GOD'S TRUTH REVEALED IN GENETICS

SUMMARY:

The God of the Bible is the Creator of the heavens and the earth. This fundamental truth is confirmed when we look at the number of chromosomes in plants and animals in the Bible. The spiritual meaning of the number of chromosomes matches the spiritual character of the plant or animal in the Bible.

Chromosomes were discovered in the late 1800s by Walther Fleming. The last books in Scripture were written almost two thousand years before that and the earliest books in Scripture were written over three thousand years before that. Only the Creator would have been aware of the number of chromosomes in the plants and animals of the Bible. The fact the spiritual meaning of the numbers in the Bible matches the character and type of the plants and animals in the Bible shows the Creator of those living things is one and the same as the author of Holy Scripture.

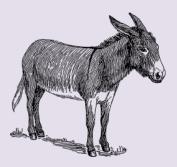
INTRODUCTION:

This short paper cannot examine all the plants and animals of the Bible. We will attempt to present to you enough of the plants and animals to show there is a strong association between the number of chromosomes, the meaning of that spiritual number, and the character of that thing in Scripture.

In the Bible certain plants and animals have a good association, and certain plants and animals have a bad association. The same is true with spiritual numbers. This does not mean a plant or animal is intrinsically bad. They are only following the instinct or design God gave them. However, the Bible takes these characteristics and uses them in stories to help us understand spiritual things.

For a detailed presentation of the methodology of determining the spiritual meaning of numbers and a list of the meanings thereby derived, we invite you to visit <u>www.biblenumbersforlife.com</u>. The association of the Bible meanings of plants and animals with the spiritual meaning of the numbers of chromosomes is yet another confirmation the meanings of the spiritual numbers are correct.

DONKEY



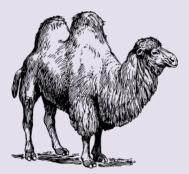
No. of Chromosomes: (62); Number Meaning: "Jerusalem, Royal City"

Scripture References: "Say to the Daughter of Zion, See, <u>your king comes to</u> you, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey" (Zech. 9:9) "They brought the donkey and the colt, placed their cloaks on them, and Jesus sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from trees and spread them on the road...When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred.." (Matt 21:1-11)

The colt of a donkey has a splash of white on its back and across its shoulders making the sign of the cross. When Jesus came to Jerusalem riding the colt of a donkey, the message was he had come to

sacrifice his life so that his believers could live. Jerusalem means "City of Peace". When a king rode a donkey he came in gentleness and peace.

CAMEL



No. of Chromosomes: (70); Spiritual Number Meaning: "Elder"

Scripture References: "Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. From Sheba they will come bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the LORD." (Isa. 60:6) "Now Isaac [...] was living in the Negev. He went out into the field one evening to meditate and as he looked up, he saw camels approaching. Rebekah also looked up and saw Isaac." (Gen. 24:62-64)

The camel is mentioned 17 times in Genesis chapter 24, by far the most references to camel in one chapter in the Bible. The camel is the ultimate symbol of <u>servanthood</u>. "Abraham said to the <u>chief</u> <u>servant of his house</u>, the one put in charge of all he had...I want you to swear by the LORD...that you will not get a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites" (Gen. 24:2-3) "May it be that when I say to a girl "Please let down your jar that I might drink" and she says "Drink and I'll water your camels too." (Gen. 24:14) Abraham sent his <u>chief servant</u> for the important task of finding a wife for Isaac and as he prayed the Lord impressed on him a suitable wife must demonstrate <u>an attitude of seranthood</u>. The chief servant in the church is the elder. The burden they carry is the precious things of God.

<u>FOX</u>



No. of Chromosomes: (36); Spiritual Number Meaning: "Exalting Man"

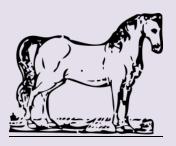
Scripture References: "Pharisees came to Jesus and said to him 'Leave this place and go somewhere else. <u>Herod wants to kill you</u>.' He replied, '<u>Go tell</u> <u>that fox</u>...surely no prophet can die outside Jerusalem'"(Luke 13:31-33) "On the appointed day Herod, wearing his royal robes, sat on his throne and delivered a public address to the people. They shouted 'This is the voice of a god not a man'. Immediately <u>because Herod did not give praise to God, an</u> <u>angel of the Lord struck him down</u>, and <u>he was eaten by worms and died</u>." (Acts 12:21-23)

The fox lives alone, by himself for himself. The male may share a territory with the female but they live separately except at mating time and briefly when there are new born kits. The vixen (female fox) is not in the least submissive and fights the male fox off until she decides when it is time to mate.¹ The fur of animals has been worn by wealthy people and royalty since the beginning of time. Poor people could not afford furs, so the wearing of fur distinguished or exalted the wearer. We don't know if Herod's royal robes were fox fur, but we do know that Herod exalted himself. For this sin, God judged him and he was eaten alive by worms. Did you know the earthworm also has 36 chromosomes! Other creatures

¹ <u>http://whitefoxwebmaster.webs.com/foxbehavior.htm</u>

with 36 chromosomes include the snake and the lizard. What did the snake do in the Garden? Appeal to the desire of man to be exalted. How? Tell him if he ate the forbidden fruit he would be like God.

<u>HORSE</u>

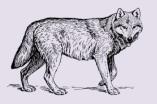


No. of Chromosomes: (64); Spiritual Number Meaning: "Breaking Fellowship"

Scripture References: "The horse is made ready for the day of battle, but the victory rests with the Lord." (Prov. 21:31) "The king moreover must not acquire great numbers of horses for himself or make the people return to Egypt to get more of them, for the Lord has told you, 'You are not to go back that way again." (Deut. 17:16-17) "Solomon had 4,000 stalls for horses and chariots, and twelve thousand horses, which he kept in the chariot cities and also with him in Jerusalem...Solomon's horses were imported from Egypt and from other countries." (2 Chron. 9:25)

The horse is a symbol of strength. A man seated on a horse is raised above his fellows in height and in power. It is a symbol of pride. Horses are popular with kings and the wealthy and powerful. The horse is also a symbol of aggression. The Israelite kings were commanded not to own great numbers of horses lest they trust in their own strength. They might also be tempted to impose their power over weaker peoples and lands that do not belong to them. The people of Israel rejected the Lord and asked for a king to rule over them (1 Sam 8:7). As predicted by the Lord (1 Sam 8:11-17), their king was disobedient to the commandment (Deut. 17:17) and went down to Egypt to buy horses (2 Chron. 9:25). They chose to <u>break fellowship</u> with the King of Kings and be slaves of a regent on earth instead.

WOLF



No. of Chromosomes: (76); Spiritual Number Meaning: "Judge"

Scripture References: "<u>Benjamin is a ravenous wolf</u>. In the morning he shall kill his prey and in the evening he shall devour the spoil." (Gen. 49:27) "Wherefore a lion of the forest shall slay them, <u>a wolf of the evenings shall spoil them</u>, and a leopard shall watch over their cities; every one that goes out shall be torn to pieces: because their transgressions are many and their backslidings are increased." (Jer. 5:6) "The hireling is not the Shepherd that owns the sheep. <u>When he sees the wolf coming he abandons the sheep and runs away</u>. The wolf attacks the flock and scatters them." (John 10:13)

Anyone who has ever looked into the eyes of a wolf knows fear. I spoke to a shepherd that grazed sheep near the forest. He told me one day his tough sheep guardian dogs smelled a wolf and took off after him. He found the carcasses of those dogs, not just dead but torn into shreds. The spiritual number 76 means "Judge" and it is a good number. Below 76 in the 6th number theme are the evil numbers 73 "Babylon", 74 "Beast", and 77 "False Prophet". Evil intends to bully us and frighten us into submission with its power. We are taught in the Bible to fear God and obey his commandments. The judgment of God is much more to be feared than what man or evil spirits can do. God is the Judge of

the whole Earth! In the Great Tribulation, he will bring retribution and terror upon those who hate him. The passage in John 10 about the wolf attacking the hireling ought to be a warning to the church and to church leaders: fear the Lord and obey his teachings. If you do not repent he will take away your lampstand (assembly of testimony). He will also tear those who are leading you astray. Consider Rev. 2 & 3, Jude 8-13, and 2 Peter 2. Judgment comes to the people of God first, then to the world.

<u>BAT</u>



No. of Chromosomes: (44); Number Meaning: "Blood Thirsty Killer"

Scripture References: "These are <u>the birds you are to detest</u> and not eat because they are detestable ... the stork, any kind of heron, the hoopoe, and <u>the bat</u>." (Leviticus 11:13-19)

Bats are hideous. They are rat like creatures that fly. When sleeping they hang upside down. They are creatures of darkness and are never seen in the light. Their favorite roost and hibernation site is a cave. Bats are more common than your think: one in five mammal species is a bat. A few of the bat species (e.g. vampire bat) feed on fresh blood (from birds).

The spiritual number 44 is particularly evil. It is associated with the leaders of the Jewish religion who out of envy (Matt. 27:18) made the decision to destroy innocent life: they stirred up the blood lust of the crowd (Mark 15:11) and put pressure upon the Roman governor (John 19:12) to murder Jesus Christ (Matt. 26:57-60). Charged under false pretenses (Luke 23:2) and found to be guiltless (Luke 23:4) nevertheless he was killed in cold blood. The Lord made the good confession before the high priest and said he was the Christ, the Son of God (Matt. 26:63-64).

The character of the bat that is expressed in the number 44 includes the use of darkness to cloak evil deeds and evil intent. Bats are communal, sometimes living in colonies that number millions. The Bible says the secret power of darkness is at work in the world and men love darkness more than light. Evil has taken up residence in places of power and authority (Eph. 6:10-12).

HONEY BEE



No. of Chromosomes: (32); Spiritual Number Meaning: "Fellowship"

Scripture References: "I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey" (Exodus 3:8)

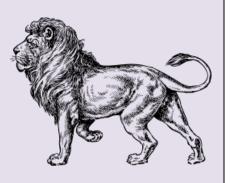
The honey bee is among the most extraordinary creatures God has made. The honey bee is able through its wiggle dance to communicate to other bees the quality of the pollen source, the direction, and the distance with extreme accuracy. Honey bees will adjust the information they learn with the movement of the sun since the dance was observed. This is a marvel of community co-operation.

There are 20,000 known species of bees, but only 7 species of honey bees. Most bees are lone rangers and live in holes. The success of the honey bee is its highly developed social structure. Each bee has a

particular job. The bees work together in harmony for the good of the hive. The bees work extremely hard, even helping to ventilate the hive and maintain correct heat and humidity.

The honey bee is a picture of what Christian fellowship (32) should be like. God's desire is we turn from our old selfish ways and live connected lives in face to face communication ('waggle dance') with other believers. In this way we produce the delicious honey the Lord prizes: love among his children.

<u>LION</u>



No. of Chromosomes: (38); Number Meaning: "Break Faith"

References: "Be self-controlled and alert. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion seeking someone to devour" (1 Peter 5:8) "The lion which is <u>mighty among beasts</u> and <u>does not turn</u> <u>back before anyone</u>" (Prov. 30:30) "O king live forever! My God has sent his angel and he shut the mouth of the lions. They have not hurt me because I was innocent" (Daniel 6:6:22-23) "At the king's command, the men who falsely accused Daniel were brought in and thrown into the lion's den along with their wives and their children. And before they reached the floor of the den, the lions overpowered them and <u>crushed all their bones</u>." (Daniel 6:24)

A lion is a mighty hunter. They weigh up to 500 lbs. They stalk their prey and circle herds of smaller animals looking for the weak or those separated from the group. Often under the cloak of darkness the lion crouches down low and sneaks up. They pounce on the animal and choke it by biting the throat. Female lions do most of the hunting. They are more naturally aggressive. But the male is in charge.

Have you noticed that the lion is used in Scripture of both the devil (1 Peter 5:8) and the Lord (Rev 5:5)? In reference to the Lord, it is the supremacy and power of the <u>male lion</u> that is in view. The Lion is the king of beasts, and the tribe of Judah produced the royal line of the house of David. Jesus is the Son of David, the King of Kings. The devil is like <u>a female lion</u> and is a mortal threat to God's flock. He is looking for weak believers and his intention is always to "steal, kill, and destroy" (John 10:10).

On his deathbed Jacob blessed Judah and said "like a lion he crouches down, like a lioness who dares to rouse him?" (Gen. 49:9). This was not a compliment. As we have noted the female lion is associated with the work of the devil. As a shepherd, Jacob would know that too well. The prophecy of Jacob points to the rejection of Jesus and then the persecution of Christians by the descendants of Judah. This fits the character of Judah because he left his brothers, married a Canaanite woman, and <u>broke his word</u> by not keeping his promise to Tamar (Gen. 38). Judah was independent minded, self-willed, and did not follow in his father's ways. Judah "<u>broke faith</u>" and so he was associated with the lioness. Jesus, who was descended from Judah, kept the faith and so is the male lion. In so doing he inherited the kingship promised to come out of the line of Judah (Gen. 49:10).

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<u>PIGEON</u>



No. of Chromosomes: (80);

Spiritual Number Meaning: "Son of Man"

References: "If the offering to the Lord is a burnt offering of birds, he is to offer a dove or <u>a young pigeon</u>." (Lev. 1:14) "If, however, <u>he is poor</u> and cannot afford these, he must take...two doves or <u>two young pigeons</u>, which he can afford, one for a sin offering and the other for a burnt offering." (Lev. 14:21-22) "Joseph and Mary took him [baby Jesus] to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord...and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: 'a pair of doves or <u>two young pigeons</u>." (Luke 2:22-24) also (Lev.12:8) "When Jesus came up out of the water, <u>he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove</u>." (Mark 1:10)

The <u>modest pigeon</u> is distinguished from all other birds. It is <u>highly intelligent</u>. The pigeon is so smart when it sees itself in the mirror it recognizes itself. Only very smart animals such as chimpanzees, dolphins, elephants, and man can pass this test.² Pigeons can recognize human faces and aren't fooled by a change of clothes. The pigeon is a good moral model – they <u>mate for life</u>. The pigeon is famous for finding its way home using its <u>capacious memory</u>, problem solving ability, <u>sense of smell</u>, visual clues, and sensitivity to magnetic fields. The pigeon is a picture of <u>romantic love</u>. After mating selection is complete there is an extended kiss, where the female puts her beak in the open mouth of the male. Only then does copulation begin.

Jesus referred to himself as the "Son of Man". It drew attention to his <u>humble birth</u>, <u>his lowly station</u> in life having been raised in the family of a working man, and how he shared the trials and pains common to all humanity. It also reflects how God does not look at us the way we look at one another. God the Father saw <u>holiness</u>, <u>spiritual sensitivity</u> and <u>moral perfection</u> in Jesus and could barely contain his delight. How many times have we passed by the lowly pigeon in the park and been ignorant of its great <u>giftedness</u>, <u>fidelity of heart</u>, and <u>piercing eyes</u>? That is how many treat Jesus today, considering him a nuisance, a distraction, just a man nailed to a cross? "God has chosen the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; <u>God chose the weak things of the world and the despised things</u> – and the things that are not – to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him." (1 Cor. 1:27-28)

² Magpies, crows, and African gray parrots are the only other birds who pass the test.