

SPIRITUAL NUMBER MAP

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THEME 4 - CHRIST'S SUFFERING

Great Themes

of Scripture  
(Nines)

Christ was enprisoned, flogged, and put on a cross to die. Suffering hardly begins to describe the experience. Those who falsely accused, falsely tried, and executed Him showed utter depravity, savagery, and blood lust.

Great Truths  
of Scripture  
(Triplets)

	7th: Suffering			
	Captured by the Foe	Blessed One	Ruler of God	

Hill of  
Zion

This is the only Bible  
Theme represented by  
only 3 numbers not the  
usual 9 numbers

Clearly the significance  
of these 3 numbers  
is great.

Now it was  
the sixth hour  
and there was  
darkness over  
all the Earth  
until  
the ninth hour

The Spirit seems to say:  
Tarry here a while  
and consider what  
this means.

You are standing  
on Holy ground.

GOOD  
EVIL

	35	
	Suffering Servant	
33		37
Scattered Remnant		Chosen Servant

Day of  
Evil

Look into your heart  
does it tell you  
the behavior of  
Jesus was righteous?

Or the behavior  
of those who  
rejected Jesus was  
righteous?

Are you with Jesus?  
Or are you with  
His blood thirsty  
killers?

		42
		Evil Man
	43	
	Public Humiliation	
44		
Blood Thirsty Killer		
33	35	37
Micah	Habbakuk	Haggai
44	43	42
Acts	John	Luke

Good Numbers:  
Bible Book

Bad Numbers:  
Bible Book

If you have never  
done so, this is  
the appropriate  
time to say to God:  
I am a sinner, no better  
than the sinners who  
crucified Jesus.  
Dear God, forgive my sin.  
Grant me the power to  
live a righteous holy life,  
and when I pass, take me  
to be with Jesus forever.  
I accept you free gift  
of eternal life through  
Jesus Christ my Lord.  
Amen.

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#### MEDITATION

The Spirit of God purposed the spiritual numbers to display Christ's suffering (Theme 4) after the spiritual numbers to display the Believer's Life (see Theme 3). This is of great significance. First, it indicates that as Believers progress, they will share Christ's sufferings, although never to the full extent He did. Second, it indicates that the suffering of Christ is to be the spiritual center of the Believers Life. Although the event occurred in the past, mediation on the suffering of Christ brings forth out of the Believer's heart deep worship and love for Jesus that nothing else can ever accomplish.

Believers should make the observation of the Lord's Supper the center of their corporate worship as a body.

The goal is to deeply appreciate the truth that in our flesh "dwells no good thing" and to identify with the truth "I am crucified with Christ, therefore no longer do I live, but Christ lives in me." Communities of faith who relegate the Lord's supper to an infrequent time or a brief add-on to a service must have some other agenda than the Lord's will.

<b>GLORY OF GOD</b>
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#### SUFFERING - CAPTIVE / SCATTERED REMNANT

When you are a prisoner, your life is under someone else's total control. Although you are alive, you have died to many freedoms, loves, dreams, and hopes. Jesus came as the suckling lamb of God, full of innocence and sincerity. He was faithful to say God's truth and he lived spotlessly. In return, here he is, incarcerated like a criminal. This is the picture of gross injustice. But his mood was not depression and self-pity, it was concern for the future judgement and suffering of Jerusalem and his persecutors. It is his concern for the thief on the other cross and his tender offer of forgiveness.

#### SUFFERING - SUFFERING SERVANT / BLESSED OF GOD

Man embedded a crown of thorns into Christ's brow. He was reviled, mocked, and raised up on a stake to die ignominiously. It is hard to imagine calling that experience a blessing, yet that is exactly what it was. With each blow that fell upon his flesh without retort, the heap of righteousness rising up to the praise and glory of God grew higher. He did not keep His dignity, but He kept His faith with the Father, and so proved to us how worthy is the Father of our sacrifice, praise, and thanksgiving. And the Father indeed blessed Him, and gave Him the name that is above all names. (Phil 2:9)

#### SUFFERING - CHOSEN SERVANT / RULER OF GOD

Suffering is the badge of honor for believers. God chooses who will suffer for Him, and to be chosen is proof positive of His love for us. We know those who pay a price for their faith obtain a reward. Jesus was raised from the dead and ascended to the right hand of the Father in Heaven. If we have served Him well in this life, we will receive a great reward in the next life. "If we died with him, we will live with Him. If we endure, we will reign with Him." (2 Tim 2:12)  
God chose Christ to die on the cross for our sins "before the foundation of the world". He is God's Chosen Servant.

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#### **GLORY OF MAN**

##### **SUFFERING - EVIL MAN**

We do not need to look to the time of the Romans to find mad emperors whose thrill it was to throw Christians to the lions. The persecution of Christians and anyone else who stands in the way of power crazed psychopathic monsters is all through history. In every age it seems there is at least one man who keeps subjects living in fear for their lives and oppresses them past what is even necessary to maintain order. Most people believe they have higher morals and standards and could never stoop to those levels. Yet, when threatened they grab a weapon and fight like ferocious beasts. The sobering reality is our humanity is a thin veneer. Murder, warfare, even office politics prove it again and again.

##### **SUFFERING - PUBLIC HUMILIATION**

Regarding Adam, God said in the Garden "It is not good for him to be alone, I will make a helper for him." One of our deepest human needs is to know we are not alone, that we are loved by others. If our deepest need is love, then our deepest hurt is rejection. Public humiliation is the worst form of rejection possible, because it burns all the bridges. Once publically shamed, who will want to associate with you? No doubt this is one reason the Romans chose crucifixion as a tactic to terrorize local populations. The protectors of the Jewish system of religion saw Jesus as a threat. They had in mind not only to kill him, but to strike fear among all His followers. They chose public humiliation.

##### **SUFFERING - BLOOD THIRSTY KILLER**

I have heard tales from the battlefield that once killing begins, it causes a blood lust in men. They want to kill their foe so badly they will even endanger themselves for the pleasure. In my rural experience I have seen animals fighting to the death, and the only way to describe it is wild crazed obsession to kill. No quarter is offered, and no quarter is taken. In the presentation of Christ to the crowd by Pilate, this frenzy fell upon them as they chanted "Crucify! Crucify!" It is the lowest of low points in the experience of a human being to another human being. It stands in the starkest contrast to the Savior, meek and mild, who opened not His mouth against His accusers.

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- 33** SCATTERED REMNANT (33). GOD (3) is HIDDEN (11). [33 = 3 x 11]. It is hard for us to see a loving God when we suffer. Genesis (33) Jacob is in fear for his life. He bows his head to the ground before the evil man as he prepares to die. (33)rd Bible book. "You eat the flesh of my people, flay the skin from them, break their bones, chop them in pieces like meat for the pot" (Mic 3:3) "The sun shall go down on the prophets...there is no answer from God" (Mic 3:6) (33)rd Jeremiah: God's promise to the remnant: "I will cause the captives...to return, and will rebuild...as at first" (v.7)
- 35** BLESSED OF GOD (35). FULLNESS (7) of GRACE (5). [35 = 7 x 5]. God honors and rewards those who suffer for Him. Also, THE END (7) of LIFE (5). The greatest sacrifice for God is to have the life crushed out of you for His sake. (35)th Genesis, pictures Rachel who DIES IN HARD LABOR (35) of childbirth, and Jacob who is BLESSED OF GOD (35). (35)th Psalm "They have hidden their net for me" (v. 7) "Attackers gathered...tore at me and did not cease" (v.15) (35)th Book "Though the fig tree not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines...yet I will rejoice in the LORD" (Hab 3:17)
- 37** CHOSEN SERVANT (37). 12th prime. The SERVANT GOD CHOSSES (37) to suffer for Him, will also RULE (12) with Him. (37)th Book. "I will make you like a signet ring, for I HAVE CHOSEN YOU (37)" (Hag 2:23) (37)th Psalm. "Evil doers will be cut off" but the righteous shall "INHERIT (37) the Earth" (Psa 37:9, 11, 18, 22, 29, 34) (37)th Genesis. Joseph is thrown into a pit by his brothers then sold as a slave. Later Joseph RULES (12) over them! Note: (37) is linked to Jesus. The gematria of Jesus is 888 = 8 x 37 x 3: The Holy Man (8) Chosen Servant (37) of God (3)

**GLORY OF MAN**

- 42** EVIL MAN (42). FULLNESS (7) of MAN (6). [42 = 7 x 6] Every dog has his day. There is also a day when men act like dogs. (42)nd Genesis. Evil Ruler: False accusation (v.9), prison (v.17), chains (v.24), fear of death (v.27), loss of hope (v.36) (42)nd Psalm: "My tears have been my food day and night, while they continually say to me 'Where is your God?'" (v.3) (42)nd Book, Luke: "The men who held Jesus mocked him and...blindfolded Him...Prophecy...Who struck you?" (Lu 22:63) "And the Beast is given authority... for (42) months...to make war with the saints and overcome them" (Rev 13:5,7)
- 43** PUBLIC HUMILIATION (43). 14th prime. No DELIVERANCE (14) from evil. HUMILIATED (43) by the EVIL MAN (42) (43)rd Book, John: "Do you want me to release the King of the Jews?" "...No, not him! Give us Barabbas!" (John 18:40) (43)rd Psalm: "...plead my cause against an ungodly nation; rescue me from ... WICKED MEN (43)." (Psalm 43:1) (43)rd Genesis: "...served him by himself...Egyptians could not eat with Hebrews...that is DETESTIBLE (43)" (Gen. 43:32) (43)rd Isaiah: "So I will DISGRACE (43) the dignitaries of your temple...I will consign...Israel to SCORN (43)" (Isa. 43:28)
- 44** BLOOD THIRSTY KILLERS (44). DIVISION (2) of SPIRITUAL LIGHT (22). [44 = 2 x 22] People possessed with desire to kill. (44)th Psalm: "You have severely broken us in the place of jackals and covered us with the shadow of DEATH" (v.19) (44)th Genesis: "whomever it is found let him DIE...the cup was in Benjamin's sack...they tore their clothes" (Gen 44:13) (44)th Book: "MORE THAN FORTY of them lie in wait...bound by oath to not eat or drink until they KILL him" (Acts 23:21)