

The Inspired Word of God

Chapter 8

Being repetitive unless it is of supreme significance is not something I generally do. But, by way of a reminder, I want to repeat something that fits those terms.

In his book '*A Skeptic's Search for God*', Ralph Muncaster states the following on 'God and Probability', "*I will always believe in statistics and probability. It simply makes sense that if something is sufficiently improbable (like winning many lotteries in a row with a single ticket for each), in essence we know it to be impossible, barring some super-natural influence (or cheating). Many scientists hold to the standard that anything with a probability of less than 1 chance in 10 to the 50th power (that is 1 with 50 zeros after it) is absurd, or impossible. By taking this a step further, we might conclude that anything with a statistical chance of less than 1 in 10 to the 50th power that happens any way is of supernatural origin.*"

In my copy of '*A Skeptic's Search for God*', this quote will be found on page 128. Professor Muncaster published this book in 2002. Since 2004, I have asked the view of over 500 academics in the disciplines of mathematics, engineering, physics, biology, chemistry, computer science and statistics and probability and not a single one disagreed with Professor Ralph Muncaster.

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There is another category of "**seven**" less easily quantifiable where things, ideas, names and people that equal "**seven**" may not be specifically stated as such. One must probe the Bible's depths to locate and identify their existence in the King James Bible. Even then, the task is far from easy to deduce. An example of this was in God's "Heptadic" Signature noted earlier on the "**seven**" miracle in the Gospel of John. At last count, I could identify over 150 such specific examples of "**hidden sevens**".

With the "Heptadic" Design Feature found in the Hebrew and Greek text, we have established many times what the original text is, in the case of passages of Scriptures which have caused division or were too ambiguous leading to misunderstanding and/or disagreement. This fact is not common knowledge in the theological community, yet it is being studied by a dedicated group of Christian and Jewish believers who are highly skilled and competent as mathematicians, computer programmers, and statistical specialists.

Furthermore, each complete passage is linked one to the other by the same "Heptadic" Design Feature, while all the complete passages in an entire book such as the Gospel of John

are over-arched by a Grand "Heptadic" design. Then again, the separate individual books are linked one with another so that the entire Bible is over-arched in the original Biblical tongue by the magnificent design of "**seven**".

I suggest that perhaps a third level of God's Divine Heptadic Design Feature has subtly surfaced, but at an even deeper level in our understanding of how God imparts His "Heptadic" Design Feature by looking at the details in the circumstances of Jesus Christ's birth which correspond to the "**seven**" "**I am**" sayings:

1.	Luke 2:4-6	Jesus was born in Bethlehem, which means " house of bread. "
2.	Matthew 2:1-12	He was born under the light of the Star of Bethlehem
3.	Luke 2:7	He was unable to enter the inn, but able to enter a stable
4.	Luke 2:8-20	He was sought by shepherds who were looking for a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes [sometimes used for burial], and lying in a manger
5.	Matthew 2:13-16	He miraculously survived King Herod's attempt to kill Him
6.	Matthew 2:1-12	Wise men supernaturally found their way to Him, supernaturally knew the truth about Him, and supernaturally survived King Herod's evil plot even though they defied Him
7.	Micah 5:2; Matthew 2:5, 6	He was born in Bethlehem Ephrathah, which means " fruitful. "

We can follow this spider-web design throughout the Gospels in the "Signs" in the works (miracles) which Jesus Christ did which correspond to the "**seven**" "**I am**" sayings:

- ◆ **Five loaves, two fish** - The multiplication of bread confirms that Jesus is the bread of life. -(John 6:1-13)
- ◆ **Enabling a blind man to see the light** confirms that Jesus is the light of the world. - (John 9:1-11)
- ◆ **The healing of a paralyzed man by Jerusalem's Sheep Gate** confirms that Jesus is the door of the sheepfold. -(John 5:2-9)
- ◆ **Entering a room when the doors are shut** (switching roles with a thief), confirms that Jesus is the good shepherd who gave his life for the sheep. Compare with Judah offering to take Benjamin's place when Benjamin is accused of stealing the silver cup. -(Genesis 43-44, John 10:1-18, John 20:19-31)
- ◆ **The raising of Lazarus** confirms that Jesus is the resurrection and the life. -(John 11:1-45)
- ◆ **The healing of the nobleman's son** confirms that Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. While the nobleman was on his way, his servants confirmed the truth of Jesus words, "**Your son will live.**" -(John 4:46-54)
- ◆ **The water turning to wine** confirms that Jesus is the True Vine. -(John 2:1-11)

The Author of the book of Revelation (Christ Jesus) has grouped many things into groups of “sevens”. But how many times does the number “seven” occur? By counting links in the table below, and ignoring repeated “sevens” of things in the same verse, the number obtained is 7 x 7 or 49. No surprise there!

The following is a list of **explicit “sevens”** and their location **within the book of Revelation**:

- Churches - 1:2-4; 1:11; 1:20 (2X)
- Spirits - 1:4; 3:1; 4:5; 5:6
- Candlesticks - 1:12; 1:13; 1:20 (2X); 2:1; 2:5; 11:4
- Stars - 1:16; 1:20 (2X); 2:1; 3:1
- Lamps - 4:5
- Seals - 5:1; 5:5
- Horns - 5:6
- Eyes - 5:6
- Angels - 8:2; 8:6; 15:1; 15:6; 15:7; 15:8; 16:1; 17:1; 21:9
- Trumpets - 8:2; 8:6
- Thunders - 10:3; 10:4 (2X)
- Thousand men - 11:13
- Heads - 12:3; 13:1; 17:3; 17:7; 17:9
- Crowns - 12:3
- Plagues - 15:1; 15:6; 15:8; 21:9
- Vials - 15:7; 17:1; 21:9
- Mountains - 17:9
- Kings - 17:10

Other things are given in groups of “sevens”, although not explicitly. For example, there are seven “beatitudes.” The word “earthquake” occurs “seven” times. The table below lists “seven” references to God’s prophets, “seven” references to earthquakes, references to “seven” beatitudes, references to Christ’s sword, sharp, Christ’s blood, Christ’s name, the book of life, prophecy, “this book,” judgment, kingdom, “right hand,” the saints, God Almighty, day and night, the bottomless pit, and heavenly voices in chapter 14. “Seven” times Jesus says he will “come quickly.”

List of **implicit “sevens”** and their location **in Revelation**:

- God’s prophets - 10:7; 11:18; 16:6; 18:20; 18:24; 22:6; 22:9
- “earthquake” - 6:12; 8:5; 11:13 (2); 11:19; 16:18 (2X)
- “blessed”- 1:3; 14:13; 16:15; 19:9; 20:6; 22:7; 22:14
- Christ’s sword - 1:16; 2:12; 2:16; 13:10; 19:15; 19:21 (2X)
- “sharp” - 1:16; 2:12; 14:14; 14:17; 14:18 (2X); 19:15
- Christ’s blood - 1:5; 5:6; 5:9; 5:12; 7:14; 12:11; 13:8
- Christ’s name - 2:13; 3:8; 3:12; 13:6; 15:4; 16:9; 19:12
- The book of life - 3:5; 13:8; 17:8; 20:12; 20:15; 21:27; 22:19

- Prophecy - 1:3; 11:6; 19:10; 22:7; 22:10; 22:18; 22:19
- “this book” - 22:7; 22:9; 22:10; 22:18 (2X); 22:19 (2X)
- Judgment - 14:7; 15:4; 16:7; 17:1; 18:10; 19:2; 20:4
- Kingdom - 1:9; 11:15 (2); 12:10; 16:10; 17:12; 17:17
- “Right hand” 1:16; 1:17; 1:20; 2:1; 5:1; 5:7; 13:16
- The saints - 8:4; 11:18; 13:7; 13:10; 14:12; 17:6; 20:9
- God Almighty - 4:8; 11:17; 15:3; 16:7; 16:14; 19:15; 21:22
- Day, Night - 4:8; 7:15; 8:12; 12:10; 14:11; 20:10; 21:25
- Voices - 14:2 (2X); 14:6; 14:7; 14:8; 14:13; 14:18
- The bottomless pit - 9:1; 9:2; 9:11; 11:7; 17:8; 20:1; 20:3
- Come quickly - 2:5; 2:16; 3:11; 11:14; 22:7; 22:12; 22:20
- Jesus lives - 1:18 (2X); 4:9; 4:10; 5:14; 10:6; 15:7

The “Seven Ages” Theory of Dispensationalism:

There are four views or schools of thought held about the book of Revelation. Many interpreters - especially dispensationalists - believe the “seven” churches of Revelation 2 and 3 represent “seven” church ages, beginning with the time of the apostles and concluding with the time of the end. Through innovation and inference, one can outline the descriptions of the “seven” churches roughly “match” various movements and events in the 2,000-year history of Christianity, thus presenting what appears to be a plausible sequence of prophetic fulfillments.

Famous for his best-selling book, *‘The Late Great Planet Earth’*, author Hal Lindsey popularized other dispensationalists in his interpretation of the seven churches. He believes that the seven churches were literal assemblies that existed in Asia Minor at the time John wrote, and secondly that they prophetically describe seven ages extending from the apostolic church to the church of the last days. He presented the following associations in *‘There’s A New World Coming’*, his commentary on the book of Revelation:

1. The Church in Ephesus: Apostolic Church (A.D. 33–100)
2. The Church in Smyrna: Era of Persecution Under the Ten Caesars (A.D. 100–312)
3. The Church in Pergamum: Era of Church-State Union (A.D. 312–590)
4. The Church in Thyatira: Era Spanning the Middle Ages (A.D. 590–1517)
5. The Church in Sardis: Protestant Reformation (A.D. 1517–1750)
6. The Church in Philadelphia: Era of Revival and Great Awakening (A.D. 1750–1925)
7. The Church in Laodicea: Era of “Higher Criticism” (A.D. 1900–Tribulation)

Others have come up with different arrangements, even identifying specific organizations and movements as “eras.” The book of Revelation - the Apocalypse - directs our attention to the end of this age and the establishment of the everlasting Kingdom of God on this earth. It points to the future reality of the New Heaven and New Earth - the restoration and transformation of the cosmos - but its admonitions and exhortations are timeless. It is a message from God to His people - all His people at all times. And the letters to the seven churches of first-century Asia Minor are for the churches of God today. **“He who has an ear, let**

him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.” –(Revelation 2:29). Keep in mind the fact the word “Dispensation” is Biblical should anyone claim Charles Nelson Darby invented the doctrine. That’s not the case, Darby organized or codified “Dispensationalism” but the Apostle Paul first taught it, having received it from the Lord Himself. See 1st Corinthians 9:17; Ephesians 1:10; 3:2; Colossians 1:25. Also, it is very important to remember, Hal Lindsey was a Greek scholar/major at Dallas Theological Seminary.

There are “seven” Seas mentioned in the Bible:

- The Adriatic or sea of Adria –(Acts 27:27)
- Mediterranean or great sea –(Numbers 34:6; Deuteronomy 11:24; 34:2; Zechariah 14:8)
- Red Sea –(Exodus 10:19; 13:18; 23:31)
- Sea of Joppa or sea of the Philistines –(Ezra 3:7; Exodus 23:21)
- Salt or Dead Sea –(Genesis 14:3; Numbers 34:12)
- Sea of Galilee –(Matthew 4:18; 8:32; John 6:1)
- Sea of Jazer –(Jeremiah 48:32)

The Bible contains “seven” situations where Israel was commanded:

- To make no treaty with the inhabitants of Canaan. –(Deuteronomy 7:2; Judges 2:2)
- Not to intermarry with other nations. –(Deuteronomy 7:3; Joshua 23:12)
- Not to follow their idols of other nations. –(Exodus 23:24; Deuteronomy 7:25)
- Not to follow customs of other nations. –(Leviticus 18:26, 27)
- To destroy, without mercy. –(Deuteronomy 7:2,24)
- To destroy all their idols. –(Exodus 23:24; Deuteronomy 7:5, 25)
- Not to fear. –(Deuteronomy 7:17,18; 31:7)

The Bible mentioned “seven” Metals in the Bible:

Gold	Genesis 2:11, 12
Silver	Genesis 44:2
Brass	Exodus 27:2, 4; 2 nd Chronicles 12:10
Copper	Ezra 8:27; 2 nd Timothy 4:14
Iron	Numbers 35:16; Proverbs 27:17
Lead	Exodus 15:10; Jeremiah 6:29
Tin	Numbers 31:22

The Bible contains 221 prayers (7 x 33). They are organized in such a manner that 176 prayers are from the Old Testament and 45 from the New Testament are now listed. This is an excellent example of the “Heptadic” Design Feature transcending the Old and New Testaments.

The phrase ***“He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches”*** occurs **“seven”** times in: -(Revelation 2:7; 2:11; 2:17; 2:29; 3:6; 3:13; 3:22).

Ecclesiasties 17:5 enumerates “7” senses in the human being that are, in addition to the five known senses, the intelligence and the word. This verse does not appear in the Bible of Jerusalem. We find it however in some Greek manuscripts.

The Greek word for “**given in marriage**” is γαμίζω (“gamizō”) is found in the New Testament “seven” times in the King James Bible. They are located at: Matthew 22:30; 24:38; Mark 12:25; Luke 17:27; 20:35; 1st Corinthians 7:38 (2X). According to the current available evidence, “gamizō” does not occur in any writings (including classical, Septuagint, and papyri) prior to the New Testament (confirmed, Bauer; Moulton-Milligan).

The Bible identifies 21 (7 x 3) facts about the Coming Antichrist:

1	He will be an intellectual genius	Daniel 8:23
2	He will be an oratorical genius	Daniel 11:36
3	He will be a political genius	Revelation 17:11-12
4	He will be a commercial genius	Daniel 11:43; Revelation 13:16-17
5	He will be a military genius	Revelation 6:2; 13:2
6	He will be a religious genius	2 nd Thes. 2:4; Rev. 13:8
7	He will begin by controlling the Western power block	Revelation 17:12
8	He will make a seven-year covenant with Israel but will break it after three and a half years	Daniel 9:27
9	He will attempt to destroy all of Israel	Revelation 12
10	He will destroy the false religious system so that he may rule unhindered	Revelation 17:16-17
11	He will set himself up as if he were God	Daniel 11:36-37; 2 nd Thes. 2:4, 11; Rev. 13:5
12	He will briefly rule over all nations	Psalms 2; Daniel 11:36; Rev. 13:16
13	He will be utterly crushed by the Lord Jesus Christ at the Battle of Armageddon	Revelation 19
14	He will be the first creature thrown into the lake of fire	Revelation 19:20
15	He will be a master of deceit	2 nd Thessalonians 2:10
16	He will profane the temple	Matthew 24:15
17	He will be energized by Satan himself	Revelation 13:2
18	He will do everything according to his own selfish will	Daniel 11:36
19	He will not regard the God of his fathers	Daniel 11:37
20	He will not have the desire of women	Daniel 11:37
21	His god will be the god of power	Daniel 11:38

The English word “**full**” γέμω (“gemō”), means to be full, be full of, appears 14X (7 X 2) times in the New Testament of the King James Bible. In the New Testament, as in the Septuagint, “gemō” is used both in the literal sense of something which is filled to capacity and

in a metaphoric sense. The metaphoric usage of “*gemō*” is most common in the New Testament. For example, Jesus portrayed the scribes and Pharisees, who were so careful to maintain proper outward appearances, as being “full” of robbery and self-indulgence - (Matthew 23:25; Luke 11:39), and as being “full” of dead men’s bones -(Matthew 23:27).

The Book of Revelation often uses “*gemō*” in describing events of the end times. For example, the four living creatures before the throne of God are “full” of eyes in front and behind -(Revelation 4:6,8) who possess golden bowls “full” of incense, described as the prayers of the saints -(Revelation 5:8). The living creatures also possess golden bowls “full” of the wrath of God -(15:7) to be poured out upon the wicked.

The Bible mentions 14 (7 x 2) Counterfeits:

False worshipers - Matthew 15:8-9	False science – 1 st Timothy 6:20
False Christs - Matthew 24:4-5, 24	False commandments - Titus 1:13-14
False apostles – 2 nd Corinthians 11:13	False doctrines - Hebrews - 13:9
False ministers – 2 nd Corinthians 11:14-15	False religion - James 1:26
False gospel - Galatians 1:6-12	False prayer - James 4:3
False Christians - Galatians 2:3-4	False religious teachers – 2 nd Peter 2:1
False miracle workers – 2 nd Thes. 2:7-12	False prophets – 1 st John 4:1

The Bible identifies 14 (7 x 2) Tasks for the Church:

1	To love God	Revelation 2:4
2	To glorify God	Ephesians 1:5-6, 11-12, 14; 3:21; 2 nd Thes. 1:12
3	To display God's grace	Ephesians 2:7; 3:6, 10; 1 st Peter 2:9
4	To evangelize the world	Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47; John 20:21; Acts 1:8
5	To baptize believers	Matthew 28:19
6	To instruct believers	Matthew 28:19; Philippians 4:8-9; 1 st Timothy 4:6; 5:17; 2 nd Timothy 2:2, 24-25
7	To edify believers	1 st Corinthians 14:16; Ephesians 4:11-12, 16; 1 st Thessalonians 5:11; 2 nd Peter 3:18; Jude 20
8	To discipline believers	2 Thessalonians 3:14-15
9	To provide fellowship for believers	Acts 2:42; 1 st Cor. 1:9; 2 nd Cor. 8:4; 13:14; Galatians 2:9; Phil. 1:5; 2:12; 1 st John 1:3, 6-7
10	To care for its own in times of need	2 nd Corinthians 8-9; 1 st Timothy 5:1-16; James 1:27
11	To provoke Israel to jealousy	Romans 11:11-14
12	To prepare rulers for the millennial kingdom	Romans 8:17; 2 nd Timothy 2:12
13	To act as a restraining and enlightening force in this present world	Matthew 5:13-16; 2 nd Thessalonian. 2:6-7
14	To promote all that is good	Galatians 6:10

The Bible has 14 (7 x 2) Names for Jerusalem:

- ◆ The city of David – 2nd Samuel 6:12
- ◆ The city of the great king - Matthew 5:35
- ◆ The Holy city - Isaiah 48:2; 52:1; Matthew 4:5
- ◆ Salem - Genesis 14:18
- ◆ The city of God - Psalms 46:4; 48:1; 87:3
- ◆ The city of the Lord of hosts - Psalms 48:8
- ◆ The city of righteousness - Isaiah 1:26
- ◆ The city of truth - Zechariah 8:3
- ◆ The city of the Lord - Isaiah 60:14
- ◆ The perfection of beauty - Lamentations 2:15
- ◆ The joy of the whole earth - Lamentations 2:15
- ◆ The Lord our righteousness - Jeremiah 23:6; 33:16
- ◆ The Lord is there - Ezekiel 48:35
- ◆ Ariel, the hearth of God - Isaiah 29:1

The Bible records 21 (7 x 3) Last Words of Historic Names of Major Individuals:

Jacob	Genesis 49:10	Belshazzar	Daniel 5:13-16
Joseph	Genesis 50:24	Daniel	Daniel 12:8
Moses	Deuteronomy 33:27-29	Simeon	Luke 2:25-35
Caleb	Joshua 14:7-12	Jesus	Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8
Joshua	Joshua 23:14; 24:15	Stephen	Acts 7:59-60
Samson	Judges 16:28	Paul	2 nd Timothy 4:6-8
Eli	1 st Samuel 4:15-18	James	James 5:19-20
Saul	1 st Samuel 31:4	Peter	2 nd Peter 3:13-18
David	2 nd Samuel 23:1-4; 1 st Kings 2:1-9	Jude	Jude 24-25
Elijah	2 nd Kings 2:8-11	John	Revelation 22:18-21
Elisha	2 nd Kings 13:14-19		

Many theologians, philosophers and pundits have offered their opinion on the meaning of the Symbolism of “**Seven**”. Below are a few of the views expressed over time:

- The **seven** indicates the sense of a change after an accomplished cycle and of a positive renewal.
- Perfect number and symbol of the divine abundance, it is also according to the Bible the number of the punishment, the purification and the penitence. It is also attributed to Satan who tries to copy God being the monkey of God. Also the infernal beast of Revelation -(Revelation 13:1) has **seven** heads.
- It is the number of the perfect man, complete and perfectly realized as the sum of the four females and the three males.

- It is the symbol of the totality of the created Universe (3 the sky + 4 the earth), it expresses the creation within which man evolves.
- Saint Augustine sees the **seven** like the perfection of the Plenitude. He made it also the number of the creature, considering not the life of this one but its become the evolution.
- It is the symbol of the infinite numbered in its return to the principle, that of the snake which bites its tail, according to Abellio. It would also be the number of the achievement in the space-time continuum.
- It is the number of the initiation, that is to say the union of the exhibited with infinity.
- It is the symbol of eternal life for the Egyptians: it symbolizes a complete cycle and a dynamic perfection.
- For the Indians in the prairie and the "Pueblo" Indians, the number **seven** represents the cosmic coordinate of the man.
- In Africa and for the Bambaras of Senegal, **seven** is a symbol of the perfection and the unity.
- The "Dogons" consider the number **seven** as the symbol of the union of opposites, of the resolution of dualism, therefore like a symbol of unicity and perfection. It is also the mark of the master of the word.
- The **seven** symbolizes the cross with its six directions plus the center - indefinite extents moving toward the top, the bottom, the right, the left, forwards and backwards.
- The dice symbolizes the **seven**: the dice itself, 1, having 6 faces.

From a Biblical perspective, Norm Patriquin, author of 'The Bible's Redemption Pattern and Numeric Map' has this to say about Bible numbers:

"Solid verifiable evidence the Bible could not have been written by men The middle chapter and middle verse both have numbering and content that confirm they are appropriately in the center positionl.

The Bible is complete with all 66 books. No books are lost or added.

Every chapter in the Bible is complete with the correct number of verses -(KJV and similarly numbered texts).

All the chapters in the Bible are numbered from 1 to 1189. These chapter numbers fit a consistent number symbolism. i.e.,: The 666th chapter is about sin; the 911th chapter is about nations who have turned from God. The 1000th chapter is John 3:16, the most often quoted chapter in the Bible.

Every number in the Bible has symbolism.

The numbers 1-10 each have a progressive symbolism that reveals ten steps in the Christian life. They guide us in understanding what objectives we should have at each phase in our spiritual life.

The Bible is structured so perfectly, there are 31 consecutive 1000 verse divisions in the Bible. Each division begins with an event in history and ends with a culminating event that closes off each division.

The Bible is also divided up into 100 verse sections that have their own theme/message.

Like referenced verses in the Bible have some similar theme running through them

Like chapter numbers contain some aspect of a common theme related to their chapter number. i.e.,: Chapter 24s have some aspect of them related to The Day of the LORD, or some other theme regarding a day.

What I refer to as God's number themes are also found in our world in nature, meaning and even in history. i.e.,: The number 911 in the Bible is about Nations (not individuals) that have turned away from God.

The Bible has a book, chapter and verse numbering and sequence in a DNA like perfection."

We now return to more "**sevens**" of the Bible. In this series I have attempted to avoid duplications and redundance. However, I will reiterate certain points for emphasis if they are significant or if they are being highlighted again to bring out a different aspect of the same "**seven**". Still, some duplication could have been overlooked.

- There were "**seven**" demons that came out of Mary Magdalene. -(Luke 8:2)
- There were "**seven**" indictments to the scribes and Pharisees announced by Jesus. -(Matt. 23:13-31)
- There are "**seven**" requests in the Lord's prayer known as the "Our Father"
- The hunted demon brought back with him "**seven**" others stronger than him. -(Mark 12:45; Luke 11:26)
- There are "**seven**" donations of the spirit of Yahweh: Wisdom, Insight, Counsel, Power, Knowledge, Piety, Fear of God. -(Isaiah 11:2-3)
- The symbolic light of the moon and sun shall be intensified for "**seven**" days. -(Isaiah 30:26)

In Matthew 25:35-36, Jesus enumerates six charitable actions that will be considered in the last Judgement for man's salvation: to visit invalids, to quench the thirsty, to feed the hungry, to repurchase the captives or to visit prisoners, to dress those who are naked and to welcome foreigners. But to the 13th century, someone discovers in documents of Lactance a **seventh** - the act of mercy: to bury the dead. This one was ratified in 1220 A.D. by the canonical collection of Raymond of Penafort.

In Psalms it is written: "***Seven times a day I praise you for Your upright judgements***" - (Psalms 119:164) and again "***which comes from the earth seven times refined***" -(Psalm 12:7). The psalmist also talks about the "**seven**" clamours of God that appear in the celestial phenomena.

- ◆ The "**seven**" Psalms of penitence: 6, 31, 37, 50, 101, 129, 142
- ◆ Leviticus prescribes a penitence of "**seven**" years for each sin
- ◆ Number of time that a leprous is sprinkled with the blood of a sparrow –(Leviticus 14:6-7)
- ◆ Number of days during someone was impure if it touched a corpse –(Numbers 19:11)
- ◆ They generally offer "**seven**" animals of the same kind in sacrifice. -(Leviticus 23:18; Numbers 23:1 and 28:11; Job 42:8)
- ◆ The sprinklings of blood are repeated "**seven**" times. -(Leviticus 4:6; Numbers 19:4)
- ◆ "**Seven**" lamps and "**seven**" nozzles are seen on the golden standard lamp, in the vision of Zechariah. -(Zechariah 4:2)

God told Joshua to lead the Israelites into the Promised Land of Canaan and conquer it. This was not an act of imperialism or aggression but an act of judgment. Here are "**seven**" of the earlier passages in the Bible where God promised to give this land to the Israelites and the reasons for doing so:

Genesis 12:1-3	God promised to bless Abraham and make his descendants into a great nation
Genesis 15:16	God would choose the right time for Israel to enter Canaan, because the nations living there then would be wicked and ripe for judgment (their sin would run its course)
Genesis 17:7-8	God promised to give all the land of Canaan to Abraham's descendants
Exodus 33:1-3	God promised to help the Israelites drive out all the evil nations from Canaan
Deuteronomy 4:5-8	The Israelites were to be an example of right living to the whole world; this would not work if they intermingled with the wicked Canaanites
Deuteronomy 7:1-5	The Israelites were to utterly wipe out the Canaanites because of their wickedness and because of Israel's call to purity
Deuteronomy 12:2	The Israelites were to completely destroy the Canaanite altars so nothing would tempt them away from worshiping God alone

During the December, 2017 electrical outage that shut down the Atlanta Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport, the Christian-owned company *Chick-fil-a* did something akin to Jesus performing "**seven**" Sabbath miracles. The Hartsfield terminal managers announced that *Chick-fil-a* would feed the stranded passengers. *Chick-fil-a* is known to be a restaurant that is closed on Sunday's so their people can worship on Sunday. But when a fire at Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport over the weekend caused a 11-hour blackout, the restaurant scrambled to staff up, eventually handing out 2,000 meals to stranded travelers. Over the centuries, the Jewish religious leaders had added rule after rule to God's law. For example, God's law said the

sabbath is a day of rest -(Exodus 20:10-11), but the religious leaders added to that law, creating one that said, *“You cannot heal on the Sabbath”* because it is work.

“Seven” times Jesus healed on the Sabbath. In doing this, He was challenging these religious leaders to look beyond their rules to their true purpose – to honor God by helping those in need. Would God have been pleased if Jesus ignored these people?

Here are the **“seven”** distinct Sabbath miracles:

1. Jesus sends a demon out of a man – Mark 1:21-28
2. Jesus heals Peter’s mother-in-law – Mark 1:29-31
3. Jesus heals a lame man by the pool of Bethesda – John 5:1-18
4. Jesus heals a man with a deformed hand – Mark 3:1-6
5. Jesus restores a crippled woman – Luke 13:10-17
6. Jesus heals a man with dropsy – Luke 14:1-6
7. Jesus heals a man born blind – John 9:1-16

In searching for words that bear the “Heptadic” Design Feature in many ways can be very difficult work. Many Hebrew words like **“to prune”** or **“to sing”** have many cognates and synonymns. The “Heptadic” Design Feature is not limited to any particular word form “parts of speech” and are found in every word form. There is no particular area that yields greater occurrences than others. Another matter is that not all Concordances and Lexicons are of the same quality. There is but one word for the general category to **“be unfaithful”** or **“fornicate”** in Hebrew זָנָה (**“zānāh”**) but it may be translated in English in a variety of choices.

For example, the phrase **“played the harlot”** appears 35X (7 X 5) times but there are other words used to translate into English the Hebrew word (**“zanah”**). Words can be literal or figurative (symbolic) and are translated in “context” to render as clear a meaning as possible. I have accessed and used all the well-known Concordances and Lexicons, and over the years I have acquired all the academic resources found in the best of university or seminary libraries. I say that only to point out it is possible to, and some will attempt to refute the “Heptadic” Design Feature at the simplest level. Where those attempts to negate the “Heptadic” Design Feature break down is when the computer is used to crunch the numbers, such as the group “Computers for Christ” at Stanford University. It is the larger picture or collective evidence that the computer is able to present a solid formidable prima facie case for the “Heptadic” Design Feature.

More unusual examples of the “Heptadic” Design Feature,

- Zechariah speaks about the **“seven”** eyes of God which supervise all the peoples of the earth -(Zechariah 4:10)
- The **“seven”** steps of the staircase of the southern porch of the temple of Ezekiel -(Ezekiel 40:26)

- The candlestick of Hebrews has **“seven”** branches. –(Exodus 25:32)
- Balaam erected **“seven”** altars. –(Numbers 23:4)
- There are **“seven”** Patriarchs: Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Aaron, Joseph and David
- **“Seven”** nations that had inhabited the promised land were exterminated in front of Israel. –(Deutoromy 7:1)
- There are **“seven”** weeks between Easter and Pentecost. –(Leviticus 23:15)
- The Jews's spring holidays lasted **“seven”** days –(Ezekiel 45:21)
- There are **“seven”** feast days of Tabernacles. –(Leviticus 23:34)
- The feast of Dedication of the temple of Solomon succeeded immediately at one of the Tabernacles and lasted **“seven”** days –(Ezra 5:22)

Good teaching comes from good learning—and Proverbs has more to say to students than to teachers. Proverbs is concerned with the learning of wisdom. The book makes it clear that there are no good alternatives to learning wisdom. We are either becoming wise learners or refusing to learn and becoming foolish failures. Proverbs encourages us to make the right choice. It contrasts **“seven”** characteristics between a wise learner and that of a foolish person.

Wise Learners	Proverbs	Foolish Failures
Quietly accept instruction	10:8; 15:23; 23:12	Ignore instruction
Love discipline	12:1	Hate correction
Listen to advice	12:15; 21:11; 24:6	Think they need no advice
Accept parents' discipline	13:1	Mock parents
Lead others to life	10:17	Lead others astray
Receive honor	13:18	End in poverty and disgrace
Profit from constructive criticism	15:31-32; 29:1	Self-destruct by refusing criticism

Ezekiel performed 14 (7 x 2) Acts of Obedience:

2:1	Stood and received God's message
3:24-27	Shut himself inside his house
3:27	Faithfully proclaimed God's message
4:1ff	Drew a map of Jerusalem on a large brick (clay tablet)
4:4-5	Lay on his left side for 390 days
4:6	Lay on his right side for 40 days
4:9-17	Followed specific cooking instructions
5:1-4	Shaved his head and beard
12:3-7	Left home to demonstrate exile
13:1ff	Spoke against false prophets
19:1ff	Sang a funeral song concerning the leaders
21:2	Prophesied against Israel and the Temple

21:19-23	Marked out two routes for Babylon's king
24:16-17	Did not mourn his wife's death

- **“Seven”** priests carrying **“seven”** trumpets, during the catch of Jericho have to walk the **seventh day “seven” times** around the city. -(Joshua 6,11-16)
- The reign of David in Hebron lasted **“seven”** years. -(1st Kings 2:11)
- The friends of Job remained near him during **“seven”** days and **“seven”** nights to comfort him. -(Job 2:13)
- The construction of the Temple built by Solomon lasted **“seven”** years - 4th year to 11th year of his reign. It contained three squares and **“seven”** enclosures. -(1st Kings 6:38)
- **“Seven”** times, Elisha laid down on the child and brought him back to life. -(2nd Kings 4:35)
- The leprous Naaman dives **“seven”** times into the Jordan and then was cured. -(2nd Kings 5:14)
- For though the upright falls **“seven”** times, he gets up again. -(Proverbs 24:16)
- The Lord prescribed to eat during **“seven”** days the unleavened breads. -(Exodus 12:15)

Matthew 6 provides us “Seven” Reasons Not to Worry:

6:25	The same God who created life in you can be trusted with the details of your life.
6:26	Worrying about the future hampers your efforts for today.
6:27	Worrying is more harmful than helpful.
6:28-30	God does not ignore those who depend on him.
6:31-32	Worrying shows a lack of faith in and understanding of God.
6:33	Worrying keeps us from real challenges God wants us to pursue.
6:34	Living one day at a time keeps us from being consumed with worry.

- It takes **“seven”** days for the consecration of Aaron and his sons, and the altar. -(Exodus 29,35-37)
- If you buy a Hebrew slave, he will serve six years; but on the **“seventh”** he will be free without anything to pay. The slaves were released the **“seventh”** year, which corresponded to the Year of the Sabbath, named also Year of Exemption. -(Exodus 21:2)
- The Jewish year began in joy with the New Moon of the **“seventh”** month, the day of Trumpets
- During six years, you will sow the earth, and you will collect the product of it. But the **“seventh”**, you will let it to rest in fallow. -(Exodus 23:10-11)
- The **“seven”** thin and fat cows, as well as the **“seven”** full and empty cows, seen in dream by the Pharaoh and interpreted by Joseph as being **“seven”** years of abundance and **“seven”** years of famine. -(Genesis 41:17)

- Jacob served “seven” years for Rachel. -(Genesis 29:20)
- Cain would be revenged “seven” times if someone killed him. -(Genesis 4:15)
- Joseph remained in prison “seven” years when he was falsely accused to have slept with the woman of his master
- “Seven” ewes were given in present to Abimelech by Abraham. -(Genesis 21:28)
- Each of the four lunar periods lasts “seven” days

The Gospel of Matthew names “seven” Jesus' Rewards:

5:12	Great reward awaits you in heaven. When we are persecuted and remain faithful, our reward in heaven is being with God himself.
6:2, 4	<i>“They have received all the reward they will ever get.... Give your gifts in secret, and your Father, Who knows all secrets, will reward you. Empty acts done for worldly recognition receive human praise, but that is the only reward they get.”</i> The acts that God rewards are those done with goodness and kindness as the only motives.
10:41	<i>“If you welcome a prophet as one who speaks for God, you will receive the same reward a prophet gets. And if you welcome good and godly people because of their godliness, you will be given a reward like theirs.”</i> Anyone who helps or even shows hospitality to a Christian brother or sister (particularly a Christian worker) will reap the benefit of eternal life.
16:27	<i>“For I, the Son of Man, will come in the glory of My Father with His angels and will judge all people according to their deeds.”</i> Jesus Christ will judge each person's life. As we are reviewed and evaluated for how we utilized the resources God has given us, we will be rewarded. This is not something we can earn, but a byproduct of faithful obedience.
19:29	<i>“And everyone who has given up houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or property, for My sake, will receive a hundred times as much in return and will have eternal life. God rewards according to His justice.”</i> We who believe will receive eternal life, and it will mean more to us than any sacrifice for the gospel that we made on earth.
20:15	<i>“Is it against the law for me to do what I want with my money? Should you be angry because I am kind?”</i> In this parable, Jesus taught that God himself decides the reward he will give.
25:34	Then the King will say to those on the right, <i>“Come, you who are blessed by My Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.”</i> “We should love and serve everyone we can, especially the needy people in Christ's church. Our reward is God himself and eternal life with him.

- There were “seven” pairs of each kind of cattle which entered in the ark of Noah and were saved from the flood. -(Genesis 7:2)
- The “seventh” day was the Sabbath, and God rested. -(Genesis 2:2)

- There are “**seven**” capital sins, corresponding to the “**seven**” material desires: **pride, avarice, impurity, envy, greed, anger** and **laziness**
- In the Hebrew language, the word that signifies “**seven**” means at the same time “to make an oath”. It is this fact that led me to conclude and referring to as regarding “**Seven**” the same as God’s Covenantal Number.
- Adam groans “**seven**” times more than he rejoices when he sees the souls out of their body go to perdition rather than to life (according to the testament of Abraham from the documents of the library of Qumran).

In the 23rd chapter of Matthew, Jesus mentioned “**seven**” ways to guarantee God's anger, often called the “**seven woes.**” These “**seven**” statements about the religious leaders must have been spoken with a mixed tone of judgment and sorrow. They were strong and unforgettable. They are still applicable anytime we become so involved in **perfecting the practice of religion** that we forget that **God is also concerned with mercy, real love, and forgiveness:**

23:14	Not letting others enter the Kingdom of Heaven and not entering yourselves.
23:15	Converting people away from God to be like yourselves.
23:16-22	Blindly leading God's people to follow man-made traditions instead of God's Word.
23:23-24	Involving yourself in every last detail and ignoring what is really important: justice, mercy, and faith.
23:25-26	Keeping up appearances while your private world is corrupt.
23:27-28	Acting spiritual to cover up sin.
23:29-36	Pretending to have learned from history, but your present behavior shows you have learned nothing.

The number “**seven**” regulates the life cycle of man: after “**7**” months of gestation, the fetus is viable. **Seven** marks the periods of life transition: the first is childhood until “**7**” years which is the age of reason; to **7** x 2 years = end of the **childhood**; to **7** x 3 years for the majority = end of **adolescence**; to **7** x 4 years = **youth**; to **7** x 5 years = **adult age**; to **7** x 6 years = **maturity** followed by the **decline** of the forces of growth. It is also the duration of the human cycle: every “**seven**” years, the human cell structure is regenerated entirely. I can confirm this physical change every “**seven**” years, having first noted the changes in my own personal body since I was age 28. I am presently age 80.

The Bible names “**seven**” doubters in the Bible. Many of the people who God used to accomplish great things started out as real doubters. With all of them, God showed great patience. Honest doubt was not a bad starting point as long as they didn't stay there. **How great a part does doubt have in your willingness to trust God?**

Doubter	Doubtful Moment	Reference
Abraham	When told he would be a father in old age	Genesis 17:17
Sarah	When she heard she would be a mother in old age	Genesis 18:12
Moses	When told to return to Egypt to lead the people	Exodus 3:10-15
Israelites	Whenever they faced difficulties in the wilderness	Exodus 16:1-3
Gideon	When told he would be a judge and leader	Judges 6:14-23
Zechariah	When told he would be a father in old age	Luke 1:18
Thomas	When told Jesus had risen from the dead	John 20:24-25

“Seven” regulates the rhythm of development of the woman’s body: at “7” month – the appearance of the baby teeth which will be lost at “7” years old; at 7 x 2 years - appearance of menstruation to 7 x 7 years – menopause occurs.

In all life forms, the creature experiences a “Circadian Cycle” where all the vitals go into a Sabbatical rest period for 24-hours every “seven” days. It does not necessarily occur on the same day for all life forms. This is true for the smallest of life forms, the single cell amoeba. This is one of the most significant facts in nature. It may seem to be a minor fact and yet it transcends all recorded history, be it secular or biblical.

In Psalm 110, Dr. Ivan Panin discovered that the number of Hebrew words in this Psalm is '63', which is (7 x 9) or 9 “sevens”. Then, he proceeded to uncover thirteen more features of “7” within this one little Psalm. Using the Law of Probabilities, we discover that *“the chance for even these 14 features of sevens being accidental and undesigned, is only one is seven multiplied by itself 14 times: one in 678,223,072,849, or less than one is some two thirds of a billion ... not a paragraph in the whole Bible ... is so constructed similarly; its authorship by ONE MIND, and A SUPERNATURAL MIND AT THAT, alone accounts for the presence of these phenomena in the Bible.”* Citing Dr. Panin’s work and subjecting it to the formula of Compound Probabilities stated by Ralph Muncaster, this small Psalm 110, exceeds the scientific standard for impossibility by 4X times over. At one point in his life, Dr. Panin compiled his findings into a 94-page book titled *‘Basic Understandings’*. He wrote many volumes on his work.

God has decreed in His Scripture that the number “seven” is His number of perfection. Man is God's highest earthly creation, to whom God has assigned the number 6, one less than perfection. The highest man in all history will be the Antichrist, to whom God has assigned the triple intensification number, '666'.

Conversely, Jesus the Messiah is considered above creation, even above perfection, which is why His Name equals '888' in the numerics of the Greek Gematria.

However, for the basis of our study in this article, God considers the number “7” to be His number of absolute, complete perfection. Therefore, we should not be surprised to learn that God has built His Bible upon: the foundation of “7”, multiples of “7”, and extensions of “7”.

We shall study both God's original organization of Scripture, the organization of books, names of people, and specific instances, all based upon "7" and multiples of "7".

Among the 365 different numbers found in the Bible, only "7" numbers are used in the New Testament. They are the numbers:

- ◆ 46 - John 2:20
- ◆ 84 – Luke 2:37
- ◆ 144 – Revelation 21:17
- ◆ 276 – Acts 27:37-44
- ◆ 1,260 – Revelation 11:3; 12:6
- ◆ 144,000 – Revelation 14:1-3
- ◆ 200,000,000 - Revelation 9:16

Of the 66 total books of the Bible, every 11th number is: 11, 22, 33, 44, 55, 66. Their sum total is 231, or (7 x 33). It can be expressed also as 21 x 11 = 231.

In the Gospel of John, the word "week" is used "7" times; there are "7" mentions of the Christ term "**I Am**"; Here some explanations are necessary. 4 times in the Gospel of Saint John we will read "**I Am**" (in Greek "**ego eimi**") and is pronounced by Jesus -(John 8:24, 8:28, 8:58 and 13:19). On 3 other occasions, Jesus will rather say "**It is Me**", also translated in the Greek "**ego eimi**" -(John 4:26, 6:20 and 18:5-6). Those two mentions of the Christ are therefore equivalent: "**I Am**" = "**It is Me**". The importance of this point is vital in helping readers understand that context determines the final translation, such as in English as to how a word appears. The "Heptadic" design feature exists deep within the Hebrew and Greek manuscripts.

In the Gospel of John, by "**7 times**" it refers to the testimony of John the Baptist. The Gospel of John also brings back "**seven**" miracles of Jesus. The eighth, the miraculous fishing of chapter 21, has been added to the first writing. This same Gospel enumerates "**7**" appearances of Jesus Christ with his apostles and disciples after his resurrection. The word "dreams" is used "**7**" times in the New Testament. The name of Solomon is used "**7**" times in the Song of Songs as well as the words "Girls of Jerusalem", "Lebanon" and "love" are found "**7**" each.

Dr. Panin's work yields incredible "multi-layered" or "HyperMath" patterns like this one: Every **7th** New Testament book is: 1st Thessalonians, 1st Corinthians, and 1st Peter. Numeric values of their author's names are 755, 781, 781. The sum of these added numbers is 49, or (7 x 7). The Apostle Paul referenced four dimensions in Ephesians 3:17-18 when he was talking about the faith: "**That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;**" The Ephesians 3:14-19 passage is a powerful message. The Apostle Paul is talking about a world of "four dimensions" long before it was a recognized construct of reality. The ancient sages taught life is made up of up to ten dimensions, but due to the fall of man, we could only grasp a four-dimensional world.

I am a proponent of the Masoretic Hebrew Old Testament text and the Textus-Receptus Greek New Testament, used as the manuscript to translate the King James Bible! The KJV Bible is the True Word of God. **God's "Heptadic" Design Feature proves it mathematically beyond any doubt.** There is no need to get into senseless arguments pertaining to 'textual criticism' since there is no consistency in what is argued for and against. We have the disciplines of mathematical and computer science to thank for settling the issue once and forever. The signature of God's DNA is not found in any other English modern translation per-version or their manuscripts used to claim they are so-called better translations.

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