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		Letter	Roman	Meaning
	1	Aleph	A, E	
	2	Beth	B	
	3	Gimel	G, Gh	
	4	Daleth	D, Dh	
	5	Heh	H	
	6	Vav	O, U, V, W	
	7	Zayin	Z	
	8	Chet	Ch, H	
	9	Tet	T	
	10	Yod	I, J, Y	
	20	Kaf	K, Kh	
	30	Lamed	L	
	40	Mem	M	
	50	Nun	N	
	60	Samech	S	
	70	Ayin	A, O, E	
	80	Peh	P, Ph	
	90	Tsadi	Tz	
	100	Kof	Q	
	200	Resh	R	
	300	Sin, Shin	S, Sh	
	400	Tav	T, Th/	
	500	Kaf Sophit	K, Kh	
	600	Mem Sophit	M	
	700	Nun Sophit	N	
	800	Peh Sophit	P, Ph	
	900	Tsadi Sophit	Tz	

The Hebrew alphabet of 22 characters was incomplete of the 27 letters required for a fully complete language.

The trinity of nines (999) or $(9 + 9 + 9 = 27)$ is the triple fruit of completeness of the harvest and, in language, represents a Full alphabet in the Kingdom of God.

Mathematically this is required to fill and complete the numbering system in order to count to $900 + 90 + 9 = 999$ to fill a Thousand Year Day of God.

There is an underlying principle that the language and speech of men is incomplete and imperfect before God. One of the Promises of the full completion is that the language will be made perfect when the Messiah comes. The missing 5 symbols (shown in Red) were supplied by substituting letters called Finals or Finials, which had an extra flourish when used at the end of a word.

It seems strange to us today, but all through the ages until this last century or so when mankind became erudite and educated, it was held that speaking to God in prayers should be done in a singing voice and that the natural speaking voice of man was unclean and vulgar before God. Many still hold to this today. Thus the cantors and chants in the older liturgical music.

This also indicates the incompleteness of the Hebrew period of Law for their religion lacked their Messiah who had not yet come. Thus they were sustained by the Grace (5) of God and allowed substitute letters to fill their lack as they were also allowed to use substitute sacrifices of sheep, goats, bulls, doves and grain to fill their religious lack of the blood sacrifice of their savior.

The Substitute Finals

It is very illuminating to note that the regular alphabet was 22 characters. 22 is the number of light and is a very special number of Christ who is the Light of the World. The incomplete language, called the Aleph/Beit, began with God (A = 1) and ended with Christ (2 = B), God's only begotten son, coming into the world.

(Note: the enfolded $2 + 2$ of the number $22 = 4$, the number of the world. Also 2 is the divider who sits on the Bema seat of judgment separating the sheep from the goats.)

The letters selected for the Finals were taken as extensions of regular letters and represent completion or fulfillment of the works to follow after Christ to establish the full Kingdom.

Thus the final Kaph 23 (the Great White Throne judgment) is the fulfillment of Kaph 11 (rebellion of man against God)

The final Mem 24 (the world) is the fulfillment of Mem 13 (sin of the world) and shows the lost world of Adam reclaimed from the devil and brought under Divine order. (i.e. 24 kings around the throne of God)

The final Nun 25 (the Glory of the Throne of God) is the fulfillment of Nun 14 (redemption). The joining of Heaven & Earth.

"Thy kingdom come, on earth as it is in Heaven"

The final Pe 26 (preaching the gospel) is the fulfillment of Pe 17 (the anointing from above).

"Wait in Jerusalem until ye receive power from on high" - Tongues of fire sat on their heads. (Book of Acts)

The final Tsaddi 27 (a new tongue - a new world) is the fulfillment of Tsaddi 18 (the land of your inheritance).

The Hebrew and Greek languages the Bible was written in are uniquely different from all the other languages. Lacking a separate symbol system for numbers, the letters of the alphabet were used for numbers. It is if they were especially designed for their Holy purpose of carrying the word of God to the world.

This number system overlaid the textual content of words so that a word was far more than just a phonetic sound. It also had to 'add up'. Numbers had far more meaning than just counting. They also had symbolic significance that had to match the word.

Thus every word was holy and special in that it had many levels and layers of significant meaning. It is said of the ancient Hebrew prophets that every letter had 7 layers of meaning and every word had 70 levels.

The study of the numbers is called Gematria. It is not popular with many denominations who consider it dangerous and to be avoided because of wild theologies derived by misinterpretations of the numbers. And this is true. It is perhaps as dangerous to a denomination as the Holy Spirit getting loose among the congregation.

'Wildfire' they call it. When all this stuff about laying on of hands and healings and miracles and signs following and strange tongues gets loose, why there's just no telling where it will end up.

However, the Bible is most solidly formed on a number base that runs throughout as a foundational framework and one of the five chapters of the Pentateuch, which establishes the beachhead of the Kingdom of God in the world, is the Book of Numbers.

It is really not so strange. Numbers are a language. A language of POWER. A universal language that expresses concepts. Einstein said numbers were the most perfect language. Consider $E = MC^2$. Just three little letters - a trinity - that expresses the nature of all matter in the universe. People of all languages well understand the ultimate power of those letters. They have seen it displayed in the NUKE and now in Grenoble. It is the root formula for atomic energy. It says that Energy = Mass x Speed of Light squared.

It is also stating that ALL substances are made of encapsulated light energy. The earth, the rocks and mountains and oceans and air - and your very body - are made of encapsulated light energy. Is not that incredulous? Beyond belief? But it is true and has been well proven. And even further, the atomic particles themselves are virtually eternal and are older than the creation of earth. The very electrons whizzing around their nuclear orbits in your body maybe, and probably did, exist at one time in the body of a pre-historic dinosaur.

This concept of the $E = MC^2$ is not original with Einstein. John said it almost 2000 years ago: Gospel of St. John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Energy Source

E

1:4

In Him was life;and the life was the light of men.

1:5

And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not.<Picture>

Emission - going forth

Speed of Light squared

C2

1:10

He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.<Picture>

1:11

He came unto his own, and his own received him not.<Picture>

1:14

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.<Picture>

Mass

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This is not intended to be a compendium on the subject of Gematria. but is to show an application to the decoding and understanding a bit of the mystery of what I used to call the most boring chapter in the Bible, namely the Begats, Chapter 5 of Genesis.

God has a most inimitable way of teaching one by rubbing his nose in those things of His which one criticizes. He kept bumping me into the Begats until I finally saw that it was truly one of His most precious gems of prophecy. One of those precious, hidden jewels of scripture that we trample carelessly in the mud like churlish swine in the callous conceit of our own ignorance

In the letters, the words and the numbers of the Begats is an outline of His 7000 year plan of redemption. The Begetting of the human race. HE who told the end from the beginning placed it - where else - in Genesis, Book 1, Chapter 5 (5 is the number of Grace and kingdoms. Kingdoms are established by the Grace of God)

In Jewish tradition the Hebrew Alphabet, the Aleph-Beit, is the WORD of G-d for from the letters, all things that exist are created. It is an unspeakable Word, for who can speak the whole alphabet as one Word. Who can speak all of Creation in one word?









To begin the decoding of the Begats, it is necessary to understand some of the prophetic principles involved.basics of prophecy.







































Doublesaying. This stems from "in the mouths of two or three witnesses let every word be established." The Bible, often accused of redundancy, provides witnesses to the words. This is why there are two versions of creation in Genesis. It is why there are four gospels in the new testament that tell the story of Jesus. When interpreting, look for the witness.

Foretelling. God said He would do nothing in earth except He tell His people first. He told the end from the beginning. Thus interpreters of the Book of Revelation be warned. Every interpretation must have it's roots foretold in Genesis. HE told the end from the beginning.

For example: Jesus was not the first to ascend. Enoch, the 7th from Adam walked home with God. Elijah, the prophet, ascended in a chariot of fire. Jesus was the third to ascend. Jesus was not the first to be resurrected from the dead. He, himself, resurrected his friend Lazareth, that the principle might be established. Tales from the old testament speak of bones of a prophet resurrecting those slain in battle. Jonah was resurrected from the bowels of hell from the belly of the great fish.

In fact, every word Jesus spoke, every step He took, every miracle He performed was foretold and was fulfillment of prophecy that can be traced back to an old testament origin

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The Greek alphabet had 24 letters and was a bit more perfect even though not yet full. The missing 3 letters of the full 27 were supplied by the symbols of the kappa for 90 in the 18th position, the sampsi in the 27th position and the stigma in the 6th position.

Rather curious, isn't it, that the 18th position has to do with the land of inheritance and the 27th with completion of the Messiah, the Son of God, and the 6th position of the stigma (or mark) with man.

Even more so when compared to the Hebrew prophecies that their Messiah would be cast out from among them and would come to them from a people not his own and speak to them with a tongue not their own.

(It is interesting to compare the Greek Stigmata as a symbol for the number of man (6) with the 'Mark of Cain' in Genesis 4:15 and the 'Mark of the Anti-christ' in Revelation 13:16-17)

The substitute symbol in the 18th inheritance position speaks for the substitute people. The fact that the New Testament was written in Greek and not Hebrew testifies to the language not their own.

The 24 character Greek alphabet is more complete than the Hebrew 22 by the addition of 2 (the number of Christ the Son of God).

The number 22 is light, (Christ, the bright and shining morning star) which came to the Hebrew and shined in the darkness and the darkness comprehended it not but cast it out, disowned and rejected it. So it came to them in a language (Greek) not their own.

The mysterious number 6 was supplied by a mark called the stigma, which was also used as the final S in word endings. The S sound is the Hiss of the serpent and was the symbol of the pagan goddess Isis. Is it mere coincidence that used for the number 6 it also symbolized the idolatry of man?

It is no accident that the number of the name of the beast mentioned in the Book of Revelations is 666. A trinity of sixes, which decodes as:

- 6 man as the father,
- 6 man as the son,
- 6 man as the spirit.

Thereby stating utterly and absolutely, without repentance before God, the doctrine that man is his own god and creator.

This is the trinity of the Anti-christ. Mankind must create his own salvation as his own god and judge.

This is the heart of the doctrine of Humanism, the religion of man that has swept the earth in these last few decades since WW II.





It is no accident that the alphabet symbols of 666 are also SSS, the sign of Isis and also of the dreaded Gestapo of Hitler in Nazi Germany that set out to solve mankind's problems with the Holocaust and the gas-chambers that murdered 20 million people in World War II.







































It is also obvious, to one who will look, that this beast still ravages unchecked on earth in the deceptive guise of the brotherhood of man and is deeply engaged in solving the problems of mankind to perfect the world by bringing about abortion, racial genocide, sterilization, and euthanasia of the elderly and helplessly crippled.

Solutions recommended and practiced by Hitler and the SSS.

It is unfortunate, but it is as was prophesied, that some of the apostate church that carries the Name of our Lord, is blindly and deeply involved in this murderous deceptive work of the Trinity of the 666.

The prophecies of the times of the anti-christ are not for some future time to come. They are even now upon us. Today. The deceptions of the 666 began quietly some few years ago and have, with the insidious subtlety of the serpent, stolen among us to deceive us

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The English Alphabet of 26 letters is more nearly complete toward the full 27 characters that the full 999 language should have.

We no longer have the number value system of the Hebrew and Greek in the English structure today. The English, however, has many of its origins in the Greek and many of the letter positions may occasionally reflect some of the numeric structure and symbolism.

A is still 1, B is still 2, D is still 4.

The letter 'T' has moved from the 10th place in the Greek to 9th in the English which could symbolize English as a fruit of the Greek order.

M is still 13, the number of sin, which in both Greek and Hebrew is in the same 13th position with the value of 40 for testing and trial. Sin hasn't changed, in place or value, in any of the three languages.

The English language, to be brutally frank, is not a pure language. It is a bastard language. A polyglot of words from many peoples and tongues that formed, in a way, as the 'pidgin' English of the South seas and the Asian peoples. It has lost the numeric structure, substituting a separate Arabic number system that probably originated in Persia.

In the Greek or the Hebrew, the numeric value of a letter or word counted is assigned in two ways. The place position of the letter in the alphabet and the value of its place.

To thoroughly well-read a name, one has the values and the sums of the values to contend with as well as the place numbers and the sum of the place numbers. The sums, the partial sums and the 'enfolding' sums also have great significance.

The first 10 letters of the Hebrew have the same number for place in the alphabet as its value, but the eleventh letter has the place value of 11 and a numeric value of 20. The last letter of the alphabet has the place value of 22 and a numeric value of 400.

There is a cross connection of 22 and 400. The 22 means light and the two 2's (2 is the number of the Son) implies the two comings of Christ, the Son of God, who is the Light of the World.

As the last letter in the alphabet it also implies the Omega of Christ who is the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end of all things. This relates to the 400 which represents a perfectly Divine (God ordained) period of time in the world.

The Holy H

Another alphabetic letter witnessing to Divine origins is the mysterious letter we know in English as H. The H sound is a breath sound produced by breathing out. In the Hebrew it was sacred for it represented the breath of God who gave breath and life to Adam by breathing on the dust.

It is paralleled in the New Testament when Jesus came and revealed himself to the disciples in a locked room after the resurrection. He breathed on them and said "Receive ye the Holy Spirit".. This act showed to them that He was God who has the power of life and death.

In the lineage after Noah (notice the H. His name was originally Noe) we find Eber who is the 14th from Adam. 14th is the second 7th son.

The first 7th generation from Adam was Enoch who was the first to physically ascend in the flesh to the throne of God.

Eber, the second 7th, is the root of the Hebrew race. The addition of the H before Eber clearly shows the Hebrew as God's people chosen of God.

This addition of the H at some later time is shown in the name change of Abram to Abraham and his wife Sari to Sarah. It was a sign of an anointing.

Since the H is number 5 in the alphabet, and the number 5 means grace and kingdom, the symbolism is testimony that God chose the tribe of Eber by His Grace to establish His kingdom on earth.

In contrast, the Greek language did not have the H sound and is not the Chosen people. It does have the sibilant S sound of the serpent - the Stigma (a symbol of Isis) - in the sixth position of man, thereby showing the pagan worship of men as gods, glorifying and idolizing physical perfection of the human body. The English does have both the H sound and the S sound of the serpent showing the mixture of God's people mingled in the world.

There may not be a paragraph in the Bible that is not constructed on a similar numerical scheme. No man or group of men could write books so thoroughly integrated this way. The very fact of the numeric, language phenomena of the Bible is a witness to it's Divine Origin.

And why not? The God who created the universe and all the natural laws of nature that governs it's operation also created the principle of mathematics. After all, who decided most men should have ten fingers? Did man?

It is no different with languages. Why should they not have Divine Origins? Who made the mouth, the tongue, the vocal chords, the larynx?

[Exodus 4:11] And the Lord said unto him, who hath made man's mouth? Or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? Have not I the Lord?

[4:12] Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.

The 22 character Hebrew language indicates that the Law given to Moses was not complete but that it's insufficiency was covered by the Grace of God.

The New Testament of Christ, who was not received by His own but was rejected and cast out from His own people, was mostly written in Greek - the tongue of a stranger.

Greek is a more perfect language of 24 letters. There are 24 Kings around the Throne in the Book of Revelations. There are 12 tribes and 12 apostles: 24 in all.

One of the most striking and profound reasons God might have had for the language switch is to bring forth the word Love. The Greek language had many words for different forms of love, ranging from Eros for sensual, sexual love to Philos for brotherly love and, most notably, to it's eternal credit, the word Agape, the Love of God.

It is still short of the Divinely Ordained 27 letters of the fullness of fruit. The missing 3 characters having reference to the Holy Spirit.

Modern English is now 26 characters. Strangely, it has had a few characters added to it's previous 24 since the real age of the Holy Spirit of the Latter Times began with Martin Luther around 1500 a.d. It is felt another letter will be added with the soon coming return of Christ. Prophecy indicates a new language will be spoken. A new tongue and a new song.

God showed considerable concern with language in the time of the Tower of Babel crisis, the first judgment shown after Noah and the flood.

(Genesis 11:1) And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.

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(11:6) And the Lord said, behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.

(11:7) go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.

I diverted from the search for the keys to the code of the ancient prophets to bring out this very important and vital clue to power: Watch the language for signs of the Endtimes. Language is very important to God who values His word above His name for it is communication.

[John 1:1] In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

And again:

[Proverbs 4:20] My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.

[4:21] Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.

[4:22] for they are life unto those that find them and health to all their flesh.

In the search for Shekinah Power in his life, the seeker cannot ignore these very vital clues, such as:

[Matthew 12:34] for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

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[12:36] but I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

[12:37] for by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

It is very evident that the power comes by the words that issue forth from the mouth, but what words?

[Matthew 4:4] It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

Nor could we neglect one of the most powerful keys:

[Proverbs 18:21] Death and Life are in the power of the tongue; and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

So it is God's words that we live by. Words from which power comes. The message is very plain and clear.

But we all know people who speak the words of the Bible endlessly all their lives and they have never shown signs of any power at all beyond that of boredom, defeat and futility.

We have seen others speak the same words with a little power, and a few with more power. What is the difference? The same words but manifesting different degrees of power.

Apparently there is a missing ingredient. Something that doesn't seem to be in the boldness of a brilliant oratorical style, for we often see the most power manifested in the most unlikely people.

We have observed people emotionally stimulated to a high fervor by forceful speakers in meetings, yet manifesting no signs in their daily lives following. Great swelling clouds without rain. As if the great sounding promises died on their lips as they stepped out the church door.

Conversely, we have seen soft, quiet words spoken almost in a whisper, - shortly and briefly as in a closet manifest dramatic, profound changes in lives of people afterward.

Apparently it is a mystery to conventional, theological seminaries for the orthodox denominational church has been powerless and asleep for many years, having forgotten the former fire of the Shekinah power of their forefathers who founded their very denominations on powerful waves of revival.

Where will the fire come from to awake the Shekinah to the tidal wave of revival that is urgently, desperately needed to save mankind from the ultimate horror of the relentless, lemming-like rush of humanistic materialism to mass extinction of all life on this planet, and as far as we know the only life in the universe?

Who will find the way to invoke the Shekinah? How will we know when he is? Will it take one person or many? Who will deliver us in this hour of our need and impending doom?

Perhaps you? Have you prayed and asked? Could it be your prayer that is the one needful to bring forth the power? To raise up a deliverer. A judge to lead us. Another Moses, or a Gideon, or a David. Or the return of Jesus, the son of David, the Lion of Judah, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, the Messiah, the Son of God, our saviour and deliverer.

If it is possible, is there any reason to delay one more second. One more tick of the clock, before crying out to God in Heaven to send a deliverer to save us, our children, our world, and all of mankind?

<Picture>Gematria: The Secret Code of the Ancient Prophets

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Number Meanings

1 GOD <Picture: 01ALEF.GIF (995 bytes)>One means unity. It represents God the Father. All things begin with one. It's the beginning of creation. The one Most High God, the Creator of All Things. 2SON <Picture: 02BET.GIF (962 bytes)>Division. The Son of God. A number of Christ, the Son of God, who is the Divider with the TwoEdged Sword of the Word who sanctifies (sets apart); Dividing the waters, separating the sheep from the goats, separating good from evil, the Holy from the Profane and who sits on the Bema seat of Judgment on the Right Hand of God 3 SPIRIT TRINITY<Picture: 03GIMEL.GIF (935 bytes)>The spirit as the third member of the trinity which is the sum of 1 + 2. God + the Son together send the Comforter, the Holy Spirit to man that he not be alone.

The first complete enclosed figure that can be made with straight lines is a 3-sided triangle. A tripod is a stable platform, thus the number of the completion stage of a work. It is the activating force of a work. The spirit as the mover. The dynamic of emission of power.

3-dimensional creation.

The Cartesian coordinates x,y,z of our space.

Past, present, future.

Space, time, motion.

Energy, matter, light (speed of).

Solid, liquid, gaseous states of matter.

All are in threes: all are trinities.

4 EARTH <Picture: 04daleth.gif (938 bytes)>The World. Foursquare with four corners: North, East, South, West. It represents the manifest physical substance of creation. The x, y, z of three dimensional space + t (time, the fourth dimension). The concept the world exists in a finite time frame. <Picture>Here is a curious thing. Though we live in a 3dimensional space of x, y, z, our earthbound geography, maps, directions, compasses, etc are all in the 4dimensional mode of North, East, South and West. This is an anomaly peculiar to earthdwellers only. It does not apply well in outer space.

And herein lies a mystery

The mystery of 3 transmuting into 4

The ancient pyramids are three-sided figures merging into a solid four-sided base as if they represented the power of a heavenly trinity transmuting into an material earthly base. Perhaps signifying the transformation of Energy into Matter. Or, perhaps, the Gateway between Heaven and Earth.

A precursor of $E=MC^2$?

5 GRACE KINGDOM<Picture: 05he.gif (963 bytes)>The grace of God's forgiving mercy and goodness. It is also KINGDOMS. Kingdoms on earth are established by God's Grace to have dominion and rule in the foursquare earth. Kingdom and Grace are tied together. Many 5's in scripture are concerned with kingdoms. 6 MAN <Picture: 06vav.gif (911 bytes)>Mortal man. Sinful, weak, mortal man. Adam was created on the sixth day. <Picture>It is important to understand that what God considers to be a man is quite different from what man considers to be a man.

Man's concept is the heroic concept of fleshly strength and power. The contemporary, macho 'John Wayne' image.

God's view is that this is 'fallen' man and is no different from the brute beasts of the field for regardless of a person's earthly perfection in mind and body, he is yet mortal and will soon wither and pass away as the grass of the field.

God's ideal man is the redeemed man, born again of His Holy Spirit in the original image He first created in Adam, for to him will be given the gift of Eternal Life and he will not pass away. In His Image. Jesus Christ who is both son of man and Son of God. Scriptures sometimes seem confusing on this subject until one sorts out which man it is referring to.

7 PERFECTION <Picture: 07zayin.gif (918 bytes)>COMPLETION of a creation. Rest. Spiritual perfection. Also implies judgment of the created thing. Also in a sense of the final perfecting of a thing already created in the sense of a verb. A final 'perfecting' of that which was created before. A cleansing, refining, finishing work. 8 NEW BEGINNING <Picture: 08cheth.gif (969 bytes)>A Second creation. A special number referring to Christ, the Son, going forth in a new creation. The Numbers 8 through 14 are the creation work of the Son built upon the first creation of the Father. <Picture>This is an important foundational precept of the Kingdom of God which is ever New Beginnings. A fresh start. A repentance of past failures and a fresh new beginning. Each week is a New Beginning. The Psalmist says "Each day does God create the world anew". We don't have to continue carrying the burden of our past with us.

This is one of the true miracles of God that the world little recognizes. In the twinkling of an eye, HE can change a person with a wholly new attitude. We can't. He Can. In the way of the world, people go to shrinks and counselors for years with little or no real progress, but in Christ, the change can be virtually instant. A great cloud of multitudes of people over the ages testify to the truth of this in their own lives.

The Age of Miracles is not dead. It is Fresh and Alive and all around us everyday, Renewing, Reviving, Regenerating the hopeless and impossibly lost. In Christ, we can become a New Creation. A New Person. Seek Him and start over afresh. HE cleanses us from all our sins.

9 FRUIT HARVEST<Picture: 09teth.gif (998 bytes)>Fruit of the spirit. Fruit of a work. Fruit of the Harvest. The last of the single digits, thus, the fullness or fruition of a thing. The harvest of what has been before. The gestation period of birth which is 9 months from the sowing of the seed until the harvest at birth. 10 LAW and ORDER <Picture: 10yod.gif (872 bytes)>Man's government on earth. Man's order of rule by the work of his own two hands composed of ten fingers. The 5 fingers of the left hand representing his kingdom of Law, and the 5 fingers of the right hand representing his kingdom of strength or force. But it is the order of Cain, who scratched the earth and by the sweat of his brow and the work of his hands raised a crop to offer to the Lord for sacrifice. The Lord found it unacceptable. <Picture>Contrary to the world view of mankind and many religions of man, we cannot earn our way into the Grace of God by our works. Grace is a free gift which we did not earn. Abel, who was a shepherd offered the acceptable sacrifice of a lamb to the Lord by offering Him that which the Lord Himself created. 11 REBELLION and DISORDER<Picture: 11kaph.gif (950 bytes)>Rebellion of man's rule opposed to God's rule. Judgment of rebellion. Man setting himself as god against the Most High God; thus, the 1 and 1 set against each other. The little god of me set against the most high God, expressed when I say "Look at what I did. I did it all with the strength of my own right arm and my own two hands.", never giving praise or thanks to the most High who created them. It is natural that man, establishing his order on the world by the sweat of his brow and the work of his two hands with ten fingers as Cain scratched the earth and grew crops, would be in jealous rebellion to take credit for that which he had built.

But it is the Mark of Cain.

The Ego. The great I of me. The "I Did It My Way" syndrome (from the song of the same name). Related to the Original Sin of Lucifer who, as the most beautiful of all the angels, said "I WILL" (set my throne above God's) three times before his fall to become lord of earth.

This Ego-trip is at the heart of all other things we call sin. The willfulness of placing Self above God in ignorance of not knowing that His desire for you is Good and He will place you in a higher place than you can ever imagine.

12 DIVINE ORDER of God <Picture: 12lamed.gif (979 bytes)>Man's order (10) + the Son (2) = 12. The 12 tribes of Israel: The 12 disciples of Christ. Shows the Father (1) and the Son (2).

The enfolded sum of $1 + 2 = 3$, the Spirit.

Thus, "My father and I will come and dwell with you" is the same as "I will send the Comforter (the Holy Spirit) to be with you always and guide you in all things". 13 SIN OF THE WORLD

DEPRAVITY, CRUCIFIXION.<Picture: 13mem.gif (991 bytes)>It is Christ's death for our Sins, thus a number of Christ. The wages of sin is death. He paid this for us by taking on our sins. It is the Sin of the World for $1 + 3 = 4$ (the world). 14

REDEMPTION RESURRECTION SALVATION<Picture: 14nun.gif (919 bytes)>A number of Christ who is our redeemer, our deliverer, who died for our sins and was resurrected from death.

It is also a completion of the son's work. $7 + 7 = 14$.

Also the enfolded $1 + 4 = 5$. The Kingdom of Grace. Christ came to proclaim the Kingdom of God. 15 VICTORY<Picture: 15samech.gif (960 bytes)>A composite number of $10 + 5$. Order and grace. It indicates the victory of the Kingdom of God that Christ came to establish on earth over the kingdoms of man. 16 LOVE <Picture: 16ayin.gif (1019 bytes)>The Agape Love of God. "For God so loved the world....." [John 3:16]. <Picture>If you still have doubts about the importance of the numerically coded framework of scripture, I offer this scripture as a witness and proof text. Notice that the chapter and verse number verify the content.

The first creation of God the father is from 1 thru 7. The creative work of Christ the Son is from 8 thru 14. Christ seated at the Right Hand of the Father sent the Comforter, the Holy Spirit, typified in the number 3.

The creative work of the Holy Spirit is in the third group of seven's from 15 thru 21. Thus, Chapter 3 of the Gospel of John is in the period of the Spirit after the completion of Christ's work, who conquered Death, the final enemy, with His resurrection to Eternal Life.

In verse 16, which is the number of Love, what other text could state this Truth better than: [John 3:16] For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. 17

DIVINE ANOINTING <Picture: 17pe.gif (979 bytes)>This is a very special number. A very powerful number that should be well understood for it is a vital key to the power of the Shekinah. It is the seventh prime number, which means it can't be evenly divided and is, therefore, woven of one piece like the Robe of the office of the High Priest that it may not be easily parted.

Aaron's Rod budded in Chapter 17 of Numbers 17:8 as a symbol God's special anointing for office and was placed in the Ark for a testimony and as a token against the rebels who murmured against his office as High Priest.

It emphasizes the point that the anointing of office comes from God through the Covenant and not by election of man.

<Picture>It is a very vital point the church knows about but seldom practices. We, too often, elect or hire pastors according to earthly qualifications set by our desires and without awareness or consideration of God's Anointing. If he's a nice guy with a good, pleasing personality that makes people feel good and would make a nice host of a late night T.V. show, we put him in the office and gradually the congregation turns into a peoplepleasing social club and true holiness disappears behind a plastic smile and a "Hail fellow, well met" pat on the back. They busy themselves with many activities and the 'Fellowship' becomes their altar and their worship while the true Holy things of God devolve into meaningless rituals perfunctorily performed and they become a congregation of the outer court (see Ezekiel 44) preaching idolatries to the people. And the people perish spiritually and no one gives it regard. <Picture>It is involved with the 17 years Abraham had to wait from God's promise of a son until the birth of Isaac. It is a great factor in the number of the 153 fishes caught in the net in John chapter 21, which has been one of the great Biblical mysteries. $17 \times 9 = 153$. The fruit of the anointing. There are now (in 1985) 153 nations (fishes) in the United Nations (the vast sea is all of humanity). Though it can't yet be said that they are all Christian nations, the prophecy is that all the nations of the world will be caught in Christ's net. It could not have been possible to understand the fulfillment of this prophecy before this present endtime generation. It also indicates that there could be 9 such specially anointed ones, across the ages, involved to bring this about. Who do you think they could be? It is important for Scripture says it's the Anointing that breaks the yoke of bondage. 18 INHERITANCE and BONDAGE

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Following the anointing, we come into the land of our inheritance. For some it is victory. For others, who were spewed out of the land for their sins, it is not so great. They may lose what they have. It is three sixes. $6 + 6 + 6 = 18$. The completed trinity man of body, soul and spirit. It is also double fruit $9 + 9 = 18$. Two natures. One of flesh and one of spirit. Both son of man and Son of God in one new creation with no more enmity between the twain. The enfolded sum of 18 is $1 + 8 = 9$. The fruit or harvest of the seed planted in the beginning. 19 FAITH

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"Man shall live by faith". After taking possession of the land of his inheritance in number 18, man shall dwell in his inheritance by faith. 20 ORDER of the REDEEMED<Picture: 20resh.gif (924 bytes)>(Bullinger defines this as the Redemption number. We differ from his interpretation) 14 in our sequence is the Redemption number. Twenty is the fulfillment of this redemption in a second, higher order of man established in Christ (2 the Son) as a result of his salvation. 10 (the order of man) \times 2 (the son) = 20 . 21 EXCEEDING SINFULNESS OF SIN.

(E.W.Bullinger)<Picture: 21shin.gif (1016 bytes)>The third cycle of seven is finished, thus judgment and perfecting of the spirit's creation coming to age. It is Childhood's End. Now ready for the manifestation in earth of the fourth cycle of seven about to begin. The spirit comes to convict men of their sins or error; to lead and guide them into the righteousness and Truth of God. In its position as the third sabbatical (7), it implies the final perfecting of the spirit's period. 22 LIGHT<Picture: 22tau.gif (963 bytes)>Christ the bright and shining morning star. The Light of the World. He who came into the world as a great light. It also implies the dual role of Christ as son of man and Son of God and the two comings of Christ.

The Dichotomy of Christ

•The first as the gentle, suffering servant who died for the sins of the world and •the second as the conquering King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

The end of the Hebrew Alphabet

Fulfillment of the Aleph-Beit whose purpose was to bring Christ into the world.

23DEATH<Picture: 23redkaph.gif (985 bytes)>

The Great White Throne Judgment.

The deep, black darkness around the base of the Holy Mountain with the fire on top, where no vision, shape or form is seen but a voice heard only. Whatever man or beast touches the holy mountain shall surely die -- except he be born again of the spirit of God, then he is no more an earthly being of flesh and blood, but a supernatural being of spirit.

The First Finial

<Picture>When we approach the Holiness of the Most High, the earthly nature of man does, indeed, die for no man can look on the face of God and live. Let's not forget, however, that the work of God is the giving of Life and Resurrection of the dead to a new creation born of His Holy Spirit. The old man of earth must decrease and pass away for the new man of the Holy seed of God to be born and to increase.

The whole dynamic of entry into the Kingdom of Grace centers on this principle. There is no other way. This is an extremely important principle to understand. It reflects the choice you have. You can die now or later, but either way involves a death. If you choose to die now, it means (not actually physically but spiritually) that you turn away from the ways of the flesh and the world and turn your face to God, put your life in His Hands and allow Him to rebuild and reshape you into the Image He prepared for you before you were born. You allow yourself to die to worldly things and temptations and put your faith in His ability to redeem you from this fallen world of the Shadow of Death. Then, you are reborn into a new creature of His Spirit and He, in truth, becomes your real Father. Then you will not be hurt of the second death, which is but the twinkling of an eye and you are alive forever with Him. It's just going through a welcoming door to home.

In decided contrast with the gruesome ideas of Hollywood Theology expounded in their torrent of horror films, Scripture says that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. If you choose to die later, then you will have to contend with the number 23, the Great White Throne Judgment. You can make this choice in an instant. Right now before you finish this paragraph. He is faithful and just to fulfil His Word and He said: "All who call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved" Just cry out from your heart, "Lord, save me." 24 The HOLY PRIESTHOOD <Picture: 23redkaph.gif (985 bytes)>The 24 Kings around the throne of God as told in the Book of Revelations.

12 kings of the twelve tribes, and 12 kings of the twelve disciples.

The Second Finial

25FORGIVENESS of SINS.

(Bullinger's definition) <Picture: 25rednun.gif (908 bytes)>We find it has this meaning and much, much more.

$5 \times 5 = 25$. Grace multiplied.

The square of 5, thus the established fulfillment of the Kingdom of God.

It is the Throne of God

The Glory of God. The enfolded sum of $2 + 5$ is 7, the Perfection of God.

The Third Finial

26 The GOSPEL of CHRIST.

(Bullinger's Definition).<Picture: 26redpe.gif (968 bytes)>(We have no direct revelation on this number).

By construction, however, 2 is the son, 6 is man and $2 + 6 = 8$, a new beginning. Implying a new world .

The Fourth Finial

27

PREACHING the GOSPEL<Picture: 27redtsaddi.gif (964 bytes)>Another very important number for it is a triple fruit or the third harvest $9 + 9 + 9 = 27$. A trinity of fruit of the harvest.

A new Heaven and a new world joined together as one.

The Fifth Finial

<Picture>It also indicates the new language that is prophesied. (See the prophecies of the alphabets). The Hebrew had 22 characters which sufficed to bring Christ, the Light of the World.

Then the scriptures changed to Greek which had 24 characters, and had the word Agape, the love of God.

Then the languages changed to 26 characters to preach the gospel to the whole world.

Another change is prophesied after the age of the gentiles and Christ returns to begin His thousand year reign on earth. Probably to 27 characters. Another change yet is prophesied at the end of the Book of Revelation, after the 1000 year reign of Christ on earth, when God folds up the heavens and brings it down to make a new heaven and a new earth and a new song is sung.

Probably 28 characters which is the sum of 7×4 . 28 ETERNAL LIFE. It is $14 + 14 = 28$ which shows a second redemption. It is also four 7's (7777) which is the material manifestation of the New Jerusalem coming down to earth. <Picture>

•The first resurrection is to be born again into God's Kingdom from the land of the dead (earth). •The 2nd resurrection is the transformation in the rapture into eternal life in a physical body of flesh and bone, like Christ's transformed body (the firstfruits of many to come). •To evidence the total victory of the Holy Spirit of God over physical creation, Death, the final enemy, is conquered.

29 DEPARTURE. (Bullinger's Definition.) 30 The BLOOD of CHRIST DEDICATIONS Christ began His ministry at the age of 30. It is also the price of a slave. Christ was sold by His own disciple (Judas) for 30 pieces of silver, the price of a slave.

<Picture>Joseph, also, began his role as ruler under the Pharaoh in Egypt at the age of 30, although the slaves' price he had been sold for then was only 20 pieces of silver.

The inflation of the price was growth, for Joseph was in the 2nd day of the 3 days of creation and the 2nd order of government of men in the world.

The day of Christ bringing the Holy Spirit into the world for all men had not yet come. Egypt represents the natural material world of men. 31 OFFSPRING. 32 COVENANT 33 PROMISE. PURIFICATION. The time of purification after birthing a child before a mother could enter the temple to present her newborn son to God.

The time of purification of a Nazarite priest before he could enter temple service in the tabernacle. Christ was from Nazareth.

He fulfilled all Righteousness, including this also, that there be no charge or fault that could be laid to him.

He was 33 when He was nailed on cross, which was his time before ascending to the Throne of God to assume service on the Right Hand of God, the seat of God's authority and power. <Picture>The Left hand of God is the seat of Law and Judgment that demands justice of an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth. The punishment for sin. The wages of sin is death.

The Right hand of power and authority, is also the hand of mercy and forgiveness of sins. This is the seat of Christ, the Lamb of God, who alone is without sin and who now has all the Sovereign Authority of God to forgive, to redeem, to restore, to resurrect.

34 NAMING of a SON. Ascension to the throne and named by God the Father. 35 HOPE. 36 ENEMY. 37 The WORD of GOD. 38 SLAVERY. 39 DISEASE This is an important number.

It is a trinity of 13's. $13 + 13 + 13 = 39$.

The 39 stripes laid on Jesus before He was nailed on the cross represent the sins of the world laid on His back. He who was without sin took our sins upon His back that we might be saved.

(For more on this theme study the Scapegoat in the old testament)

It is also said to represent 39 classifications of diseases of mankind in the world.

40 TRIALS, PROBATION, TESTING Period of chastisement (training) for God's people. Not judgment in the sense of punishment, but a protracted period of preparation. The age of a generation of man by man's clock.

The old man of the world (the man of strife and war) must pass away in the wilderness before the new generation can enter the Promised Land.

"Except ye be born again of the spirit and water, ye cannot enter the Kingdom". 41(unknown). 42ISRAEL'S OPPRESSION - the LORD's ADVENT The generation of man by God's clock. 40 + 2.

The end of the 6th seven year sabbatical period of a Jubilee cycle of 7 sabbaticals or 49 years.

The period of God's molding of a man.

Note: The antichrist's career is to last for 42 months. 43(unknown) 44 (unknown)No direct revelation but by construction of it's parts, we may get a few clues as to the possible meaning.

44 is two 22's which could have connotations of the Light of Christ and His Second coming to make a new world as indicated by the two 4's:

"As the lightening comes from the east to the west, so will the coming of the son of man be".

Like sunrise on the dawn of a new day - a new age.

45PRESERVATION. 46(unknown) 47(unknown) 48(unknown) 497th Sabbatical Year of the Jubilee cycleEnd of 7 x 7 Sabbatical Years. Ready for Jubilee.

No work in the land. Release of all slave and bond servants. Forgiveness of all debts. 50JUBILEE

Restoration of the lost lands of inheritance.

Deliverance.

The Holy Spirit

51DIVINE REVELATION 60PRIDE 65APOSTASY13 x 5 + 65. The sins of the kingdoms of earth

The enfolded sum of 6 + 5 = 11 is rebellion which is in keeping with the sin message. <Picture>Also, it is Judgment for the Apostasy of Ephraim.

Ephraim refers to the 10 tribes of the northern part of Israel that separated from Judah of the southern kingdom after the death of Solomon and went off into idolatry and apostasy.

Now referred to as the Ten Lost Tribes of Israel.

Note that it precedes the following important number.

66The ANTICHRISTWorship of Man.

The tower of gold 60 cubits high and 6 cubits wide that Nebuchadnezzar erected in the plains of Babylon requiring all men to fall down and worship.

The worship of materialism, the golden idol of material prosperity. <Picture>A precursor of the second day of the final 666. In the three days of creation, each day has it's six.

•Nimrod is most likely the 6 of the first day. •Nebuchadnezzar is the 66 of the second day. •Who will be the 666 of the third day?

<Picture>

My Soapbox

Personal Pet Peeve

I decry those erudite savants and Bible translators who, in remarkable conceit of their ignorance, translate these numbers into modern scalar equivalents such as cubits into metric, etc. thereby foolishly destroying the precious prophecies in the numbers. They are in the same class as those who condense and delete passages they do not understand.

They belong with the swine that callously trample precious pearls underfoot.

<Picture>

Although I usually try to stay out of the Book of Revelation, I would like to offer what may be a bit of insight into the nature of the "beast that was, and is not, and yet is" (Rev:chapt 17)

What kind of critter can be and not be? On the surface, this sounds like, silly self-negating nonsense. And yet, there is such a one. He exists even now and proliferates his godless rule over the whole planet, affecting every living creature on earth.

A corporation is a legal entity, recognized by law as a person. It is an entity that , though not a living creature of flesh and bone, has all the rights and privileges of a human being. To own property, to buy and sell, to make legal, binding contracts, to pay taxes, to hire and fire people.

It is an artificial creation of men that has the power to rule the lives of people. In a sense, it both is and is not for it has no soul to stand before God in judgment. It's only god is the balance sheet.

Welcome to Corporate America

Oh well. At least it's a thought. Might be a clue. Maybe one of the End-Time, Doom & Disaster people can weave it into Armageddon someday.

70 UNIVERSIALITY -- RESTORATION 70 palm trees. Groups of 70. $10 \times 7 + 70$.

Perfection of order and government.

Moses took 70 up into the Holy Mountain with him.

The San Hedrin Council was 70 members.

Jesus sent out 70 disciples. Two by two. 100 God's Election of GRACE-- Children of Promise. 119 The RESURRECTION DAY-- The LORD's DAY. 120 DIVINE PERIOD of PROBATION.

TIME of a SEED in the GROUND To understand the nature of God and His Works in prophecy, it is important to understand that He works as He made the universe to work.

He prepares a seed, prepares the soil, sows the seed, waters it with the early rain, brings it sprouting forth from the earth, shines His light on it to grow to maturity, waters it in the latter rain to fatten it for harvest, and then harvests the fully ripe fruit.

It is His way that He created nature to function and His works in times and seasons in prophecy follow this pattern.

<Picture> $3 \times 40 = 120$. Triply tested in body, soul, spirit.

• There are 40 Jubilee periods ($7 \times 7 \times 40 = 1960$ years) in the time of the ancients from Adam to Abraham. • 40 Jubilee periods in the time of Israel from Isaac (the seed of Abraham) to Jesus (the begotten seed of God). • 40 Jubilees periods in the time of the Gentiles from Christ to His Second Coming.

These are the 3 days of Christ in the belly of the earth as Jonah was 3 days in the belly of the great fish. Three periods of testing. $40 + 40 + 40 = 120$.

There were 120 in the Upper Room in the Book of Acts when the Power of the Holy Spirit came down like a mighty rushing wind and tongues of flame sat on their heads.

120 was Adam's time in the Garden of Eden before his fall.

120 has to do with the time of a seed in the ground before it sprouts forth. Planted in the fall to die in the earth through the winter and sprout forth with new life in the early rains of spring.

144 The SPIRIT GUIDED LIFE. The square of 12. $12 \times 12 = 144$. The final fulfillment of the Divine Order of God.

The 144,000 mentioned in the Book of Revelations. $12 \times 12 \times 1000$.

The square of the Divine Order multiplied by that great and terrible Day of the Lord. A day to God is as a 1000 years. Thus, the implication of the 1000 year reign of the Divine Order and Rule of Christ the King. 153 FRUITBEARING

There were 153 fishes in the net that Jesus told Peter to cast on the right side of the boat after a night of fruitless fishing.. (See number 17 for more detail on this number. It is a most marvelous prophetic number for these End-times.) It is the product of 17×9 .

The Harvest of the Anointing.

200 EXPECTANCY

/INSUFFICIENCY. (Bullinger's Definition) 280 TIME to

CREATE

a PERSON The Time in the Womb.

280 days of gestation from conception to birth.

7×40 year periods (generations) = 280 years. <Picture> There are 7 of the 280 year periods in each of the three 1960 year days. ($7 \times 280 = 1960$)

Each Day of the Lord is also a great Jubilee of $7 \times 7 \times 40$ years and $70 \times 7 \times 4$.

Miracle Births

• The first brought Abraham's son Isaac as son of man. • The second brought God's own son Jesus as Son of God. • The third brings the Messiah, Christ the King.

Precisely on schedule. The Times and Seasons prophesied from the Beginning are here even now. He will not be late.

390TIME of DIVISION of Israel to captivity. [Ezekiel 4]400DIVINELY PERFECT PERIOD of TIMEFrom the birth of Isaac to the Exodus.

Fulfillment of promise to Abraham.

490TIME PERIOD of a Great JUBILEE CycleDaniel's prophecy of 70 weeks of years is $70 \times 7 = 490$. It is a Watch period on God's prophetic clock.

There are 12 such periods from Adam's fall to Christ's Second Coming as the King.

12 periods + 2 periods of Christ's reign as King = 14 Great Jubilees. This is fulfillment of all.

The final redemption and resurrection of the lost world of fallen Adam. .500The KINGDOM of GOD Established forever.

600WARFARE. 666The NUMBER of the BEAST

The ANTICHRISTMan as his own God. The Religion of Humanism. A Trinity of Sixes that indicates:

1.6 = Man in the Father position - indicating man as his own creator. thus the concept of Evolution - formed from the slime of the primordial seas. 2.6 = Man in the Son position - indicating man as his own product - the concept that man must transcend himself and evolve to a Superman. A dangerous concept espoused by Hitler and the Nazi's in their programs of racial genocide and promotion of a pureblooded Aryan race to rule the world. A concept that is not only not dead but is coming dreadfully closer with accelerating advances in the sciences of Cloning. 3.6 = Man in the Spirit position. In the spirit of the brotherhood of man. The attempt of earthly-minded man to climb into heaven by perfecting himself to god-hood status. Motivated by the subliminal Search for Eternal Life. Never accepting nor realizing this translation was given as a free gift all men - to whosoever will - nearly 2000 years ago by Christ

777The COMPLETION of the CREATION of the TRINITYThe final age of Lamech in the Code of the Begats before the Great Flood and the advent of Noah.888The FIRST RESURRECTION SAINTS. 1000DIVINE COMPLETENESS and the GLORY of GODA DAY of GOD

A thousand years is as a day to God

I must confess that all the meanings assigned to these numbers are not absolutely 100% authenticated. These meanings were compiled from several authors such as E.W. Bullinger, Ed Valloe, Dr. Weber and others who differ among themselves on some of the meanings. Many were interpolated by implication of the scriptural application and usage. Many are yet to be found and defined. Reconstructing the lost table of precise numeric meanings of the code in terms of the language and usages of 3500 years ago, is an ongoing search that will be subject to continuing revisions.

I cannot guarantee that the interpretations are absolutely correct and will stand as presented here. You must learn to seek the Holy Spirit of God yourself, to witness and testify to you of the accuracy and understanding of these decodings -- and this is how it should be. This is one of the mysteries and clues to the secret of the Shekinah.

You must follow no man blindly for no man can lead you aright and all will ultimately lead you astray no matter how pure their motives, but look rather only to the Shekinah Himself to guide you in all things. And this is His will for you as stated in the beginnings: "You shall have no other gods before me for I am a jealous god."

If you regard any man, institution, body, organization, group, association above the small, still voice of God that speaks to you through the Holy Spirit, the comforter Christ sent, then you have set yourself up for a testing and trial. You will be betrayed by whosoever and whatsoever you place in trust above God and will walk in trial and tribulation until you turn your face again to Him.

This especially includes his anointed ministers who wear His name. It will not be the devil, but God Himself who has declared Himself to pull down all the High places and cut down all the Groves (peer groups) that become high in your life above Him. That's why so many ministries walk without power and continually have troubles, trials, schisms and afflictions. They are brought by God Himself for they have placed their trust in many idolatrous works and things to please men rather than Him.

They do the things He commanded not and do not the things He commanded.

This is the natural way of men who turn their face from Him.

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Prophecy Basics

There are certain basic principles of Biblical Prophecy that should be understood before embarking on interpretation.

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Biblical Prophecy is a serious business not to be taken lightly.

The prophet of old was the mouthpiece for God to the world. He spoke to God, God spoke to him. His duty was to prophesy exactly as he was told, adding nothing, subtracting nothing. If a thing he prophesied did not come to pass exactly as he said, he was to be considered a false prophet for which the penalty was death by stoning.

Consider the tragic ends of Jonestown and Waco and other ill-fated, self-styled prophets and their cults.

One wonders how many of our modern tv prognosticators, forecasters, analysts, seers, etc. would survive if they had to live under such harsh rules today.

The Pentateuch

The first Five books of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy) are a prime group that establishes the beachhead of the Kingdom of God in the world, in the war to redeem the lost world of fallen Adam from the evil clutches of that great deceiver, Lucifer, the prince of darkness.

For we are in a war, you know. A great war of Life and Death, of Good and Evil, that's been going on unabated for some 6000 years and has destroyed countless multitudes of lives. A war that has accelerated to a fever pitch in this last century with great evils of baby killing, racial genocides, weapons of mass destruction and of every sin that can be named.

But lest we be dismayed by the apparent success of the rampant raging of the forces of evil that seem to overwhelm us on every hand, let us also note that scripture tells us that while 1/3 of the angels of heaven fell with Lucifer to become the legions of evil spirits that plague mankind, 2/3 did not fall and remain in Heaven with God. The good spirits have the evil spirits outnumbered 2 to 1 and the Kingdom of God will win.

Five is the number of Grace and of Kingdoms for Kingdoms are established by the Grace of God.

Witnessing

"Let every word be established in the mouths of two or three witnesses".

The scriptures adhere to this in a manner that many have considered redundant, needlessly repetitive and sometimes contradictory. Many attempts have been made to edit passages out into abridged condensed versions. This is why we have two accounts of Genesis and four accounts (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John) of the birth, death and resurrection of Jesus. These are eyewitness accounts and seeming discrepancies between them should be considered in the light of different viewpoints of the witnesses. They should be observed together to get a fuller, more complete picture.

Doublesaying

This is an application of the witnessing and why one of the Five books of the Pentateuch is the book of Deuteronomy which means doublesaying and reviews the events of the first four books.

Foresaying

God, who told the end from the beginning, has said that HE would do nothing in earth except HE told His People first. Thus, if we would know the end of a thing, we must look at it's roots in the beginning. It is popular today for many to seek to interpret the final book of Revelation, but unless these interpretations are traced back to their roots in Genesis, witnessed by the Holy Spirit and confirmed in the mouths of witnesses with signs following, they are but wild speculation.

Everything that Jesus said and did, was foretold and happened before. Jesus was the Fulfillment of scripture. He was not the first to ascend to Heaven.

1. Enoch of the ancients was the first, who just walked home with God, in the time of the ancient Fathers. 2. Elijah, who ascended in a chariot of fire in the Time of the Sons, was the second. 3. Jesus, who just floated up into a cloud in the Time of the Holy Spirit, was the third and completed a Trinity Fulfillment of the Ascension Principle

He was not the first to be resurrected from the dead. He, Himself, resurrected His friend Lazarus from the tomb. Jonah, in the Old Testament was resurrected from the belly of the great fish. Elijah resurrected the widow's son. There are old testament accounts of other resurrections of warriors killed in battle.

Substitution

This one has a great deal of mystery with it, but it is perhaps one of the most profound. The very beginning establishes it.

Seth - a son of Adam in the Begats - whose name means substitute was substituted for the firstborn of Adam, Abel who was slain by Cain.

Abraham offered his son Isaac as human sacrifice on an altar to God and was stayed by God who said He would make the sacrifice Himself. 2000 years later He did when His only begotten son, Jesus, was slain on the Cross. This was God's definitive statement to the world that the practice of human sacrifice was not acceptable to Him.

People of the world, take notice. Dying as sacrifice for a cause is not acceptable to God. Living for a cause is. What kind of twisted logic would ever assume that the Giver of Life, who could raise the very stones of earth up into sons and daughters, and who gave the commandment "Thou shall not kill", would require the life HE gave as a human sacrifice. A Creator's desire could only be that the life He gave be fulfilled as He created it to be.

These substitutions run like a thread through the scripture.

- Isaac's blessing on the Firstborn of his twin sons Esau and Jacob were switched and the second born received the blessing.
- Joseph's twin sons Ephraim and Manassah were inadvertently switched when Jacob (Israel) put his blessing on them and again the second born received the blessing.

This principle is rooted the scripture that says:

"The glory of the latter house shall be greater than the first"

The first house of Israel which reached it's pinnacle in King David and the Golden Age of Solomon was destroyed over 2500 years ago. But the latter house that God built through His son Jesus is greater than the first. Now, in the house that Christ built, all men may be saved by the substitution principle. HE is our substitute who paid the price for our redemption with HIS blood.

Keys to Shekinah Power

•Confession of faith.

"If you confess me before men, I will confess you before the Father" •"Except ye be born again of water and of the spirit, ye cannot enter in" •"Death and Life are in the power of the tongue" •"As ye sayeth, so it shall be unto you" •"As ye mete, so shall it be meted unto you" •"Ask and ye shall receive" •"Judge not, and ye shall not be judged" •"Condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned" •"Forgive, and ye shall be forgiven" •"Give, and it shall be given unto you"

Magic Words

Interpretation of the Numbers of the Alphabet

The Hebrew alphabet is unique in that the letters were used for their numbering system. They had no separate symbol system for numbers as we do today in our decimal system. Thus, each letter, each word, each sentence has it's numerical components which enhance the meanings and concepts behind the word.

Position or Rank

A letter is ranked according to it's position in the alphabet. Thus A in the first position of number one has the symbolic representation of God, who is the One true God above all others that can be named.

B is number two and represents the Son. Two is a divider number and Christ, the Son who sits at the Right Hand of the Father is the divider with the Two Edged sword of the Word. He sits on the Bema seat of Judgment and separates the sheep from the goats. Good from Evil.

Value

Each letter also has a value number associated with it. The numbers are arranged in a trinity of 3 columns.

1.The value of the letters in the first column (from position 1 to 9) are the same as the position number. 2.The values of the letters in the second column of digits (from 10 to 19) is multiplied by 10. 3.In the third column the digits (from 20 to 27) values are multiplied by 100. Here we can see the mathematical roots of our modern columnar-indexed, ten-based number system that is at least 4000 years old.

The letter M, for instance, is number 13 in rank which is the number of sin. It has a value of 40, which is the probationary period of time allotted for training up and correction. It is the 40 years wandering of the Hebrews in the wilderness with Moses after their Exodus from Egypt until the old generation, who lacked faith in God, passed away and a new one was born. It is also the 40 days temptation of Christ in the Wilderness before He began His ministry.

Summation

Enfolded Sums: The numbers of the letters are added together and the digits of the sum are also read. Thus, the 13 is enfolded to $1 + 3 = 4$ which is the number of the world to indicate that this sin is the Sin of the World.

The 13 and the 40 add up to 53. The 5 indicating the Kingdom of the Grace of God and the 3 indicating the Trinity of the Holy Spirit. The $5 + 3$ enfolds again to 8 which is a New Beginning. (It is also a number of Christ, the son of God).

Partial sums used in adding up the total are also significant for they show the means by which the final total or result is brought about.

Through these numbers, we see a string of theological concepts interrelated and put into a comprehensive order.

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The Great Jubilee Periods

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The principle of the Seven Days continues in an expanding, escalating cycle.

First is the
7 days of Genesis. Six days of work and the 7th day of rest in the Sabbath

A weeks work to establish the pattern.

Then there is the week of years.

The Sabbatical yearLev. 25-3 Six years thou shalt sow thy field

25-4 But in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of rest unto the land.....Then there is the week of sabbatical years.

The Jubilee25-8 And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years.

25-9 Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the jubile to sound on the tenth day of the seventh month.....

25-10 And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubile unto you and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family.Please note two things worthy of separate study - too much to go into here.

1.The sabbath of rest is unto the LAND - not the people!! 2.The space is 49 years - not 50. In the Hebrew the end is also a beginning.

The 50th year is also year 1 of the new cycle.

Then there is a

Great Jubilee cycle of 490 yearsThis is not found in the Scriptures, but is interpreted from application of Times & Seasons, therefore is of private speculation as a tool to study.

It is 10 Jubilee cycles. $10 \times 49 = 490$ years.

There are 14 of these between the Alpha and Omega.

Each corresponds to a type of work theme of a major period in Biblical history.

12 are man's, 2 are Christ's double portion.

The twelve tribes of Israel are prophetic of times & seasons and to each belongs a Great Jubilee cycle of 490 years.

The twelve sons of Jacob are the foundation. The order and nature of their birth outlines a prophetic plan for their march down across the pages of history in the War to establish the Kingdom of God on Earth and reclaim the lost inheritance of Adam.

Their names and the blessings pronounced on them by their mother and father at their birth, along with the blessings pronounced on them by Jacob at his deathbed in Egypt, and the blessings pronounced on them by Moses as they crossed the river Jordan after their 40 years in the Wilderness constitute a prophetic outline for a period of history.

Each of the Seven Days of Creation is divided into two periods of morning and evening.

There are 14 periods. Each of the tribes has a great jubilee period of 490 years, accounting for 12 periods, (six of the Seven Days) and Christ is allotted the final double portion of two periods for this is the Seventh Day, the Day of the Lord.

We call the Birth Order as the original "Plan A"

BUT

because of sin found within, the original order was switched to "Plan B"

Plan B is outlined by the Encampment and Marching order of the tribes around the Ark of the Covenant in the wilderness.

They are shown here in the marching order of Plan B. Each allotted a 490 year Great Jubilee Period. (7 x 7 x 10)
Plan A was according to the birth order of the twelve sons of Jacob, but because of sin found in Reuben, the Firstborn, it was switched to Plan B.

This switch from the original plan A to the alternate plan B is a theme that runs through the whole prophetic Bible.

<Picture>Comment: There will no doubt be Bible thumpers galore out there that will scream to the high heavens over this thesis of alternate plans. Yet Scripture details it over and over again.

•Adam and Eve were the first to fail and cause a change of plan. •The Cain and Abel episode switched to Seth, the substitute.
•The Esau/Jacob episode switched plans from Firstborn to secondborn. •The Mannesah/Ephraim switch at Jacob's (Israel) deathbed in Egypt again caused a switch. •This also details an internal war of sibling rivalry in the house of God. The whole war is not only between good and evil, God against the Devil, but also between Law and Grace in the God's own household.
Between Leah, the bride of Jacob required by Law whom he hated, and Rachel, the bride of promise whom he loved.
The issue of the brides apply to the direct household of Israel, and the children of their handmaidens apply to the Gentiles adopted in. •This change of Plans is a Basic Premise of Christianity. Our own First creation in the "old man of the flesh" is not sufficient and we must be changed by being "Born Again" of the Holy Seed of God in Plan B. "Except ye be born again, ye cannot enter the Kingdom of God."

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Great Jubilee periods of 490 years according to the Marching Order
Plan B

DaySonBlessingCountdownBC / ADNotable events Levi

3rd son of Leah (bride of law)Levi was given no portion in the land.

He was appointed to the priesthood of all the tribes.Moses appointed Aaron to be the High Priest.

People talked to Aaron

Aaron talked to Moses

Moses talked to GodDay 11-Judah

4th son of Leah (bride of law)

Praise of the Lord

1 - 490

3920bc to

2940bcAdam

The Begats

Enoch who ascended

2-Issachar

8th son of Leah (bride of law)God hath given me my hire

Blessed in land490 - 980Day 23-Zebulun

9th son of Leah (bride of law)God hath given me a good dowry. Now my husband will dwell with me

Blessed in sea980 - 14702940bc

to

1960bcNoah

Shem, Ham, Japeth

Flood & the Ark4-Reuben

1st son of Leah (bride of law) Labor1470 - 1960Day 35-Simeon

2nd son of Leah (bride of law)Cruelty

slavery in Egypt1960 - 24501960bc

to
980bc Abraham
Isaac, Jacob
Moses, Joshua
David 6-Gad
7th son of Leah (bride of law) by handmaiden Zilpah

a troop cometh
wars of Israel

2450 - 2940 Day 4 Joseph's
double
portion
(11th son of Jacob)
1st son of Rachel (bride of Grace) 7-Ephraim Golden Age of Israel 2940 - 3430 980bc
to
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10 Tribes Lost
Babylonian Diaspora 8-Manasseh Forgetting of former things 3430 - 3920 490bc to
0 Nehemiah
return and rebuild nation
Birth of Jesus Day 59-Benjamin
(12th son of Jacob)
2nd son of Rachel (bride of Grace) Benoni- Son of my sorrows

Jacob named him Benjamin
Son of my right hand (strength)
The Father's favorite son

3920 - 44100
to
490ad Crucifixion & Ascension of Jesus
Temple destroyed by Titus
Persecutions of Christians by the Romans 10-Dan
(5th son of Jacob)
by Bilhah (handmaid of Rachel - bride of grace) God hath judged me 4410 - 4900 490ad to 980ad Fall of the Roman Empire
Hebrew scattered and dispersed out into the world Day 611-Asher
(7th son of Jacob)
by Zilpah (handmaid of Leah - bride of law) Happy am I
Royal dainties 4900 - 5390 980ad
to
1960ad Christianity established as a World class religion
Invention of printing press
Spread of Christianity over the whole world
Slavery abolished
Spirit of Freedom in the world order 12-Napthali
(6th son of Jacob)
by Bilhah (handmaid of Rachel - bride of grace) with great wrestlings I have prevailed.
Goodly words - Free Spirit 5390 - 5880

Day 7

Christ's
double
portion

13-Jesus Christ the King's
Thousand Year reign on earth

5880 - 6370

1960ad
to

2940ad

Second Coming of Jesus as Christ the King to rule on earth for a thousand years14-Jesus6370 - 6860
PLAN A - Birth Order PLAN B - Marching Order

Bride of Law

Bride of Grace

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Leah

Zilpah

Rachel

Bilhah

LeahZilpahRachelBilhah

Day

1

Reuben

Judah

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Judah

Reuben

Day

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Dan

Simeon

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Napthali

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Manasseh

Day

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Issachar

Benjamin

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Zebulun

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Joseph

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Jesus - Second Coming as

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King of Kings, Lord of Lords

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Decoding the Begats

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The Begetting

Also known asThe Burning Bush and theTree of Life

The Scripture: Genesis, Chapter 5Day 1

Father Day 2

SonDay 3

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-Substitute1058079123ENOS-Mortal90815905Second Trimester ----- The Trinity -- Part II ----- The Son4CAINAN-
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Trinity -- Part III ----- The Spirit7ENOCH-Ascent653003658METHUSELAH-Mature Sprout1877829699LAMECH-Fruit
of the harvest182595777The Birth ----- The Trinity -- Part IV ----- The World10NOAH--The Birth500----

<Picture>This is the beginning and the end

The Alpha and the Omega of Creation

It's purpose is to bring forth a son and an heir to the kingdom of the father, the Giver of Life, the Creator of All things.

Notice first that there are three columns of figures. Each column has 3 digits. The number of digits across each row then is $3 \times 3 = 9$.

The three columns are a trinity. They represent three periods, or Days, of creation. It is symbolized in the old testament by Jonah's three days in the belly of the great fish that Jesus referred to when he compared his time of crucifixion and burial of three days in the tomb of earth as being like the days of Jonah.

And on the third day he arose.

The prophetic reference to all these statements is based on these three periods or stages of creation. As a trinity, it is composed of the three elements: The Father, the Son and the Spirit.

An astute scholar may notice that the third column of numbers is simply the sum of the first two columns and may be diverted from reading spiritual implication into what seems but ordinary simple arithmetic.

I was dismayed by this at first until realization came that this was the Spirit column and the Holy Spirit is, indeed, a function of the Father and the Son joined together as one.

With this realization came a flood of scriptures:

- My father and I are one
- I must go to my father and we will send the Comfortor (the Holy Spirit) to you
- My father and I will dwell with you

which show that this simple arithmetic, rather than weakening our first thesis, in fact strengthened it by providing a very powerful insight into the nature of the Godhead of the Trinity.
And even further: it was written by Moses in the Pentateuch some 1500 years before the birth of Christ, and must have come down through the ages from Noah for all these names and numbers are from the age before the flood.

The First Trinity Day

The first column is the time of the Ancient fathers before Abraham. Abraham was the last of the Fathers: the fruit and final product of this 2000 year period of God's work to redeem the world from the disaster of Adam's fall. This period of the first column was also subdivided into a trinity with the father, son, spirit positions.

1. From Adam to Noah was it's father period.
2. Noah's three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japeth began the son period as fathers of the 3 main races of the world.
3. Eber began the spirit phase as the father of the Hebrew race which produced Abraham and Sarah as the final culmination of the first day and the beginning of the second.

The different ages of Abraham mentioned in Genesis also contain profound prophetic mysteries. His life until he was 100 years old was the final stage of the Day of the Fathers. It was an ending. Barren, childless, with no sons to continue his line. As the final growth of a tree, it seemed to be the end.

The Second Trinity Day

The dawning of the second day into a new age began with the impossible miracle of the birth of Isaac when Abraham was 100 years old and Sarah was 90. His life after that was in the dawn of the Second day. Abraham was the bridge between the two days.

The second column of figures is the day of the sons. Isaac, the son of Abraham and Sarah, was the seed that began the day of the sons. From him sprang Jacob (later renamed Israel by God) and his twelve sons that formed the twelve tribes and the Day of Israel, the Sons of Abraham, was on. A new seed with a new vitality of life to multiply and grow and fill the earth.

The day of the second column also is subdivided into 3 positions.

From Isaac until David was it's father period. David the King began the son period in earnest as the beginning of the line of kings from which the Messiah would come.

The beginning of the spirit period is murky but it must have begun during the Babylonian exile and the return to Jerusalem of Ezra and Nehemiah seeking to rebuild the torn down temple and restore the great golden age of their former glory in the time of Solomon's reign and seeking the return of the Shekinah Glory to the Holy of Holies.

We do know, and it is certain, that the final culmination of the son day was the issue of Jesus Christ, Son of David, Son of God, the Messiah, who brought the Comforter the Holy Spirit to all men who will receive him.

The length of this second Day from Abraham to Christ is exactly the same (nearly 2000 years) time span as the first Day from Adam to Abraham. 40 Jubilee periods each. (40 x 49 years = 1960 years)

The Second Day ended with the death and burial of Jesus. Again, as with ancient, childless Abraham, it seemed the end of the line for Israel.

The Third Trinity Day

The third day began miraculously with the Resurrection of Jesus.

On the third day He arose.

The third column of figures represents the day of the Holy Spirit. It is the day of the Gentiles. It is also fulfillment of prophecy. Cast out and rejected by his own, the Holy Spirit is now broadcast and given to the whole gentile world, that whosoever will may receive him.

The third day also is subdivided into the three periods of father, son, and spirit although the transition points are yet a bit murky. It's father period is through the time of the early Christians who were martyred by Rome and scattered out into the whole world by persecutions.

This phase, perhaps ended during the dark, middle ages and merged into the son period.

The second (son) period could have begun with St. Augustine's missionary journeys through the world.

The beginning of the spirit stage is easier to place since it is dramatically represented by Martin Luther, who ended the son period and set the framework for John Wesley and others to bring in the Holy Spirit phase and for the spread of Protestantism to the world.

It might be noted that each of these transitions is not without great turmoil and travail on the earth. We are now, in this endtime, at the end of the spirit phase of the Spirit Day, rapidly approaching the sunset of this day and the sunrise of the next. The time span is almost full to the exact time span of each of the two prior days. The sunrise of new age is about to dawn upon this old earth and all of mankind. The signs of predawn rustlings and stirrings are everywhere on every hand.

1. Thus, the first column is the time of the Ancient Fathers.

2. The second column is the time of the Hebrew and Israel.

3. The third column is the sum of the first two columns and represents the time of the gentiles as the sum of the work of the first two days.

These are the three periods of redemption and restoration of fallen mankind, reforming him into the Trinity image of father, son and spirit, to restore the lost world of Adam to its former estate.

The three columns together are a trinity of trinities with 9 digit places.

It is very important to note that each of these three 'Days' began with a miraculous birth.

1. The first was Adam

2. The second was the miraculous birth of Isaac to Abraham and Sarah.

3. The third was the Virgin birth of Jesus

4. The fourth day will be the miraculous return of Jesus.

The Nine Rows

There are nine rows of figures, each associated with one of the ancient descendants of Adam named in the Begats. Each row represents a stage of a period of time of gestation in the womb.

<Picture>I have a chart of the begats and the chronology of their ages on my wall. For several years, almost daily, I looked at the chart and frequently pondered the mysteries of those incredibly long life spans before the flood and the rapid decrease of life spans since.

I heard many theories about the causes, but they did not satisfy since they are man's speculation and all of them seemed bent on rationalizing away and destroying the mystery that God was presenting in the scripture.

The mystery seemed important for the scriptures doubly emphasize the ages in a fashion that I thought, at first, redundant and repetitious and, frankly, very tedious and boring. In fact, I frequently and blatantly called them "The Boring Begats"

God has His own inimitable way of rubbing your nose into the Holy things of His that you criticize. I wasn't able to escape them. Almost daily, I looked at the chart and wondered. Finally, in exasperation unable to solve the mystery, I asked the Lord what it was all about.

And just as clearly, He said. "I told you in the Word. It's the Begetting. Just read the book like it says."

Then in a brilliant flash of revelation knowledge, the light went on and it suddenly became Ramah knowledge to me and I understood. The Begats were really telling about the Begats!!!

"Yes Lord", I said, "Wow! Incredible! I see it now! How utterly amazing! You really did say that, didn't you? And to think, it's been there all the time. Fantastic!"

Was that a snort of heavenly disgust I just heard? Maybe its just my imagination that keeps subliminally echoing a scrap of verse in the dusty recesses of my mind, "O ye of little faith; 3500 years it's been there already."

"O.K. Lord. I know it's at least a 1000 years older than that. It has to date back at least to Noah and the Flood. I will go tell the people the New 4500 year old revelation you opened to me. They all, like myself, have itching ears to hear new things about your kingdom. Won't they ever be amazed to find the one of the newest is one of the oldest?"

<Picture>Before the Great Flood, the earth was covered by a cloud layer. There were no storms or rain and the earth was watered by a mist that came up from the ground. The cloud layer had a greenhouse effect that kept the temperature fairly uniform so that there were no icecaps at the poles and the poles grew semitropic vegetation.

The proof of this is in the geology of the huge oil reserve finds in the far northern parts such as the Prudhoe Bay north of Alaska, the North Sea finds and others.

Oil comes from the hydrocarbons of tropic vegetation long buried deep under the earth and it's presence there indicates that there was once a climate conducive to mass growth of great masses of vegetation.

This was the gestation period. The earth and it's stable semitropic climate was like a womb. The Ancients were the developing embryo of the species. The nine generations down from Adam, the first seed, are equivalent to the nine months it takes to make a human baby. The tenth, Noah, was the baby born out of the womb of earth on a flood of water into a bright, new world of sunshine, seasons, weather and rainbows. There had never been rainbows before because of the cloud cover.

Noah, his sons and their wives, eight souls in all, were the seeds of all present day mankind. (Note the 'H' sound added to the end of Noah's name. His original name was Noe. Also, it is the 8th letter of the Hebrew Alphabet which is the number of a new beginning).

This analogy can go further. It may explain another mystery that has always puzzled me.

The genealogy of the Begats says nothing of Cain and Abel, the first sons of Adam, but starts with Seth as though neither had ever existed, except for Seth's name which means Substitute.

Consider: Adam was the first seed of the human species. The body cells of man contain chromosomes in pairs. However, in the seed of man, the heart of a sperm cell, they are not in pairs. Seed cells contain a 'single-set' of chromosomes. When the sperm cell is formed from cells containing chromosome pairs, one set is selected, the other set must be cast off somewhere.

When the seed of a man meets and enters the egg of a woman, the single chromosome sets of each join to form a new pair. The two become one new cell and one new creature like no other that has ever been before or will be again.

People are like snowflakes: no two are exactly alike. Of the pairs in the original cell that made the seed, one is chosen, one is not. The chosen one 'dies' to it's former life and identity when it combines with one of the female's and forms a new pair with the incredible, explosive vitality of new resurrected life. A virtual atomic explosion on a molecular scale, akin to the Big Bang theory of the creation of the Universe, with the release of incredible Life Force Energy to carry the creature through multiplication into the billions of cells of growth to full size and to sustain it for a lifetime of a 100 years or so.

The fertilized ovum then is substituted as a new creation with a new identity of it's own. Thus, Seth the substitute. Thus Cain and Abel, the chromosome pairs of the cell that made the seed.

It's an interesting speculation. Especially, since the ancient Hebrew thinking rather chauvinistically held that only man had seed and the woman didn't. They considered the woman as merely the vessel of earth the seed of the man was planted in.

They held this view even though scripture specifically refers to the seed of the woman in Genesis 3:15: "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed, it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel."

This is generally agreed on as being prophetic of the battle between Jesus and Satan, and also implies the Virgin Birth since, contrary to Jewish tradition that woman had no seed, it does not mention the seed of the man.

This Begetting analogy will hold up even further in another direction.

Since Noah emerges as the baby, the generations of the descendants of Noah, represent the young growing years as a child until Isaac, the twelfth generation from Noah.

In this vein, we find that Abraham's offering of Isaac as a sacrifice to God on the altar, was equivalent to Isaac's Bar Mitzvah, the Jewish custom of presenting the twelve year old son to God.

Isaac was the Bar Mitzvah of the Hebrew race.

We can go on down the generations to Christ in the same manner studying the lineage of both the son of God, the virgin birth in the line of Mary, and the lineage of the son of man as the adopted son of Joseph. But that's another incredible story of another profound mystery that requires a whole book of it's own

THE SQUARE OF THE FRUIT

The nine digits in the columns across multiplied by the nine rows of names equal ($9 \times 9 = 81$) digits. 8 is the number of the new beginning. 1 is the number of God. It represents the work of Christ the Son and God the Father, the enfolded sum total being $8 + 1 = 9$. 9 is the fruit of the harvest.

81 is also the result of 9×9 . The fruit of the work of Christ and the Father being established in foursquare completion on earth. It's the number of the final harvest of fruit.

However

An astute student perusing these numbers in the table may note that some of the digits are missing! Enos, Cainaan, Mahalaleel and Enoch are each missing a digit on the first column. The perfection of the final fruit then is short. It is incomplete!!!

O Woe!! Does this mean the code is flawed???

What a mystery! What happened to the missing numbers?

Does it mean that our whole thesis on the number 81 is incorrect and that the foundational premise of this entire book is laid on nothing more than shifting sand. That we are building nothing more than a lovely 'house of cards' with fanciful imagination that has no substance whatsoever and, in fact, has just vaporized into the wispy smoke of burning hay, straw and stubble?

But before we throw it out, let's look at it closer.

There are 4 numbers missing.

Aha! Maybe that's a clue!

4 is the number of the world. The guilty culprit causing the imperfection, then, has something to do with the world.

What do you think it could mean?

We should have 81 numbers to have a perfect chart, but we are 4 short, so we actually have $81 + 4 = 77$ numbers.

Aha! and double Aha!!

You don't have to be a prophet to know that's the number of Christ the Son.
The fulfillment of the second day of creation

7 days of the creation of the father.
7 days of the work of the son.
 $7 + 7 = 14$, which is the redemption of the imperfect world
through the resurrection of Christ the Son.

This is a mystery that was hidden from the Ancients. Perhaps, even from Moses and David and Solomon. Only now, looking back on our Lord Jesus Christ at Calvary can we see the accomplishment of this mystery.

The number in the last column in the ninth row of Lamech is 777

Does one need any more evidence to know that this set of numbers is indeed a prophetic code?

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Story

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1 thru 4

Aleph thru Daleth

This is the creation of the material world.
Setting the stage for the creation to follow.
This is a direct creation period
Preparing the soil.

Story

2

5 thru 9

Hei thru Teth

This is development of procreation.
The Power to multiply and fill the whole earth
A secondary creation period.
Sowing the seed.

Story

3

10 thru 19

Yod thru Kuf

This is the raising up of the children of God.
The rearing and training up period.
Growing to maturity.
Cultivating the crop.

Story

420 thru 22

Reish thru Tau

This is the gathering and redeeming of the lost and scattered souls from the ends of the earth.
Restoring and rebuilding, cleansing them with fire of the spirit and bringing them unto the Light of the World.
This is the period of ripening to Harvest
Harvesting.

This fifth phase of the Finales is not recognized as prophetic by official Hebrew, even though it is there and is necessary for complete fulfillment of the required 27 numbers. Story

5The Finials
23 thru 27

Kaph thru Tsaddi

This represents the Christian era and the end-times to the return of the Tsaddi, the Righteous One, who was slain in his first coming of the 18th position.

The resolution and completion of unfinished things.

Gathered in the Garner

The inclusion of the Ancient Fathers of the Begats into the Alphabet number sequences is a fresh revelation and is not likely to be found anywhere else in the literature. It provides great illumination into the Begats as well as into the Alphabetic structure and is quite valid as will be revealed by study of the connections.

The three columns of the alphabet chart display 3 stages (or days) of creation. Jesus said "Tear down this temple and I will rebuild it in three days". Also, "And on the third day, He arose." A day, in this case, is a period of some 2000 years in length. Perhaps a 1000 year day and a 1000 year night.

The first day of the Ancient Fathers was from Adam to Abraham.

Notice how the first column ends with the pregnancy which was Abraham's concern.

The second day of the Sons of Abraham was from Abraham to Jesus.

Notice how the second column ends with the bowed Tsaddi which was Jesus crucified.

The third day of the Comforter (the Holy Spirit) is from Jesus to His second coming.

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Note that the Spirit is the sum of 1 + 2. The father and son together. It's a Family!<Picture: 04daleth.gif (938 bytes)>4/4Daleth

This is the world they created. A material world with 4 directions: north, east, south, west. And with four seasons of summer, winter, spring and fall.

2nd Beginning<Picture: 05he.gif (963 bytes)>5/5

He

With His breath He breathes life into a Kingdom of living creatures. that look up but cannot aspire to return to Heaven.

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Then with a single stroke of Divine Light down from Heaven,
He creates a man.

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7/7Zayin

So that the man will not be alone, He creates a woman.

A Queen with a crown upon her head.

(NOTE: The crown of the woman is a little bigger than the crown of the man - this is very important, guys, and don't you forget it!)

The woman is the perfection of the man.

(Note the curvaceous downstroke of the woman's body.)

Note: The first creation of man is in their image, but he takes away some of the man to make the woman so that they can be rejoined into one again, for it is in the act of joining that the creative power is unleashed. This is the ying and the yang, the positive and negative, the attraction and repulsion principle that pervades all of nature.

In the BIG BANG theory of Creation, there was GOD and the VOID. Where did he get the substance to make the matter? He had to split HIMSELF and encapsulate it into particles of energy. It is in the action of dividings and re-joinings that is the DYNAMIC of the Universe. <Picture: 08cheth.gif (969 bytes)>8/8Cheth

The man and the woman are joined together under heaven.

This is the wedding.

"Whosoever God joins together let no man put asunder."

A conception occurs. It is a new beginning for mankind.

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This is the pregnancy.

Nine months of swelling toward harvest with the concealed good hidden inside.

(See the little Yod hidden in the swollen belly?)

3rd Beginning

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10/10Yod

This is the baby. Ain't he cute?

The new soul born on a flood of water into a new world of sunshine and rainbows.

A new life, a new soul. A miracle of creation. Created from a void where there was not, and now there is.

And he's got all 10 fingers on two hands and 10 toes on two feet.

Notice the tadpole shape of a sperm cell. A body with a wiggling tail. How did the ancients know thousands of years before microscopes were invented?

<Picture: 11kaph.gif (950 bytes)>11/20Kaph

This is the child, covered and nurtured in the palm of God.

Very similar to the Beit but slightly different in the stroke.

This is an important letter.

Kaph means palm or cap which is the power of the hand.

Putting the two palms together as in prayer or wearing the little skullcap as the Jews signifies submission of our power to God.

Without taking this vital step, you can forget the rest of this story.

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12/30Lamed

Following the submission of the Kaph, is the teaching of the child in the Divine things of God.
From the heights of the heavens above to the depths below.
About Heaven and Hell. About Good and Evil.

<Picture: 13mem.gif (991 bytes)>

13/40Mem

Mem means water or world thus Wisdom of the World.
This is the Sin of the world that knows not God.
It is the Bar Mitzvah of the child where the child comes into the ways of the sinful world.
Where the birdlings leave the nest to fly on their own.
To begin the 40 of training-up.
40 years of wandering in the wilderness. 40 days of the temptation of Jesus in the wilderness.
"The wages of sin are death".

<Picture: 14nun.gif (919 bytes)>

14/50

Nun

This is the redemption from the sinful world by a kinsman.
It is resurrection and restoration to the lost inheritance.
The Resurrection number.
Restoration by the 50 of the Jubilee to the Kingdom of God.

<Picture: 15samech.gif (960 bytes)>

15/60

Samech

Victory.
Victory of the kingdom of God over the government of men.

<Picture: 16ayin.gif (1019 bytes)>

16/70

Ayin

And now comes love at sweet sixteen.
Agape, the love of God.
John 3-16, "For God so loved the world.....".

Note the two heads - the two yods intertwined as one.-AND a kind of heart shape to the character. .

<Picture: 17pe.gif (979 bytes)>

17/80

Pe

Anointing with power from on high.

The Transfiguration of Christ.

Also in the Book of Acts: "Wait in Jerusalem until ye receive power from on high". The tongues of fire that sat on the heads of the 120 in the Upper Room.

Also: the budding of Aaron's rod in the Ark that empowered him to become the high priest.

Note the stroke like a tongue or tooth in an open mouth The power to speak the Holy Words and to give testimony. .

<Picture: 18tsaddi.gif (980 bytes)>

18/90

Tsaddi

Inheritance. The land of inheritance.

The Righteous One, who comes to claim His inheritance, but his back is bowed. Note the bent downstroke.

Prophetic of Christ from the parable of the vineyard in Matthew 21:33-41, Mark 12:1-8, and Luke 20:9-16. Where the king in a far away land sent his son to his vineyard that he had let out to workers in order to claim his inheritance and the workers conspired together and slew him. This is the crucified Christ.

<Picture: 19kuf.gif (1003 bytes)>

19/100

Kuf

Faith. "Man shall live but by faith, not by sight,."

Shows the power of God surrounding man even to lift the lost who slip into the depths below. (The descending stroke below the line).

Christ descending into Hell to set the captives free.

Deut: 30-3 "... will return and gather thee from all the nations, whither the Lord they God hath scattered thee.

4 If any of thine be driven out unto the outmost parts of heaven, from thence will the Lord thy God gather thee, and from thence will he fetch thee:"

4th Beginning

<Picture: 20resh.gif (924 bytes)>

20/200

Reish

Childhood's end. Graduation day
Creation of the world in the First phase.
The birth of the Babe in the Second phase.
Growth and Training of the Child in the Third phase.
Preparing to enter full adulthood in the Kingdom of God.
Again the single shaft of light descends from above.
The Transfiguration.

<Picture: 21shin.gif (1016 bytes)>21/300Shin

Now the three heads are joined as one. The Trinity is complete. The Flame of The Burning Bush is alight.
The Tongues of Fire that sat on the heads of the 120 in the Upper Room
Father, Son and Spirit dwelling as one. Immanuel.

Matthew 3-11he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire:
12 Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

<Picture: 22tau.gif (963 bytes)>

22/400

Tau

Christ: the Light of the World.
The ascension of Christ to sit on the Right Hand of the Father and be a beacon of hope and salvation to all people everywhere.

The Hebrew Alphabet proper stops here. Marvelously ending on 22 shows clearly that the purpose of the Hebrew was to bring Christ who is the light of the world. But that is not the end of the story. In order for the numbers to count to the full 1000 required of a day of God, five more characters are needed.

Five is the number of Kingdom and of Grace. These were supplied, by the Grace of God, as Finials (a flourishing stroke on the last letter of a word) of existing letters. The symbolic impact of this is to show a final completion of the letter after Christ's Ascension to the Throne. Five important letters represent the Christian era of the last, nearly 2000 years which was hidden from the Sons of Abraham, though it lay there in plain sight embedded in their speech and writing all the time.

These mystery letters (shown in red as Christ's) are:

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The Mystery Finials

<Picture: 23redkaph.gif (985 bytes)>23/500Kaph

Some say the number 23 means Death.
Others say it is the Kingdom of God in Heaven
The portal of entry into Heaven. The Pearly Gates. The Hand of God
The Great White Throne judgment where ALL will stand before God.
(The great, long stroke of Light descending to the depths from Heaven above)

<Picture: 24redmem.gif (937 bytes)>

24/600

Mem

The imperfect world is completed. The box figure is now closed.
A New Heaven and a new Earth joined as one. New Jerusalem.
The 24 kings around the Throne of God.

<Picture: 25rednun.gif (908 bytes)>

25/700

Nun

The final Victory. The Glory of the Throne of God. The full light of Heaven. No more darkness. No more tears. All things restored.
A Crown of Glory.

<Picture: 26redpe.gif (968 bytes)>26/800 Pe

A new body, a new voice, a new song to sing.
Filled with light for Eternal Life.
The Final Enemy - death - overcome for ever and ever.
Resurrection complete in body, soul and spirit.
A New Beginning into Eternity for man.

<Picture: 27redtsaddi.gif (964 bytes)>

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Tsaddi

Christ, The Righteous One.
No longer bowed and suffering but now
Lord of Lords and King of Kings.
To rule forever in Truth and Righteousness.
The two heads joined as one on a long straight stroke.
The Spirit and the Bride say "come".

And there you have it, folks. Poorly written but clearly showing profound prophetic outline sequences in the Hebrew Alphabet. It clearly shows the two comings of Christ. The first as suffering servant and the last as conquering King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

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The Ancients and The Modulo of Nine

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Mode 1 ADAM - Creation of mankind

ColumnItemPositionValueOne<Picture: 01ALEF.GIF (995 bytes)> aleph 1 God 1Two<Picture: 10yod.gif (872 bytes)> yod10 man 10Three<Picture: 19kuf.gif (1003 bytes)> kuf19 faith - Redemption of lost souls100Ancients1 Adamfirst man - his name means ruddy
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Mode 2 SETH - tells of God building his house in man

ColumnItemPositionValueOne<Picture: 02BET.GIF (962 bytes)> beit2 - Son2 SonTwo<Picture: 11kaph.gif (950 bytes)> kaph11 - Submission to God's Will 20Three<Picture: 20resh.gif (924 bytes)> resh20 - God's family200Ancients2 SethThe Substitute for Abel who was slain by Cain.
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Mode 3 ENOS - shows the works of the Spirit

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Mode 4 deals with the world.

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Mode 5 Breath of God

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<Picture>Mode 6 Creation of manColumnItemPositionValue

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<Picture: 06vav.gif (911 bytes)> vau6 man6Two<Picture: 15samech.gif (960 bytes)>samech15 victory over sin of the world 60Three<Picture: 24redmem.gif (937 bytes)> mem24 new earth 600Ancients6 Jared Name means Descent
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Mode 7 Perfecting

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Ascent

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Mode 8 New beginning

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Mode 9 Harvest

ColumnItemPositionValueOne<Picture: 09teth.gif (998 bytes)> teth 9 swelling to harvest 9Two<Picture: 18tsaddi.gif (980 bytes)> tsaddi18 Inheritance of the Righteous One90Three<Picture: 27redtsaddi.gif (964 bytes)> tsaddi 27 King of kings & Lord of Lords 900Ancients9 Lamech

Fruit of the Harvest

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<Picture>Did anyone ever ask, "In the black, empty void of nothingness, where did God get the material to create earth and the cosmos"?

The only source, of course, was Himself. Therefore HE must have divided Himself in order to provide the material. ALL of the substance of the Universe, even to the very stones, must be part of the substance of God. Only in these latter times when we have knowledge of Nuclear energy can we begin to understand how this might be possible.

Therefore, in the end when all is done and we are become the final transformation, we can truly say that we are "Bone of His bone and Flesh of His Flesh". His own Begotten Sons and Daughters, Princes and Princesses, Heirs to the Kingdom of God.

This is in keeping with a Fundamental Dynamic Principle of Creation that runs throughout the whole Scripture, of dividing and joining anew. As Adam was divided to create Eve and be rejoined as one again to multiply and bring forth new life out of a void where there was none before. This is the Activation of the Dynamic of Creation.

Would we be amiss to compare "Splitting the Atom" in the material world with "The Splitting of Adam" in the Biblical world of Genesis, with the dynamics of Fission and Fusion giving Adam & Eve the miraculous ability to strike the Divine spark of Conception and create new life?

"Out of a dark and empty void where there was not, there now is."

Those who spend their time arguing over Creationism vs Evolution are blindly missing the point of Genesis. This ancient tale which must be as old as Adam is establishing fundamental principles of life of which we are only now becoming vaguely aware. Here is the basis of Einstein's $E = MC^2$. How did the Ancients know? Was there really a world before?

Is it not curious that this principle extends to the double helix of DNA? The double strand of Adam's DNA must be split to a single strand and fused with a single strand of DNA from Eve. It happens in an instant and BANG! in the universe of a molecular microcosm like unto a bolt of lightning from on high a spark is struck and a whole new creation is begun; and where there was not, there now is.

We have much to ponder over.

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The Great Jubilee Periods

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The principle of the Seven Days continues in an expanding, escalating cycle.

First is the

7 days of Genesis. Six days of work and the 7th day of rest in the Sabbath

A weeks work to establish the pattern.

Then there is the week of years.

The Sabbatical yearLev. 25-3 Six years thou shalt sow thy field

25-4 But in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of rest unto the land.....Then there is the week of sabbatical years.

The Jubilee25-8 And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years.

25-9 Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the jubile to sound on the tenth day of the seventh month.....

25-10 And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubile unto you and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family. Please note two things worthy of separate study - too much to go into here.

1. The sabbath of rest is unto the LAND - not the people!! 2. The space is 49 years - not 50. In the Hebrew the end is also a beginning.

The 50th year is also year 1 of the new cycle.

Then there is a

Great Jubilee cycle of 490 years. This is not found in the Scriptures, but is interpreted from application of Times & Seasons, therefore is of private speculation as a tool to study.

It is 10 Jubilee cycles. $10 \times 49 = 490$ years.

There are 14 of these between the Alpha and Omega.

Each corresponds to a type of work theme of a major period in Biblical history.

12 are man's, 2 are Christ's double portion.

The twelve tribes of Israel are prophetic of times & seasons and to each belongs a Great Jubilee cycle of 490 years.

The twelve sons of Jacob are the foundation. The order and nature of their birth outlines a prophetic plan for their march down across the pages of history in the War to establish the Kingdom of God on Earth and reclaim the lost inheritance of Adam.

Their names and the blessings pronounced on them by their mother and father at their birth, along with the blessings pronounced on them by Jacob at his deathbed in Egypt, and the blessings pronounced on them by Moses as they crossed the river Jordan after their 40 years in the Wilderness constitute a prophetic outline for a period of history.

Each of the Seven Days of Creation is divided into two periods of morning and evening.

There are 14 periods. Each of the tribes has a great jubilee period of 490 years, accounting for 12 periods, (six of the Seven Days) and Christ is allotted the final double portion of two periods for this is the Seventh Day, the Day of the Lord.

We call the Birth Order as the original "Plan A"

BUT

because of sin found within, the original order was switched to "Plan B"

Plan B is outlined by the Encampment and Marching order of the tribes around the Ark of the Covenant in the wilderness.

They are shown here in the marching order of Plan B. Each allotted a 490 year Great Jubilee Period. (7 x 7 x 10)

Plan A was according to the birth order of the twelve sons of Jacob, but because of sin found in Reuben, the Firstborn, it was switched to Plan B.

This switch from the original plan A to the alternate plan B is a theme that runs through the whole prophetic Bible.

<Picture> Comment: There will no doubt be Bible thumpers galore out there that will scream to the high heavens over this thesis of alternate plans. Yet Scripture details it over and over again.

• Adam and Eve were the first to fail and cause a change of plan. • The Cain and Abel episode switched to Seth, the substitute. • The Esau/Jacob episode switched plans from Firstborn to secondborn. • The Manasseh/Ephraim switch at Jacob's (Israel) deathbed in Egypt again caused a switch. • This also details an internal war of sibling rivalry in the house of God. The whole war is not only between good and evil, God against the Devil, but also between Law and Grace in the God's own household. Between Leah, the bride of Jacob required by Law whom he hated, and Rachel, the bride of promise whom he loved. The issue of the brides apply to the direct household of Israel, and the children of their handmaidens apply to the Gentiles adopted in. • This change of Plans is a Basic Premise of Christianity. Our own First creation in the "old man of the flesh" is not sufficient and we must be changed by being "Born Again" of the Holy Seed of God in Plan B. "Except ye be born again, ye cannot enter the Kingdom of God."

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Great Jubilee periods of 490 years according to the Marching Order
Plan B

DaySonBlessingCountdownBC / ADNotable events Levi

3rd son of Leah (bride of law) Levi was given no portion in the land.
He was appointed to the priesthood of all the tribes. Moses appointed Aaron to be the High Priest.
People talked to Aaron
Aaron talked to Moses
Moses talked to God Day 11 - Judah
4th son of Leah (bride of law)

Praise of the Lord

1 - 490

3920bc to
2940bc Adam
The Begats
Enoch who ascended
2 - Issachar
8th son of Leah (bride of law) God hath given me my hire
Blessed in land 490 - 980 Day 23 - Zebulun
9th son of Leah (bride of law) God hath given me a good dowry. Now my husband will dwell with me
Blessed in sea 980 - 1470 2940bc
to
1960bc Noah
Shem, Ham, Japheth
Flood & the Ark 4 - Reuben
1st son of Leah (bride of law) Labor 1470 - 1960 Day 35 - Simeon
2nd son of Leah (bride of law) Cruelty
slavery in Egypt 1960 - 2450 1960bc
to
980bc Abraham
Isaac, Jacob
Moses, Joshua
David 6 - Gad
7th son of Leah (bride of law) by handmaiden Zilpah

a troop cometh
wars of Israel

2450 - 2940 Day 4 Joseph's
double
portion
(11th son of Jacob)
1st son of Rachel (bride of Grace) 7 - Ephraim Golden Age of Israel 2940 - 3430 980bc
to
490bc Solomon's Golden Temple
10 Tribes Lost
Babylonian Diaspora 8 - Manasseh Forgetting of former things 3430 - 3920 490bc to
0 Nehemiah
return and rebuild nation
Birth of Jesus Day 59 - Benjamin
(12th son of Jacob)
2nd son of Rachel (bride of Grace) Benoni - Son of my sorrows

Jacob named him Benjamin
Son of my right hand (strength)
The Father's favorite son

3920 - 44100
to
490ad Crucifixion & Ascension of Jesus
Temple destroyed by Titus
Persecutions of Christians by the Romans 10 - Dan
(5th son of Jacob)
by Bilhah (handmaid of Rachel - bride of grace) God hath judged me 4410 - 4900 490ad to 980ad Fall of the Roman Empire
Hebrew scattered and dispersed out into the world Day 611 - Asher
(7th son of Jacob)

by Zilpah (handmaid of Leah - bride of law)Happy am I
Royal dainties4900 - 5390980ad
to
1960adChristianity established as a World class religion
Invention of printing press
Spread of Christianity over the whole world
Slavery abolished
Spirit of Freedom in the world order12-Naphthali
(6th son of Jacob
by Bilhah (handmaid of Rachel - bride of grace)with great wrestlings I have prevailed.
Goodly words - Free Spirit5390 - 5880

Day 7

Christ's
double
portion

13-JesusChrist the King's
Thousand Year reign on earth

5880 - 6370

1960ad
to
2940ad

Second Coming of Jesus as Christ the King to rule on earth for a thousand years14-Jesus6370 - 6860
PLAN A - Birth Order PLAN B - Marching Order

Bride of Law

Bride of Grace

Bride of LawBride of Grace

Leah

Zilpah

Rachel

Bilhah

LeahZilpahRachelBilhah

Day

1

Reuben

Judah

1

2

Simeon

Issachar

Day

3

Levi

Zebulun

2

4

Judah

Reuben

Day

5

Dan

Simeon

3

6

Naphthali

Gad

Day

7

Gad

Ephraim

4

8

Asher

Manasseh

Day

9

Issachar

Benjamin

5

10

Zebulun

Dan

Day

11

Joseph

Asher

6

12

Benjamin

Naphtali

Day

13

Jesus - Second Coming as

7

14

King of Kings, Lord of Lords

The Greek and Hebrew number system

Let us consider the numeric value system of the Hebrew and Greek alphabets. When you and I wish to say "1" we do not spell "one" but we write the figure "1". We have distinct symbols for numbers. but the Greeks in whose language the New Testament was written, and the Hebrews, in whose language the Old Testament was written, had no special symbols for numbers. when they wished to say "1" they wrote the first letter of the alphabet. They had a definite system where every letter of the Greek language stood for a special number. The first nine letters stood for 1-10, then from 20-100, and from 100-400. The Hebrews had the same system. they had 22 letters instead of 24, but each letter stood for a number, and each word is simply a sum in arithmetic, by adding the numeric values of the special letters.

As each word consist of letters The numeric value of a word is the sum of the numeric values of its letters. But in Scripture an additional system is made use of for the purpose of numeric construction of the text, that of PLACE VALUE. The Place VALUE of a letter in Scripture, wether Hebrew or Greek is the number of the PLACE the letter occupies in the alphabet. Accordingly in the hebrew the place values and the numeriv values of the first ten letters are the same, and the same is the case with the first five letters in the Greek. But the ELEVENTH Hebrew letter does not stand for eleven, but twenty. Accordingly its numeric value is 20, but its place value is 11; the last letter of the Hebrew alphabet, the twenty second, stands for 400. Accordingly its numeric value is 400, but its place value is 22. Te same applies to the Greek alphabet. Its sixth letter stands for 7; this is its numeric value, but its place value is six. The VALUE of a Hebrew or Greek letter or word is the SUM OF ITS NUMERIC AND PLACE VALUES: thus the VALUE OF JESUS, in GREEK is 975, of which the NUMERIC VALUE IS 888, and the place value is 87. The numeric value of the Name of our Lord "JESUS" in Greek is 888. Scripture warns us "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". And the number is 666 and our Lord's number is 888. There is not a paragraph in the Bible that is not constructed on a similar numerical scheme. Even if men had the skill to construct the 66 books of the Bible, the construction of even a single book would in nearly all cases require some hundreds of years. As no man or set of men could write books thus, we can see that the writers of the Bible were guided by a superior mathematical mind, God!

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Why we remain

Many have attempted to discredit the authority and accuracy of the Bible, preferring to consider the Old and New Testament scriptures as a loose collection of fables and moral statements.

For Christians however, the Bible is the inspired Word of God. The Bible itself says: "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

Can anyone really prove that the Bible is the inspired Word of God? The most powerful proof is personal experience. The Bible description of Christianity is one of vibrant belief, miracles and power. The infilling of the Holy Spirit (by which we become "Christian") is a definite and tangible experience that proves the existence of God, and the reality of the Gospel message. The clear and unmistakable manifestation of the Holy Spirit is well documented (Acts Chapters 2, 10 & 19, Ephesians 1:13).

The fulfillment of Bible prophecy provides another avenue for demonstrating the accuracy and divine nature of the Bible. Many important historical events were foretold thousands of years before coming to pass. These include: the dispersion of the Jewish people and the subsequent re-establishment of Israel ; the life and ministry of Jesus Christ; the destruction of the ancient seaport city of Tyre; Egypt's Aswan Dam; and prophecies describing our time (the "last days"). Archeology continues to confirm the accuracy of the Old Testament's history and prophecy.

Bible Numerics is a largely unknown, but fascinating area of study that also proves the divine inspiration of the Scriptures. It is concerned with intricate mathematical patterns underlying both Old and New Testament texts.

Although known to Jewish scholars for many centuries, the first to substantially document Bible Numerics for our time were Dr Milo Mahan (c. 1850), Ethelbert Bullinger (1894), Sir Ambrose Fleming (c. 1920), and (Russian-born) Ivan Panin. In 1934, Panin published a Greek text of the New Testament, from which the Numeric English New Testament translation developed. His voluminous works were examined by the Nobel Research Foundation of the USA, with regard to his claim that the Bible could not possibly have been written except by the inspiration of God Himself. In reply, the Foundation said: "So far as our investigation has proceeded, we find the evidence overwhelmingly in favour of such a statement" (Seal of God F. Payne, p.96).

SYMBOLISM IN NUMBER

The consistent occurrence of specific numbers in Scripture, having particular significance or meaning, is obvious to even the casual Bible reader.

Numbers frequently found in scripture, conveying particular symbolism include:

THREE -- Divine perfection or Godhead.

FIVE -- Grace (free Gift of God).

SIX--Man under sin

[Examples--Man was created on 6th day. Cain's descendants are listed to 6th generation. 66 generations from King David to Joseph (Mary's husband). 6 different words used for "man" in the Bible. "Man of sin" is "666".]

SEVEN -- God's Seal (often called the perfect number)

[Examples -- God sanctified (set apart) the 7th day and blessed it. The week has 7 days. The 7th day was the Old Testament Holy Day (Sabbath). Joshua ordered the people to march around Jericho 7 days with 7 priests, and 7 times on the 7th day. 7-fold sprinkling required on the Day of Atonement. King David to Mary (Jesus' mother) was 77 generations. "Seven" occurs in the Old Testament 287 times (41 x 7). 7 Churches, candlesticks and seals are spoken of in Revelation.

Seven is also significant in the natural creation. There are 7 divisions to living science. The Gestation periods of most mammals and hatching time for most birds are multiples of 7 days. The musical scale has 7 full notes. Pure light is broken into 7 colours by a prism or rainbow.]

EIGHT -- Resurrection or new beginning.

TWELVE -- Perfect Government.

THIRTEEN -- Sin, Rebellion, Satan.

SEVENTEEN- Safety, Security, Church.

THIRTY SEVEN -- Living Word of God.

FORTY -- Probation, Trial or Testing [Examples -- It rained 40 days and 40 nights before the flood. The children of Israel wandered in the wilderness 40 years. Moses's life was divided into 3 periods of 40 years. Moses remained on the mountain 40 days. Jesus fasted and prayed in the wilderness 40 days. David reigned over Israel 40 years. Solomon reigned in Jerusalem 40 years. Jesus was seen of the disciples for 40 days before His ascension.]

ONE HUNDRED & FIFTY THREE -Sons of God, joint heirs with Christ.

HEBREW / GREEK ALPHABETS

Ancient Hebrew (the language in which most of the Old Testament was written) involves a "ciphered" numeral system in which letters of the alphabet have numerical value and were used as numbers, either individually or in combination with other letter characters. For example, numbers 11 through nineteen are written with the letter yod (10) plus the letter for 1, 2, and so on (except 15 which is written tet (9) plus waw (6), and 16 which is written tet (9) plus zayin (7). The 20s are combinations of kaf (20) plus the letter for 1, 2, and so on. 500 is written taw (400) plus qof(100).

The New Testament was written in Hellenistic or Koine ("common") Greek. The Greek system of decimal numbering, similar to Hebrew, was based on using alphabet characters to denote numbers. With the exception of the numbers 6, 90 and 900, numbers were represented by letter characters.

As the ancient Egyptian, Roman, Hebrew and Greek numbering systems were not place-value based (that is, the value of the symbol did not depend upon the position or place of the symbol in the representation), any word phrase or passage scripted as letters, could (if intended) convey a number.

DETERMINING THE NUMERIC VALUE OF WORDS.

Gematria is the substitution of numbers for letters in the Hebrew alphabet. It was a favourite method of exegesis (critical interpretation of the Bible) used by the medieval Kabbalists (esoteric Jews) in studying difficult or seemingly ambiguous text, [Encyclopedia Britannica (15th. Edition), Volume 1V, p. 454].

Gematria may be equally applied with New Testament Greek and Latin. Most are familiar with how the principle of letter-number substitution is applied with Roman Numerals (certain Latin letter characters). In Roman Numerals I = 1, V = 5, X = 10, L = 50, C = 100, D = 500 and M = 1,000. Any Latin word may consist of letters that also have use as numbers. The Gematria (numeric value) of a word is simply the sum of the number values of its letters (as used in the original scripts). Every Hebrew, Greek and Latin word therefore has a gematria.

JESUS AND EIGHT

A good example is the name Jesus (meaning "Saviour"),

Using a table the number value of each letter can be determined:

I = 10, n ~ 8, o = 200, o = 70, u = 400 and S = 200. The gematria of the word "Jesus" is therefore 10+8+200+70+400+200 = 888. Remember, 8 is symbolic of resurrection.

In looking at other names given to Jesus, the pattern remains: Christ is 1,480 (or 185 x 8). Saviour is 1,408 (176 x 8), Lord is 800 (100 x 8). Messiah is 656 (82 x 8). Jesus referred to Himself as the "Son of Man", a term which occurs 88 times and has a gematria of 2,960(370 x 8), and as the "Truth" which sums 64 (8 x 8).

The probability of any randomly chosen number (or gematria) being divisible by 8 is 1 in 8. The chances of two randomly selected numbers being divisible by eight would be 1 in 64 (8 x 8). Three, 1 in 512 (8 x 8 x 8). Four, 1 in 4,096 (8 x 8 x 8 x 8), and so on. If the scriptures are not divinely inspired, then it must be accepted that the gematria of the various names of Jesus are merely detained at random. Yet the probability of this consistency simply occurring by accident with the seven names above would be 1 in an astonishing 2097,152 (or 8 to the 7th)

OTHER EXAMPLES

Similarly consistent patterns appear in other areas. For example, the various names by which Satan is called are not surprisingly, multiples of thirteen. "Dragon occurs 13 times and its gematria is 975 (75 x 13). "Tempter" is 1,053 (81 x 13), "Belial" 78 (6 x 13), "Murderer" 1,820 (140 x 13), and "Serpent" 780 (60 x 13). Revelation 12:9 starts, "And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil and Satan". This passage has the amazing gematria of 2,197 (13 x 13 x 13).

Another amazing pattern is demonstrated in John 21:11 -- On Jesus' command, we read "Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, an hundred and fifty and three: and for all there were so many, yet was not the net broken." The gematria of "net" is 1,224 (8 x 153). "Fishes" is also 1,224 (8 x 153).

Jesus called his disciples to be "fishers of men". The gematria of "Sons of God" in the Hebrew is 153, and in the Greek is 3,213 (3 x 7 x 153). "Joint Heirs" sums 1,071 (7 x 153), and the total gematria of the 12 disciples named in Mark 3: 16-19 is 9,639 (9 x 7 x 153).

THE NUMBER 666

Revelation 13:18 says: "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". Interestingly, the English translation of the Latin Vulgate Bible (the authorised Bible of the Roman Catholic Church) carries the footnote: "The numeral letters of his name shall make up this number". In the Greek language "Lateinos" meaning "Latin man" has a gematria of 666. [literally "Stigma, Stigma. Stigma" -- as

the number six was represented by a special character, stigma, in the original Greek text]. "Vicar of the Son of God" (Latin, Vicarius Filii Dei), just one title taken by the Pope, similarly has a (latin) gematria of 666. Other papal titles confirm this pattern.

PATTERNS IN PASSAGES

Amazingly consistent patterns of numbers have been demonstrated by Panin and others to be evident throughout the Bible (both Old and New Testaments).

Matthew 1:18-25, a complete passage in itself (relating to the birth of Christ), displays the following pattern [Note: the division of scripture into chapters and verses was not in the original texts, but added later to aid reading and referencing]: The number of Greek words is exactly 161 (23 x 7) with a total gematria of 93,394 (13,342 x 7), occurring in 105 (15 x 7) forms with 35 (5 x 7) verbs; the number of different words used is exactly 77 (11 x 7) with a gematria of 51,247 (7,321 x 7); there are 7 proper names with a total of 42 (6 x 7) letters; of the six Greek words found nowhere else in Matthew, their gematria is exactly 5,005 (715 x 7) from a total of 56 letters (8 x 7); the word "Emmanuel", used nowhere else in the New Testament, has a gematria of 644 (92 x 7); the number of forms used exclusively by Matthew in this passage is 14 (2 x 7) with a gematria of 8,715 (1,245 x 7); in speaking to Joseph, the angel uses 28 (4 x 7) of the 77 vocabulary words; the numeric value of all the angel's words is 21,042 (3,006 x 7), in 35 (5 x 7) forms, of 168 (24 x 7) letters, with a gematria of 19,397 (2,771 x 7).

Similarly complex mathematical patterns have been demonstrated to exist in other New Testament books. In fact, Bible Numerics has been used to prove the validity of Mark 16:19-20. This passage, in which Jesus mentions the signs that will follow "believers" (including speaking in tongues) is often rejected by so-called Bible "authorities". Yet, it too contains amazing features of seven.

Genesis 1:1 says: "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth". Careful study of this (Hebrew) verse also reveals God's amazing seal of SEVEN: The verse consists of exactly 7 Hebrew words, totally 28 (4 x 7) letters; there are three nouns ("God", "heaven" and "earth") with a total gematria of 777 (111 x 7); the only verb, "created" has a numeric value of 203 (29 x 7); the Hebrew words for the two objects ("heaven" and "earth") each has 7 letters; the numeric value of the first and last letters of the whole 7 words is 1,393 (199 x 7); the value of the first and last letters of the verse is 497 (71 x 7); The first three words (containing the subject) have exactly 14 (2 x 7) letters, with the other four (containing the objects) also containing 14.

EVIDENCE DEMANDS A DECISION

The Bible says: "It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter" (Proverbs 25:2).

Bible Numerics is not numerology nor an attempt at divination through numbers. It is a demonstrated phenomenon that demands careful thought by even the most cynical of Bible critics.

Could these amazing numeric patterns, intricately woven through the very fabric of the original texts of the scriptures [and penned by around forty authors over more than fifteen hundred years] have occurred by chance? Was there an incredible conspiracy by the various writers (few of whom ever met one another)? Or, as the Bible itself says, were the Scriptures given by divine inspiration? You choose.

If the Bible truly is the inspired Word of God (as the irrefutable weight of evidence from Bible Numerics, Prophecy and personal experience shows), how can we not appreciate its promises and heed its commandments?

SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX BUT NOT 666

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I. Against the Numerical Representation 666

Perhaps the most famous (or infamous) number in the entire Bible is the strange number six hundred sixty-six, the number of one of the beasts in the thirteenth chapter of the Book of Revelation. From motion pictures and novels, many people, even without any real biblical knowledge, are aware that it is a number associated with evil and danger.

Isolated down to the single verse of interest the translated Biblical text in question is: "This calls for wisdom: let anyone with understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a person. Its number is six hundred sixty-six" (Rev 13:18, NRSV).

The purpose of this study is not to add to the enormous literature about the apocalyptic images and this number. Entire books have been written on this subject[1]. Rather this study

will concentrate only on the representation of the number six hundred sixty-six, arguing that to represent it as 666 (triple six) is an error. Such a representation can mislead modern readers towards false interpretations. It is a severely anachronistic representation.

However, a large number of modern English translations of the Bible do use this numerical representation, using numerals rather than words. A non-exhaustive list of those translations which use numbers includes: the New International Version (NIV), the Jerusalem Bible (JB), the New Jerusalem Bible (NJB), the Good News Bible (GNB), the New King James Version (NKJV) and the Living Bible Paraphrased (LBP). In the Revised New Testament of the New American Bible the text writes the words out for the number, however the "official" footnote finishes: "It has also been observed that '6' represents imperfection, falling short of the perfect number '7', and is represented here in a triple or superlative form."

Nearly every commentary, whether scholarly or popular or even sensationalist, in at least part of its explanation of the number, draws attention to some sort of "triple six" symbolism similar to that expressed in the revised New American Bible footnote quoted above. Writing the number all in OUR numeric symbols, 666, can only increase this dubious tendency.

Despite our immediate, almost instinctive, ability to see six hundred sixty-six represented as 666, this is a fairly recent phenomenon. The original readers (or more likely hearers[2]) of the Book of Revelation (probably written late in the first century AD in the Koine or common Greek of the time) would not have seen or heard as specific a repetition of the number 6 as we do in our 666. To understand why the number six hundred sixty-six should not be written as 666 requires a study both of our modern representation of numbers and of the representation in the Greek of the first century AD.

While John the writer of Revelation may have been intending to hide the identity of the "beast" from those outside, "those with understanding", even in the first century, should have been able to calculate (decode) the number and not have to await a much later numerical representation.

II. Our Modern Decimal Place-Value Numbers

To represent numbers we use a decimal (base-10), place-value system. Using just the ten Arabic (or more properly Hindu-Arabic or Indian) numerals (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 0) we can represent an arbitrarily large number. The use of the zero is especially important in that it enables us (in a decimal system) to need only the other nine numerals. The same numeral can be used to represent a number of units, tens, hundreds, thousands, etc. Its position or place in the composite number determines its actual value.

Because each place in the number represents how many of a "power-of-ten" is contained in the composite number (including none in some cases), we have a PLACE-VALUE system. For example, we interpret the number 123 as $1 \times 100 + 2 \times 10 + 3 \times 1$. Similarly, our designated number 666 is $6 \times 100 + 6 \times 10 + 6 \times 1$.

Without a zero as a place holder, however, we would not be able to represent a number like two hundred nine. But since we do have a zero, two hundred nine can be represented as $209 = 2 \times 100 + 0 \times 10 + 9 \times 1$.

This all seems trivial. We learned all this in elementary

school. However, this relatively modern representation of numbers, like many inventions, is the endpoint of much evolution and even revolution. At the time of the New Testament's writing such numbers were far in the future. In the West we received our numeral system from the Arabs (hence the usual name, Arabic numerals) through Spain. The Arabs in turn had obtained them from India. The earliest introduction of these numerals into Spain seems to be at the end of the first millennium AD, but it was well into the second millennium before they took control[3]. Until then, i.e. well into the Middle Ages, Roman numerals were the standard method until eventually displaced by our current decimal, place-value system.[4]

III. Greek Alphabetic Numbers at the Time of the New Testament

Since the Book of Revelation, like the other twenty six books of the New Testament, was written in Koine Greek in the first or early second century AD, we must study how numbers were represented at that time in Greek.[5]

One early Greek numeral system, known as Attic numerals, started at Athens and used symbols for the key numbers 1, 5, 10, 50, 100, etc. The individual symbols of each type were repeated as often as needed (up to four times) to make up a number's representation. This can be called a REPETITIVE 1-5 system. This system was similar to the later (but more familiar to us) system of Roman numerals except that it was always additive (repetitive) unlike the Roman numeral system which has also subtractive forms.[6]

Another system also existed (not surprisingly considering the independence and non-cooperation of Greek city states). This system, known as the Ionian or Milesian (from Miletus in Asia Minor)[7], may have started in the 6th century BC. The Attic system was fading out of use, disappearing almost entirely in the time of the Roman Empire. The Milesian alphabetic numeral system was officially adopted in Athens in the first century BC.[8]

By the time of the New Testament we need only consider the Greek alphabetic numeral system. Although the Greeks had ways of representing numbers in the thousands and also those above ten-thousand (myriads), we will only consider how they represented numbers up to nine hundred ninety nine.

These Greeks, like us, used a decimal system but, unlike us, they did not use a zero number[9]. Thus, although it was a decimal system, it was not a place-value system. Therefore more symbols were needed than just the nine (plus zero) which we use. To represent the numbers up to our 999, they needed 27 different symbols: nine for the units 1, 2, ..., 9; nine for the tens 10, 20, ..., 90; and still another nine for the hundreds 100, 200, ..., 900.

For symbols they used the letters of the Greek alphabet. However, an immediate problem arose since the Greek alphabet contained only 24 letters. To fill in the missing three, they used old obsolete letters from previous alphabets and, somewhat confusingly, these were interspersed with the regular letters. The following table show the assignments[10].

TABLE OF NUMERICAL VALUES OF GREEK LETTERS

1 alpha	10 iota	100 rho
2 beta	20 kappa	200 sigma
3 gamma	30 lambda	300 tau
4 delta	40 mu	400 epsilon
5 epsilon	50 nu	500 phi

6 [digamma]	60 xi	600 chi
7 zeta	70 omicron	700 psi
8 eta	80 pi	800 omega
9 theta	90 [koppa]	900 [sampi]

Note the obsolete letters in brackets in the table: digamma for 6, koppa for 90, and sampi for 900. The koppa and sampi will not affect us further except that the presence of koppa for 90 pushes letters such as rho, sigma, etc., one position down.

The digamma at 6, however, will be directly relevant for the representation of six hundred sixty-six. This letter also became known as stigma (note the "t") because the form of writing it looked like the ligature (writing together) of the two Greek letters sigma and tau, roughly corresponding to our s and t. [If not done carefully, it can even look like just a sigma, which would be an error.] For most of the rest of this study this obsolete letter pushed into service to represent the numeral for 6 will be referred to as stigma.

Now to represent a number in alphabetic symbols in the first century AD[11] Greek writers could just use the individual symbols concatenated together similarly to how we do it. Because there was no zero, more possible symbols were needed (the 27 listed above). However, to represent a number which has a zero in our representation, they would need less characters. Our number 123 would be represented the three letter symbols (rho)(kappa)(gamma). Our number 209 could be represented by only two letters (sigma)(theta) and 300 by only one letter (tau).

To distinguish letters used as numbers from normal letters a horizontal line was usually written above the letter-numbers or sometimes just a tick mark[12]. It should be noted that the order of the letters needed to represent a number is not important, since this system is not a place-value system. Most often, however, the highest valued letter would be put first.

Thus to represent our number of interest, six hundred sixty-six, rather than using three identical characters (666) as we do in our decimal PLACE-VALUE system, a first century Greek writer (if not spelling out the words just as we also can) would use three distinct characters (chi)(xi)(stigma)!

IV. Gematria and Isopsephia

At the risk of transgressing the self-imposed restriction of concentrating on how the number six hundred sixty-six should be/was represented, a mention of gematria must be made. Since in the Greek alphabetic numeral system described above, every letter of the Greek alphabet (and three which were not then even used as regular letters) also had a numerical value, it would be possible to give any word, name or phrase a composite numerical value by adding together the numerical values of the individual letters. And if a thing is possible, it is likely to be done.

The Jewish rabbis had a similar procedure since the 22 letters of the Hebrew alphabet were also used to supply the first 22 characters of the 27 needed to represent numbers up to 999 in their Hebrew system. The twenty second (and last) letter represented the value 400. The remaining numerical values of 500, 600, 700, 800, and 900 needed either special "final forms" of some letters or simple additive representations where 500 would be represented by combining the letters for 400 and 100, etc.[13] The important result was that every letter of the Hebrew alphabet had a numerical value and by adding together the numerical values of the individual letters a composite numerical value of a word was determined. This procedure is called

gematria.

In Greek the equivalence of gematria is sometimes called isopsephia (from the words for "equal" and "count"[14]) since one of the uses was to make connections between two words or phrases which had equal numerical calculations[15].

Although gematria was often thought to be primarily a Jewish practice, its use in the Greco-Roman sphere is known[16] (with the numbers often given in the Greek alphabetic system described previously). It is the most likely source for the numerical value of the number of the beast in Rev 13:18.

It was known even in the ancient world that, while it is extremely easy to go from a word, name or phrase to a composite number (one only has to add together the numerical equivalents of each letter), it is impossible to UNIQUELY reverse the process. Having a number does not enable one to get back to the word, name of phrase, unless one has extra information. Like a machine with a ratchet or some form of animal traps, some procedures only work in one direction.

V. Greek NT Readings of Rev 13:18

Having described above the Greek alphabetic number system, it is now possible to look at how Rev 13:18 is represented in the Greek New Testament.

Until the Greek NT was first printed in the early 16th century, each copy of each book in the NT was written by hand. Variations were introduced, either accidentally or deliberately. Since we no longer have the absolute original autograph copies as they came from the hands of the authors, a process of textual criticism must take place.[17] Textual criticism is both the art and science of taking all the evidence as found in all the various existing copies and attempting to reconstruct, as well as possible, what the original text was.

There are two major modern critical editions of the Greek New Testament which serve as a DE FACTO "standard text." They are the Nestle-Aland twenty sixth edition (NA26) and the United Bible Societies Greek New Testament third edition (UBSGNT3)[18]. These are not independent critical editions since they share common editors and agree on the text readings included in the text itself. They differ in punctuation and typographical features as well as in the documentation of textual variants of different manuscripts.

In the "standard" modern critical edition the verse we are considering is given (using a transliteration scheme which enables the reproduction of Greek text in Roman letters) as: "ho:de he: sophia estin. ho echo:n noun pse:phisato: ton arithmon tou the:riou, arithmos gar anthro:pou estin, kai ho arithmos autou hexakosioi hexe:konta hex." (Rev 13:18, NA26)

In this verse one sees several times the Greek word for number (arithmos), from which we get our English word arithmetic. What is most important for our consideration is the last three words which are the Greek words representing six hundred, sixty, and six. As can be seen from the transliteration, they all begin with "hex", which is the Greek prefix which comes into English in such words as hexagon and hexameter.

So when the number words are written out in the Greek text, i.e. not in just the alphabetic numerical symbols, a Greek reader sees a identical start to each of the words ("hex"), just as an English reader sees a "six" in the English words.

In addition to the scholarly reconstruction of the "best", i.e. as close to original as possible, text (obviously to some degree a matter of opinion based on the evidence and scholarly presuppositions), a critical edition also shows how the various manuscript readings differ. The NA26 edition does this through a set of symbols in the text itself (omitted in the above transliteration) and a compact set of "footnotes" which detail each variant, listing the variant readings and telling which manuscripts (using a standard notation for the names of the manuscripts) contain which reading(s).

The variants and the manuscripts which contain them are listed for the number words at the end of Rev 13:18. A text for the three words exactly matching that of the critical text is contained in the fifth century manuscript Codex Alexandrinus. A very slight variant involving only some insignificant grammatical endings is recorded for some more manuscripts, including the fourth century Codex Sinaiticus. (Another important fourth century manuscript Vaticanus is now incomplete, missing all of the Book of Revelation and some other books at the end of the NT). A major different reading (from the reading of the critical edition text) is recorded for another fifth century manuscript, Codex Ephraemi Syri Rescriptus, which contains the number six hundred sixteen instead of six hundred sixty-six. There is also another single late manuscript which contains a reading of six hundred sixty five![19]

Of particular interest to us are a set of manuscripts which are recorded as affirming the reading for the number included in the critical text. These are the manuscripts which, instead of writing out the words for the number, use the Greek alphabetic notation, i.e. the three Greek letters (chi)(xi)(stigma). The manuscripts so listed are P47 (a papyrus manuscript, hence the P in the name, from the third century, known as Chester Beatty III), a tenth century manuscript known as 051, and the "Majority-text" symbol (which indicates many late Byzantine manuscripts).

P47 is from the third century and is the oldest manuscript of the Book of Revelation. It contains parts of chapters 9-17. We will consider its readings for numbers in Rev 13:18 and neighboring verses in the next section.

Because, as listed above, the majority of the manuscripts (mostly late Byzantine miniscule manuscripts) include the representation of the number six hundred sixty-six by the three letters (chi)(xi)(stigma), the text presented in another modern (but non-standard) edition called not surprisingly THE GREEK NEW TESTAMENT ACCORDING TO THE MAJORITY TEXT, does so also.[20] Note that there is a major disagreement in presuppositions about the value of various manuscripts and manuscript groups between the editors of this edition and those of the standard editions.[21]

The so-called Textus Receptus which acted as the standard from the 16th century (the actual term first being used in the 17th) until well into the 19th century when modern critical editions started to displace it, was an evolution of early printed editions of the Greek NT. Its printed text also used the (chi)(xi)(stigma) notation. The main textual basis of this edition was only a handful of fairly late manuscripts, a subset of the majority text.

VI. Papyrus P47 in Detail on the Numbers of Rev 13:18

As mentioned above, P47 is the oldest extant manuscript which contains part of the Book of Revelation. However, its

method of representing the number six hundred sixty-six (using Greek alphabetic numerals) is not the one selected by the "standard" critical text (which spells out the number words). The textual apparatus of NA26 shows other variations of P47 from the usual text, even in other places in Rev 13:18.

Although the use of a modern printed critical edition of the Greek New Testament is within the ability of anyone who can read the Koine Greek, the potential of looking at actual copies (reproductions) of individual manuscripts is slight. Even many theological libraries would not have the printed (published) editions which would contain photographs of the desired manuscript.

In this case we are lucky because Kurt and Barbara Aland in their widely available textbook (pun-intended) *THE TEXT OF THE NEW TESTAMENT* (in both the first and second English editions of 1987 and 1989) include a Plate 23 on page 90 which shows Rev 13:16-14:4 of P47. (Note that the caption of this plate is incorrect in that it attributes P47 to the the second century whereas in other places in the book they give the usual third century date).

As mentioned in the description of the Greek alphabetic number system above, the usual way to signal that letters are being used as numerals is by a horizontal line above the letter-numbers. (A horizontal line can also mean something else.)

On the ninth line down from the top of this fragment (all line counts will exclude what might be counted as the first line which seems to include only one character at the very top of the plate) we can see the first horizontal line overscore. This is indeed over the three letters (chi)(xi)(stigma) which represents the six hundred sixty-six of Rev 13:18.

Verse 14:1 starts immediately afterward (no gaps or separations in such manuscripts), a clear reminder that the chapter and verse divisions which we find so essential in locating and referring texts are late additions, many centuries after the books of the NT were written. Two lines further down the overscore is above the letters (rho)(mu)(delta). This is for the alphabetic numeral representation of the one hundred forty four thousand. In this P47 manuscript, at least, the number (one hundred forty four) is written out in the Greek alphabetic mode. The word for "thousands" is written following these "digits". The same (rho)(mu)(delta) again with overscore also occurs four lines from the bottom of the fragment picture.

As an example that the horizontal line above letters does not always indicate a Greek alphabetic number representation, note the three letters (pi)(rho)(sigma) on line 12 that also have the horizontal line above them. This, however, is not a number. The order is reversed from the usual descending order (which is still possible) and two of the letters would stand for different hundreds (100 and 200). This horizontal line above letters serves to signal that this is a *NOMINA SACRA*, a form of abbreviation used in some Christian Greek scriptures for certain COMMON "theological" words[22]. This is the abbreviation for *patros* the Greek word for father (in genitive case), as in "the name of his father" (Rev 14:1).

VII. Translating the Numbers of Rev 13:18

How should one translate the numerical words at the end of Rev 13:18? If you consider the text to be translated to be that of the "standard" critical edition's text: "hexakosioi hexe:konta

hex", with the numbers written out as words, then the English translation should also certainly have the number words written out such as "six hundred sixty-six." Even the structure of the repeated Greek "hex" word beginnings goes over nicely into English "six" word beginnings. There is no justification, in this case, to use the numeric representation 666.

A question MIGHT be raised if the text which is to be translated is as in P47 manuscript or in the "Majority Text" or in the Textus Receptus, i.e. the number represented as the three Greek letters (chi)(xi)(stigma). Here there might be some justification for using what would be the "English" equivalent, namely the number 666. This would carry the FORM of the original text (that the representation was numerical) but it might not carry over the original MEANING if the extra new symbolism of an identical, repeated, numeral overrode the meaning of a given numerical quantity. We would have no way in English (using our decimal place-value numbers) to be able to indicate that the original Greek numerals used to represent the number were all different. A translator's footnote would be a possibility, but a footnote is only a footnote.

VIII. Irenaeus' "Against Heresies" and the Sibylline Oracles

The two works considered in this section are both post-NT and are semi-leftovers, slightly marginal to the main development of the study. They are included here since one is an early discussion on the number of the beast and the other is an example of gematria on Jesus' name.

Irenaeus was the bishop of Lyons in the last half of the second century who wrote an apologetic work entitled AGAINST HERESIES (Adv. haer) which has survived in a Latin translation, although the original was in Greek. In several places in the fifth "book" of this work he dealt with the number of the beast in (what we call) Rev 13:18, eventually making several elaborate (unsuccessful) hypotheses for reversing the gematria and getting a name back from the number six hundred sixty-six. (Adv.haer 5.30.2) [23]

In several passages he mentions the repeated "sixness" of the number six hundred sixty-six: "that is, six times a hundred, six times times ten and six units." (Adv.haer 5.28.2). In another passage he wrote "... according to the Greek mode of calculation by the [value of] the letters contained in it, will amount to six hundred and sixty and six; that is, the number of the tens shall be equal to that of the hundreds and the number of hundreds equal to the units (for that number which [expresses] the digit six being adhered to throughout...)" (Adv.haer 5.30.1)

The last passage in particular might lead one to see Irenaeus thinking similarly to the modern representation of 666. However, this is no more than an artifact of the Greek system being a base-10 system (although not place-value) and the words for six hundred, sixty, and six all beginning with "hex" in Greek.

In Adv.haer 5.29.2 Irenaeus shows how (in his scheme of the beast being a recapitulation of all evil) the number of the beast contains the six hundred from the age of Noah when the flood started to wipe out the evil at that time (Gen 7:6). It contains the sixty from the height of the idolatrous image that the king Nebuchadnezzar set up (sixty cubits according to Dan 3:1). And the six of the number is from the six cubit breadth of the same statue. Thus in this case he is more interested in a breakdown along the lines of the individual Greek letter numbers.

But overall, Irenaeus, although he admits that many names are capable of yielding the number, is most interested in making his attempts at decoding the gematria. Unfortunately, less than a century after the Book of Revelation, he is unable to be successful.

An example of Greek gematria which is able to be decoded (because enough extra information is given) is included with the Sibylline Oracles. The Sibylline Oracles are a complicated anthology, with problems due to different sources and times. In a Christian interpolation in Book 1, there is a description of a gematria based on the name of Jesus (in Greek Ie:sous) in the form of a "prophecy" after the fact:[24]

324 Then indeed the son of the great God will come,
325 incarnate, likened to mortal men on earth,
326 bearing four vowels, and the consonants in him are two.
327 I will state explicitly the entire number for you.
328 For eight units, and equal number of tens in addition
to those,
329 and eight hundreds will reveal the name
330 to men who are sated with faithlessness. But you,
consider in your heart
331 Christ, the son of the most high, immortal God. (1:324-331)

Just using the standard numerical substitutions for the letters of Jesus' name one gets the result that Ie:sous --> $10+8+200+70+400+200 = 888$ in our decimal system [and could be represented as (omega)(pi)(eta) in the Greek alphabetic number scheme]. Nothing more seems to be made about the eights. The same type of comments made in much of this study about the 666 representation follows for this 888.

IX. Summary

This study has attempted to argue against using the anachronistic numerical representation 666 for the number of the beast in Rev 13:18 because such a representation could not have been made for many centuries after the Book of Revelation was written. Any interpretation based on this exact representation would have to be highly suspect.

In Section II (on the newness of our number system) the facts were just stated and some references given in the Notes in case more details are desired. Knowing that the current system of representing numbers is quite late is important to the argument of this study, but the details are not. Even if the uncertainties were several centuries, no difference in the implications would result.

Section III dealt with how first century Greek writers represented numbers by letters with an obvious side-effect, namely gematria, described in Section IV.

Section V dealt with the Greek NT text readings of Rev 13:18 and Section VI was a hands-on workout (if the Alands' book was available) with the P47 manuscript in and around Rev 13:18.

Section VII repeated objections to translating the number in Rev 13:18 as 666, with a possible softening of objection if the three Greek letter reading is being translated.

Section VIII dealt with two post-NT texts, marginally connected to the main development of this study.

The purpose of this entire study was not just a cantankerous attack on the use of the numerical 666 representation of the number of the beast. It might partly be that, but it is also an

attempt to remind us interpreters of the Bible that nearly 1900 years have passed since the last books of the NT were written. Even if we share the same basic Christian faith as the original writers and readers/hearers, we live in a vastly different cultural and intellectual situation. A tendency to read the texts through our modern eyes makes us susceptible to modern prejudices and anachronisms, even in something as simple as how a number is represented.

-- NOTES --

[1]. There is a more than 300 page book: David Brady, THE CONTRIBUTION OF BRITISH WRITERS BETWEEN 1560 AND 1830 TO THE INTERPRETATION OF REVELATION 13.16-18 (Tubingen: J. C. B. Mohr, 1983).

[2]. Probably all of the New Testament books were originally read aloud. This may especially be true of the Book of Revelation with its repetitive cycles and heavenly choruses. Also see Rev 1:3, 22:18.

[3]. For a detailed description of the evolution of our current number system and how it gradually made its way to the West see such works as:

Graham Flegg (ed), NUMBERS THROUGH THE AGES (London: Macmillian Education, 1989) 88-130.

Georges Ifrah, FROM ONE TO ZERO: A UNIVERSAL HISTORY OF NUMBERS (New York: Viking, 1985) 428-497.

Karl Menninger, NUMBER WORDS AND NUMBER SYMBOLS: A CULTURAL HISTORY OF NUMBERS (Cambridge: MIT Press, 1969) 389-445.

[4]. Incidentally, some modern apocalyptic fanatics (or "prophecy" students) who are most alarmed at the number 666 and worry about large computer-based control systems that the Beast will use should perhaps worry about a hexadecimal based system (base 16) rather than the decimal based 666 number. In the modern computer hexadecimal number system a number is represented using 16 possible "numeral" symbols: our usual 0-9, then 6 additional "numerals": A=10, B=11, C=12, D=13, E=14, F=15. In hexadecimal notation instead of having units, tens, hundreds places one has units, sixteens, two hundred fifty-six places. Thus six hundred sixty-six is represented as 29A (hexadecimal) since decimally $666 = 2 \times 256 + 9 \times 16 + 10 \times 1$.

[5]. The relevant sections in the works in [3] are:
Flegg, NUMBERS THROUGH THE AGES, 88-101.
Ifrah, FROM ONE TO ZERO, 261-274.

Menninger, NUMBER WORDS AND NUMBER SYMBOLS, 268-274.

Also see O.A.W. Dilke, MATHEMATICS AND MEASUREMENT (London: British Museum Publications, 1987) 13-16.

[6]. A subtractive form means that sometimes a number such as 9 is represented as IX, with the smaller unit (I) preceding the larger (X) meaning one less than 10, rather than additively as VIII meaning four more than five.

Interestingly, the Roman numeral system, which uses the symbols I, V, X, etc., for 1, 5, 10, etc., gives a peculiar representation for our number of interest: six hundred sixty six. Since $666 = 500 + 100 + 50 + 10 + 5 + 1$, in Roman numerals it is represented as DCLXVI, using every symbol through D (=500) once and only once.

[7]. Miletus is mentioned in the NT (but with no numerical connection) in Acts 20:15,17 and 2 Tim 4:20.

[8]. Menninger, NUMBER WORDS AND NUMBER SYMBOLS, 268.
Dilke, MATHEMATICS AND MEASUREMENT, 14.

[9]. Later, the Alexandrian Greek astronomer Ptolemy (2nd century AD) used a symbol similar to zero in some astronomical tables, but it never seemed to be developed by the Greeks.

[10]. Bruce M. Metzger, *MANUSCRIPTS OF THE GREEK BIBLE: AN INTRODUCTION TO GREEK PALAEOGRAPHY* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1981) 7-9.

[11]. These alphabetic numerals have mainly fallen out of modern Greek which uses the regular decimal Arabic place-value numbers. They are still used, perhaps similarly to how we use Roman numerals, to annotate items in a list. An example of useful non-library research was the discovery on the wall of a local Greek pizza/submarine sandwich shop of a 1987 map of Greece. Around the edge was a table of the land areas of various political regions of Greece. Although the numbers for the areas were written in Arabic numerals, the labels beside the names of the regions used Greek letters: alpha, beta, etc. Interestingly, at the sixth location the two greek letters (sigma) and (tau) were used, obviously from the old stigma. The list then continued with single letters up through the tenth entry (iota), then double letters up to the fourteenth and last element, represented by (iota)(delta).

[12]. Metzger, *MANUSCRIPTS OF THE GREEK BIBLE*, 9.

[13]. Ifrah, *FROM ONE TO ZERO*, 252-259.

[14]. The Greek verb *pse:phizo:*, often translated "calculate" or "count", comes from the noun *pse:phos* (pebble), since pebbles were often used for counting and calculating. The verb is used in Rev 13:18.

[15]. Ifrah, *FROM ONE TO ZERO*, 291-310.

[16]. Adolf Deissmann, *LIGHT FROM THE ANCIENT EAST* (Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1978 [reprint of 1927 English edition]), 276-278.

[17]. Two of the standard introductions to the textual criticism of the Greek New Testament written by editors of the main critical editions of the NT are:

Bruce M. Metzger, *THE TEXT OF THE NEW TESTAMENT: ITS TRANSMISSION, CORRUPTION AND RESTORATION* 2nd ed. (New York: Oxford University Press, 1968).

Kurt Aland and Barbara Aland, *THE TEXT OF THE NEW TESTAMENT* (Grand Rapids: William D. Eerdmans, 1987 based on German edition of 1982).

[18]. Standard modern critical editions:

NA26: Kurt Aland, Matthew Black, Carlo M. Martini, Bruce M. Metzger, and Allen Wikgren (eds), *NOVUM TESTAMENTUM GRAECE* 26th edition (Stuttgart: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, 1979).

UBSGNT3: Kurt Aland, Matthew Black, Carlo M. Martini, Bruce M. Metzger, and Allen Wikgren (eds), *THE GREEK NEW TESTAMENT* 3rd edition (New York: United Bible Societies, 1979).

[19]. All descriptions and dates of manuscripts in this summary are from tables in NA26 or in Aland and Aland, *THE TEXT OF THE NEW TESTAMENT*.

[20]. Zane Hodges and Arthur L. Farstad (eds), *THE GREEK NEW TESTAMENT ACCORDING TO THE MAJORITY Text* 2nd ed (Nashville: Thomas Nelson Publishers, 1985).

[21]. D.A. Carson, *THE KING JAMES VERSION DEBATE: A PLEA*

FOR REALISM (Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1979) contains a sane discussion on the subject. The title indicates that the topic of the book is broader than just the majority text vs. other critical editions. The King James Version was translated from a Textus Receptus type text which has similarities to, but is not identical to, the Majority text as compiled today.

[22]. Metzger, MANUSCRIPTS OF THE GREEK BIBLE, 36-37.

[23]. The quotations for ADV.HAER will be taken from the translation of Irenaeus' "Against Heresies" in the ANF series Alexander Roberts and James Donaldson (eds), THE ANTE-NICENE FATHERS (ANF) (Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 1979 reprint of 1885 ed).

[24]. J.J. Collins translation of "Sibylline Oracles" in James H. Charlesworth (ed), OLD TESTAMENT PSEUDEPIGRAPHA vol 1 (New York: Doubleday, 1983) 342.

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Overview on numerical features in different scriptures
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 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 tav 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 it's 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:

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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".)

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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 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.

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*[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

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;

2 Thess 2:4 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.]

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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.

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!

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NOTE: 666 is the number of the beast, not the mark.
Please see <Picture> The Seal of God and Mark of the Beast.

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"The words of the Lord are pure words, as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times Thou shalt keep them, O Lord; thou shalt preserve them from this generation forever"
(Psalm 12:6-7).

The date-December 12.

The year-1855.

Man was awakening to the dawn of a new age - within a few short decades, knowledge would explode throughout the civilized world. Brand-new sciences appeared almost overnight, as men concentrated mind and energies to find and conquer the secrets of their universe.

In Russia, the seeds of a revolutionary new religion were being sown. With its basic premise of "No God" and its Bible a text on dialectical materialism, it was soon to take root and spread like a parasitical mushroom across the world. Spearheading this ideological attack was an assault to defame, discredit, and finally destroy the Book that had given millions the promise of Christ.

It is thus strange how God in ironic humor chose a boy born in Russia to issue a counter-challenge to a skeptical world that has never been successfully refuted. His name - Ivan Panin. His challenge - the inspiration of Scriptures, factually demonstrated in the one language all sciences utilize - mathematics.

Panin died in 1942, after almost 50 years of brilliant work, and passed into the Presence of the God he loved and served. His writings and labors have been largely lost to the world of saints and scoffers alike, and have not been given the attention they deserve. A small fraction of his amazing discoveries are here re-issued for the benefit of a generation of doubt.

Those familiar with the laws of statistical probability will most appreciate the issues at stake. Those with a knowledge of Hebrew and Greek will be even better prepared to analyze and understand this challenge. Those with neither are still invited to consider the facts, and to give any other answer than the one the overwhelming evidence presents - that the Holy Bible in its original languages is the skilfully-designed product of a Mathematical Master-mind far beyond any earthly capability and far above any human possibility of deliberate structuring. The evidence Panin presents may only be refuted one of two ways - (1) By showing that his facts presented here are not actually true; (2) By demonstrating that his mathematics are faulty and the statistical conclusions reached unfounded.

To check the first is simply a matter of verifying the author's statements from the original languages and sources. To check the second requires only a knowledge of high-school arithmetic, and a little knowledge of the laws of arithmetic and geometrical progression. If then neither can be faulted (and the author knows of no successful attempt to date) there is left no other reasonable or scientific answer to the evidence you are about to see than the simple Biblical statement of its origins - "Holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Ghost" (2 Pet. 1:21). You are invited to impartially examine the evidence, but should know before beginning that knowledge equals responsibility and the Bible will not leave you impartial to its claims for commitment to its Author! Accordingly, these are written "that you might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing, you might have life through His name" (John 20:31).

The New Testament was originally written in Greek, the Old Testament in Hebrew and Aramaic. Both Greek and Hebrew have a common peculiarity - neither use special symbols for their numbers (like our "1", "2", "3", etc.) but use instead the LETTERS of their alphabets to represent numbers. Accordingly, the 24 Greek letters of the alphabet also stand for the following numbers, in order: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10; then 20, 30, etc. to 80; next 100, 200, etc. up to 800.

Likewise the Hebrew alphabet uses a similar numeric value for each of its letters. The Hebrew numbers 6 and 90 are not in the Greek; and the Greek numbers 500, 600, 700, and 800 are not in the Hebrew. All other numbers are common to both alphabets. We shall call these numbers the numeric values of the letters.

Each word in Hebrew and Greek thus represents a sum in arithmetic, obtained by adding the numbers for which each letter stands. Bear in mind that the numeric values are not assigned arbitrarily, but are part and parcel of the language. The resultant SUM of all the added letters in a word or phrase will be called its GEMATRIA. For the purpose of study, one further definition is necessary; the number of the place a letter occupies in the Hebrew or Greek alphabet will be called its PLACE VALUE. The numeric value is the same as the place value for the first 10 Hebrew letters; but the eleventh letter, caph, has a place value of 11 but a numeric value of 20. Keep in mind this distinction. Here is a complete list of the Hebrew and Greek alphabets, plus numeric and place values:

HEBREW PLACE
VALUENUMERIC
VALUEGREEK

LETTER1.12'Alph2.24Bêyth3.36Gîymel4.48Dâleth5.510Hê'6.612Vâv7.714Zayin8.816Chêyth9.918Têyth10.1020Yôwd11.203
1Caph12.3042Lâmed13.4053Mêm14.5064Nûwn15.6075Çâmek16.7086'Ayin178097Phê'or
Pê'18.90108Tâdêy19.100119Qôwph20.200220Rêysh21.300321Siyn or Shîyn22.400422Thâv or
Tâv 25314951748TOTALGREEK PLACE

VALUENUMERIC
VALUEGREEK

LETTER1.12Alpha2.24Beta3.36Gamma4.48Delta5.510Epsilon6.713Zeta7.815Eta8.917Theta9.1019Iota10.2030Kappa11.3041L
ambda12.4052Mu13.5063Nu14.6074Xi15.7085Omikron16.8096Pi17100117Rho18.200218Sigma19.300319Tau20.400420Upsilon
on21.500521Phi22.600622Chi23.700723Psi24.800824Omega 30039994299TOTAL

Panin was a mathematics genius, one of the top ten men in his field at the time. He became a Christian after graduating from Harvard University in 1882 and began to devote time to study the Bible. He read fluently in a number of languages, Hebrew and Greek among them. Aware of the numerical values of the Greek and Hebrew alphabets, he experimented one day by replacing the letters for their corresponding numbers in Scripture. Suddenly, his trained mind saw a mathematical pattern! He studied the gematria of the words more intensely, his excitement growing. More and more evidences of incredibly detailed mathematical design came to light. A few short hours of work had him utterly amazed. The verses he had studied bore unmistakable evidence of an elaborate mathematical pattern, far beyond chance or of accident. He calculated roughly the time it would take for a mathematician even of his own caliber to produce a similar mathematical design, with the corresponding letters still making sense in a sentence. It was plainly impossible, even if the design had been intentional to the writer, within the space of many years to complete! This discovery marked the entire turning-point in his career; it revolutionized his life. From that time on until his death in 1942, he devoted his life to the study of Bible Numerics. His painstaking researches into the original languages of Scripture in the light of this discovery brought to light a wealth of irrefutable objective evidence for the Divine Inspiration of Scripture. The Bible was assembled over a period of 1,600 years by 40 different writers; yet it shows an incredible unity, humanly impossible to construct under similar conditions, guarded by a protective mathematical code and kept for modern man!

Panin's work is highly detailed and exhaustive. At best this tract can only state some of his general findings and give a limited number of examples from his voluminous writings on the subject. But even the few selected will be far more than enough to convince the honest inquirer that the Bible is all it claims to be - the Holy, inspired, infallible Word of God. Panin supplied a representative of the Nobel Research Foundation with over 43,000 pages of his studies accompanied by his statement that this was his evidence that the Bible was the Word of God. Their reply was - "As far as our investigation has proceeded we find the evidence overwhelmingly in favor of such a statement." He challenged nine noted rationalists and Bible critics through the medium of the New York "Sun" newspaper to publicly refute or give explanation for a few of his presented facts other than the obvious; that the Word of God was the product of a Divine Master-mind above all possibility of human construction, carrying within itself a self-checking and protecting factor to ensure against additions and subtractions to its text in the original languages. Four made lame excuses; the rest were silent. He issued a challenge throughout leading newspapers of the world to offer a natural explanation or refute the facts; not a single person has ever been able to do so.

Taking a given subject, like a genealogy, a passage of Scripture, a book of the Bible or the Bible in its entirety, he demonstrated among many other things the following phenomena:

PATTERNS of prime numbers, such as 11, 13, 17, and 23, but especially 7, so remarkable as to be beyond human ability to construct. The number 7 has always had a special significance in religious patterns of worship through the ages. The Bible is filled with sevens, from the 7 days of creation to the 7 angels in Revelation. It has been an old venture of Bible scholars to trace the recurrences of the number 7 through the Scripture. Numerics reveal an incredible pattern of sevens underlying and

reinforcing the very words of Scripture, that are seemingly inexhaustible in detail and intricacy. The numbers on the surface only give us a clue to the wealth of numeric detail underneath. In a given passage or book, the following patterns of seven can be seen to occur, ALL BY DESIGN -

1. The number of words in the vocabulary will divide by 7;
2. The number of words that begin with a vowel will divide by 7; likewise the number of words that begin with a consonant;
3. The number of letters in the vocabulary is divisible by 7;
4. Of the letters, those which are vowels and those which are consonants will both divide by 7;
5. The number of words in the vocabulary occurring more than once is divisible by seven; those occurring once only likewise divide by 7;
6. The number of words occurring in more than one form is divisible by 7; the number occurring in only one form likewise divides by 7;
7. The number of nouns is divisible by 7; the number of words that are not nouns likewise divides by 7; the same goes for the number of proper names, male and female names and the number of words beginning with each of the letters of the alphabet!

The following is an example of this from the New Testament:

Matthew 1:1-16 - Examining only the first 11 verses numerically:

The genealogy of Christ is divided into 3 sets of 14; Abraham to David; David to Babylon; Babylon to Christ. There are two natural sections; vs. 1-11 and vs. 12-17; of those first 11 verses:

- The vocabulary has 49 words (7×7); the sum of its factors is 14 (2×7).
- 28 words begin with a vowel (4×7); 21 remaining with a consonant (3×7).
- 7 words end with a vowel (1×7); 42 end with a consonant (6×7).
- The 49 words have 266 letters (38×7); the sum of the digits in 266 is 14 (2×7).
- The sum of the factors of 266 ($2 \times 19 \times 7$) is 28 (4×7).
- Out of the 266 letters, 140 are vowels (20×7); 126 are consonants (18×7).

Also!!

- Of those 49 words, 7 occur in more than one form (1×7); 42 in one form only (6×7).
- 14 occur only once (2×7); 35 occur more than once (5×7).
- 42 are nouns (6×7); 7 are not; of the 42 nouns, 35 are proper names (5×7); the other 7 are not.
- These remaining 7 common nouns have exactly 49 letters (7×7).
- Of the 35 proper names 28 are male ancestors after the flesh (4×7); 7 are not.
- Male names occur in all 56 times (8×7).
- The names of only 3 women occur in the passage; the Greek letters in their names add up to 14 exactly (2×7).
- There is only one city mentioned-Babylon; it has exactly 7 letters!!

This diminishes the chance of accident to six hundred billion to one! Many other details are hidden here that come to light on further study. Panin said it would have taken Matthew working several months working 8 hours a day to construct the genealogy even if it were possible-but these names were chosen BEFORE MATTHEW WAS BORN.

But the pattern is certainly not limited to genealogies! Let us examine the following:

Matthew 1:18-25 - The account of the Virgin Birth of Christ:

- The number of Greek words in the passage is exactly 161 (23×7).
- The numeric value of these, or gematria, is exactly 93,394 ($13,342 \times 7$).
- The number of vocabulary words used is 77 (11×7); their gematria is 52,605 ($7,515 \times 7$).
- 6 Greek words are used here which are found nowhere else in Matthew. Their value is 5,005 (715×7).
- These 6 Greek words have 56 letters (8×7).
- The 161 words occur in 105 forms (15×7); their numeric value is 65,429 ($9,347 \times 7$).
- In the 105 forms there are 35 verbs (5×7).
- There are exactly 7 proper names.
- The number of letters in these is 42 (6×7).
- One word-"Emmanuel"-is used nowhere else in the New Testament; its gematria is 644 (92×7). The sum of its figures is 14 (2×7).
- The number of forms exclusive to this passage is 14 (2×7); their numeric value is 8,715 ($1,245 \times 7$).

Now the angel speaks to Joseph, his words forming a pattern of 7's of their own, yet dovetailing into the whole in a most remarkable manner:

- In speaking to Joseph, the angel uses of the 77 vocabulary words exactly 28 (4×7).
- The numeric value of all his words is exactly 21,042 ($3,006 \times 7$).
- The angel uses 35 different forms (5×7); these forms have exactly 168 letters (24×7).
- The numeric value of these letters is 19,397 ($2,771 \times 7$).
- In using 28 of the vocabulary words the angel leaves exactly 49 (7×7).

- In using exactly 35 forms he leaves exactly 70 (10×7).
- The sum of the digits in 70 is 7; its factors ($7 \times 2 \times 5$) added equal 14 (2×7).....etc.!!

This by no means exhausts the passage, which is said to be literally packed with sevens. Dr. Panin challenged anyone to produce a similar passage in 3 years of 161 words - the law of chances here operating in this little passage of 8 verses stand at ONE in 200-odd QUINTILLION - a number 21 digits long! EVERY paragraph, passage, and book in the Bible can be shown to be constructed in the same marvelous way, each doing a work estimated to take at least thousand years. Humanly speaking this is utterly impossible.

Consider for a moment the difficulty of constructing a similar book, even with the design in mind. With each additional paragraph, the difficulty of constructing it increases not in arithmetical but geometric progression. He must try to write paragraphs to develop fixed numerical relations constantly to what goes both before and after. It must not only conform to the numerical pattern consistently and in sufficient detail to yield evidence after evidence of design in its structure, but it must also make sense and read in smooth, literary style in the same simple majesty of the Bible documents. So Matthew was not only a historian and an accomplished literary man, but also a mathematical genius! And if he was, so were ALL the other writers of the Bible, because ALL ITS BOOKS show the same phenomena.

Consider the last few verses of Mark, a target for much criticism in recent years, and triumphantly rejected by many scholars on the grounds that it is an "addition" by some "over-zealous scribes" because it is missing from the "best" manuscripts:
Mark 16:9-20 - The Resurrection testimony of Christ and His commission to the disciples:

- Number of words - 175 (25×7).
- Verses 9-11, a natural division, has 35 words (5×7); verses 19-20 have the same.
- Number of forms - 133 (19×7); the sum of these is 7.
- Of these forms, 112 occur once (16×7); 21 occur more than once (3×7).
- The vocabulary has 98 words (14×7).
- Christ uses 42 of these (6×7); 56 remain (8×7).
- Number of vowels - 294 (42×7); number of consonants is 259 (37×7). And so on!

The above passage yields on analysis at least 75 such features of 7. The statistical chance that this occurred by accident is laughable. Yet Mark was a Roman, used a totally different style than Matthew and wrote for a different type of reader. Luke and John both also show different styles and design their books for different readerships also; but Luke and John also both show the same patterns!

What kind of fantastic collaboration between the disciples could have produced this structure without computers? How could mere fishermen and tax-collectors produce this kind of incredible structure and design? Panin stated that he only stayed on a given passage long enough to confirm beyond reasonable doubt the statistical evidence for supernatural design, but that each passage continued to yield further and further evidences of patterns within patterns until the mind reeled. No human being who ever lived could have written one book like these unaided. The evidence is objective and overwhelming to the careful and honest scholar. Scripture is inspired!

The Hebrew text also reveals the same amazing phenomena. For example, the very first verse in the Bible has been a target for much criticism. Observe the incredible detail the pattern reveals in just one simple verse of seven Hebrew words; Genesis 1:1 - "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."

- The 7 words have exactly 28 letters (4×7).
- There are 3 nouns (God, heaven, and earth) with a gematria of exactly 777 (111×7).
- There is one verb ("created") with a numeric value of 203 (29×7).
- The first 3 words contain the subject and have exactly 14 letters (2×7); the other four contain the object and also have exactly 14 letters.
- The Hebrew words for the two objects (heaven and earth) each have exactly 7 letters; the value of the first, middle, and last letters in the sentence is 133 (19×7).
- The numeric value of the first and last words in the sentence is 1,393 (199×7).
- The value of the first and last letters of the verse is 497 (71×7).
- The value of the first and the last letters of each word in between is 896 (128×7).
- The Hebrew particle "eth" is used with the article "the" twice; its total value is 406 (58×7).
- The last letters of the first and last words are valued at 490 (70×7).
- The 4th, 5th, and 6th words have 7 letters each.....etc.!!

There are over 30 different numeric features in this one verse alone. The chances of coincidence for the above 16 are one in 33-odd TRILLION. Explain it if you can in any other way than the obvious-God was in the writing of the Book that bears His Name.

ONLY the 66 books of the Scriptures bear this Divine seal. No other works of man in any other language faintly resemble the intricate structure and design of the Bible. Those who have made attempts to write poetry or prose by an artificial number pattern have not only made poor, stilted literature, but their extent and intricacy of design is trivial in comparison.

The fact remains; only an Infinite mind could have devised this Book of books. Will you carefully consider His personal message to you and be willing to do something about it?