The Inspired Word of God Chapter 8

In Volume 1, Chapter 1, page 1, readers were made aware that God incorporated the three primary mathematical properties of $\operatorname{Pi} \pi$, $\operatorname{Phi} \phi$, and $\operatorname{Euler} \mathcal{C}$. This information was revealed in the system known as Gematria, where Greek and Hebrew letters carry numerical value. This has nothing to do with Gematria as a method of predictive prophecy, as Cabbalistic Jews attempt to do. You may recall that $\operatorname{Pi} \pi$ is embedded or encoded into the text of Genesis 1:1. Euler \mathcal{C} is encoded into the text of John 1:1. The second of these three mathematical properties is $\operatorname{Phi} \phi$ and was intentionally left for later introduction to readers. This is an appropriate point where we can now introduce this mathematical/physics property and how God has revealed it to us in the King James Version of the Bible.

God's Patterns In Nature

Modern natural sciences started "to explode" when scientists realized from the Bible that God is a God of order and that <u>THIS ORDER IS TO BE FOUND IN ALL OF HIS CREATION</u>. It follows logically that if God has put such order into all of His creation, how much more would He have put order into His Word, the Bible.

For instance, it must be mentioned here that renowned scientists, such as Isaac Newton who contributed so much to modern physics and mathematics, spent many years of their personal time researching the subject of "Numerics in the Bible". Newton must have felt that he was "onto something".

The following is an excerpt from E.W. Bullinger's book: 'Number In Scripture', The Lamp Press, London, 1952:

"Physiology offers a vast field for illustration, but here again the grand impress is seen to be the number **SEVEN**. The days of man's years are "Three-score years and ten" (7 x 10). In **SEVEN** years the whole structure of his body changes: and we are all familiar with "the **seven** ages of man.

The various periods of Gestation (pregnancy) also are commonly a multiple of **SEVEN**, either of days or weeks.

With INSECTS the ova are hatched from **SEVEN** half-days (such as the wasp, bee, etc.); while with others it is **SEVEN** whole days. The majority of insects require from 14 (2 \times 7) to 42 (6 \times 7) days; the same applies to the larva state.

With ANIMALS the period of gestation of:

- The mouse is 21 (3 x 7) days
- The hare and rat, 28 (4 x 7) days
- The cat, 56 (8 x 7) days
- The dog, 63 (9 x 7) days
- The lion, 98 (14 x 7) days
- The sheep, 147 (21 x 7) days

With BIRDS, the incubation of:

- The common hen is $21 (3 \times 7)$ days
- The duck, 28 (4 x 7) days

With the HUMAN species it is 280 days (or 40 x 7).

Moreover, man appears to be made on what we may call the SEVEN-day principle. In various diseases the **SEVENTH**, **FOURTEENTH**, and **TWENTY-FIRST** are critical days; and in others, **SEVEN** or 14 half-days. Man's pulse beats on the SEVEN-day principle... for six days out

of the seven it beats faster in the morning than in the evening, while on the seventh day it beats slower. Thus the number **SEVEN IS STAMPED UPON PHYSIOLOGY**, and he is thus admonished, as man, to rest one day in seven. He cannot violate this law with impunity, for it is interwoven with his very being.

During the time of the French revolution under Robespierre, a TEN-DAY WEEK was introduced, instead of the **GOD ORDAINED SEVEN-DAY WEEK**. Humans and animals could not cope with having only one rest day in ten. Men started to get ill and cattle collapsed in the fields. Soon, they had to go back to the **seven-day week**. It was clearly shown that God's pattern should not be violated.

Cells in the human body are constantly dying and being replaced. This works on a **seven-year cycle**, whereby over a period of **seven years** every cell in the body is replaced."

Many other incredible patterns are present throughout nature, Fibbonacci numbers being one of the more well-known. There is such an incredible design shown in nature that we could list things all day long, but we trust you get the main point. **CLEARLY THROUGHOUT NATURE, WE CAN SEE GOD'S STAMP ON ALL OF CREATION.**

The one great question now is, may we also expect to find the same phenomena in that greatest of all God's works, His Word?

"Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear" -(Hebrews 11:3).



The beauty and power of mathematical truths have impressed and astounded mankind since they were first discovered. At one point, mathematics was almost revered as supreme truth . . . until a mathematician stumbled upon a proof that pointed to something even higher.

The Bible uses **7** to indicate perfection, and **7** and **14** are inseparable throughout it. God is said in Revelation to have **7** Spirits, depicted as **7** lamp stands. The **7** candelabra (menorah) set on the Tabernacle in Exodus and Deuteronomy are homage to God's "sevenfold Spirit".

Noah led the clean animals into the ark in sets of **7** pairs for each species. The unclean animals were saved to the tune of one pair each. Joshua led the Israelites, with the Ark, **7** times around Jericho.

"John the Baptist" is the way Matthew first refers to the man generally understood to be the last of the Old Testament prophets, who preaches according to the Law of Moses and predicts the coming of the Messiah. "John the Baptist" has **14** letters, which is **7** twice. "Jesus the Christ" has **14** letters, again **7** twice.

The 4 living beasts, which Ezekiel identifies as Cherubim, are mentioned 3 times in the Bible 4 plus 3 equals 7. Ezekiel sees 4 wings and 4 faces on each beast. 4 times 4 times 4 equals 64, and the beasts are introduced in Revelation at chapter 4, verse 6, 64 reversed. Revelation depicts the beasts as having 6 wings each. 6 plus 4 equals 10. Revelation is written and sent to the 7 major churches of Asia minor. The Tribulation will last 7 years.

When Jesus fed the 4,000, His Disciples picked up **7** basketfuls afterward. He feeds this multitude with **7** loaves of bread, plus some fish. He feeds the 5,000 with 5 loaves and 2 fish. Jesus teaches with a total of 37 parables.

Although it may seem quite contrived, it is not to consider that Jesus is popularly thought to have suffered 5 wounds on the Cross: two nails in his hands, one in his feet, the crown of thorns, and the spear in his side; whereas, he can be more properly thought of as suffering **7** wounds: both hands, the thorns, the spear, the flogging itself, and both feet. The feet were nailed apart to the sides of the cross, through the heel bones, since the bones would support the weight of the victim on the nails. A single nail through the top of the feet will not.

There are 31,102 verses in the King James Bible. 3 plus 1 plus 1 plus 2 equals 7. There are not 777,777 words in the King James Bible (wouldn't that be astounding?), but it's close, at 774,746. There are three 7s, and the rest adds up to 14. 774 minus 746 equals 28, which is 7 times 4. The first sentence of the first verse of the Old Testament, in the original Hebrew, has 7 words. The first sentence of the first verse of the Gospel of Mark, which was the first to be written, has 7 words. There are 7,957 verses in the New Testament. 7 plus 9 plus 5 plus 7 equals 28, or four 7s.

Ever since Adam and Eve rejected God's authority, humanity has searched for a source of ultimate truth apart from God. This quest—to replace God with another truth—has taken

many strange twists over the millennia. But one of the most fascinating has been the effort to replace God with "pure reason," or logic.

The effort reached its first pinnacle at the time of the ancient Greeks, but it raised its head again in the last few centuries. At one point, some of the world's leading minds seemed to be close to reaching their goal. Ironically, another mathematician stepped in to prove that they would never reach it! This mathematician proved that there must be true statements in any given mathematical system that cannot be proved within that system. Thus, math cannot be the ultimate foundation for truth; it must appeal to something beyond itself.

The lesson for Christians is exciting. No matter how hard people try to disprove or sideline God as the foundation for all truth and life, His eternal power and nature shine forth even more brightly. The very effort to destroy Him merely reminds fallible humans, by their own efforts, that God gets the ultimate glory . . . even in the mental world of mathematics and logic.

Throughout history, mathematics has offered glimpses of infinity that point man's attention to God. However, humans in their rebellious state do not want even a glimpse of God because they suppress the truth in unrighteousness -(Romans 1:18).

In ancient Greece, Pythagoras (572–492 BC) chose to worship the infinity of natural (counting) numbers instead of God. Pythagoras is best known for proving the mathematical theorem now named after him: a2 + b2 = c2, where a, b, and c are the sides of a right triangle. He was especially enamored with natural numbers (1, 2, 3, etc.), which can be described as lengths of sides on right triangles. Some natural numbers satisfy his theorem, such as 3, 4, 5 and 5, 12, 13. (These triples are now called Pythagorean triples in his honor.) Plato (429–348 BC) continued this fascination with the properties of natural numbers. He saw clear contrasts between the imperfect, physical world around us and the perfect, abstract world of ideas. His form of abstract thought-worship came to be called Platonism.

Yet Pythagoras and Plato both stumbled over the limits of their god. Using the Pythagorean Theorem, they recognized that when a = 1 and b = 1, then c (the square root of 2) isn't a natural number and can't even be written as a fraction (a ratio of two natural numbers). Natural numbers aren't the ultimate truth. This mystified and angered them, but did not change their minds about numbers.

The Modern Worship of Logic

Similarly, Europe's Enlightenment spawned a bevy of philosopher-mathematicians in the late 1800s and early 1900s who worshipped logic and reason as the ultimate source of truth. Gottlob Frege (1848–1925), Bertrand Russell (1872–1970), and Alfred North Whitehead (1861–1947) promoted logic as the ultimate foundation for mathematics. Their philosophy of mathematics was called Logicism because it attempted to prove every mathematical fact on the basis of logic alone.

In Principia Mathematica (1910–1913), Russell and Whitehead proved using only logic that 1 + 1 = 2. From here, they hoped to prove every other mathematical fact. By 1920 they thought they were getting close.

David Hilbert (1862–1943) went a step further in the 1920s. Since he considered logic to be a branch of mathematics, he claimed that mathematics was self-dependent. In other words, it did not need to refer to any authority outside itself in order to prove any of its truth claims.

This supposedly made mathematics autonomous (its own final authority, independent of all outside authorities), like God Himself. Hilbert's philosophy of math, called Formalism, promoted mathematics as its own foundation and set as its goal absolute knowledge.

Few modern readers realize how influential these thoughts were and are. Math was considered completely knowable. These men believed that someday, every last theorem would be proved and then all math would be proved and known. This self-confidence was paralleled in the sciences, where many scientists thought they would eventually learn everything and mankind would make every last imaginable discovery.

Gödel's Theorem

In 1931 these false philosophies of math crumbled into dust when Gödel proved his Undecideability Theorem. Kurt Gödel (1906–1978) proved that no logical systems (if they include the counting numbers) can have all three of the following properties:

- 1. Validity . . . all conclusions are reached by valid reasoning.
- 2. Consistency . . . no conclusions contradict any other conclusions.
- 3. Completeness . . . all statements made in the system are either true or false.

The details filled a book, but the basic concept was simple and elegant. He summed it up this way: "Anything you can draw a circle around cannot explain itself without referring to something outside the circle—something you have to assume but cannot prove." For this reason, his proof is also called the Incompleteness Theorem.

Kurt Gödel had dropped a bomb on the foundations of mathematics. Math could not play the role of God as infinite and autonomous. It was shocking, though, that logic could prove that mathematics could not be its own ultimate foundation.

Christians should not have been surprised. The first two conditions are true about math: it is valid and consistent. **But only God fulfills the third condition**. Only He is complete and therefore self-dependent (autonomous). God alone is *"all in all"* -(1st Corinthians 15:28), *"the beginning and the end"* -(Revelation 22:13). God is the ultimate authority -(Hebrews 6:13), and in Christ are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge -(Colossians 2:3).

There will always be a statement in any system that can't be shown to be true or false. From a Christian perspective, Gödel proved that complete knowledge is unattainable. There will always be a question to confound the greatest minds; there will always be an unsolvable problem. Gödel's proof shows that neither math nor logic can be the foundation for math.

An effort to recover from the fallout of this atomic blast continues today. Luitzen Brouwer (1882–1966) turned to the human mind as the foundation of math. Instead of giving God His rightful place, Brouwer redefined the second condition, consistency. He proposed a third category for truth values. Besides true and false, he added a possibility, which he called "indeterminate."

His philosophy, called Intuitionism, makes human intuition the foundation of mathematics. He rejected the idea that math is discovered, and he promoted instead the view that math is invented by men. In his view, the human mind is the foundation of math instead of God.

Many secular mathematicians now embrace Intuitionism. However, many others see insoluble problems with it. If math is an invention of many human minds, then why should all these minds agree on what is correct? This is nonsensical, if math is only an art. Do all artists agree on how to paint and what should be painted?

Second, why should it be useful in so many realms of knowledge, from biology to psychology, from engineering to medicine, from chemistry to business? Did our minds create the universe, too?

Third, why has the same thought occurred to different thinkers independently so many times? Since no two artists have ever conceived of the same painting independently, the invention of the very same mathematical concepts by mere Intuitionism seems ridiculous. How did both Newton and Leibniz come up with calculus separately? How did Gauss, Riemann, and Lobachevsky all come up with non-Euclidean geometry independently, as a response to past mathematicians' failures—during hundreds of years of fruitless labor—to prove Euclid's Parallel Postulate?

THE CHRISTIAN PHILOSPHY OF MATH BEGINS WITH GOD, WHO NUMBERED THE DAYS OF CREATION AS RECORDED IN GENESIS 1?

These problems are death knells for Intuitionism. Secular mathematicians who understand this failure frequently fall back on Logicism or Formalism, even though it has already been proven impossible. They have nowhere else to go except to God.

The Christian philosophy of math, in contrast, begins with God, who numbered the days of creation as recorded in Genesis 1. The founder of the true philosophy of math is Jesus Christ,

the source of math is the Bible, and the purpose of math is the glory of God. "For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ" -(1 Corinthians 3:11).

Why is it so important for the Christian to behold the glory of God reflected in mathematics or anywhere else? Simply because beholding the glory of God is the prime directive for spiritual growth. One may as well ask why eating and breathing are important to life.

What is meant by "spiritual growth?" How is it measured? Toward what, or in what, are Christians to grow? These questions are answered ultimately in Romans 8:29; the destiny of the Christian is to become conformed to the image of Jesus Christ. Since those events, what God predestines occur with certainty, Christians know that "when He shall appear, [they] shall be like Him, for [they] shall see him as He is." King David said, "I will behold Thy face in righteousness; I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with Thy likeness."—(Psalm 17:15).

Evidently, the agency of change is vision. 1st Corinthians 13:12 reads, "For now we see a dim reflection in a looking glass, but then we shall see face to face; now what I know is imperfect, but then I shall know perfectly, as God knows me."

It is hopeless for a Christian to attempt to change himself into Christ-likeness. His tendency nevertheless is to hide behind the characteristics of a Christ-like life, to don a mask of Christ-ness, which only suffocates spiritual vitality. The battle against this deception is made more difficult because it is often one's pastor, parent, teacher, friend, or counselor who, intending only the best, proffers the mask and urges "their" Christian to squeeze into it.

It is easy to forget that the transformation to Christ-likeness is inward, where God gazes, in our character, the marrow of our soul. The New Testament lists of characteristics of Christ are primarily check lists, so the Christian can gauge whether growth is occurring.

One prominent church prints on its bulletins the motto: "Learning to live like Christ lives." It is easy to learn how to live like Christ lives, but impossible to live like Christ lives. A better motto would be: "Learning to live Christ," or "Learning to live Christ-lives." To illustrate this so-called "deeper life," Major Ian Thomas uses the hand-in-glove analogy: Christians should simply be the glove, allowing Christ, the Hand, to use them as He wishes.

Yet this again is "What?" when "How?" is needed. How does a Christian "let go and let God?" How does one relax one's self to become the glove when one is pervaded with humanness? "Listen," the Christian is admonished, "Christ is the Vine, you are a branch. You don't have to try to bear fruit, you will bear fruit because the fruit-producing life of the Vine flows through you."

Yet the cry of the tent-maker from Tarsus echoes in the heart of every Christian: "Nevertheless, I live!" – (Galatians 2:20). If you live, you must do.

ONE CANNOT SEE CHRIST PHYSICALLY, BUT ONE IS ABLE TO PHYSICALLY VIEW EVIDENCES OF HIS POWER AND GLORY IN THE CREATION, THE BASIS OF WHICH IS MATHEMATICS

The key to resolving this tension between what is God's part and what is my part, as a Christian, is found in 2nd Corinthians 3, 4, and 5, the linchpin passage being 3:18. "But we all, with uncovered faces, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into likeness to Him, from one degree of splendor to another, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." I become like Christ by beholding His glory. This always-painful transformation is powered wholly by the Holy Spirit. The Christian's function only is to behold. Someday believers will be like Christ because they will see Him as He is. Now they should "be becoming" like Him, by beholding His glory. If beholding is "doing," this is what they do. The New Testament lists of hallmarks of Christ are done through the Christian, a function of the amount of time he spends beholding, and of the quality of his vision. Jailed by time, the Christian sees not the face of Christ, but views His revelation in Scripture ("Behold the Lamb"), and in the "dark glass" of the creation.

What does "beholding" really mean? How does one behold the glory of God? Obviously, physical vision is a part of the answer, and just as obviously, not the whole answer. One cannot see Christ physically, but one is able to physically view evidences of His power and glory in the creation, the basis of which is mathematics.

When God wanted Job's attention, He saturated the waiting man's natural vision with the majesty of the creation. But realistically, since Christ is Spirit, to behold Him the Christian somehow must develop spiritual sight. Easter time, when believers miss most "dearest Him who lives alas! away," brings it home. Their walk is by faith, not by sight. The implication: faith is spiritual sight or discernment, looking through the visible and tangible to the invisible and transcendent. Faith resolves the Scriptural paradox—the Christian is able to look at things not seen, to clearly see the invisible things of God. Moses "by faith . . . left Egypt . . . for he persevered as though he were actually seeing Him who is unseen." -(Hebrews 11:27) The Author and Finisher of our faith must naturally become the focus of our spiritual vision if we are to grow like Him.

It becomes clear that the Christian's eye of faith is his mind, by whose renewing the Christian is transformed. His mind is the prism which receives the light of the glory of God and showers its dazzling spectrum on the wrinkles and caverns of his soul. Christians have the mind of Christ which, through beholding, becomes more and more their mind. Setting their minds on things above, beholders are *"renewed to a true knowledge according to the image"* of the Creator. After this promise in Colossians 3, there follows a check list. Before the lists in 1st Peter, and after the linking of faith with sight, Christians are exhorted to gird their minds for action. Rather than cruising over the surface of Scripture, the beholder finds some "deep things" for

meditation, even in such deceptively simple verses like: "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." (Proverbs 23:7).

As we learn to walk by faith, our spiritual vision centers down on the future coming of the Lord, a focus the Bible calls hope -(see Romans 8:18–30). The natural result of this supernatural process is humility (remember Job's testimony) and love. Living in the light of His coming gradually destroys the urge to heap to ourselves things; the consequent lessening of fear we find replaced by a growing freedom to give sacrificially, that is, to love. Just as 1st Corinthians 13 indicates, hope is maturing faith which is producing the "greatest," love.

So . . . Christ is the Truth, revealed through His word in Scripture and in the world, perceived by the believer with the eye of faith through the agency of His mind. As the believer looks at "things not seen," his inner man is being renewed day by day, producing for him through affliction an "eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison."

We, as Christians evaluate our growth toward Christ-likeness on the basis of the checklists in Scripture, which are epitomized by humility and servanthood. When we judge ourselves lacking, we do not try to be more than, or less than, because we know that the Christian life is not a staccato of good deeds, but a continuum, Christ's life. We recognize blindness or short-sightedness as the real culprit, and we concentrate upon improving the quality and quantity of his vision of the Father of lights, as explained in 1st Peter 1:9.

Now, rather than being puzzled and condemned by verses such as 1st John 3:3, we beholders are blessed. It is not that we purify ourselves by trying to emulate Christ's purity. Instead, we purify ourselves by fixing our hope on Christ; by degrees Christ's purity becomes ours, through the ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Many Christians read, even study, the Bible, and never look for God Himself to be revealed. Such a simple question: You ask, "What has this piece of Scripture to do with God?" The answer is deep, big enough to involve a lifetime of prayer, research, meditation, help from others, and above all, thinking. To the growing Christian, the insights which seemed so complete and satisfying yesterday, open his eyes to new trails needing exploration today. The prophetic word really does become "a light shining in a dark place;" "the day dawns" and "morning arises" in the believer's heart. Like David, he seeks "to behold the beauty of the Lord and to meditate in His temple." -(Psalm 27:4) Hearing God's command, "Seek My face," the beholder, like David, responds, "Thy face, Lord, will I seek." -(Psalm 27:8) Such Christians are prone to cut through the empty repetition which characterizes much preaching, teaching, and writing, to demand of themselves and their mentors: "Sirs, we would see Jesus!"

In the best of times, however, we find ourselves spending many more hours in activities other than searching out the revelation of Christ in the Scriptures. These other projects are carried on in the domain of the creation, the "dark glass" which also constantly reflects the power and Godhead of its Creator, "and but the beholder wanting; which two when once they meet the heart rears wings bold and bolder and hurls for him, O half hurls earth for him off

under his feet." In fact, as I have already pointed out, Romans 10:17 is set in the context of the creation's proclaiming, "The Hand that shaped me is divine."

The year that King Uzziah died, when Isaiah saw the Lord in His splendor, the attending angels directed attention to the whole earth which, claimed they, was full of the glory of God. And when God unveiled for Job the panorama of His power in nature, Job's response is enlightening: "I have heard of Thee by the hearing of the ear; but now my eye sees Thee." Like Isaiah, Job was overcome with repentance and humility; "... therefore I retract, and I repent in dust and ashes."

Those blinded to the light of God reflected from the mirror of nature automatically stumble from rationality into a dream land where "sacred" and "secular" form mutually exclusive sets. With this false dichotomy— this perversion of reality—pervading their lives, they lip-serve God on Sunday, but expend most of their energy in the worship and service of the creation.

This type of pernicious thinking is nothing new. The Bible records a dramatic instance of it in 1st Kings 20. I realize that many a sermon uses this passage to (correctly) illustrate that God is with us in our sorrows (valleys) as well as in our "mountain top" experiences. As history, however, the Syrian king, Ben-Hadad, was willing to grant God the actual hills, but claimed the actual plains for himself. Although the children of Israel, in battle array, were "like two little flocks of goats, while the Syrians filled the countryside," God allowed the Israelites to eat Ben-Hadad's lunch. Why? "Because the Syrians have said, 'The Lord is God of the hills, but He is not God of the valleys'" -(vs. 28). A human involved in an ownership dispute with the Creator over a portion of His creation is in a no-win situation. This is true whether it's the plains of Aphek or the universal language that is mathematics.

One last observation regarding 1st Kings 20. God is explaining the correct worldview to His people, not to the pagans. Before I came to Jesus, my worldview was bound to be wrong. Error is the normal milieu for the unbeliever. But now in Christ, with the Holy Spirit to lead me into the truth, I have no excuse to cling to a secular/sacred, compartmentalized, idolatrous perspective of life in the universe, falsely and futilely trying to exclude God from any part of it.

Ultimately, I may construct in my mind an approximation of the mathematical model rose which God holds in His mind, "to think His thought after Him" in the language fabric of nature, mathematics.

These thoughts and memories stir in me gratitude and praise, echoing Revelation 4:11, "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory, honor, and power, for Thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure thy were and are created."

Thus I "behold" the Creator of the roses in my neighbor's yard. Beholders appreciate the function and purpose of time, without an accounting for which a worldview is deficient. In

the past God predestined Christians to be like His Son; now they are becoming like Him by beholding His glory; in the future, they will be like Him because they will face Him.

Though solidly real and indispensably practical, beholding God's glory bouncing off mathematics is utterly dependent on faith, which is spiritual sight. How does the Christian teacher de-secularize the whole area of applications of mathematics, the vocational, tangible aspect? Judged by the course descriptions cited previously, many Christian colleges either are not aware of the problem or choose to ignore it. Christian high schools fair no better. A typical description: "Mathematics opens the door to many career opportunities and advanced studies in any of the science and engineering schools." Reading this, the student doubts not that, for his Christian mentors, the only reason to study mathematics is to make merchandise of it. The latter then are puzzled when the former develops into a worshiper of materialism, and a pharisaic one at that.

Applications of mathematics to nature, under which are subsumed, directly or indirectly, mathematics-oriented vocations, are governed by the principle expressed in Genesis 1:26–28 and Psalm 8, the so-called "cultural mandate." God commands His children to subdue and replenish the earth and take dominion over it. Christians are governed by this executive order as long as they live on the earth, and it impinges on every occupation. A minister, referring to a member of his congregation, proclaimed from the pulpit, "George does dentistry to put food on the table, but his real vocation is leading his patients to Christ." George should be encouraged to provide for his family, and be ready to give an answer for the hope that is in him. If, however, George (or his pastor, for that matter) is unaware of the part his profession per se plays in subduing and replenishing the creation; if he denigrates it; if, in fact, he views it as other than a sacrament in the context of 1st Corinthians 10:31 or Colossians 3:17, he grievously errs. His God is much too small. Worse, he has made an idol of his profession, vainly imagining it existing outside God's purview.

But greater is He who is in us than he who is in the world. Through His power, in faithfulness and patience, it is possible for Christian schools and colleges to graduate students who, rather than worshiping and serving mathematics, worship and serve the Father of lights, from whom mathematics comes. For a lot of people, the Bible and mathematics are dry subjects, but not for Edwin Sherman – he believes he's found how the two fit together.

Sherman, founder of the Isaac Newton Bible Code Research Society and a professional mathematician, is convinced that the Hebrew Bible contains coded messages that are evidence of God's authorship of the Bible. His book, 'Bible Code Bombshell: Compelling Scientific Evidence that God Authored the Bible,' describes numerous examples of encoded phrases and sentences that are both lengthy and relevant to the text where they were found.

In 1997, Michael Drosnin, a newspaper reporter, wrote 'The Bible Code,' a book based on the work of Israeli mathematician Eli Rips that attained popularity in 1997, in part, from Drosnin's claim that future events, such as the Holocaust, Yitzak Rabin's assassination and the Gulf War were encoded in the Bible.

Such claims invited attacks from skeptics like mathematician and physicist Dave Thomas, who wrote in 1997, "Hidden messages can be found anywhere provided you're willing to invest time and effort to harvest the vast field of probability. He, Drosnin, underestimates the power of chance combined with the brute force of computers. He says these messages are beyond the power of chance, and I've proven they are not."

Another skeptic-turned-believer, who was convinced he could prove Drosnin's messages to be fakes or statistical artifacts, was Edwin Sherman. Sherman says he found most of Drosnin's examples trivial. "They were the simple kinds of words and phrases you might find if you searched for encoded messages in the Jerusalem phone book," he once told the 'Southern Oregon News'. But he was intrigued enough to develop his own software and begin analyzing the Masoretic text of the Old Testament. "I was very skeptical about the whole thing," he says. "I started a project to try and show the whole thing was bogus."

Instead, he says he found many examples of messages that went beyond simple words and phrases – and they often were contextually similar to the Biblical passage in which they were found. "Finding dozens of lengthy encoded messages on the same topic in one short section of text is about as likely as winning a one-in-a-million jackpot ten times in a row," he told the paper. "Basically, it cannot happen by chance."

The process of searching for encoded messages involves analysis of the Biblical Hebrew text in digital form. The Scriptures are encoded by removing all spaces between words and creating long strings of letters. According to Sherman, vowels are inserted in the strings of letters – the Hebrew alphabet lacks vowels – following standard rules based on the sequence of consonants. Software then analyzes the strings in search of patterns based on equidistant letter sequences.

"The shorter an expression, the easier it is to find," Sherman notes "but when we find longer statements that have a connection to the actual biblical passage, and we find those longer statements with frequency, it leads us to believe that those statements were purposely implanted in the Bible by God."

Some of the most compelling evidence of a mathematical pattern in the Hebrew text comes from the 53rd chapter of Isaiah, a passage most Bible scholars see as messianic and which Christians have traditionally seen as prophecy about Jesus.

Sherman developed a baseline using non-encoded Hebrew texts as his standard of comparison for determining whether the number of messages he found in a Biblical passage were statistically significant. Isaiah 53 proved to be a rich cluster of hidden messages, containing 42 encoded statements relating to Jesus' death, resurrection and ascension, far more than his baseline predicted.

CODES ABOUT JESUS IN THE 'SUFFERING SERVANT' PASSAGE OF ISAIAH 52:13-53:12

Name	Begins	Word	Ltr	Interval
Yeshua Shmi ("Jesus is my name")	53:10	11	4	-20
Nazarene	53:6	11	3	47
Messiah	53:11	1	1	-42
Shiloh	53:12	21	4	19
Passover	53:10	13	3	-62
Galilee	53:7	1	2	-32
Herod	53:6	4	1	-29
Caesar	53:11	7	4	-194
The Evil Roman City	53:9	13	2	-7
Caiaphas (high priest)	52:15	7	3	41
Annas (high priest)	53:3	6	5	-45
Mary	53:11	1	1	-23
Mary	53:10	7	3	6
Mary	53:9	13	3	44
The Disciples	53:12	2	3	-55
Peter	53:10	11	5	-14
Matthew	53:8	12	1	-295
John	53:10	11	4	-28
Andrew	53:4	11	1	-48

Philip	53:5	10	3	-133
Thomas	53:2	8	1	35
James	52:2	9	3	-34
James	52:2	3	4	-20
Simon	52:14	2	1	47
Thaddeus	53:12	9	1	-50
Matthias	53:5	7	4	-11
Let Him Be Crucified	53:8	6	2	15
His Cross	53:6	2	2	-8
Pierce	52:10	15	3	-92
Lamp of the Lord	53:5	5	7	20
His Signature	52:7	8	4	49
Bread	53:12	2	3	26
Wine	53:5	11	2	210
From Zion	52:14	6	1	45
Moriah	52:7	4	5	153
Obed	53:7	3	2	-19
Jesse	52:9	3	1	-19
Seed	52:15	2	2	-19
Water	52:7	9	1	-19
Levites	53:3	3	6	19
From the Atonement Lamb	52:12	12	2	-19
Joseph	53:2	1	2	210

As evidence, Sherman points to statements such as "Gushing from above, my mighty name arose upon Jesus, and the clouds rejoiced," "Dreadful day for Mary," "In his name as he commanded, Jesus is the way," "Resurrection of Jesus, he is risen indeed," and others that echo Isaiah's prophecy. Do note the one name that is not found in the Isaiah 52:13-53:12 passage.

It is the coherence between the hidden messages and the Hebrew text from which they are drawn that excites Sherman, who has no interest in predicting the future or looking for new "truths." The messages plucked from the text are more like divine fingerprints.

"The Bible itself claims to be written by God, and when the subject of the encoded messages ties in so closely with the subject of the literal text, it has to make you take notice," Sherman told the paper. "I just want ... to capture the curiosity of skeptics and cause them to consider the possibility that the Bible is not written by men, but by God, and should therefore be taken very seriously."

Although I have taken more time to defend the basic point that God is the True Author of the King James Bible, it is important for you to understand that you will find critics of the Bible, and some of them are mathematicians and some theologians. They will attack the premise of 'The Inspired Word of God: Mathematically Proven True'. They will attack the Bible from every imagineable aspect possible. Several sites on the Internet have gone to great lengths to deceive by citing so-called discrepancies in the Bible. What is their motive other than to destroy the faith of believers. These trolls are servants of groups seeking to take people with them to hell.

I never expected to convert anyone to believe the Bible on the evidence of my work, rather my objective was to strengthen faith of those believing that Jesus Christ was God Incarnate, and every page of the Bible is about Him. For more than two decades, I have been saying that we were near the completion of our race. World events, rumors of wars, the collapse of the moral fiber of the world around us are all proving my point of the nearness of God's intervention into a world that is on a course of self destruction.

Let me shift tracks here and turn to the second of those three mathematical properties so basic to the Word of God.

The phenomena of **phi** (Greek letter) **Phi** ϕ , the Fibonacci number series is <u>also known</u> as the Divine proportion, Golden Proportion, Golden mean, Golden ratio, Golden spiral, Golden rectangle. To me this is such clear evidence of God's existence and His mighty genius in the creation of all things in nature. If you've never heard of this, look into it – you will be amazed! But here are some facts and examples to get you started.

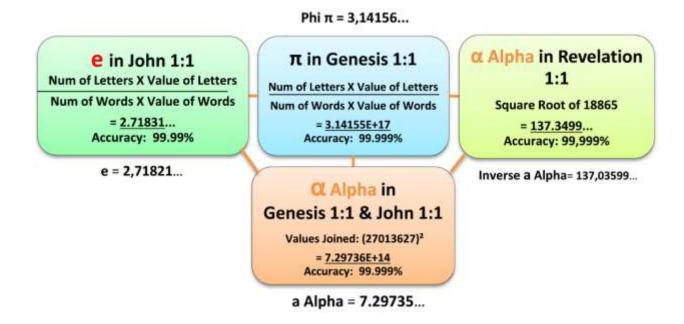
In mathematics, the Fibonacci series are the numbers in the following sequence of integers: **0**, **1**, **1**, **2**, **3**, **5**, **8**, **13**, **21**, **34**, **55**, **89**, **144**, etc. where the first two numbers are 0 and 1, and each subsequent number = the sum of the previous 2 numbers. **Phi** ϕ is revealed in the Bible in a variety of examples as you will soon see.

The illustration below is perhaps one of the greatest proofs for God, if not the greatest proof in the Bible! It is an irrefutable fact for God as the Master Mathematician! For over nearly six decades, I have heard hundreds, if not thousands, tell me that you cannot prove the Bible. Thirty years ago, I set about to disprove that premise. From time to time, my congregants would often bait me. I never failed to take their bait and at the drop of a pin, I launched my retort. I began by offering a non-conventional form of evangelism in a presentation that I promoted as, "Mining the Diamonds and Nuggets of the Bible."

The basic point that I make here is that God has gone to great lengths to facilitate our discovery of crumbs by which God even directs our path to the doors of the evidence. God's creativity never ceases to amaze this old student of His Word!

Who said there is no Proof of God?

"The fool hath said in his heart, there is no God." -(Psalm 14:1)



Math & Physics Encoded into Three Verses

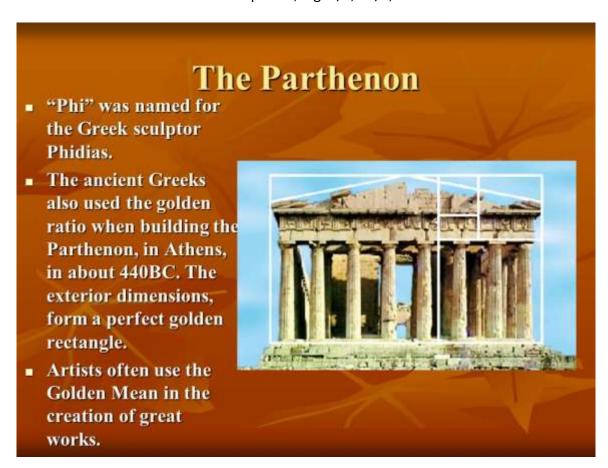
Here we see God encoded Mathematics and Physics into 3 verses:

- **Genesis 1:1** (the first verse & creation verse)
- **John 1:1** (the creation verse in the New Testament)
- Revelation 1:1 (Last book of the bible)

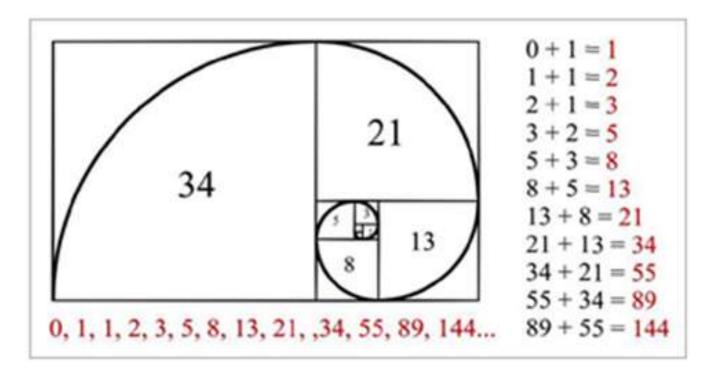
We clearly see that we get π & e from Genesis 1:1 and John 1:1 in the same way!

Combining the two values from **Genesis 1:1** & **John 1:1** into one number and then multiply by itself gives us **a** Alpha (2,718..), which is one of the **a** alpha's. The other is to invert **a** Alpha (137) which is found in **Revelation 1:1**.

Phi ϕ = 1.6180339887... or the ratio of any Fibonacci number to the previous number in the sequence, e.g. 8/5, 13/8, etc.

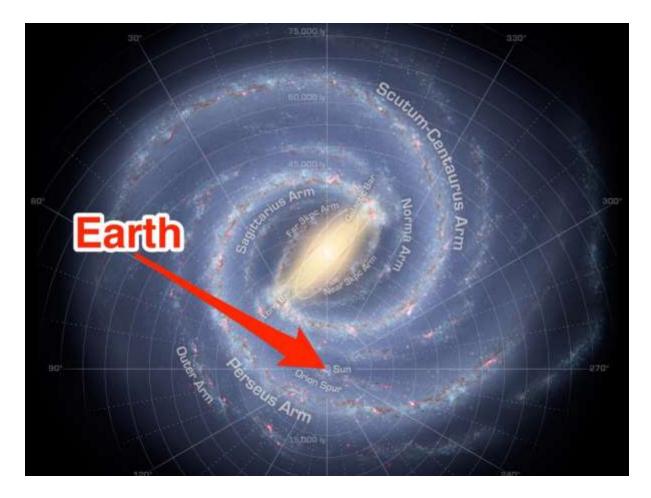


Golden Spiral



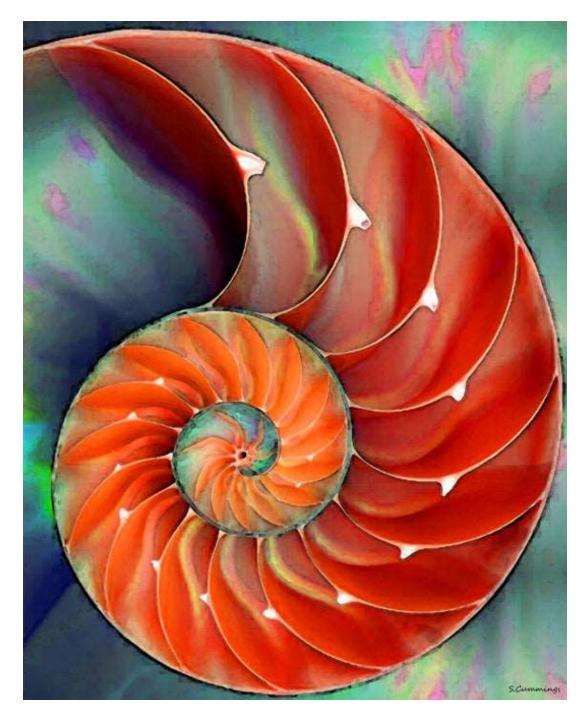
The Fibonacci series is named after Leonardo of Pisa, who introduced the sequence to Western European mathematics, although the sequence had been described much earlier in Indian mathematics. Fibonacci numbers are used in the analysis of financial markets. They also appear in biological settings, such as branching in trees, arrangement of leaves on a stem, the fruit spouts of a pineapple, the flowering of an artichoke, an uncurling fern and the arrangement of a pine cone.

You can see this divine proportion of beauty in every aspect of creation, from botany to zoology, to the human body, the human face in particular, in the color spectrum, in musical scales and chords, in astronomy, in architecture, even in the patterns of our DNA! It is especially true for this chapter, in God's instructions to the Jews in building such articles as the Holy **Ark of the Covenant, Noah's Ark**, and the color arrangements in the Jewish **Tabernacle** in Exodus. God evidently designed the universe with this ratio as the basis of its appearance, from the microcosm to the macrocosm. Here are just a few examples of this phenomenon. We are located in the universe on one of the outward spirals of the Milky Way Galaxy.



The Milky Way Galaxy

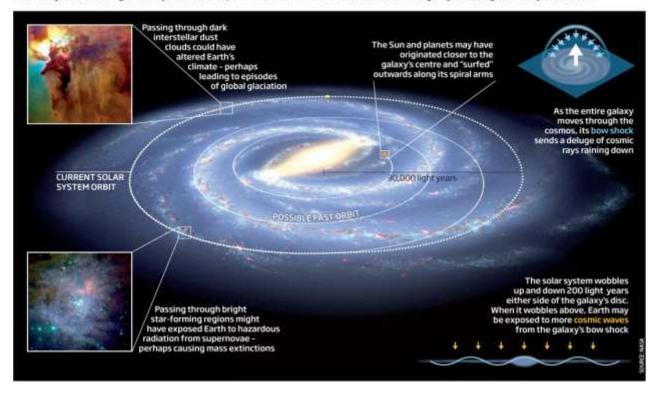
Every time I see this picture, I am in awe of the Creator's playground. It is usually in the fall of the year that the Milky Way Galaxy becomes more visibly distinct to the human eye. The Milky Way is a barred spiral galaxy, about 100,000 light-years across. If you could look down on it from the top, you would see a central bulge surrounded by four large spiral arms that wrap around it. Spiral galaxies make up about two-thirds of the galaxies in the universe. Unlike a regular spiral, a barred spiral contains a bar across its center region, and has two major arms. The Milky Way also contains two significant minor arms, as well as two smaller spurs. One of the spurs, known as the Orion Arm, contains the sun and the solar system. The Orion arm is located between two major arms, Perseus and Sagittarius. The Milky Way does not sit still, but is constantly rotating. As such, the arms are moving through space. The sun and the solar system travel with them. The solar system travels at an average speed of 515,000 mph (828,000 km/h). Even at this rapid speed, the solar system would take about 230 million years to travel all the way around the Milky Way. We are moving at around 1,070 miles per hour, even as I sit at my computer typing this information.



A **Nautilus seashell** is one of the most exquisite examples of the divine proportion. From one of the smallest examples to the vast cosmic realm of the Galaxy.

Our way through the Milky Way

The solar system is travelling at a steady 220 kilometres per second in a circular orbit around the centre of the galaxy - but it might not always have done so



At the center of the galaxy is the galactic bulge. The heart of the Milky Way is crammed full of gas, dust, and stars. The bulge is the reason that you can only see a small percentage of the total stars in the galaxy. Dust and gas within it are so thick that you can't even peer into the bulge of the Milky Way, much less see out the other side.

Tucked inside the very center of the galaxy is a monstrous black hole, billions of times as massive as the sun. This supermassive black hole may have started off smaller, but the ample supply of dust and gas allowed it to gorge itself and grow into a giant. The greedy glutton also consumes whatever stars it can get a grip on. Although black holes cannot be directly viewed, scientists can see their gravitational effects as they change and distort the paths of the material around it, or as they fire off jets. Most galaxies are thought to have a black hole in their heart.

Some plants have beautiful repeating spiral patterns to their structures that incorporate the so-called **golden angle** (approx. 137.5 degrees). Math buffs, artists, and mystics will appreciate that the golden angle is related to the "divine proportion" that frequently appears in aesthetically-pleasing forms. Below is a close-up of a pineapple.

Plants with spiral patterns related to the golden angle also display another curious mathematical property. The seeds of a flower head form interlocking spirals in both clockwise and counterclockwise directions. The number of clockwise spirals differs from the number of



counter-clockwise spirals, and these two numbers are called the plant's parastichy numbers (pronounced pi-RAS-tik-ee or PEHR-us-tik-ee). These numbers have a remarkable consistency. They are almost always two consecutive **Fibonacci numbers**.

We find Phi ϕ , in the Bible and in all of God's Creation: Although perhaps not immediately obvious, Phi ϕ and the golden ratio appear in the Bible through a number of means.

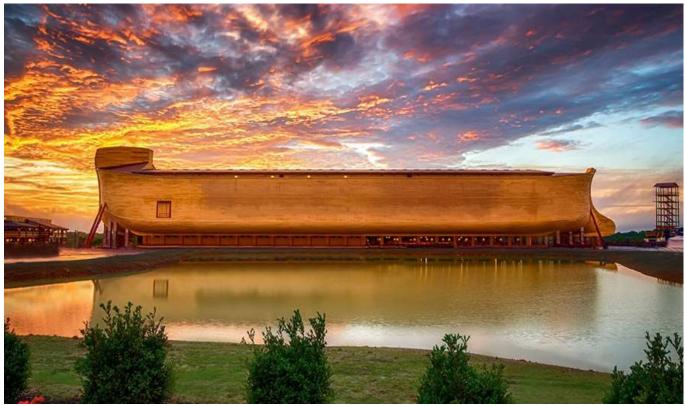
In Exodus 25:10, God commands Moses to build the **Ark of the Covenant**, in which to hold His Covenant with the Israelites, the Ten Commandments, saying, "Have them make a chest of acacia wood- two and a half cubits long, a cubit and a half wide, and a cubit and a

half high." The ratio of 2.5 to 1.5 is 1.666..., which is as close to Phi ϕ (1.618 ...) as you can come with such simple numbers and is certainly not visibly different to the eye. The Ark of the Covenant is thus constructed using the Golden Section, or Divine Proportion. This ratio is also the same as 5 to 3 ratio, numbers from the Fibonacci series.

In Exodus 27:1-2, we find that the altar God commands Moses to build is based on a variation of the same 5 by 3



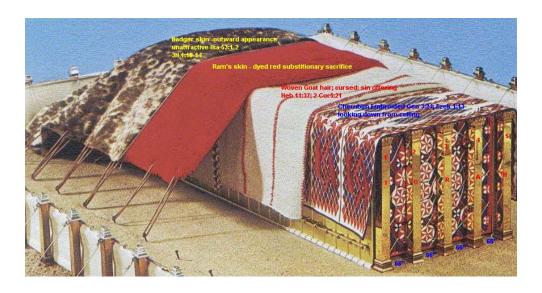
theme: "Build an altar of acacia wood, three cubits high; it is to be square, five cubits long and five cubits wide." A cubit is the measure of the forearm below the elbow.



Life-size Noah's Ark near Williamstown, Northern Kentucky

Noah's Ark uses a Golden Rectangle

In Genesis 6:15, God commands Noah to build an ark saying, "And this is the fashion which thou shalt make it of: The length of the ark shall be three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits." Thus the end of the ark, at 50 by 30 cubits, is also in the ratio of 5 to 3, or 1.666..., again a close approximation of Phi not visibly different to the naked eye. Noah's ark was built in the same proportion as ten arks of the covenant placed side by side. Noah's Ark measurements are the perfect dimensions for stability (remaining upright without propulsion or an external rudder), meaning God protected Noah, his family, and cargo to be safe while at sea for the period that the Ark was afloat. Ship builders, whether they be yachts for the rich and famous, cruise ships for the want-a-be rich and famous, or the 100,000-ton Gerald R. Ford aircraft carrier for the U.S. Navy, all rely on the Biblical principle of Phi to bring together God's perfect ratio in their finished design and product.

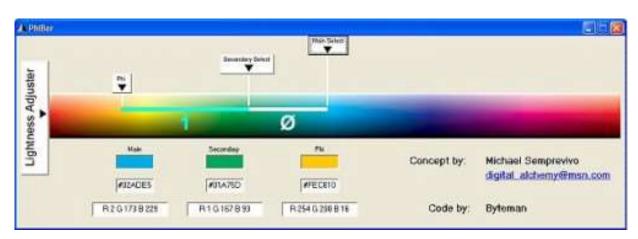


The colors of the Tabernacle are based on a phi ϕ relationship

As it says in Exodus 26:1, "Make the tabernacle with ten curtains of finely twisted linen and blue, purple and scarlet yarn, with cherubim worked into them by a skilled craftsman." This reference to the combination blue, purple and scarlet in the construction of the tabernacle appears 24 times in Exodus 25 through 39, describing the colors to be used in the curtains, waistbands, breast pieces, sashes and garments.

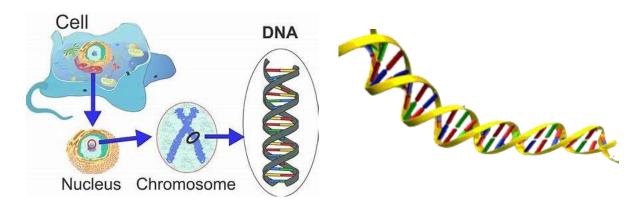
Phi ϕ relationships in a color spectrum produce the rich, appealing color rainbow combinations

Michael Semprevivo has introduced a concept called the *PhiBar*, which applies *Phi* ϕ relationships to frequencies, or wavelengths, in the spectrum of visible colors in light. Colors in the spectrum that are related by distances based on *Phi* ϕ or the golden section produce very rich and visually appealing combinations. This is illustrated below on the screen shot of his *PhiBar* program



The *PhiBar* produces the color combinations of the Tabernacle as described in the Bible. Using the *PhiBar* program above, J.D. Ahmanson discovered that it produces the colors that the Bible says God gave to Moses for the construction of the Tabernacle.

The DNA Spiral is a Golden Section



The DNA molecule, the program for all life, is based on the golden section. It measures 34 angstroms long by 21 angstroms wide for each full cycle of its double helix spiral. 34 and 21, of course, are numbers in the Fibonacci series and their ratio, **1.6190476** closely approximates **Phi** ϕ , **1.6180339**.

Musical scales are based on Fibonacci numbers



The Fibonacci series appears in the foundation of aspects of art, beauty and life. Even music has a foundation in the series, as: There are 13 notes in the span of any note through its octave. A scale is composed of 8 notes, of which the 5th and 3rd notes create the basic foundation of all chords, and are based on whole tone which is 2 steps from the root tone, that is the 1st note of the scale.

Note too how the piano keyboard scale of C to C above of 13 keys has 8 white keys and 5 black keys, split into groups of 3 and 2. While some might "note" that there are only 12 "notes" in the scale, if you don't have a root and octave, a start and an end, you have no means of calculating the gradations in between, so this 13th note as the octave is essential to computing the frequencies of the other notes. The word "octave" comes from the Latin word

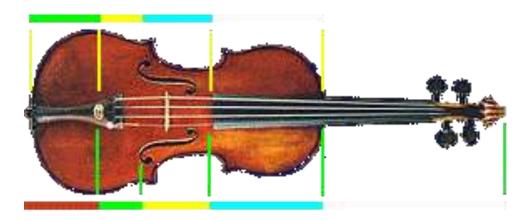
for 8, referring to the eight whole tones of the complete musical scale, which in the key of C is C-D-E-F-G-A-B-C.

In a scale, the dominant note is the 5th note of the major scale, which is also the 8th note of all 13 notes that comprise the octave. This provides an added instance of Fibonacci numbers in key musical relationships. What's more, the typical three chord song in the key of A is made up of A, its Fibonacci & **Phi** ϕ , partner E, and D, to which A bears the same relationship as E does to A. This is analogous to the "A is to B as B is to C" basis for the golden section, or in this case "D is to A as A is to E."

My wife has been a church organist and pianist for 35 years; and when I shared this with her, she was unaware of its presence. None of her music teachers ever taught her this lesson of how **Phi** ϕ , is at the center of music. Having no musical background training, I took a course in seminary called "Music for the Pastor" where I was taught this Biblical concept in music.

Musical instruments are often based on Phi $oldsymbol{\phi}$

Fibonacci numbers and **Phi** ϕ , are used in the design of violins and even in the design of high-quality speaker wire.



Have you seen enough? Isn't God awesome in His precise and beautiful engineering? And to think that some still believe it all happened by chance! I could go on but this chapter is getting long! Do look into it yourself and be more amazed!

I can tell you that anyone who goes about attempting to prove the Bible is true, will encounter criticism of all kinds so as to destroy its legitimacy. It will be branded fake, a hoax, which will include an infinite number of derogatory comments. I share the story of Brendan McKay's attack on the Bible Codes. Thinking they had made quick work of it, leading code skeptics Brendan McKay and David Thomas thought they had torpedoed an *Associated Press* story about a code finding by the *'Bible Code Digest'* (BCD). For four years, (BCD) ignored their

attack, seeing their arguments as so faulty as to be self-evident to most discerning readers. Brendan McKay is an Australian professor of computer science.

Several years later a reader's e-mail again raised the same issue McKay and Thomas had. They realized it was an issue that warranted further investigation. To their astonishment, an earlier 22-letter-long code find using Bible Codes 2000 software turned into a 40-letter-long code using CodeFinder. Further, the content of the longer code fit its context with thorough appropriateness.

This 22-letter-long code appeared in the highly controversial passage of Isaiah 53, with a skip of minus 20 (-20). McKay and Thomas had noted that in some Hebrew texts, the last letter of this code would be different — because of a letter difference in verse 5. "With only 21 letters it falls apart," concluded McKay.

However, when the folks at (BCD) examined this code using CodeFinder software,, the final code that emerged was 40-letters-long. It reads:

"Gushing from above, Jesus is my mighty name, and my clouds rejoiced.

Where? At the mountain, said Levi. Their light came. God is in it."

Bible code skeptics are famous for jumping to conclusions. Michael Drosnin, a newspaper journalist, would seize **on the shakiest of evidence and attempt to proclaim some warning to a world leader.** Often code skeptics are in a similar class. Leaping to a desired conclusion is emotionally satisfying, but the advancement of human knowledge is typically sacrificed. Ed Sherman notes:

"Over the last few years, we have received a few e-mails regarding the 22-letter code, which reads, "Gushing from above, Yeshua is my mighty name, and the clouds rejoiced." Alternatively, the middle section of the code could also be translated, "My mighty name arises upon Yeshua." These e-mails came from readers who had tried to find the code using CodeFinder software and were unable to do so. We had used Bible Codes 2000 software to find the code. In the Correspondence section of our August 2004 issue, we noted that the reason for this was a one letter difference in the fifth verse of Isaiah 53 between the Hebrew texts scanned by the two versions of the software."

While this explanation was probably sufficient to resolve the concerns of many readers, the letter difference was used as an occasion for two prominent code skeptics to jump to hasty conclusions about the validity of their (BCD) findings. On page 10 of NMSR.org, Dave Thomas wrote the following in response to an Associated Press story (dated September 30, 2000) about the Bible Code Digest finding:

"On October 17th, I contacted Bible Code expert Brendan McKay in Australia about the "stunning" new code. McKay told me "Funniest thing about it is that the supposed 22-letter ELS does not actually exist. I tried 4 different editions of Isaiah and all of them have the last required

letter out of place by one. With only 21 letters it falls apart (plural changes to singular then the verb doesn't match, etc.). Also, the Hebrew is appalling, according to my Israeli friends. In any case you can read the same sequence of letters in lots of ways . . ."

McKay supplied some actual alternative translations of the sentence in question, including adding a letter at the beginning with the right skip. These translations are far from what was claimed by Jacobi and Sherman — so far, in fact, that they chose not to present them so as not to offend our Christian browsers. At any rate, it appears this latest "stunning" Bible Code confirmation falls short of the mark, once again.

What is so astonishing to me is the obviously invalid reasoning exercised by Dr. McKay in his statement and their ability to deceive folks. One would think that a noted professor of computer science would be more careful in his thinking, but the eagerness with which many code skeptics jump to conclusions is quite revealing. First, Dr. McKay draws the conclusion that the code "does not actually exist" because he couldn't find it in four different editions of the Isaiah text that he had available. To reach that conclusion, the venerable professor had to make the assumption that he is the proprietor of all respectable Hebrew texts of the book of Isaiah. His assumption is false — since the Koren version used by the Bible Codes 2000 software we used is well regarded by Hebrew scholars. Evidently, Dr. McKay believes that God would only encode the texts he possesses, and not other well regarded Biblical texts. For a man who does not believe in God, this is a rather strange thing to assume.

Next, Dr. McKay makes another unsupportable leap: "With only 21 letters it falls apart (plural changes to singular then the verb doesn't match, etc.)." While the appropriate thing to suppose is that the revised code likely would be different, somehow McKay didn't want to miss an opportunity to arrive at his desired conclusion.

After mulling over McKay's assertion, it occurred to (BCD) that he had not considered another possibility: that the code might be longer if one of these alternative texts had been searched. So they did the search using CodeFinder. To their amazement, a 40-letter long code emerged from the string:

שקק מעל ישוע שמי עז ששו עבי--אנ בהר שח לוי נר מבא בו הי

Gushing from above, Yeshua is my mighty name, and my clouds rejoiced. Where? At the mountain, said Levi. Their light came. God is in it.

Notice that "the clouds rejoiced" changes to "my clouds rejoiced" at the end of the 21-letter-long code that remained after removing the last letter of the 22-letter-long code (BCD) reported. So, contrary to McKay's assertion, the string that is one letter shorter than the one they presented is also an acceptable code with a very similar translation to the earlier code. Furthermore, the new 21-letter-long code is followed by a 19-letter-long code. So the net effect of the criticism of these two code skeptics was that it motivated us to look for, and find, a longer code.

Getting back to McKay's remarks, 'Bible Code Digest' noted that next engaged in a surprising act of weak scholarship. He asserts, "Also, the Hebrew is appalling, according to my Israeli friends." So we are to believe his assertion, even though we are not told either the identity or the credentials of any of McKay's friends. And we are to ignore the credentials of Dr. Jacobi, which have been posted as an answer to the third question on the FAQ's page of our web site for the past several years. Dr. Jacobi was educated in Israel from 1945 through 1969, and he stays current by reading the news in Hebrew on an Israeli web site and is constantly conversing with his Hebrew speaking wife. He also communicates often with his two children, who live in Israel.

Continuing on, McKay then states, "In any case you can read the same sequence of letters in lots of ways . . ." What is omitted is the real question that should be answered: "What translation consists of the best Hebrew?" It would seem that McKay is so eager to discredit Bible codes that he is willing to make assertions that appear to support his case — even though they ignore the real questions at hand.

Dave Thomas concludes his review by stating that the "latest 'stunning' Bible code confirmation falls short of the mark, once again." Yet, "falling short of the mark" seems a fitting description of the critique he and McKay offered.

"My clouds rejoiced" vs. "the clouds rejoiced"

They first look at the end of the old 22-letter-long code and how it changed. Does the ending of the 21-letter code make more or less sense? Is there any difference in possible meaning between "the clouds rejoiced" and "my clouds rejoiced?"

Clouds have long been a symbol of the presence of God -(cf. Psalms 18:9-12, 68:4, 104:3 and 148:8). In Exodus 13:21-22, the Lord guided the children of Israel by a pillar of cloud in the day.

The researchers at the 'Bible Code Digest' (BCD) quietly go about their research, and a few years ago stopped taking subscriptions to the (BCD). In 2005, they published their book 'Bible Code Bombshell'. R. Edwin Sherman is a Fellow of the Casualty Actuarial Society (F.C.A.S.) and a Member of the American Academy of Actuaries (M.A.A.A.). [Actuaries use probability and statistical analysis to help manage self-insurance programs and insurance companies.]

Scientist and engineer, Greg Braden has done extensive research on human DNA, and confirms there is a mysterious number system that is related to the letters of languages. He wrote about this in his 2005 book 'The God Code'. I purchased the book in 2008 and read it slowly and methodically over a period of about two months. Scientists discovered a message from God in the Human DNA Code! It later appeared in an article in the February, 2013 edition of the Christian publication, 'Tomorrow's World', by John Barbatis. The substance of the article was based upon the original work of Crick and Watson, co-founders of the chemical structure of the DNA Double-Helix. In 1962, Crick, Watson, and Wilkins received the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine. After their discovery of the DNA double helix, the understanding of life began to change. Most diseases, like Alzheimer's and melanoma, occur because of DNA damage. By understanding that the cause of the disease is due to DNA damage, it was thought possible that cures can be customized toward repair of the affected area.

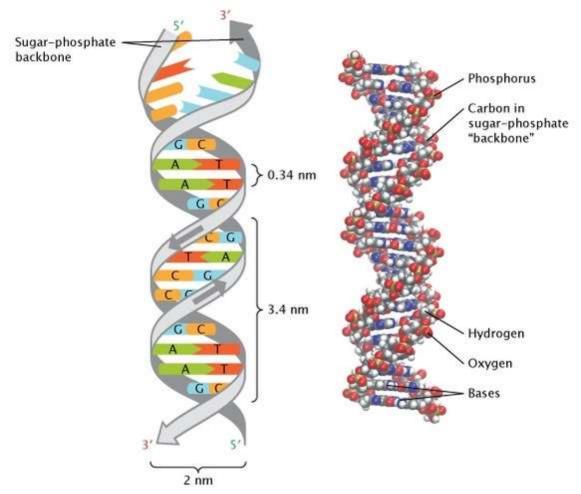
Here's What God Said,"Hello my children. This is Yahweh, the one true Lord. You have found creation's secret. Now share it peacefully with the world." This passage was founded in the top layer of the human DNA genome by scientists and bilinguists at Harvard University. It was published in the prestigious magazine 'Nature' around the same time as the story in 'Tomorrow's World'. It appeared in a number of Christian publications as well. I venture to guess that most of you have not heard about Greg Braden's discovery, and the message above. DNA comes from intelligence, and confirms an infinite designer that we know as God.

Scientists Discovered Message from God in Human DNA Code!

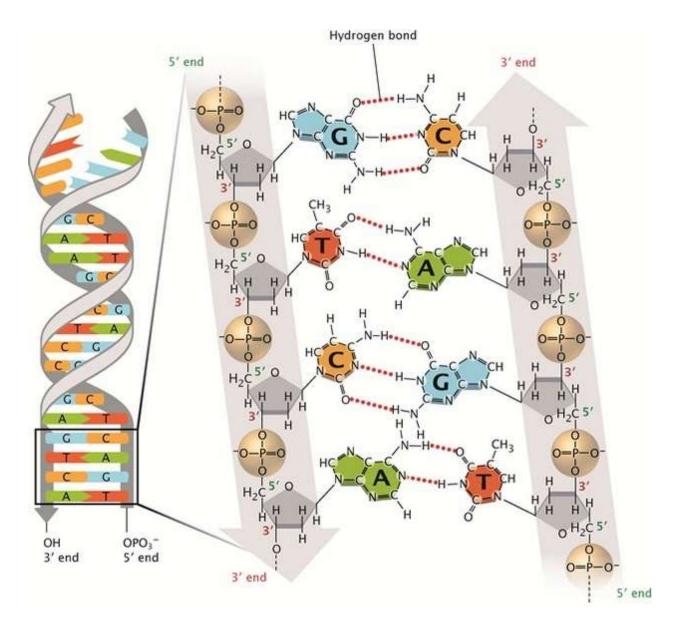
Here's What God Said, "Hello my children. This is Yahweh, the one true Lord. You have found creation's secret. Now share it peacefully with the world."

I share this here now for several reasons, chiefly to give you confirmation from the world of science, DNA and genetics, which is the corroboration of matters of faith. I shared with readers that incredible truth that God has encoded the three primary mathematical properties of Pi π , Phi ϕ , and Euler $\mathcal C$, given to us in the mathematics of Gematria to reveal that God is the Author of the manuscripts used to translate the King James Bible in English. The reality of that precludes all possibilities that humans had anything to do with writing the Bible other than to transcribe to scrolls what the Creator spoke to and through them! Secondly, of importance is that you do not become discouraged by the nay-sayers and scoffers of Bible Codes, or for that matter, what I am sharing in this 2-volume series on 'The Inspired Word of God Mathematically Proven True!'

What Greg Braden shared above has been disputed by Internet trolls who claimed that it was all a hoax. But, I did my own investigation to settle the issue. 'Nature' magazine is a highly respected and prestigious scientific journal. I referenced it in college and seminary and for me it was clear that, if it wasn't true, the magazine would either confirm or reject the allegation. 'Nature' magazine, had, in fact, published an article containing the above statement. The story above discovered by Greg Braden is True! He discusses it in his book 'The God Code'. The substance of the story pertained to the earlier work of the Crick and Watson discovery of the chemical structure of DNA, short for DNA, which stands for deoxyribonucleic acid, which is the molecule that carries genetic information in humans and all other living organisms. Deoxyribonucleic acid is composed of four chemical bases: adenine, guanine, cytosine and thymine. The sequence of these bases within DNA encodes genetic information.



Crick and Watson were part of a team of four researchers responsible for the discovery of the basic building blocks of life. The illustration above and on the next page reveal the complexity of the double-helix, and the subsequent three-quarters of a century work in refuting the Darwinian theory of Evolution. Creation Science today is built around the concept of intelligent design. The very term "intelligent design" implies a designer of incredible intelligence, from which we derive the term to be referring to God the Creator of all life!



As one can see from the two illustrations above, the DNA molecule is infinitely more complex than what the public was presented at the time of its discovery. When we talk of or use the acronymn "DNA", we are merely simplifying the concept of life itself, which requires a professional and scientific understanding of Biochemistry, and related fields of science.

A reader wanted proof of the story of 'The God Code', the Harvard study, and its publishing in 'Nature' magazine, as the reader had encountered remarks on the Internet about it being discredited as a hoax. My memory from more than a decade ago was hazy, but I was not going to dismiss the issue without redeeming the essence of what Greg Braden's book addressed.

Since I'm unable to climb up or down steps, I asked one of my grandsons to come over and go down to my library in my basement and locate the book for me so that I could confirm what the author wrote. It had been ten years since I bought Greg Braden's book 'The God

Code'. I even checked my Amazon account to determine when I had ordered the book; and, it confirmed that I purchased the book in March of 2008.

'The God Code' was published in 2005. It was at the same peak period of time when books on the 'Bible Code' or 'ELS Bible Codes' were also being published and these books made newspaper headlines between 1996-2005. I spent a week researching the background of Greg Braden's remarks and those who went about doing "hit" jobs on his work and the scientists at Harvard University.

The Harvard mathematicians and scientists did their work much earlier than when the troll's disinformation "hit" pieces attacked; these were written more than two decades later. 'The God Code' discovery was reported on in the prestigious science journal 'Nature', but not in the years 2014-2016 when the troll's fabrication posts began. In the past five years trolls have generated a series of distorted misrepresentations designed to discredit Greg Braden's discovery as a hoax, and these were picked up by a satirical web site, as well as Christian and anti-Christian web sites as well. Those posts continue to remain on the Internet in spite of their disinformation; however, the Internet underwent huge changes with regards to search methods and how stories and web sites are ranked.

As many of you may know, Google has changed their search algorithms, which was recently exposed by two Google employees in June and August of 2019, for manipulating search patterns. This was done intentionally for the purpose of throwing the 2016 presidential election aimed at favoring Hillary R. Clinton! Google simply has made searching on Google a nightmare! Google's agenda has been reported widely on the Internet that this tech giant intends to block President Trump's 2020 re-election!

The Internet underwent major changes in or around the period of 2005 through 2010. Lots of sites that I was familiar with were expunged from the Internet. It became impossible to access them unless one had their URL (numerical) addresses. This made it difficult for anyone unfamiliar with the URL address to locate the specific information and it looked as if the articles had completely vanished altogether. Having had two computers crash and fail, I once kept a notebook log of URL addresses. If we lose Internet access, URL addresses remain the only way to successfully locate important web sites. As to why Google did this, it is my conclusion that it was done to obscure information on the attacks of 9/11. I could site many examples, but my point here is that an intentional effort was being conducted to rid the Internet of as much material as possible to hinder investigative efforts relative to the events of 9/11. Thousands of pages and an infinite number of web sites were expunged and removed from the Internet. I know because I saved everything relative to the 9/11 attacks for almost a decade before experiencing a hard drive failure. After getting a new computer I set out to rebuild my library file of those sites and pages, only to discover many were expunged from Google.

Back to Greg Braden's book 'The God Code', a complete account is virtually near impossible without piecing together the larger story, and in my researching multi-levels of years of coverage since 2005, it is clear that the various threads in recent years have poisoned the

waters. I have been able to capture around 120 pages of documents that flesh out the story from its first report to the point that I believe we can safely assume the debunkers have laid enough deceptive distortions throughout the internet designed to confuse or discourage any curiosity that might exist. Greg Braden was drawing upon the work of Watson and Crick, cofounders of DNA in 1953. That said, the larger story transcends Greg Braden, and some of the early "Bible Code" writers of the period from 1996-2005.

DNA is an acronymn for **deoxyribonucleic acid**, a self-replicating material which is present in nearly all living organisms as the main constituent of chromosomes. It is the carrier of genetic information. Take a closer look at the illustration on the pages above for a better grasp of it. The discovery of the double-helix structure of the DNA molecule opened the floodgates for scientists to examine the code embedded within it. Now, more than half a century after the initial discovery, the DNA code has been deciphered – but many of its elements are still not well understood. I have held great interest in DNA, when in 1965, I was informed by doctors that my wife had Huntingdon's Disease. Medical science offered the hope of one day discovering the gene that caused it, and that it could be dealt with. That was a lifetime ago, my wife went to be with the Lord in 1996, and they still have yet to offer hope for those afflicted with "HD". Today, the Genome Project has been fully mapped, and what was once called "Junk DNA" is proving to hold vast libraries of data.

As scientists began to decode the human DNA molecule, they found something quite unexpected – an exquisite "langauge" composed of some 3 billion genetic letters. The way Dr. Stephen Meyer, director of the Center of Science and Culture at the Discovery Institute in Seattle, Washington, stated this discovery, "was that DNA actually stores information – the detailed instructions for assembling proteins – in the form of a four-character digital code". That digital code contains 64-Mathematical Permutations and is a mathematical calculation of the number of ways a particular set can be arranged, where order of the arrangement matters.

But that is only the starting point in decoding the DNA molecule. It is hard to fathom, but the amount of information in the human DNA is roughly equivalent to 12 sets of 'The Encyclopedia Britannica' — an incredible 384 volumes worth of detailed information that would fill 48 feet of library shelves. Yet in their actual size — which is only two-millionths of a millimeter thick — a teaspoon of DNA, according to molecular biologist Michael Denton, could contain all the information needed to build the proteins for all the species of organisms that have ever lived on the earth, and "there would still be enough room left for all the information in every book ever written" —(Denton, Michael, 'Evolution: A Theory in Crisis,' 1996, pg. 334).

The point of this first and foremost is that evolution as taught by Charles Darwin is dead. When you consider some of the characteristics of this genetic language, for it to be rightly called a language, it must contain the following elements: an alphabet or coding system, correct spelling, grammar (a proper arrangement of the words), meaning or (semantics) and an extended purpose for its use. This was endemic to Greg Braden's 'The God Code' and translated through Hebrew Gematria! The simplicty of the text on page 31 is over-shaddowed by the intricate translation complexity and how it was derived from what we call the "Bible

Codes," but more accurately identified as "ELS" or "Equal-Distance Letter Spacing" Bible Codes. The 22-word message from the Creator on page 31, and its underlying digital DNA mapping matrix can be no more comprehended by the Bible reading church-attending public than if you took a first year seminary student and sit him down at a table and ask him to translate any random chosen chapter of the Hebrew Old Testament or the Greek New Testament. Even the title "ELS" can be highly misleading to the untrained mind. One of the best books around in under-standing the Bible Codes is one by Dr. Jeffrey Satinover, M.D., it's entitled 'Cracking the Bible Code', published in 1998.

Hebrew rabbis and research scholars take the Bible Codes <u>very serious</u>. A current example of this is the findings of a Rabbi Glazerson. You can watch the video "<u>Trump Story in Bible Code Glazerson</u>". A 2016 report in '*Charisma*' magazine shared Rabbi Glazerson and his prophecy that Donald J. Trump would be elected president and also usher in the Second Coming.

In two separate sets of Bible codes, published three months apart, international Bible codes expert Rabbi Matityahu Glazerson shows evidence he has found that declares Donald J. Trump will win next week's presidential election.

Trump's victory, Glazerson said, is directly connected to his support for Israel.

The first table was published in July, the second just last week. He found "Donald" in Hebrew next to the Hebrew word for president. He also found an abbreviation for the Hebrew words for United States.

Glazerson also found codes that point to both Nov. 8 and Nov. 9, the date of the election and the first day Trump would be president-elect, if he wins. The rabbi quotes the book of Isaiah and the story of Cyrus, which has been frequently referenced by evangelical faith leaders who have supported the Republican presidential nominee.

The codes also reference the Hebrew words for "chosen" or "elected" and "love for Israel." Trump has made it clear he has a deep love for Israel and would protect it, if elected next week.

Glazerson also found a connection between Trump and the word "moshiach" (messiah), which in Hebrew means "anointed," saying his election would be connected to the arrival of Messiah. Many Christians have felt the day of the Second Coming is fast approaching, and the rabbi's findings may be further evidence.

The first set of codes (above) were found in the book of Deuteronomy. The second, identical, set (below) were found in the book of Numbers. The article was published on the *'Charisma'* web site of November 4, 2016, two days before the presidential election. Fewer than 6,000 viewed the video. The title of the article was "Rabbi Predicts Trump Will Win and Usher in the Second Coming".

Although the scoffers will had a belly laugh over this, two senior rabbis made a special trip from Israel to the White House to visit the president and inform him of his "moshiach" reference in the Bible Code. If you have wonder about a statement President Trump made recently, President Donald Trump on Wednesday, 8/21/2019, before departing for Louisville, KY, he adopted a religious theme in describing his role in picking a trade fight with China, saying: "I am the chosen one." The president turned to look at the sky over his left shoulder as he made the claim, using language that some Christians might consider offensive, because in Christian theology Jesus Christ is the "Chosen One" and the Savior. The 'Washington Post' headlined his remarks: 'I am the chosen one': Trump again plays on messianic claims as he embraces 'King of Israel' title. There is so much more to this story, which I addressed in my article, "Metamorphosis of Mystery Babylon the Great – Part 25", but "ELS" Bible Codes are real.

Scientists have found that the genetic code has all of these key elements. "The coding regions of DNA," explains Dr. Stephen Meyer, "have exactly the same relevant properties as a computer code or language." Computer programmers understand this as a "source code" of zeros and ones! A "source code" is a long string of zeros and ones, virtually meaningless to any person attempting to read it. It can only be read by the computer for which it was writen for.

The only types of communications considered "high-level" are human languages, artificial languages, such as computer and Morse codes and the genetic code. No other communication system has been found to contain the basic characteristics of a language. DNA language is not the same as the DNA molecule. The DNA molecule carries the genetic language, but the language itself is independent of its carrier. The same genetic information can be written in a book, stored in a compact disk or sent over the Internet, and yet the quality or content of the message has not changed by changing the means of conveying it.

For instance, the precision of this genetic language is such that the average mistake that is not caught turns out to be one error per 10 billion letters. If a mistake occurs in one of the most significant parts of the code, which is in the genes, it can cause a disease such as sickle cell anemia. Yet, even the best and most intelligent typist in the world couldn't come close to making only one mistake per 10-billion letters – far from it.

Although written thousands of years ago, King David's words about our marvelous human bodies still ring true. He wrote "For you formed my inward parts. You covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skillfully wrought..." -(Psalms 139:13-15).

The words of Greg Braden were derived from a "basic" form of the "ELS" Bible codes. In the past twenty-five years, we have come so much further than anyone can imagine. The Human Genome Project (HGP) was declared complete in April, 2003. An initial rough draft of the human genome was available in June, 2000 and by February, 2001 a working draft had been

completed and published followed by the final sequencing mapping of the human genome on April 14, 2003.

In the 21st century, the information age has finally come to biology and biochemistry. We now know that biology at its root is comprised of information-rich systems, such as the complex digital code encoded in DNA. Ground-breaking discoveries of the past decade are revealing the information bearing properties of biological systems.

Philosopher of science, Dr. Stephen C. Meyer is examining and explaining the amazing depth of digital technology found in each and every living cell, such as nested coding, digital processing, distributive retrieval and storage systems, and genomic operating systems.

Meyer is developing a more fundamental argument for intelligent design that is based not on a single feature like the bacterial flagellum, but rather on a pervasive feature of all living systems. Alongside matter and energy, Dr. Meyer shows that there is a third fundamental entity in the universe needed for life: information. Need I say more about Who Dr. Meyer is speaking about? Dr. Meyer's work has more than destroyed the false belief in Evolution, and what American students have been taught about the origin of life the past century or more has been entirely wrong!

Had I given credence to the disinformation trolls, like today the mainstream media in its hatred for the President continues to violate their public trust with unsubstantiated lies and false allegations, I might have put this issue in my trash bin. America has become so polarized today and is fast reaching a state of being ungovernable. Lucifer and his lies are having a field day by deceiving even the very elect! Furthermore, if I had believed the trolls, readers would have been robbed of knowing that the Creator of the universe has indeed encoded into the upper layer of our human DNA. His message for you, His love for you, and His gift of salvation that comes in believing that Jesus Christ is Lord were all left for us so we could know and understand Him!

His Word was not only preserved, but it was encoded with a self-authenticating feature that reveals when it has been altered. Scientists and geneticists who have mapped the human genome state that we have only decoded about 15-18% of the genome and what the DNA does. They have casually referred to the rest as "junk" DNA. For critics to impune DNA by calling it "junk" on the basis of their ignorance is shortsighted. The human genome contains approximately 3 billion of these base pairs, which reside in the 23 pairs of chromosomes within the nucleus of all our cells. Each chromosome contains hundreds to thousands of genes, which carry the instructions for making proteins. Each of the estimated 30,000 genes in the human genome makes an average of three proteins.

In 1990, Congress established funding for the Human Genome Project and set a target completion date of 2005. Although estimates suggested that the project would cost a total of \$3 billion over this period, the project ended up costing less than expected, about \$2.7 billion in FY 1991 dollars. Additionally, the project was completed more than two years ahead of

schedule. We can anticipate even more spectacular revelations to come to light, both in the near and far future as well. In this apologetic (defense) of hidden codes within the Biblical text, I want to give some commentary on Dr. Ivan Panin's work

There are still critics of Dr. Ivan Panin today and his work on the "Heptadic" discoveries. Since he has been dead a very long time, and is unable to defend his work, it might be worth briefly mentioning the work of this brilliant mathematician. In Volume 1, I shared some of the major discoveries of Dr. Panin. A century ago his critics could not disprove his work and findings so their voices were silent on what he found. With time, some may have concluded that his work would pass into oblivion and be forgotten. It seems there are no lack of critics even today given his demise! Here is one of his early pages on the findings of Genesis 1:1-5:

GENESIS 1:1-5

- 1. The 33 Hebrew words used have a numerical value of 6188, or 884 x 7
- 2. The total value of the 33 initial letters used is 2401, or 7 x 7 x 7 x 7 (or 49 x 49)
- 3. The 16 different initial letters have a value of 1281, or 183 x 7
- 4. The first and the last words in the vocabulary arranged alphabetically total 658, or 94 x 7
- 5. Arranged in order of occurrence the first and the last words total 924, or 132 x 7
- 6. The value of every seventh word totals 1008, which is 7 x 3 x 3 x 2 x 2 x 2 x 2, not only a multiple of **7**; but having **seven** factors,
- 7. which add up to 21, or 3 x 7

Ivan Panin goes on to list 14 features of 7, and 7 features of 13 concerning these first five verses.

While some argue that the patterns of **seven** aren't in every verse, it is possible that every verse has its own arrangements of features. Authors such as E. W. Bullinger have investigated the meanings of many different numbers. For example, the number 13 is woven into verse 2 of Chapter 1 of Genesis, as the theme of this verse is discord. Likewise, verse 3 has its own pattern, but this time the numbers used are 13 and 11. The introduction of 11 at this stage is appropriate for in this verse God said, "Let there be light." As the number 11 signifies instruction or revelation, there had to be light before anyone could see and be instructed. This suggests the potential of multiple themes or typology woven like the threads of an expensive tapestry. Critics ought to be careful when they attempt to discredit Dr. Panin's work.

Dr. Panin found a mathematical system of **7's** grammatically layered within the Bible from the first verse of Genesis to the last verse in Revelation without error. Here is the result of the codes of numbers **7 & 37** which he found in the single verse of Genesis 1:1:

Dr. Ivan Panin found 31 codes of 7 in the first verse of Genesis 1:1

- 1. The 7 words of Genesis 1:1 has 28 (7 X 4) letters
- 2. The value of the first and last letters of the first half of the verse = 42 (7 X 6)

- 3. The value of the first and last letters of the second half = 91 (7 X 13)
- 4. The three nouns (God, Heaven and earth) is made up of 14 letters (7 X 2)
- 5. The sum of the three nouns (God, heaven and earth) equals 777 (7 X 111)
- 6. The place value of these three nouns is 147 (7 X 21)
- 7. The Hebrew verb "created" has a gematria value of 203 (7 X 29)
- 8. The first 3 words contain the subject and are made up of 14 (7 X 2) letters
- 9. The place value of these letters equals 140 (7 X 20)
- 10. Of these 14, the place value of the silent letters equals 28 (7 X 4)
- 11. And the place value of the non-silent letters equals 112 (7 X 16)
- 12. The odd numbers among the 14 equals 42 (7 X 6)
- 13. Even numbers among the 14 sums to 98 (7 X 14)
- 14. Multiplying the 14 place values of letters by their order is 1,008 (7 X 144)
- 15. The four last words contain the object and also is made up of 14 letters (7 X 2)
- 16. The object "The Heavens + the untranslatable word has **seven** letters, as does the object "and the earth"
- 17. The value of the first and last letters of all words is 1,393 (7 X 199)
- 18. The sum of the first and last letters of the first and last words is 497 (7 X 71)
- 19. The value of the first and the last letters of each word between is 896 (7 X 128)
- 20. The sum of the factors of 896 is 21 (7 X 3)
- 21. The first letters of the first and last words has the value of 7
- 22. The value of the last letters of the first and last words equal 490 (7 X 70)
- 23. The middle word and the one before it is made up of 7 letters
- 24. The middle word and the one after it are made up of 7 letters
- 25. The value of the first, middle, and last letters is 133 (7 X 19)
- 26. The two digits added of the value of (86) "God" (8 + 6) is 14 (7 X 2)
- 27. The values of the letters in God added (1, 30, 5, 10, 40) = 14 (7 X 2)
- 28. The sum of the place value in the letters of "God" (1, 12, 5, 10, 13) = 14 (7 X 2)
- 29. The number of these place values is 7
- 30. Because of contractions in Hebrew (similar to the English isn't), the vocabulary of Genesis 1:1 is larger than the seven words of the verse. The nine-word vocabulary of Genesis 1:1 has the value of 2275 (7 X 325). [The earliest Biblical texts were written as one continuous string of letters, no vowels, no punctuation, and no contractions.]
- 31. The place value of the vocabulary = 259 (7 X 37)

Do you want to dismiss this evidence as all a Coincidence?

Now the traditional way of calculating chances of this in this verse is by saying that there is 1 out 7 that there are **Seven** words in this verse and the chance for its 28 letters is also 1 out of 7. So, the chance of this verse having 7 words and 28 letters equaling 7 X 7, is 1 out of 49.

Let's now calculate the odds of the 31 codes of **7** that Dr. Panin found in Genesis 1:1. The answer becomes **7** multiplied by itself 30 times! (**7**^30) or **1 out of 22,5 Septillion**.

To see how much a septillion is check: Large numbers:

First is Million > Billion > Trillion > Quadrillion > Quintillion > Sixtillion > Septillion!

Now we can add the possibilities of the 23 combinations of the number found by Dr. Ivan Panin and the number would be much higher. It is extremely large because it is with 22,5 Septillion which is 22,5 Trillion X 1 Trillion: 22,5 000 000 000 000 X 1 000 000 000 000!

Who said there is no Proof of God?

Psalm 14:1 "The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God."

Although God's Covenantal Number is "Seven," we know that all numbers in Scripture have specific meaning and purpose. They are there for a reason, albeit one we do not always or fully understand. However, "Seven" shouts louder than any other number in the Bible as we see it is applied through nine different levels of the KJV Bible. I identified the nine levels in Appendix E of Volume 1 here: http://jesusisthewaythetruththelife.com//PastorBob/KJV-HDF-Appendix%20E.pdf

In his book, 'The Bible's Redemption Pattern and Numeric Map', Norm Patriquin shows that a structural design is validated in the Scriptures. Mr. Patriquin's work places emphasis on the first ten numbers from 1 to 10, and his book is on the list of published books on this topic of Biblical Numerics listed in Vol. 1, Chapter 4, page 99-100 here: http://jesusisthewaythetruththelife.com/KJV-HDF-Chapter%204.pdf

My fascination with the Biblical number "7" began in 1965, and it wasn't long before I began to learn that the field of medicine had recorded much in the appearance of **seven** in life related areas as well.

A research project by the Institute of Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine, Stanford School of Medicine says that our skin is regenerated in **7** days. And every cell in our body is replaced every **7** years.

I drink distilled water with lemon juice, and have done so for thirty+ years. Several years ago I purchased a water distiller to do my own water distillation. It does 4-liters of water at a time. You should see the crud in the distiller after a batch is made. Living in a rural county that depends on a lake for its source of water I appreciate the importance of cleaning it with a citric cleaner overnight once a month. The neutral pH value that lies between acidity and alkalinity is "seven." If you are interested in why you should drink distilled water, I recommend the book: 'The Shocking Truth That can Save Your Life' by Patricia Bragg. The reason for lemon juice is that it breaks down calified kidney stones caused by limestone in most water sources. It also balances the acid/alkaline (pH) of my drinking water. I also add a tablespoon of Bragg's Apple Cidar Vinegar to the juices that I drink regularly. Disease and aging are intimately related to the acid/alkaline balance (pH) of the fluids in our bodies.

We are comprised of approximately 70% water. Water is comprised of hydrogen and oxygen [H2O]. When there is an equal proportion of oxygen (O-) and hydrogen (H+), then the pH [potential hydrogen] is said to be neutral and the pH is **7.0** as measured on the pH scale that ranges from 1 to 14. If there is more oxygen than hydrogen the water is alkaline and will measure between **7.1** and 14.

If there is more hydrogen than oxygen the water is acidic and can range from 1.0 to 6.9 on the pH scale. Most importantly, the pH scale is logarithmic, which means that each step is ten times the previous one.

Therefore, a pH of **7.0** means that there is ten times more oxygen available to the cells than a pH of 6.0 and 100 times more available oxygen than a pH of 5.0. A small variation in pH measures a rather large difference in the balance between oxygen and hydrogen.

Everyone knows we need to provide our lungs with adequate amounts of oxygen to sustain life. We now understand that the water in our bodies also needs adequate amounts of oxygen to resist disease and maintain health. The ONLY way to increase the amount of oxygen in our body "water" is to raise the pH level and provide the system with the optimum amount of oxygen. God's Covenantal number "Seven" scores big with me on this! A pH of 7.0 is the God's optimum for the human body!

The number of celestial bodies visible to the naked eye is "seven." They include the Sun, the Moon and the five planets, Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, and Saturn. Earth is a celestial body but since we are on it, for us, it is invisible in the sky!

Zechariah speaks about the "Seven" eyes of God which supervise all the peoples of the earth. -(Zechariah 4:10): "For who hath despised the day of small things? For they shall rejoice, and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel with those seven; they are the eyes of the LORD, which run to and fro through the whole earth."

The word phrase "He Therefore" is found 525X (7 X 75) times in 4 unique forms in the KJV Bible

The word phrase "A Woman" is found 221X (7 X 33) times in 18 unique forms in the KJV Bible

The word phrase "But Not" is found 1,645X times (7 X 235) times in 13 unique forms in the KJV Bible

The word "Redeem, Redemption" is found 91X (7 X 13) times in the Old Testament

It is a Verb: קְנָה (*qanâ*), [LXX 7865] (S <H7069>), *qanâ* appears to bear two distinct meanings in the Old Testament: "to buy," "purchase," "redeem," and also "to create."

The word "Portion" is found 42X (7 X 6) times in the New Testament

It is a Noun: μέρος (*meros*), (S <G3313>), *meros* has a basic meaning of "a part of a whole," but it can also mean "place," "share," "portion."

The concept of our Lord's soon return is emphasized "Seven" times in the book of Revelation by the phrase "Come Quickly".

- "Things which must shortly come to pass" (1:1)
- "Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly" (2:16)
- "Behold, I come quickly" (3:11)
- "The third woe cometh quickly" (11:14)
- "Behold, I come quickly" (22:7)
- "And, behold, I come quickly" (22-12)
- "Surely I come quickly:" (22:20)

The phrase "I come quickly" -(Greek, erchomai tachei) must refer either to "suddenly" or "shortly". The first meaning implies "speedily," as in an instant ("like a thief in the night"). It indicates a rapid-fire sequence of events. The second meaning implies in a short period of time, as in "soon." This focuses on the imminence of the events. Scholars are divided on how this should be read. Thomas believes that the events predicted by Daniel and foreseen by Christ now (after the resurrection) stood in readiness to be fulfilled. Thus, John could speak of them as imminent, though they still were yet to be fulfilled – the final aspect of which will occur suddenly.

"Seven times a day I praise you for your upright judgements"

it is written in the Psalms -(Psalm 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.

Revelation 5:4 tells us that the Lamb who was slain is worthy to receive "Seven" Things:

- Power
 - And wealth
 - And wisdom
 - And strength
 - And honor
 - And glory
 - And praise

The word "Petition" is found 77X (7 X 11) times in the Old Testament

It is a Noun: תְּפָלֶּה (t^e pillâ), (S <H8605>), t^e pillâ is a common word in the Old Testament for "prayer," "intercession," "petition"; it is related to the verb **palal** (Greek LXX 7137; see pray).

The word "Pray" is found 84X (7 X 12) times in the Old Testament

It is a Verb: פָלֵל (*palal*), (S <H6419>), *palal* means "to pray," "intercede." The Hebrew language contains at lease twelve words for "pray" and "prayer," *palal* being the most common verb. Most often *palal* refers to intercessory prayer, such as Solomon's intercessory prayer for his people during the dedication of the temple, Solomon using the word 20X -(1st Kings 8; 2nd Chronicles 6). Many of the prayers in the Old Testament are "representative prayers"; that is, for the most part, people do not appear to have prayed themselves, but came to a prophet, a priest, or a king and asked them to pray for them. This was, in fact, one of the main roles of the priest, especially on the Day of Atonement -(see Leviticus 16).

Scholars have suggested numerous possibilities for the origin of *palal*. Some connect *palal* with an Arabic word that means "to cut or wound oneself." This would reflect the pagan practice of cutting oneself during worship and illustrates the difference between biblical and pagan prayer (note how cutting oneself is prohibited in the Mosaic law, Deuteronomy 14:1). Some suggest that *palal* developed from the Hebrew word meaning "to fall" (i.e., to fall prostrate before the Lord).

Prayer is powerful. Abraham prays for healing, and his prayer is answered -(Genesis 20:7, 17). Moses prays for God's fiery anger to subside, and it does -(Numbers 11:1-3). Moses intercedes before the Lord after the golden calf incident -(Deuteronomy 9:25-28), and the Lord forgives his people. Hannah prays to the Lord for a child, and she receives one -(1st Samuel 1:10, 12, 26-27). Both Elisha's and Hezekiah's prayers are answered -(2nd Kings 6:17-18; 19:15-19, 35-36). Nehemiah's book is sprinkled with many "arrow prayers to God" -(Nehemiah 1:4; 2:4; 4:9). God's willingness to answer prayers is especially seen during the time of opposition from their

enemies. Daniel prays fervently before the Lord, confessing the sins of the people -(Daniel 9:4, 20). And Jonah prays to God from inside the fish's belly, and shortly thereafter Jonah is vomited up onto dry land a couple days later -(Jonah 2:1, 10).

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