

Welcome friends to another broadcast of "Morsels for Zion's Poor"

"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." Since we believe that the Bible is the verbally inspired WORD of GOD, (which is recorded for the benefit of GOD's people); then we are certain that there are no insignificant numbers found within its pages, yet we are not convinced that any man has ever arrived at a complete understanding of them. While much can be gained by a study of these numbers, one can easily become enamored with the intricacies of them and begin seeing numerical secrets under every rock and in every hair of the horses tail. If the study of Biblical numbers, does not lead us to fall upon our faces and worship the ONE who is the SUM and SUBSTANCE of all prophecy then we have missed their significance and are merely repeating words without profit.

The Psalmist was overwhelmed with the grandeur and majesty of the LORD's perfections and declared that he was unable to number them. "Many, O LORD my God, are thy wonderful works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered." "My mouth shall shew forth thy righteousness and thy salvation all the day; for I know not the numbers thereof."

The very existence of numbers testifies to the unfolding of the purpose of an ABSOLUTE SOVEREIGN. Numbers are precise. Two plus two equals four. Not almost four but exactly. So in all things, GOD ordains whatsoever comes to pass and the "sum" of HIS purpose can be seen demonstrated in the unfolding of all events. Job refers to GOD's predestination of all things when he said, "Doth not he see my ways, and count all my steps?" Solomon spoke of the same thing saying, "A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps." Jeremiah said, "O LORD, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps." There are no random steps taken in this world by man or beast, but all are numbered by HIM who knows the end from the beginning. The LORD JESUS said, "even the very hairs of your head are all numbered." The bounds of our habitation and the length of our days are set by HIM. "Seeing his days are determined, the number of his months are with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass." Therefore we are moved to say with the Psalmist, "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."

Yet the greatest of all mention of "numbers" in the scriptures is in Isaiah's prophecy "He hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors." Oh who can count the magnitude of this event? "For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." HE has imputed (i.e.; accounted) HIS righteousness to HIS elect even while HE did take their sin upon HIMSELF and counted every jot and tittle of the broken law as HIS own

At the appointed time; not one day before nor one day after the day HE had numbered, HE did come into the world to fulfill the purpose for which HE created it. That HE might demonstrate the glory of HIS grace and HIS everlasting love of HIS chosen Bride, in effecting her redemption by the offering up of HIMSELF once and for all. We find these mathematics in the scriptures:

Addition. "Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens." How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them! If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee."

Subtraction "And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin." "For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins." "the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the LORD hath spoken it." (

Division. "He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong.

Multiplication. "Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord." "Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon." Have you counted your blessings today?

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