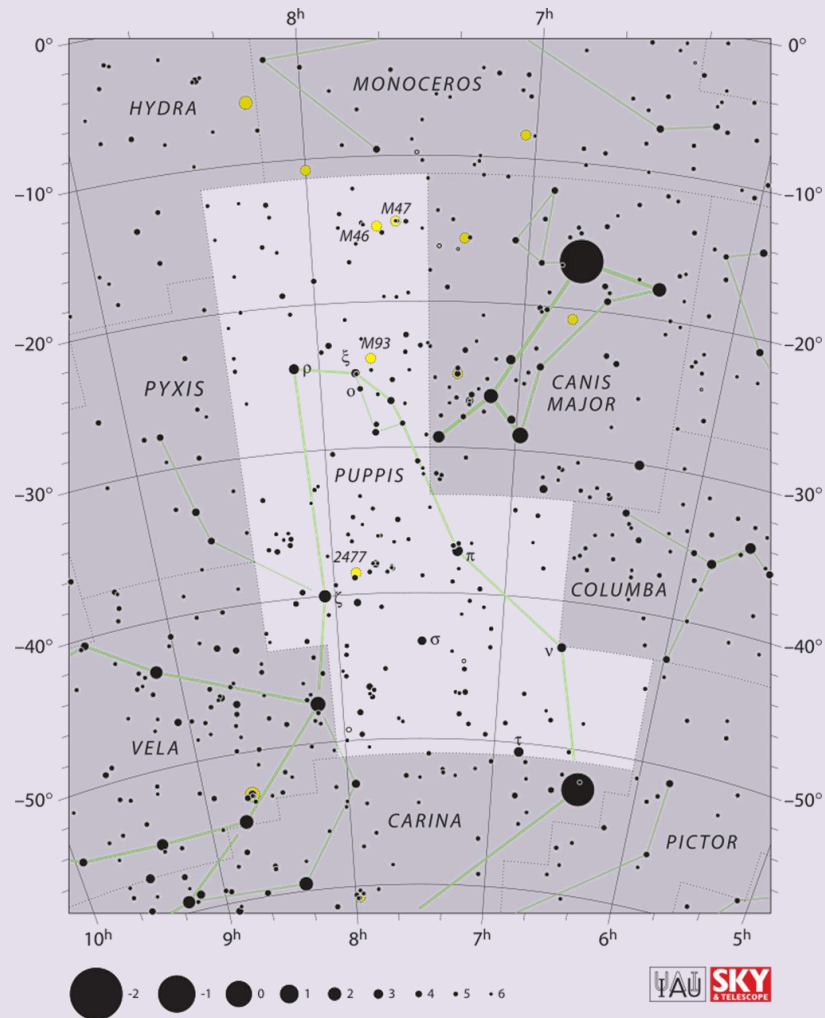


**50 ARGO - PUPPIS****LINKING STARS TO CHAPTERS IN BIBLE**

Star Name	Visual Mag.	Hour	(AD) Exact Date	Decl.	Degrees to True North	Bible Chapter	Details
ζ Pup	2.21	8.060	1301.33	-40.00	131.00	Num 14	All night people wept
π Pup	2.71	7.286	2038.27	-37.10	128.10	Num 11	Quail, fire and plague
ρ Pup	2.83	8.126	1303.42	-24.30	115.30	Lev 25	Year of Jubilee
τ Pup	2.94	6.832	2023.88	-50.61	141.61	Num 25	Moab seduces Israel
ν Pup	3.17	6.629	2017.44	-43.20	134.20	Num 17	Budding of Aaron's rod
σ Pup	3.25	7.487	2044.66	-43.30	134.30	Num 17	Budding of Aaron's rod
ξ Pup	3.34	7.822	2055.27	-24.86	115.86	Lev 26	Reward or punishment
c Pup	3.62	7.754	2053.14	-37.97	128.97	Num 12	Miram speaks vs Moses
HD 64440	3.71	7.870	2056.82	-40.58	131.58	Num 15	Same law for aliens
3 Pup	3.94	7.730	2052.37	-28.95	119.95	Num 3	Levite clan leaders
HD 63922	4.1	7.821	2055.24	-46.37	137.37	Num 20	Edom denies passage
11 Pup	4.2	7.948	2059.27	-22.88	113.88	Lev 24	Blasphemer stoned
HD 64760	4.22	7.888	2057.39	-48.10	139.10	Num 22	Balak calls for Balaam
o Pup	4.4	7.801	2054.63	-25.94	116.94	Lev 27	Redeeming a vow

**50 ARGO - PUPPIS****SIGN MEANING:**

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**BIBLE NUMBER 50 MEANING:** (Our interpretation)

"HOUSE ON FIRE"

**SOLOMON'S WISDOM:** (Proverbs Chapter 30 speech on the Heavenly Signs)**"So forceful wrath produces strife."** (v.33c)**BIBLE BOOK:** PHILIPPIANS**KEY VERSES:** ch 1 v 15-17**"Some preach Christ from envy and strife, and some from good; the former preach Christ from selfish ambition, not sincerely... the latter out of love..."****SIGN DESCRIPTION:**

SPEAKER'S PODIUM - TIPPING OVER

**SIGN INTERPRETATION:** (per Genesis 50)

In Genesis 50 we see something amazing. Joseph honors the wishes of his father. Attended by chariots and horsemen all the family of Jacob plus Egyptians led by Joseph gave solemn lamentation for seven days at the threshing floor of Atad beyond the Jordan. Then Jacob's sons buried their father in the cave of Machpelah.

Jacob had been the rival of Joseph for the allegiance and affection of the clan. Now here was Joseph making a great public outpouring of grief at the death of Jacob. This is similar to the lamentation song of David for his fallen rival, King Saul: **"The beauty of Israel is slain!... How the mighty have fallen!"** (1 Samuel 1)

Where was David to be seen when Saul died on mount Gilboa? Oh yes. He was privateering from a base in the land of the Philistines. And where was Joseph to be seen, when Jacob was starving in Canaan? He was fattening himself in the land of Egypt. Neither was lifting a finger to save their rival from dying the death.

And where was Saul when Jesus was preaching? Oh yes. He was advancing in Judaism. And where was Saul when Stephen was martyred? Oh yes. He was assenting to his death. And yet, later we see Saul, now Paul, making great public lamentation for the death of Christ. A transformation almost beyond imagination.

The PUPPIS is the captain's castle at the back of the ship: the 'poop deck'. From here the captain barks his orders to the crew and steers the ship at sea. What do Joseph, David, and Paul have in common? They are the captain of the ship: everyone else is just a crew member who serves the captain. They are the so-called 'Great Men' of history. With drive, ambition, and charisma they changed the world: but for the worse.

Solomon said **"forceful wrath produces strife"**. Yes Paul changed Christianity, but his forceful preaching let to competition among public teachers for the attention of believers, theological disputes, and clerical schisms. David's ambition expanded the borders of Israel but his plan to build a temple placed a heavy yoke on the people which ultimately led to the separation of Israel from Judah. Where there is FIRE: something is burnt.

**LINK OF INDIVIDUAL STARS TO BIBLE CHAPTERS:****ζ Pup:** Let Us Select a Leader

Bible Chapter: Numbers 14

Subject: People Lose Faith: Desire to Return to Egypt

Insight: The spies gave a bad report of giants in Canaan. The people wept and called for a new leader. The next day they changed their mind and decided to attack Canaan. Without Moses and the Ark, their venture failed. Now the people were both alienated from the LORD and had stirred up enemies. After two thousand years of Christianity and the failure of religions organized around preachers to bring about revival of the faith you would think we would have learned this lesson. A fiery preacher accomplishes the opposite of the desired effect: people become alienated from God and society at large begins to see Christianity as an evil to be purged from their midst. Behold Roman persecutions!

Note: The Bible Chapter link to a star is the Degrees to True North [rounded] plus 1:  
The star Zeta Pup (above) links to the 131st chapter of the Bible: Numbers 14