principal seats, Alexandria, Antioch, Jerusalem, and Constantinople, as also over all the churches of God in the whole earth. And the Pontiff, who at the time shall be at the head of the holy Roman church itself, shall be more exalted than, and chief over, all the priests of the whole world, and according to his judgment everything which is provided for the service of God and for the stability of the faith of Christians is to be administered.

Source: Donation of Constantine, quoted in Christopher B. Coleman's The Treatise of Lorenzo Valla on the Donation of Constantine, pp. 12,13 Copyright 1922 by Yale University Press, New Haven, Conn.

As one example of the Donation of Constantine being incorporated into Catholic canon, in Gratian's Decretals of the Canon Law of the Roman Catholic Church, published in Bologna about 1148, the following is found:

"Beatus Petrus in terris vicarius filii Dei videtur esse constitutus."

Decretum Gratiani, prima pars., dist. 96.

Below is a copy of the cover page of Catholic Canon Law and <Picture> Gratian's Decretals published in 1879 in Germany by Emil Friedberg:

The Donation of Constantine is quoted on page 342, part of which is shown below. The phrase "vicarius filii dei" is found near the center of the paragraph. (Note that a "u" is used in place of a "v".)

The Donation of Constantine as depicted in a painting by Gianfrancesco Penni, in the Sala di Costantino, the Vatican. <Picture: Donation of Constantine> From a photo by Scala, Florence in The Art of Renaissance Rome, by Loren Partridge, published by Harry N. Abrams, Inc., New York, A Times Mirror Company, Copyright 1996 by Calmann & King, Ltd., ISBN 0-8109-2718-7, page 158.

The above painting representing the Donation of Constantine, was painted at the Vatican in the Sala di Costantino by Raphael and his workshop from 1519 to 1525 along with depictions of Constantine's baptism, his vision of the cross, and his victory at the battle at Milvian bridge, so at the time it would seem the Donation of Constantine was still considered to be genuine.

It portrays Constantine handing Pope Sylvester I a statuette of a pagan Roman goddess, symbolizing the transfer of power. On 24 February 1520, about four years before the painting of the Donation was completed, Martin Luther wrote:

I have at hand Lorenzo Valla's proof that the Donation of Constantine is a forgery. Good heavens, what darkness and wickedness is at Rome. You wonder at the judgment of God that such unauthentic, crass, imprudent lies not only lived, but prevailed for so many centuries, that they were incorporated in the canon law ... and became as articles of faith. I am in such a passion that I scarcely doubt that the pope is the Antichrist expected by the world, so closely do their acts, lives, sayings, and laws agree.

Source: The Art of Renaissance Rome, by Loren Partridge, published by Harry N. Abrams, Inc., New York, A Times Mirror Company, Copyright 1996 by Calmann & King, Ltd., ISBN 0-8109-2718-7, page 159.

The forged Pseudo-Isidorian Decretals, among which was found the Donation of Constantine, are fictitious letters alleged to be from early popes [Clement (A.D. 100) to Gregory the Great (A.D. 600)], collected by Isidore Mercator in the 9th century. Since the scholarly criticism of the fifteenth century they have been known to be forgeries and have been called "Pseudo-Isidorian Decretals" or False Decretals, to acknowledge that they are fraudulent, none the less, as late as 1580 the official edition of the Corpus Juris, upheld the genuineness of the False Decretals. Catholics finally abandoned the defense of the authenticity of the Donation of Constantine shortly after Cesare Baronius published his Ecclesiastical Annals in 1592, which admitted the fraud, although the Donation and title Vicarius Filii Dei continued to appear in Canon law and other Catholic publications well into the 19th century.

<Picture> Lucius Ferraris, about 1755, wrote an elaborate theological work in which he quoted the Donation of Constantine, including the phrase Vicarius Filii Dei, in article 2 of the entry "Papa" (#20). He cited the revised canon law as his authority. Here is the cover page of volume 5, of an edition published in 1858:

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Below is part of column 1828 from volume 5, 1858 Paris edition, where the title of Vicarius Filii Dei appears in #20 of article 2 of the entry "Papa" (Pope), which I have indicated with an arrow. Again, this is a quote from the Donation of Constantine:

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Full scanned pages from <Picture> Prompta Bibliotheca.

Ferraris' work was later revised, enlarged, and once again published in Rome in 1890. In that edition, the document and papal title Vicarius Filii Dei were still retained. (Lucius Ferraris, Prompta Bibliotheca (Rome, 1890), Vol. VI, p. 43, col. 2.)

According to the <Picture> 1913 Catholic Encyclopedia, a further revised edition of Prompta Bibliotheca was published in Rome by the presses of the Vatican's Office of Propaganda in 1899.

So, for well over 600 years, the Donation of Constantine was held by the Roman Catholic Church to be a valid document transferring authority from Emperor Constantine and it does contain the Latin title Vicarius Filii Dei. This is irrefutable proof that it is not a Protestant invention. The title continued to appear in Catholic publications even into the 20th century.

In the Nov 15, 1914 Edition of Our Sunday Visitor (a Catholic publication) the following question was addressed on page 3 in the section titled Bureau of Information:

Is it true that the words of the Apocalypse in the 13th Chapter, 18th verse refer to the Pope?

The words referred to are these "Here is wisdom. He that hath understanding, let him count the number of the beast. For it is a the number of a man: and the number of him is six hundred sixty-six." The Title of the Pope in Rome is Vicarius Filii Dei. This is inscribed on his mitre[*]; and if you take the letters of his title which represent Latin numerals and add them together they come to 666.

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Add these together and the result will be 666.

This "argument" was submitted to Rev. Ernest R. Hull, and answered in the following manner: "Almost every eminent man in Christendom, who has enjoyed the privilege of possessing enemies, has had his mane turned and twisted till they could get the number 666 out of it. In past history there have been numberless beasts or Anti-Christ, all of whose names counted up to 666. I fancy that my own name, especially in Latin form, might give the number of the beast:

ERNESTVSREGINALDVSHVLL5150500555050=666

Quod erat demonstrandum, namely, that Rev. Ernest R. Hull is Anti-Christ, or the Beast of the Apocalypse!"

Perhaps a little ingenuity with your name will show that you are the beast of the Apocalypse too.

<Picture>View a facsimile copy of the above item online.

*[The Vatican apparently has as many as nine papal tiare crowns, which are properly called tiaras].

Again in the April 18th, 1915 edition of Our Sunday Visitor the following question was addressed on page 3 in the section titled Bureau of Information:

What are the letters supposed to be in the Pope's crown, and what do they signify, if anything?

The letters inscribed in the Pope's mitre are these: Vicarius Filii Dei, which is the Latin for the Vicar of the Son of God. Catholics hold that the church which is a visible society must have a visible head. Christ, before His ascension into heaven, appointed St. Peter to act as His representative. Upon the death of Peter the man who succeeded to the office of Peter as Bishop of Rome, was recognized as the head of the Church. Hence to the Bishop of Rome, as head of the Church, was given the title "Vicar of Christ."

Enemies of the Papacy denounce this title as a malicious assumption. But the Bible informs us that Christ did not only give His Church authority to teach, but also to rule. Laying claim to the authority to rule in Christ's spiritual kingdom, in Christ's stead, is not a whit more malicious than laying claim to the authority to teach in Christ's name. And this every Christian minister does.

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The following is the text of a letter written in 1904 by the secretary of Cardinal Gibbons of Baltimore, in response to a letter enquiring about Vicarius Filii Dei being inscribed on a papal tiara:

CARDINAL'S RESIDENCE
406 N. CHARLES ST
BALTIMORE

Jan. 26th, '04

Mr. H. J. Weaver,

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of 18th ?, I beg to say that I cannot say with certainty that the words "Vicarius Filii Dei" are on the Pope's Tiara. But the words are used by the Cardinal who imposes the tiara at the coronation of a Pope.

Yours Truly,

Wm. F. Russell

So Catholics themselves originally used the phrase VICARIUS FILII DEI in the forged document known as the Donation of Constantine that was held to be genuine for many hundreds of years and Catholics continued to claim that VICARIUS FILII DEI was inscribed on one of the papal mitres as recently as 1915, and those words apparently were said at papal coronations. I would also suspect, but cannot prove, that there are many documents in the archives of the Catholic Church that contain the exact wording in Latin as described.

An anecdote I can relate to you applies here. In discussing 666 with a fellow coworker one day, he told me that he used to be in training to be a Catholic Priest, and in class one day the priest told the prospective inductees that there was no way to disprove that 666 applied to the papal title, and they would have to live with that fact if they wanted to be priests, or drop out. My friend did not go on to be a priest, though he may have quit for other reasons.

This identification of 666 with the Papal title of Vicarius Filii Dei first surfaced in print in the year 1612 A.D. in a book by Andreas Helwig called the Roman Antichrist. So the Roman Catholic Church has had over 380 years to conclusively prove it false, yet they have not done so. Why? Because it is true?!

So, by the above evidence ANTICHRIST and VICAR OF CHRIST are absolutely identical in meaning!!! They both define one who substitutes himself for God and is a usurper of (making a false claim on) the power of God.

ELLEN WHITE AND 666

Some Catholics will respond to the Seventh-day Adventist that the number 666 can similarly be derived from the name of Ellen Gould White, a prominent figure in the Adventist church (see the article at <Picture> New Advent). The calculation is made as follows:

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The letter "w" in this case, is proposed to be the equivalent of a double "v" or "u", which has a value of 5 and is therefore 10 when doubled.. However, in Latin, a single "v" was used to represent the "w", "v" and "u" sound, the double-u (w) apparently evolved many centuries later in other languages. So, it would seem the correct rendering in Latin would be ELLEN GOVLD WHITE, which does not add up to 666. Be that as it may, lets accept the calculation as stated above. Does this indicate that Ellen White is a likely candidate for the antichrist or beast described in Revelation 13?

Using the same method of calculation, it should be apparent that there might be literally thousands of names that add up to 666, as Rev. Ernest R. Hull demonstrated in the Our Sunday Visitor article above. So obviously the application of the number to any single individual is admittedly quite meaningless, unless and until all the other characteristics of "the antichrist" can be adequately met. Even the Catholics that raise this issue are unlikely to suggest that they seriously consider Ellen White to be the antichrist entity that scripture warns about.

The MAN of Sin

Marine Corp's Parris Island training base in South Carolina

2 Thess 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

Scholars generally agree that the "man of sin" in 2 Thessalonians 2:3 is the same entity described in Revelation as the beast whose number is 666, the "little horn" power of Daniel 7, and the harlot riding the beast in Revelation 17. See the table in <Picture> The Catholic Origins of Futurism and Preterism. To my knowledge, no Catholic or Protestant scholar has ever proposed that this "antichrist" entity could potentially be a woman. So who then is a likely candidate?

Scholars agree that the Bible is clear about a "man of sin" who will substitute himself for God in the very temple of God. While most of the Christian community has been told to look for a man in the future that will fit this characteristic of AntiChrist, the Vicar of Christ has already precisely fulfilled this prophecy for centuries! When the Pope speaks "ex-cathedra", which means from Peter's chair, Catholic's are bound to believe his decree as though it were given from God himself!

So as the Vicar of Christ, the Pope speaks from Peter's chair, in the Cathedral of God, declaring himself to be infallible in defining and declaring unbiblical doctrines which he claims to be essential to salvation as though he were God!

Is this not an exact and precise fulfilment of 2 Thessalonians 2:4 identifying the Papacy as the AntiChrist?

Here is just one example of a Papal claim that fits 2 Thess 2:4-

But the supreme teacher in the Church is the Roman Pontiff. Union of minds, therefore, requires, together with a perfect accord in the one faith, complete submission and obedience of will to the Church and to the Roman Pontiff, as to God Himself.

Source: Pope Leo XIII, Encyclical Letter, "On the Chief Duties of Christians as Citizens," dated January 10, 1890, trans. in The Great Encyclical Letters of Pope Leo XIII (New York: Benziger, 1903), p. 193.

Here is the same encyclical <Picture> SAPIENTIAE CHRISTIANAE online.

See paragraph #22 for the above quote.

THE NUMBER 666, PAGAN SUN WORSHIP AND ANCIENT BABYLON

"The ancients claimed that God works by mathematics. Their religion was a conglomeration of religion, astrology, alchemy, physical and mental science, and mathematics. Ancient astrology divided the starry heavens into 36 constellations. These were represented by different amulets called "Sigilla Solis," or the sun seal. These amulets were worn by the pagan priests, and they contained all the numbers from 1 to 36. By these figures they claimed to be able to foretell future events. These amulets were usually made of gold, yellow being the sun color. While being carried, these amulets were wrapped in yellow silk, as it was thought that the bearer would thus receive the beneficial powers believed to emanate from the jewel."

"These drawings from photographs taken in 1910, show actual amulets then in the Berlin Museum. They reveal the veneration the ancients had for the sun-god. On the front side of No.1 we see the god of the sun standing on the lion. This indicated the sun's position in the constellation of Leo during the hot days of August. On the back is inscribed "Nachyel," meaning "intelligence of the sun," and in 36 squares are arranged the numerals 1 to 36 (see table 1) in such a way that adding the numbers of any column either horizontally or vertically, and also the two diagonals crossing the square, the total is the same- 111. The sum of the six columns, computed either horizontally or vertically, is 6 x 111, or 666."

"The second illustration is also a solar seal, but it honors the star Basilisco, which was the diminutive form of the Greek basileus (king), thus meaning the same as the Latin regulus. Now, Regulus is the only first-magnitude star in the constellation of Leo. The sun and the moon are again clearly seen on this amulet, and on the reverse side is the same arrangement of numerals, with the actual figure given of the total 666."

[The lower coin shows the conjunction of the Sun, Moon and the star Regulus in the constellation of Leo the Lion that occurred on 19 August 1705.]

Source: Unfolding the Revelation (Revised) by Roy Allan Anderson, pages 125-127, Published and copyrighted 1953, 1961,1974 by Pacific Press Publishing Association, Boise Idaho, Oshawa Ontario, Canada. Library of Congress Catalogue Card No. 61-10884.

Table #1 as illustrated above is also referred to in numerology as the magic Square of the Sun. There are similar magic squares for Saturn, Jupiter, Mars, Venus, Mercury and the Moon, all of which have been known for centuries.

So 666 is a number associated with pagan sun-worship, which originated in the mysteries of ancient pagan Babylon. In Revelation 666 is associated with the number of the beast (from the sea), the AntiChrist, and the harlot church of Mystery Babylon. So just who is Babylon?-

1 Pet 5:13 The church that is at Babylon, elected together with you, saluteth you; and so doth Marcus my son.

Read what most *any* commentary says about the above verse and who "Babylon" is. There is absolutely no evidence that Peter ever ministered in literal ancient Babylon. However, early Christians used the term "Babylon" as a veiled code word for a particular city, so as to avoid persecution from that pagan power. That city is Rome.

So the evidence presented here makes 666 a link between ancient sun worshipping pagan Babylon and the Papacy of the Roman Catholic Church, which is dominated by pagan practices and solar images, and referred to as Babylon in the book of Revelation. This is just a small part of the evidence that makes this relationship apparent.

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*A smaller version of this code places one six at the beginning and two sixes at the end, using three thin lines, sharing the middle lines.

Just as a curiosity, look at this picture of St. Mary's Catholic Cathedral in San Francisco. Notice the 3 rows of 6 crosses in the design. Six, Six, Six!

Unexpected and Very Insightful 666's

<Picture>Number of Chapters in the Bible:

<Picture>There are 1189 chapters in the Bible. $1189 = 66 \times 18 + 1$. Eighteen is the same as $6 + 6 + 6$. Hence the total number of chapters in the Bible is just one removed from this line-up of 6 6 6, illustrating an immediate juxtaposition of exact opposites: the Word of God versus the antichrist.

<Picture>Chapter 666 in the Bible is Ecclesiastics 7

<Picture>v1 "A good name is better than precious ointment..."<Picture>v27 "Behold, this have I found, saith the preacher, counting one by one, to find out the account."<Picture>v24 "that which is far off, and exceeding deep, who can find it out?"<Picture>v20 "there is not a just man upon the earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not."<Picture>v26 "I find more bitter than death the woman, whose heart is snares and nets, and her hands as bands: whoso pleaseth God shall escape from her; but the sinner shall be taken by her."<Picture>v29 "Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright; but they have sought out many inventions."

<Picture>Word 666 (numbered alphabetically) in the New Testament Greek

<Picture>"absence" [e.g. of the indwelling of the Holy Ghost]<Picture>Antonym: "Coming. (II) used of the coming of Christ; (II) used of the coming of the man of sin."

<Picture>www in Hebrew = 666

<Picture>www is the equivalent of vaw, vaw, vaw in Hebrew. Vaw is the sixth letter of the Hebrew alphabet and represents six in their numbering. Hence, www is equivalent to "666." <Picture: wpeCA.jpg (1765 bytes)><Picture>Incidentally, the word just after the word for "web" in Hebrew means "highway," as in the information super-highway! See, God knew this stuff was coming. Our question is how are we going to use these resources: for good or for evil? Obviously Satan is taking his share of the market. Yet God has his work to do too. I find it personally motivating to see that the word for "web" in Hebrew is on page 489, which is the primary Mapleton phone prefix here where I am living and doing this website.

<Picture>Word 666 in the Old Testament Hebrew

<Picture>#665 "ashes; denotes dust and earth: 'he put on sackcloth and ashes'" [broken heart and contrite spirit: ye are less than the dust without God; compare the word immediately following the Greek word for 666 below.]<Picture>#666 "a covering of the head; a mitre." ["And thou, profane wicked prince of Israel, whose day is come, when iniquity shall have an end, thus saith the Lord GOD; Remove the diadem, and take off the crown: this shall not be the same: exalt him that is low, and abase him that is high. I will overturn, overturn, overturn, it: and it shall be no more, until he come whose right it is; and I will give it him." (Ezekiel 21:25-27.)]<Picture>#669 "Ephraim" [See Isaiah 28 regarding the "drunkards of Ephraim in the head of the fat valleys." Isaiah 28 is parallel to II Nephi 28.]

<Picture>Page 666 of the L.D.S. Bible Dictionary

<Picture>Ephod "part of the dress of the high priest..."<Picture>Ephraim (six headings) [this is either really good or really bad, depending on whether it is referring to a wise or a foolish virgin. The Mormons consider themselves the stock of Ephraim for the most part, the chosen seed. The Book of Mormon prophesies that at least a significant portion will become as salt hath lost its savor.]

<Picture>Ephraim<Picture>Ephraim<Picture>Ephraim, Gate of<Picture>Ephraim, Mount<Picture>Ephraim, Stick of<Picture>Ephraim, Wood of<Picture>Epicurean; Epistle

<Picture>Page 666 in Gesenius' the Old Testament lexicon [Note the opposites juxtaposed: good vs. evil]

<Picture>first word definition (#6293)

<Picture>"(2) to strike a covenant; to make peace" [with whom? God or Satan? See page 666 of 1966 LDS Bible (KJV)

below.]<Picture>The sixth letter of Hebrew alphabet is vav, which stands for "covenant."<Picture>H(1) "to cause anything to fall upon anyone. Isa. 53:6 "he caused to fall upon him the iniquity of us all."<Picture>H(3) "to invade. Assailant, enemy."<Picture>#6296

<Picture>"to be exhausted, void of strength"<Picture>"at ease" [2 Ne. 28 "woe to those who are at ease in Zion, who say all is well"]<Picture>#6297

<Picture>"a carcass, dead body" [last verse in last chapter of Isaiah: "And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh." (Isaiah 66:24.) Compare this wording to JST-Mark 9:40-48.]<Picture>"ruins of your idols."<Picture>#6298 "to rush upon; to attack."<Picture>u.r. (peh, dalet, dalet)

<Picture>"(1) to be alone, separated." ["When I called again, there was none to answer" (D&C 133:66,67; etc.)<Picture>"(2) to plow; whence a plough-ox; a yoke of oxen." [ox stands for aleph in Hebrew, which is code for God.]<Picture>#6299 "to loose; (1) to redeem by paying a price; (2) to let go; (3) to set free; preserve; to deliver (in danger)."<Picture>#6300 "whom God preserved (redeemed)"<Picture>#6301 "whom the rock (i.e. God) preserved.<Picture>#6302 "the price of redemption."

<Picture>Page 666 in Gesenius' OT lexicon lines up in close proximity to page 801 of Brown's OT lexicon.

<Picture>[Background] Words 800-803 in Hebrew are spelled with the same three consonant letters (different vowel points).

<Picture>Word 800 (U.S. toll-free prefix) means "fire," which can be seen either as a mode of destruction of the wicked or of purification of the righteous.<Picture>Word 801 (area code of Wasatch Front, Utah) means "a sacrifice" [e.g. broken heart contrite spirit when we realize what fools we have made of ourselves before the Lord. See write-up on Mormons & 801].<Picture>The big punch line is that word 802 means "a woman," which ties in well with the idea of the LDS community being the intended bride (albeit one that has played the whore with the suitors of Babylon, and must be cleansed).<Picture>Word 803 means "support, columns" which matches the idea of "foundation" which we will see two other places below in this 666 study. <Picture>Word 804, by the way, is "Assyria," which is a major O.T. metaphor for the chastening arm of God via a rampaging tyrannical regime against a hypocritical nation (i.e. the feet of the bear by which the beast treads down all the earth).<Picture>The words found on page 666 of Gesenius begin about half way through page 803 of Brown.

<Picture>The insertion point is just after the word (peh, gimel, ayin) which means, "happen to, meet, encounter" or "chance, evil occurrence," or "thing hit, mark," [as in this coincident of pages and word numbers which pertaining to the mark of the beast, which portrays the people of God as being the primary promulgators because they look beyond the mark; and that these parables found in the divine riddles of the words, are designed to enlighten them and wake them from their stupor that they might put on strength and stand with the Lord in the defining hours that are ahead.]

<Picture>Page 666 of the 1966 L.D.S. Bible

<Picture>Nehemiah 1:5b through 2:9a.<Picture>First words on the page: "covenant and mercy for them that love him and observe his commandments."

<Picture>First word on page 666 in Gesenius (Hebrew OT) "covenant"

<Picture>Page 666 in Thayer's New Testament Greek lexicon [portraying the epitome antonym]

<Picture>word 5485 [fills the page] "Grace... (2) good-will, lovingkindness, favor; (4) kindness which bestows upon one what he has not deserved; a gift."

<Picture>The very last word in Hebrew (OT lexicon) means "gift."<Picture>The very last word in Greek (NT lexicon) means "helpful."<Picture>Contrast: us, U.S., usury, usurp, Utah (vicinity words in English)

<Picture>Page 666 in Zodhiates New Testament Greek lexicon

<Picture>First phrase onto the page: "(A) Spoken of the present time." Then is "(B) Of the future, yet still, still further, longer."

<Picture: Coming Soon><Picture>Next word: #2090 "To prepare, make ready; (I) particularly the way of a king; metaphorically of the Messiah; (II) Of God as having in His counsels prepared good or evil for me, i.e., to destine, appoint."<Picture>#2091

"Preparation or a basis, foundation, firm footing." (Namely Christ and his teachings through the Holy Ghost, upon which the wise man builds, in contrast to the foolish, who build upon the sandy foundations of the philosophies of men.)

<Picture>Page 666 in James E. Talmage's Jesus the Christ

<Picture>First sentence coming onto the page "It is evident that the most inveterate of the human enemies of Christ remembered His predictions of an assured resurrection on the third day after his death."

<Picture>Page 666 in Webster's' 1961 New International Dictionary

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<Picture>doctor<Picture>doctoral; doctorate<Picture>doctrinal; doctrine<Picture>document; documentable; documentary; documentation<Picture>page 665 "do"<Picture>page 667 "doer"

<Picture>Page 666 in the Book of Mormon/Doctrine & Covenants

<Picture>= p. 122 in the current Doctrine & Covenants

<Picture>There are 531 pages in the Book of Mormon, with 13 pages before D&C page 1 begins.<Picture> $531 + 13 + 122 = 666$ <Picture>Page 122 D&C is 64:42b through 66-heading, including all of D&C 65, which speaks of the kingdom cut out the mountain without hands and filling the whole earth, as prophesied by Daniel 2:44,45. How ironic that this page that addresses the kingdom of God so specifically and quintessentially would be found on the 666th page in the BofM/D&C portion of the LDS quad. Daniel 7 likewise reflects this irony as he describes very clearly that Satan's kingdom prevails against the saints for a short season before the saints triumph. D&C 103 explains the reason for this as being that the saints become as salt that has lost its savor. Instead of building up the kingdom of God, they actually build up the kingdom of the Devil. The typical Mormon has no aversion to the New World Order.

<Picture>The first verse on the page reads, "And the day shall come when the nations of the earth shall tremble because of her, and shall fear because of her terrible ones." (64:43.) [At present, the righteous tremble because of the ascendancy of Satan's kingdom, not the other way around. The tendency is to fear man and what he might do, rather than God. But this will not always be so.]<Picture>See chiasm of D&C 64:31-43<Picture>See write-up on 66 and the word, specifically as it pertains to D&C 66.

<Picture>Page 666 in the Biography of Gordon B. Hinckley (Sheri Dew)

<Picture>= very last page of text.

<Picture>Pagination to 653 + intro pages to xviii - blank pages (ii, vi, 562) - 2 cover pages (not part of text).<Picture>p.s. spelled "Hinkley," all three names have six letters. [The question is where our heart is: with the arm of flesh or with the Lord? Christ is the only sure rock upon men might build and have safe foundation. There is none other. None. Period. For men thus rooted, prophets, among other inspired mortals, provide a welcome source of truth to bring them closer to the Lord. As for those who do not have this foundation, a damning substitute is to rely in the arm of flesh, especially when it is culturally acceptable (within a religious environment) to revere that man as holy. However, to place this level of trust in man, which belongs in God alone, is idolatry. Mormon doctrine clearly states that we are to place our trust foremost in the Lord, and that the role of the prophet is to direct us to Christ, not to stand in his place.]

<Picture>HOLY BIBLE in ASCII number equivalents = 666

<Picture>By assigning numbers to the ASCII alphabet, HOLY BIBLE in all caps totals 666.

<Picture> $H(72) + O(79) + L(78) + Y(89) + B(66) + I(73) + B(66) + L(78) + E(69) = 666$ <Picture>Putting the Bible before God (e.g. all caps), making its black and white words more authoritative than the whisperings of the Spirit which are required to understand its meaning, is idolatry. Ironic, yes; but oh so true. How many atrocities through time have been done in the name of the Bible and religion?<Picture>"They draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me." (Isa. 29:13.)<Picture>"You diligently study the Scriptures because you think that by them you possess eternal life. These are the Scriptures that testify about me, yet you refuse to come to me to have life." (NIV-John 5:39,30.)<Picture>The Bible is not God. God is God. To place the Bible before God is to set up the Bible as God, which is the spirit of antichrist.<Picture>Compare "Jesus Christ" in ASCII. He alone is both necessary and sufficient.

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<Picture>The word 666 (chi, ksi, sigma) in Greek

<Picture>#5516 chi = 600, ksi = 60; sigma = 6. "The number six, being the number of man may indicate that 666 symbolizes the zenith of man's power."

<Picture>word 5516 is on page 1477. Word 1477 in Greek (NT lexicon) is "rock, foundation" [see p. 666 Zodiates above.]<Picture>The header on page 1477 is 5516. On the opposite page, 1476, the header is word 5505, which means "One thousand," which is the number of aleph, which is code for God. In fact, the first three words all mean "A thousand."<Picture>#5517 [just after #5516 - "666"] "Earthy, made of earth or dust" [see the word immediately before word 666 in Hebrew: "dust."]<Picture>#5519 "a hog; swine" [the last four digits of my phone number in reverse]

<Picture>Page 666 in _____

<Picture>Go ahead, try it. Look it up in some significant book.
by Sterling D. Allan; Mapleton, Utah; October 16, 1998



All of the marks, or bars are associated with numbers at the bottom, except the marks at the first, middle, and end. Notice the marks for the number "6" are "||". And these marks are the same marks at the first, in the middle and at the end!

Here's the other numbers removed. The number "666" is hidden in every UPC bar code! (If you don't believe it, get a bar code and look at it!.)

Something else mysterious has appeared. In the last few years, some UPC codes have appeared with additional boxes underneath the bar code. Beside the boxes are 2 letters - the letter F and the letter H! According to researchers, they stand for forehead or hand. And the purchaser must have the required mark in their forehead or hand before purchasing.

You say it'll never happen! SOME ARE ALREADY OUT!



Bar codes, such as these, have already appeared in some Midwestern stores. According to researchers: the **F - is for FOREHEAD**, and the **H - is for HAND**! And according to researchers, the purchaser must have a mark in their right hand or forehead before purchasing!