

# 666/999

## 5G, the Mark of the Beast, and the UPC Code

### Chapter 1

Most folks are familiar with the term “Mark” of the Beast or “666”. They know this from Revelation 13:18 tells us: ***“Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.” “And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:”*** -(Revelation 13:16).

Revelation 13:17 tells us ***“And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.”*** Revelation 13, 17, 18 explains that this all has to do with the Roman Catholic Institution plan to rule the planet. For the full detail on this I refer you to my series “The Beast Empire”. The tentacles of this “Beast” have over millennia stretched endlessly! This book will reveal the identity of “Mystery Babylon” and why it is called “Mystery Babylon”! No church can or will teach what this book reveals!

This series will reveal some hidden secrets but subtle nonetheless that tie together all of the various pieces of the numerical code that brings together the threads from Scripture, history, computer science, graphics, mathematics, biometrics, electronics, telecommunications, radio waves, the “Big Picture” and its meaning. The introduction of the telecommunications industry is bringing it all into focus with the roll out of 5G technology. 5G is more than just a communications system. It’s far worse than you can ever imagine. **5G is a weapons system and a control system as well!** We have been watching a long process, slowly evolving into what will be a system of control, capable of terminating one’s life at will. To learn more about 5G, I recommend you listen to Joe Imbriano, host of the ‘Fullerton Informer.com.’ Joe Imbriano lives in Fullerton, California and is scientifically trained to know the effects of 5G on all forms of life.

***“5G is a weapons system, not a communications system. It should be banned outright and a complete review conducted of alternative means of achieving the next level of connectivity. I warned the US Government about electromagnetic vulnerabilities in 1994 and was ignored. IT/AI today is causing direct mental and physical health anomalies and disabilities. Proceeding on 5G is in my view an impeachable offense.”*** This is the opinion of former Marine officer, and CIA agent, Robert David Steele.

Paul Craig Roberts, former Economics adviser to President Ronald Reagan, and host of the “Institute for Political Economy”, said this: ***“5G Wireless Will Kill Us. We can stop worrying about Social Security. No one will live long enough to collect it. But health care will absorb the national income.”***

## **5G Is an Israeli Creation of Mass Mind Control and More Key Companies Involved All Traceable To Israel**

Although 5G is a creation of the Israel telecommunications industry; **it will not be installed in Israel.** You may not realize this but it is true and when I first learned this, I was interested in learning more about a technology of its creation would never be installed in the nation of Israel! This is very important because of the relationship between the Bible and Israel as a nation. This series will deal with the many segments that bring us needed clarity concerning the Scripture passages noted above and more. First, let's take a look at the **UPC bar code** and how it operates. It has been around since the early 1970's and we see it virtually every day in application, yet few really know much about it.

If you go look in your refrigerator or pantry right now, you will find that every package you see has a **UPC bar code** printed on it. In fact, every item that you purchase from a grocery store, department store and mass merchandiser has a **UPC bar code** on it somewhere. Have you ever wondered where these codes come from and what they mean? In this article, we will solve this mystery so that you can decode any UPC code you come across.

"UPC" stands for **Universal Product Code**. UPC bar codes were originally created to help grocery stores speed up the checkout process and keep better track of inventory, but the system quickly spread to all other retail products because it was so successful.

UPC's originate with a company called the Uniform Code Council (UCC). A manufacturer applies to the UCC for permission to enter the UPC system. The manufacturer pays an annual fee for the privilege. In return, the UCC issues the manufacturer a six-digit **manufacturer identification number** and provides guidelines on how to use it. You can see the manufacturer identification number in any standard 12-digit UPC code. The UPC symbol has two parts:

- The machine-readable bar code
- The human-readable 12-digit UPC number

The manufacturer identification number is the first six digits of the UPC number -- 639382 in the image below. The next five digits -- 00039 -- are the **item number**. A person employed by the manufacturer, called the **UPC coordinator**, is responsible for assigning item numbers to products, making sure the same code is not used on more than one product, retiring codes as products are removed from the product line, etc.

In general, every item the manufacturer sells, as well as every size package and every repackaging of the item, needs a different item code. So a 12-ounce can of Coke needs a different item number than a 16-ounce bottle of Coke, as does a 6-pack of 12-ounce cans, a 12-pack, a 24-can case, and so on. It is the job of the UPC coordinator to keep all of these numbers straight!



The last digit of the UPC code is called a **check digit**. This digit lets the scanner determine if it scanned the number correctly or not. Here is how the check digit is calculated for the other 11 digits, using the code 63938200039 from "*The Teenager's Guide to the Real World*" example shown above:

1. Add together the value of all of the digits in odd positions (digits 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11).  $6 + 9 + 8 + 0 + 0 + 9 = 32$
2. Multiply that number by 3.  $32 * 3 = 96$
3. Add together the value of all of the digits in even positions (digits 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10).  $3 + 3 + 2 + 0 + 3 = 11$
4. Add this sum to the value in step 2.  $96 + 11 = 107$
5. Take the number in Step 4. To create the check digit, determine the number that, when added to the number in step 4, is a multiple of 10.  $107 + 3 = 110$  The check digit is therefore **3**.

Each time the scanner scans an item, it performs this calculation. If the check digit it calculates is different from the check digit it reads, the scanner knows that something went wrong and the item needs to be rescanned.

As you can see, there is no price information encoded in a bar code. When the scanner at the checkout line scans a product, the cash register sends the UPC number to the store's central **POS** (point of sale) computer to look up the UPC number. The central computer sends back the actual price of the item at that moment of scanning.

This approach allows the store to change the price whenever it wants, for example to reflect sale prices. If the price were encoded in the bar code, prices could never change. On the other hand, not encoding a fixed price gives the store an easy way to rip off customers. When you hear about "**scanner fraud**" in the news that is what the newsperson is talking about. It is incredibly easy for a store to mistakenly or purposefully overprice an item.

One thing you will notice if you start looking at UPC codes in detail is that the big manufacturers have manufacturer ID's with lots of zeros in them. Here are a few:

- **Post** - 043000
- **General Mills** - 016000

- **Del Monte** - 024000
- **Quaker Oats** – 030000
- **Coca-Cola** – 049000

Coke's manufacturer ID is 049000 (pictured below is a Coke product Sprite). However, if you look at can of Coke or most 2-liter bottles, you will find that the UPC code is much shorter than on a 3-liter bottle -- only eight digits total. Here's the bar code from a 2-liter bottle of Sprite:



#### **Zero-suppressed UPC code on a bottle of Sprite**

These short bar codes are called **zero-suppressed numbers**. There's a set of rules around forming zero-suppressed numbers from full numbers, but the basic idea is to leave out a set of four digits, all zeros. In the case of the Sprite UPC code, the 049 at the beginning is the first three digits of Coke's 049000 manufacturers ID. The 551 is the item number for this bottle of Sprite, shortened from 00551. The zero in the second-to-last digit is the fourth digit from Coke's manufacturer ID. The final digit is the normal check digit. The main reason for having zero-suppressed numbers is to create smaller bar codes for small product packages like 12-ounce cans.

The first digit of the manufacturer's identification number is special. It is called the **number system character**. The following data shows you what different number system characters mean:

- 0 = Standard UPC number (must have a zero to do zero-suppressed numbers)
- 1 = Reserved
- 2 = Random-weight items (fruits, vegetables, meats, bulk candies, etc.)

- 3 = Pharmaceuticals
- 4 = In-store marketing for retailers (A store can set up its own code, but no other store will understand them.)
- 5 = Coupons
- 6 = Standard UPC number
- 7 = Standard UPC number
- 8 = Reserved
- 9 = Reserved

Here is an example of a pharmaceutical bar code (number system character **3**), this one from a 4-ounce bottle of Selsun Blue dandruff shampoo:



The **coupon code** is interesting (number system character **5**). If you have ever wondered how the scanner can read a coupon and reject it if you haven't bought the product, here's your explanation.



If you look at the coupon code, you can see that the coupon's bar code starts with a 5 to indicate that it is a coupon. The 43000 is Post's manufacturer ID. The next three digits (186) are called the **family code**. The next two digits (70) are a **value code**. The final digit is the normal check digit.

The family code and value code are set up arbitrarily by the UPC coordinator for the manufacturer. It must be done that way because a coupon will often be usable for a whole family of products. For example, a coupon might be good for four different kinds of soap made by the same manufacturer. In the same way, the value code represents the value of the coupon arbitrarily. The manufacturer sends the retailer the data that tells the retailer's computer exactly which products fit the family code, and exactly how much to take off. When the coupon is scanned, the POS (point of sale) computer:

1. Decodes the family code
2. Checks to make sure the customer purchased an item from the family
3. Decodes the value code
4. Sends the discount back to the cash register

The next time you go to the store, pick up a product -- any product. Look at its UPC code: Now you know what it means!

So let's say you would like to decode the actual bars in the bar code and map them to numbers. This is something that will make you cross-eyed, but it can be done.

First of all, look at any 12-digit bar code. It is made up of black bars and white spaces between the bars. Assume that the thinnest bar or space that you see (for example, the first bar on the left) can be called "one unit wide." The bars and spaces can therefore be seen to have proportional widths of one, two, three or four units. If you look at any bar code you can see examples of these four widths.

The start of any bar code is "1-1-1." That is, starting at the left you find a one-unit-wide black bar followed by a one-unit-wide white space followed by a one-unit-wide black bar (bar-space-bar). Following the start code, the digits are encoded like this:

0 = 3-2-1-1  
1 = 2-2-2-1  
2 = 2-1-2-2  
3 = 1-4-1-1  
4 = 1-1-3-2  
5 = 1-2-3-1  
6 = 1-1-1-4  
7 = 1-3-1-2  
8 = 1-2-1-3  
9 = 3-1-1-2

(Something to notice: All of these encodings seem to add up to 7.)

So how do we come up with “666” in the UPC as the first illustration here below and above? Notice the red bars in the illustration are the same, at the beginning, in the middle, and at the end. They are called “guard” bars. These “guard” bars are central to the system!

If you look closely below at the two bars to the extreme left here with the 6 below, compare the bars in red in the UPC bar code to the bars with the six below. They are identical and they serve to the scanner as starting and stopping points. The scanner knows these as start bars and stop bars. They are also called guard bars.



The engineer who designed the UPC bar code said that there was nothing sinister to the fact that the bar codes for “6” resemble the start/stop/start guard bars. On a Sunday afternoon in 1971, an I.B.M. engineer stepped out of his house in Raleigh, N.C., to consult with his boss, who lived across the street. *“I didn’t do what you asked,”* George Laurer confessed.

Laurer had been instructed to design a code that could be printed on food labels and that would be compatible with the scanners then in development for supermarket checkout counters. He was told to model it on the bull’s-eye-shaped optical scanning code designed in the 1940s by N. Joseph Woodland, who died in 2013. But Laurer saw a problem with the shape: *“When you run a circle through a high-speed printing press, there are parts that are going to get smeared,”* he says, *“so I came up with my own code.”* His system, a pattern of stripes, would be readable even if it was poorly printed.

That pattern became the basis for the Universal Product Code, which was adopted by a consortium of grocery companies in 1973, when cashiers were still punching in all prices by hand. Within a decade the U.P.C. — and optical scanners — brought supermarkets into the digital age. Now an employee could ring up a cereal box with a flick of the wrist. *“When people find out that I invented the U.P.C., they think I’m rich,”* Laurer said. But he received no royalties for this invention, and I.B.M. did not patent it. As the U.P.C. symbol proliferated, so, too, did paranoia about it. For decades, Laurer was hounded by people convinced that he has hidden the number “666” inside the lines of his code. *“I didn’t get the meat,”* Laurer said ruefully, *“but I did get the nuts.”* The technology itself is neither evil nor Satanic.

The Bible reveals to us today that God foresaw history in advance that this number and how it would be seen as being very prophetic. If one did not believe all the other prophecies in the Bible, they would have to recognize that the references to **“666”** being the **“Mark”** of the Beast had to be prophetic. The Biblical reference to the **“Mark”** of the beast was written nearly 2,000 years ago and being fulfilled in our lifetime would be one of the most convincing prophecies of the Bible, and thus prove to people the Bible is true and reliable. George Laurer may have had no sinister motive in creating the UPC bar code, but it does not diminish the importance of the nearly 2,000-year prophecy. There is an easy explanation for the use of **“666”**. Its brilliance is in its simplicity!

If one simply flips the **“666”** upside down, you have a mirror image **“999”**. What am I saying here? A **“999”** is virtually a functional upside down **“666”**. The image can be discerned by the scanner regardless of the position of the item so long as the UPC image faces down as the cashier passes the item over the scanner glass. Beneath the glass screen is a split-image mirror that picks up the bar code of the items being scanned. The cashier does not need to do anything but make sure the item’s UPC code is facing down on the glass as she passes the items over the scanner. The cashier has a manual hand-held scanner to re-scan a reject. The scanner screen has to be kept clean to minimize rejects or bad scans.

There is an interesting and largely obscure application of the mirror imaged **“666”** that has gradually appeared in our life over a period of decades. We already have the **“Mark”** of the Beast System and most people are totally oblivious to its reality. Every living American today can be quickly identified and located with a matter of a few minutes. Its existence is so subtle and missed by folks. Let me demonstrate how we already are within the Beast system.

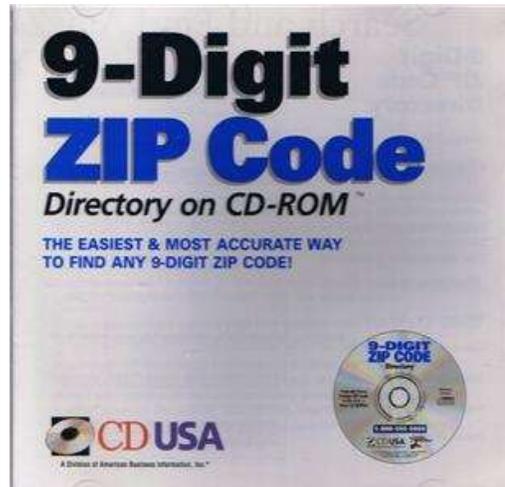
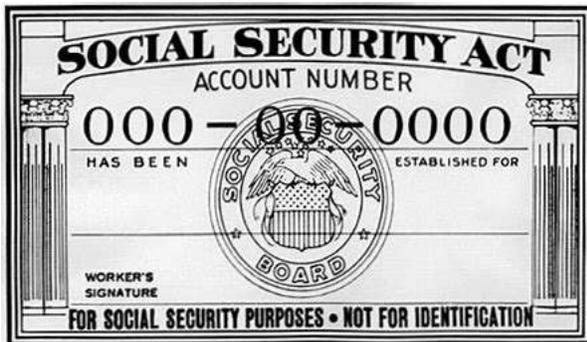
Every living individual has a Social Security Number, required and assigned by the hospital of birth. Every individual has a postal mailing address. Lastly, every individual will have or has a bank checking account. You can run but you cannot hide from the authorities.

1. Your social security number consists of **9** digits **XXX-XX-XXXX**.
2. Your postal zip code consists of **9** digits as well **XXXXX-XXXX**.
3. Your personal check has a **9** digit routing number for bank processing.

I know some of you may question the fact there is a segment of society that does not trust the banks and do not have bank accounts. That has changed drastically in the past fifteen years with the issuing of EBT debit cards for public assistance, unemployment benefits, etc. The EBT system requires a person to have a bank account to deposit government benefits. The Social Security system requires recipients to have **“direct deposit”** bank account for benefit purposes. Thus, virtually every adult today has a bank account.

The three **999**’s are simply an inverted **666**’s. This did not happen overnight, its final form came into being gradually over a period of several decades. The Social Security system was created in **1935**. The United States Postal Service began using two-digit area codes in **1943** in order to define postal zones in larger cities. Beginning in **1967**, the **“ZIP”** code became

progressively mandatory. The word "ZIP" comes from the acronym for "Zone Improvement Plan." The original ZIP code was composed of 5 digits. In **1983**, the ZIP + 4 were introduced in order to make delivery to densely populated areas even more efficient. The first printed checks are traced to **1762** and the British banker Lawrence Childs. The word "check" also may have originated in England in the **1700's** when serial numbers were placed on these pieces of paper as a way to keep track of, or "check" on, them. So, we have the history of the three items of personal information that identifies and used to locate an individual.



**The routing and transit number** are denoted by nine digits and surrounded by ⑆

**The checking account number**

**The check number**

In some cases the order of the checking account number and the check number is reversed.

Although the previous information does not suggest a sinister motive behind the "666" system, this is not to say that it has become prophetic in ways you might not realize. I have a

personal experience that I will explain why and how “666” is central to the larger system of inventory identity and location. The UPC bar code system is the essential “key” to how the system works, and to what I am saying here, that we already are under the Beast Empire System. It simply hasn’t got to the point where enforcement compliance of taking the “Mark” of the Beast in the right hand or forehead, not yet that is. The full implementation of the system will take hold when one will have to take the mark in the right hand or forehead. This future date is getting closer than the world knows! It is closer than people know!

Back in the 1970’s and the 1980’s, I published a monthly magazine and books as well. There is no need to mention the title or anything about the content nature. At the height of the magazine’s life, the circulation was just over 5,000 copies a month and growing monthly. It was a hobby sideline activity to my pastoral ministry. In early February of 1985, the postmaster where I mailed from asked the clerk to have me stop in to see him when I came in to pick up my mail. The clerk opened the door to let me in to see the postmaster and I sat down in his office. I was then introduced to a new requirement of the USPS. Effective the first of August, 1985, I was informed that I would be required to obtain a UPC assigned code for my publishing activities. My immediate thoughts were that of Revelation 13:17, ***“And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.”***

My next response to the postmaster was, *“What if I do not want to add the UPC logo to my publication?”* My heart sank with his response: *“You will not be allowed to use the U.S. Postal Service to distribute your publications.”* I then asked when this had to be done and I was told it had to be printed on the front cover by August of 1985, just six months away. Leaving the post office that morning, I thought about what I should do. I had but two choices: comply or cease publishing. I chose the second as painful as it was, and I published my last issue the month before I had to comply. This was required even though I had 2<sup>nd</sup> class mailing permits and special printed envelopes for mailing purposes, and theoretically, the magazine came in a sealed mailing envelope not requiring any scanning. All retail business had a deadline of August, 1985 to comply with various government agencies that regulated various areas of commerce. About a third of my print-run was shipped to retail hobby shops via UPS.

All of this information about the UPC bar code does not stop people that will argue that the UPC bar code system is not the “Mark” of the Beast, and I would answer that by simply saying that it is but it is only a part of a much larger system. This is why it is necessary for the reader to see this as simply one aspect of a larger system. The entire UPC system encompasses approximately 24 different application types of UPC systems, such as UPS, DHL, FedEx, and even the strange postal code that appears at the bottom of first class letter mail. I worked one Christmas season at the East Pittsburgh, PA postal encoding center, and never knew what or how to decode the postal system code; it was that secret until a few years ago.

Around 2003, the U.S. Defense Department and Walmart began requiring their suppliers deliver goods on “pallets” of merchandise to be bar coded, and from that date forward everything imaginable bears a UPC bar code. I have a neighbor who does auto body work in his

garage behind his house. Every auto part he orders arrives bearing a UPC bar code. He tracks his ordered parts through the use of the UPC bar code.

We know that "666" is associated with the Roman Catholic Institution, since it absorbed Pagan practices, customs, rituals, amulets, and other symbols associated with paganism originating in Babylon, Greece, Egypt, Persia, and the world of the Chaldeans. For example the Latin phrase Vicar of Christ is "666". The Roman Catholic Church still denies it as a myth.

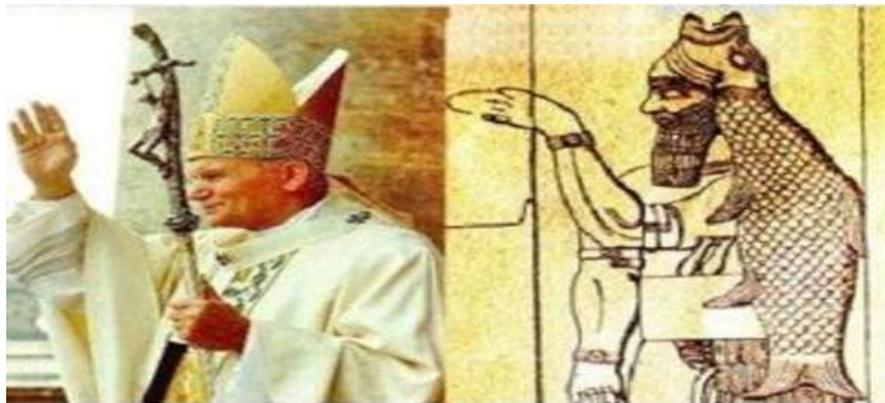


V*	-	5
I	-	1
C	-	100
A	-	0
R	-	0
I	-	1
U*	-	5
S	-	0
F	-	0
I	-	1
L	-	50
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I	-	1
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\*In Latin U and V have the same numerical value.

The phrase "Vicar of Christ" is inscribed in the head band of the Pope's tiara or mitre. Roman Catholic sources deny this fact, yet insiders of the Vatican who care for the papal garmets confirmed years ago that "Vicarius Filii Dei" is sewn into the various mitres worn by the pope, and 3-tier papal crown is engraved inside with the expression. The "fish head" mitre originates from ancient Babylon. I need to point out here that the Roman Catholic hierarchy and clergy will deny this completely, and they have saturated the Internet with enough sites to debunk this fact. I will show how the Roman Institution appropriated pagan beliefs and customs for their own practices and beliefs.



**The Religious "Mitre" Hat From Babylon**

**The Priest of Ancient "Dagon" Fish Worship**

The Roman Empire wherever it conquered lands, would incorporate and absorb the customs of the conquered lands by adopting the vanquished customs. Such practices enabled the Roman Empire to rule and control with the idea that the conquered would soon come to submit to the Roman Empire and feel at home with their conquered leader's identity, retained in the Roman Empire. The outlying conquered lands would be governed as buffer states to protect the homeland, a custom practiced by the former Soviet Union in the last century. The Roman Legions would be filled with conscripts from conquered lands serving in their homeland to protect the Empire. Incentives to conscript recruits promised donated land for serving in the legions operating in their homeland in exchange for twenty years of loyal service in the Roman Empire. In exchange they would receive parcels of land as their own to live on.



The letters inscribed in the Pope's mitre are these: "**VI-CARIUS FILII DEI**," which is Latin for Vicar of the Son of God." (*Our Sunday Visitor* April 18, 1915)

V	=	5	F	=	0
I	=	1	I	=	1
C	=	100	L	=	50
A	=	0	I	=	1
R	=	0	I	=	1
I	=	1			
U	=	5	D	=	500
S	=	0	E	=	0
			I	=	1

Total = 666

*Note: "Our Sunday Visitor" is a Catholic publication*



Most people alive today have never seen a pope wearing the famous Papal tiara. The Papal tiara is a **crown that was worn by popes of the Catholic Church** from as early as the 8th century to the mid-20th. It was last used by Pope Paul VI in 1963 and only at the beginning of his reign. Popes since Pope Paul VI have not worn their Papal tiara for ecumenical reasons. It was primarily worn at papal coronations. Each new pope still receives his own Papal crown upon his election. This picture above and on the next page shows the one made for Pope Benedict XVI, given to him on May 25, 2011.

The Papal tiara is the crown worn by popes of the Roman Catholic Church for centuries, until 1978 when Pope John Paul I declined a coronation, opting instead for an inauguration. The tiara is still used as a symbol of the Papacy. It features on the coat of arms of the Holy See and of the Vatican City State, though not on the pope's personal coat of arms since Pope Benedict XVI replaced the tiara on his official coat of arms with a traditional bishop's mitre. A tiara is used to crown a statue of Saint Peter in St. Peter's Basilica every year on his feast day.

Popes commissioned tiaras from jewelers or received them as gifts, with a number remaining in the possession of the Holy See. In 1798, French troops occupied Rome and stole or destroyed all but one of the papal tiaras held by the Holy See. Since then popes have used or

received as gifts more than twenty tiaras. Several were never worn by a pope, notably those presented as gifts since the last Papal coronation in 1963.



The papal tiara was never worn for liturgical celebrations, such as Mass. At such functions the Pope, like other bishops, wore a mitre. However, a tiara was worn during the

solemn entrance and departure processions, and one or more could be placed on the altar during the elaborately ceremonial Pontifical High Mass.

The tiara was thus worn in formal ceremonial processions, and on other occasions when the pope was carried on the *"sedia gestatoria"*, a portable throne whose use was ended by Pope John Paul II immediately after his election in October 1978. His short-lived predecessor, John Paul I, also chose initially not to use it, but relented when informed that without it the people could not see him. The papal tiara was also worn when a pope gave his traditional Christmas and Easter *Urbi et Orbi* blessing ("to the City and the World") from the balcony of St Peter's – the only religious ceremony at which the tiara was worn.

There is no certainty about what the three crowns of the Triple Tiara symbolize, as is evident from the multitude of interpretations that have been and still are proposed. Some link it to the threefold authority of the "Supreme Pontiff: Universal Pastor (top), Universal Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction (middle) and Temporal Power (bottom)". Others interpret the three tiers as meaning "father of princes and kings, ruler of the world, vicar of Christ". The words that were used when popes were crowned were: *"Accipe tiaram tribus coronis ornatam, et scias te esse patrem principum et regum, rectorem orbis in terra vicarium Salvatoris nostri Jesu Christi, cui est honor et gloria in saecula saeculorum"* ("Receive the tiara adorned with three crowns and know that thou art father of princes and kings, ruler of the world, vicar on earth of our Saviour Jesus Christ, to whom is honour and glory for ever and ever").

Yet others have associated it with the threefold office of Christ, who is "Priest, Prophet and King", or "teacher, lawmaker and judge". Another traditional interpretation was that the three crowns refer to the "Church Militant on earth", the "Church Suffering after death and before heaven", and the "Church Triumphant in eternal reward". Yet another interpretation suggested by Archbishop Cordero Lanza di Montezemolo, who designed Pope Benedict XVI's tiara-less coat of arms, was "order, jurisdiction and magisterium", while a further theory links the three tiers to the "celestial, human and terrestrial worlds," which the pope is supposed to symbolically link. Lord Twining suggested that just as the Holy Roman Emperors were crowned three times as king of Germany, king of Italy and Roman emperor, so the popes, to stress the equality of their spiritual authority to the temporal authority of the emperor, chose to be crowned with a tiara bearing three crowns.

The various parts of the Papal symbol, shown below, describe the power of the Papacy, one who, as Pope Leo XIII explained, occupies *"the place on earth of God Almighty."*

Most notable in the Papal emblem is the tiara, or triple crown. Until recently, during the coronation of a new pope, the tiara was placed on his head with the words: ***"Receive the tiara adorned with three crowns, and know that you are Father of princes and kings, guide of the world, vicar of our Savior Jesus Christ."***

In this age where appearance before mass media is so important, the last two popes chose not to have this crowning ceremony included in their coronation.

However, lest we think they have abandoned the incredible claims of this crown, it is displayed everywhere as a symbol of the Papacy. Therefore, since it is still in widespread use, it is good to understand the meaning of the three crowns.

The **first circlet**, or crown, symbolizes the pope's "universal episcopate." This means that he claims to be ruler over all the church of Christ. All priestly power, including the power to forgive sins, must come through him and his agents.

This is why John Paul II, felt justified in reminding us that you must be in submission to him in order to be saved, "*No salvation outside the church of Rome.*" Quite simply, this makes spiritual slaves of nearly 1.2 billion people for whom Christ died. No pope has deviated from this declaration. The third in line of ascendancy stated recently that bishops are still required by Canon Law to refuse communion to Protestants. Rome never changes even in the so-called ecumenical climate!

The **second circlet** symbolizes the pope's claimed "primacy of jurisdiction." This means that he alone is complete ruler of the church. He is the final judge, teacher and ruler. Over the Church of Christ, the pope claims to be King.

The **last circlet** in the crown represents the pope's "temporal power". This means that he is ruler of the entire world. All kings, presidents and governments are subservient to him. The Papacy claims that all civil rulers have only that authority which the pope, as spiritual and temporal head, allows them to have.

Lest you think this to be an empty claim, consider how rulers and governments tremble at the opposition of the pope. Catholic leaders well know the power of intimidation by a pope.

In recent years, many rulers have been toppled when they lost Papal favor. Once he turns against a government, the pope can raise up a mighty opposition of loyal Catholics to topple a government from within.

The Papal emblem also contains a pair of crossed keys. These represent the supposed power of the pope to forgive sins. Alexander Hislop, in the classical work, '*The Two Babylons*', gives the fascinating background of how these keys helped the pope gain control over the pagans by this adaptation of the ancient keys of Janus and Cybele. **The two keys on a pope's coat of arms represent religious and temporal power.** (See picture on next page).

Another important part of the Papal shield is the big letter "**M**" at the lower right quadrant of the shield. This stands for Pope John Paul II's undying devotion to the Virgin Mary or "Queen of Heaven."

While many Main Line "Protestant" churches believe that Rome is changing, this pope is actually bringing Catholic doctrine back to the old ways, with worship of Mary playing a key role. Pope Francis has affirmed worship of Mary, most of his remarks as such are towards

Mary, and never to Jesus! Francis always address worship to Mary, the “Queen of Heaven”, another example of Roman Catholic dualism! While the wording is a bit obscure, Pope Francis has virtually given her equal status in the Roman Catholic Church. Pope Francis is gifted at parsing words. The Virgin Mary and the “Queen of Heaven” are not one in the same.



The papacy had just been dealt another blow in 1870 when she lost control both of the Papal States and of the city of Rome itself. Not until Mussolini in 1929 ceded the Vatican to the Papacy did the Papacy have its own little country again. The papacy lost both its supremacy and its temporal power (its sovereign territory) in **1798**.

The end of the matter is this: the popes still dream of world dominion. Claiming all authority and power, they strive to manipulate individuals, populations, governments and nations. The Roman Catholic Institution lost the “Key” of Temporal Power in the early 18th Century.

Their dreams have led them to seek to be *"that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth."* -(Revelation 17:18) Many great preachers have already predicted that, one day, a pope will stand in the future temple to receive the worship of the nations. Come quickly, Lord Jesus!

**MARK OF THE BEAST**

# 666

**666 IN ALL BARCODES**

The colored lines illustrates that each number has it's own unique width. Note number 6 is used at the beginning, middle and end of every barcode.

**BEGINNING**      **MIDDLE**      **END**

6      Left Character Set      6      Right Character Set      6

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0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

The number six represents man without God. The number six six six means man man man, a system that is totally mancentred and man-dominated. Everything is based on man's thoughts and plans and schemes. There is no room for God in it.

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A Belgium supercomputer called "The Beast" is being used to track everyone.

Before moving on, I should add an interesting note that **060606** is the telephone number to call for information on the services provided by the City of Rome, Italy. The service is available in English from Monday to Saturday, from 4pm to 7pm. **ChiamaRoma 060606** One number, a whole city! The service, which employs a total of 300 full- and part-time staff, started in June 2002 after an international tender-bid was put out by Rome's city council. The man who pulled off the contract, on behalf of Poste Italiane and an associate partner, T-System, was Gian Luca Biricocoli, the contract manager. The city of Rome has posted on their Web site a phone number for visitors seeking information. The number is **060606**. T-System is part of the T-Mobile tele-communications industry. Zero-suppression will yield **-6-6-6!**

A great deal of mystery surrounds this number "**666**" and there are many aspects of its origin, its continued use, and its symbolic meaning. As the illustration above shows, in the Bible, the number "**6**" represents man without God in the picture. Pope Francis never invokes the name of Jesus Christ, not so much as once, even positively.

Where does the number "**666**" come from? Many obviously have read of it in the Bible or heard of it from other sources such as movies or books, but very few know where it actually comes from or why the book of Revelation speaks about this number with such negative connotations. Also, what is the ultimate meaning of the number "**666**"? Most people think the number "**666**" is the number of the devil. Is that true?

The number "**666**" comes directly from the worship practices of the city of Babylon about the time of the Bible prophet Daniel, about 605 B.C. The people of Babylon worshiped gods that were associated with the sun, moon, visible planets of our solar system, and certain of the stars involved with the practice of astrology. The Babylonians were the principle developers of astrology, much of which became the foundation of astrology as we see it practiced by some in modern times. The Babylonians essentially corrupted what we know as astronomy with astrology and the worship of the stars. The **Gospel in the Stars** was revealed to the Israelites in the **Mazzaroth** revealed by Job 38:32. The Babylonians corrupted the Gospel in the Stars along with everything else dealing with the Creator.

Not all of the work that the Babylonians did was oriented towards astrology. Much good observational and mathematical astronomy was developed by their work. They also did substantial work in the field of mathematics, though their system of representing numbers seems cumbersome. The quality of the work done between 300 BC and the beginning of the Christian era was such that it was not equaled again until the astronomer Copernicus began his work in about the year 1500 A.D... They were able to predict lunar eclipses to the exact time of occurrence, first and last visibility and the beginning and end of retrograde motions of the planets Venus, Saturn, Jupiter, Mercury and Mars. They also created a 19-year lunar cycle calendar system that was reasonably accurate. The astronomy was used as the basis for their calendar system and also was used as a means of measuring time, including the passage of time at night. (*Civilization Before Greece and Rome*, Yale University Press, New Haven, pgs. 236-239). They were quite sophisticated in their mathematical methods and were very practical at the same time.

In the Babylonian worship system, they had **36** supreme gods, and one of these, the god associated with the Sun, was supreme over all the other gods. The reason the Sun god was considered supreme over all the other gods was because it was considered to be the father of all the other gods. They worshiped these gods for various reasons, such as divination of the future and protection from their gods because they believed that all of them were primarily evil, so they feared them. They did ascribe some positive qualities to some of their gods, particularly the Sun god, but overall there was a belief that the gods were evil rather than good.

The Babylonian people believed that numbers had power over the gods they worshiped. Each of the **36** supreme gods was assigned a count number in their system which was used in place of the name of each god (*'Trail of the Serpent'*, Murl Vance, pgs. 26, 27, 72 footnote 2). The count number assigned to each god was based on the power that each god was believed to possess. Therefore, the count number for any particular god represented its rank order among the **36** gods. Do note that some of the gods had several numbers assigned to them in addition to their count numbers.

The Babylonians counted their gods and then added up all of the numbers from **1** to **36**. The first god they counted got the number one assigned to it (which was the **Sun** god for the purposes of the counting process), and the second god (the **Moon** god) they counted got the number two assigned to it, and so on up to all **36** supreme gods. The gods numbered from 3 through **36** were considered the children of the **Sun** god, which included the various stars and constellations that these gods were associated with. Now, if you have not guessed it by now, the sum of the numbers from **one** to **36** totals "**666**", which they assigned to the god associated with the Sun. The Sun god had several numbers assigned to it, the numbers 1 (used for counting purposes) and "**666**". They did the calculation like this:

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10 + 11 + 12} \\ & \mathbf{+ 13 + 14 + 15 + 16 + 17 + 18 + 19 + 20 + 21 + 22} \\ & \mathbf{+ 23 + 24 + 25 + 26 + 27 + 28 + 29 + 30 + 31 + 32} \\ & \mathbf{+ 33 + 34 + 35 + 36 = 666} \end{aligned}$$

Here is what Vance said about this:

*"In the astrological religion of Babylon, every god had his sacred number or numbers which were often used in place of the god's name. These numbers indicated the god's place and power among the astrological gods... Going deeply back into Babylonian astrology we find the real reason for the sanctity for the number **36**. The Babylonians divided each of the 12 houses in the zodiac into three rooms, making **36** in all. They then divided the entire remainder of the sky into **36** constellations, and appointed the ruling god of each constellation to rule over one of the **36** rooms of the zodiac."*

Since the spirits of the departed were believed to go to and dwell in the stars - a teaching still much alive today, there was therefore not a spirit in the heavens, not a star in the

sky which was not represented in the **36** rooms of the zodiac, and to swear by the number **36** was to swear by every god in the heavens above, as well as by all the spirits of the departed. The **36** gods were called decans because each ruled over 10 degrees of the zodiacal circle. Note: Roman Catholicism is all about **“Sun”** worship and not **“Son”** worship!

"The seven planets or the 7-headed astrological dragon ruled over the **36** decans and over them all, as we have noted, ruled the Sun, 'the father of the gods.' It was natural and inevitable that since the summary number of the numbers from 1-36 is “666”, this number (called 'the Grand Number of the Sun'), should have been assigned to the Sun-god as the cosmic god who not only ruled over all the other gods but also was their heavenly parent. Herein lies the reason for the 'Solar Seals' in use before the time of Christ as amulets to ward off any evil that might come from the **36** decans." (Vance, pgs. 26, 27)

They feared these gods because they were perceived as evil and they worried that one of them might strike them down sometime. To hopefully prevent this from happening to them, they made amulets with a **6 x 6** matrix of the numbers 1 through **36** on them. Today we call these numeric matrices 'magic squares'. The design of the amulets was to achieve a magic purpose, especially protection of the person wearing the amulet. The amulets had to be as powerful as possible, so in order to increase its power, they arranged these numbers in such a way that the sum of any given row, column, or diagonal is **111**, and therefore the sum of all six rows or all six columns was **“666”**. This was supposed to provide extra protection, including from the god associated with the Sun, since this god's sum was present on the amulet.

Here is a statement that explains the need for a person to carry the amulets with them:  
**"...as to why anyone should use the number 666 lies in the very nature of pagan idolatry, which is ... nothing but disguised demon worship. The principle behind all demon worship is fear, and the worship is nothing more than an effort to placate the evil one. Since in the fear religions, all misfortune, sickness, and death are the result of the operation of evil spirits, the worshiper, knowing by his conduct that he is not on God's side and therefore cannot expect, as long as he continues in open rebellion, to have his prayers for help addressed to God answered, turns to the only other supernatural power available to him, Lucifer himself."**

**"One characteristic stands out in any of these fear religions: the worshiper ever tries to stay in the good graces of his god by revering or wearing some symbol representing that god. Not only does he offer his most cherished possessions - perhaps his own children - he must ever, to avoid disaster, have on his person some object in which the spirit of his god dwells, he must carry his god around with him. This is the principle behind all charms, amulets, and magical objects ever found in pagan idolatry."** (Vance, pgs. 108-109).

Below is an example of one such arrangement of numbers in a **6 x 6** matrix of numbers. Note below that any given column, row, or diagonal adds up to **111**. The ancient Babylonians wrote these numbers out on a small clay tablet, and after drying and baking it to make the writing permanent, they would hang it on a support and wear it around their neck. As long as they carried the amulet with them, they thought that the amulet provided

protection because it was believed that the numbers on the amulet and the sum of the numbers, “666”, gave them power over all the gods. Thus, by having power over the gods, they could protect themselves against anything the gods might do to them.

6	32	3	34	35	1
7	11	27	28	8	30
19	14	16	15	23	24
18	20	22	21	17	13
25	29	10	9	26	12
36	5	33	4	2	31

The practice of creating amulets with this arrangement of numbers as part of astrology appears to have continued well past the time of Jesus. Archeologists have found amulets with Latin Inscriptions, so we know that the Romans were engaging in this practice.

In summary, the “666” number came about because of the Pagan worship practices of the Babylonians and their practice of astrology. They believed that the gods were evil and they were in need of protection from them. Because they also believed that numbers had power over the gods, by wearing the numbers of the gods, they were thereby protected from harm that the gods might do to them. One can be sure that the priests of Babylon profited well from this belief.

In a very real sense, the god numbers carried about on one's person was believed to give them power that they would not ordinarily have. To the worshiper of the Babylonian gods, anyone having such an amulet on himself with the sum reaching to “666” was seen as having power over all the gods and would likely have been regarded with some awe and respect. This power would be seen as great because the person had the sum, “666”, on them, which gave that person power over even the highest supreme god, the sun god. It seems likely that having an amulet with a sum less than “666” signaled that the person with that on him did not have authority over the highest god, so they probably never made amulets that way. A person would want authority over even the highest god so that he could control his own destiny and protect himself from evil that any of the gods might do to him.

**Note the following points:**

- The count number of each god that was written out on the amulet gave the person power over the corresponding god. For example, having the number 2 written on the

amulet gave the wearer of the amulet power over the moon god, which was the god assigned to the count number of 2. The number 1 on the amulet gave the wearer power over the Sun god.

- The power over the gods could be increased by adding up the count numbers of the individual gods. For this reason, each individual row or column or diagonal could be added to 111. The wearer of the amulets could further increase the power they had over the gods by adding up all the rows or columns, which was  $6 \times 111 = 666$ . Alternately, they could do the same by adding up the count numbers of all the individual gods, a sum which was "666". By having both of these arrangements on the amulet in the form of the  $6 \times 6$  matrix, it increased the power the wearer had over the gods to the maximum extent possible.
- The number "666" itself was a symbol of its authority over all the gods, even including the highest of the gods. This is because the number "666" contained the numbers of all the gods that formed the sum and the sum itself was perceived as having power over all the gods.

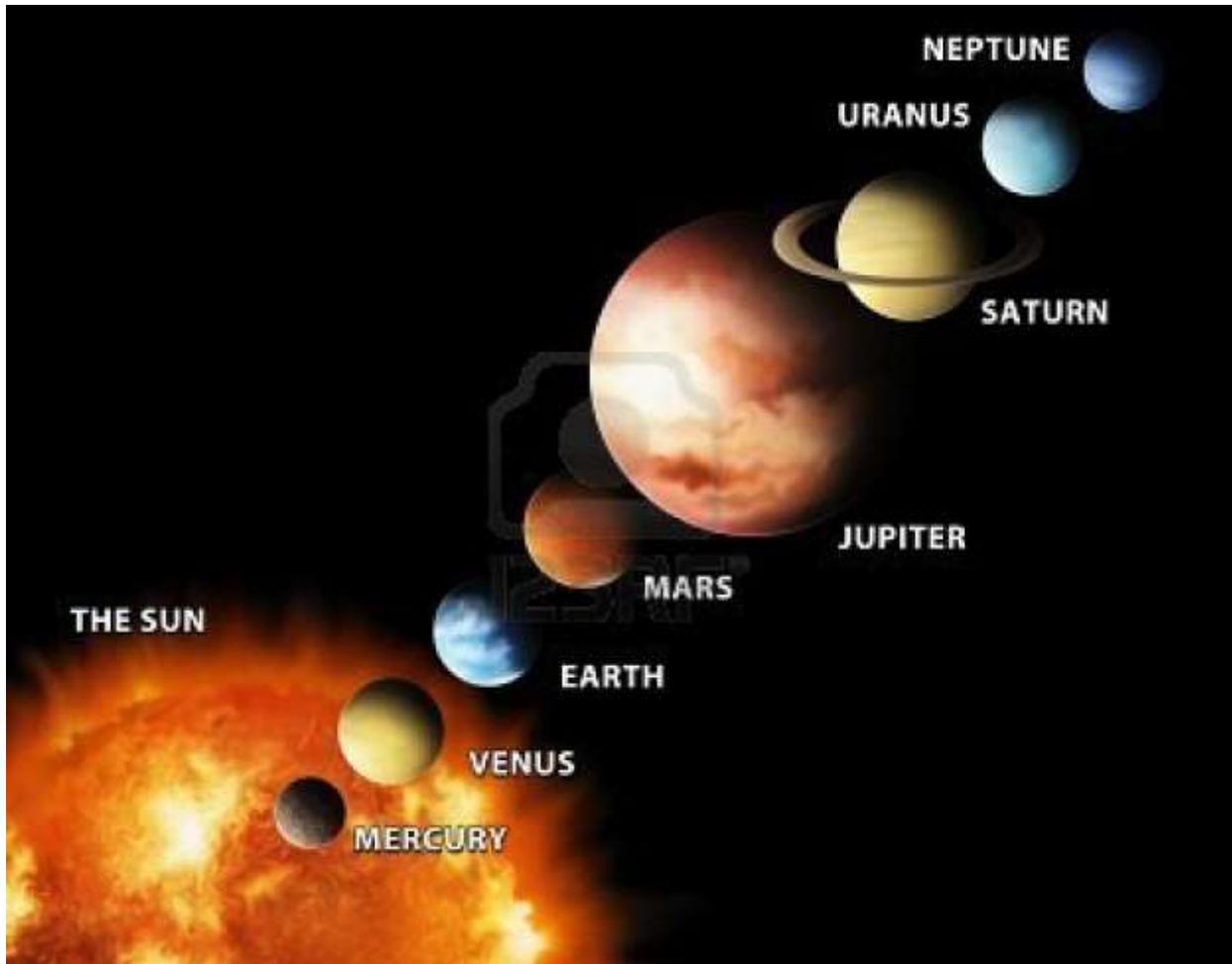
In Babylonian astrology, the Sun god was "the father of the gods" (Vance, pg. 27), or in other words, it was the founder or creator of all the other gods and the universe. The Sun god procreated all and was seen as their heavenly parent. Therefore, in a very real sense, the Sun god was the founder of a line of gods, just as lines of kings in Bible times had founders. It is for this reason that the Babylonian gods were counted as one linear sequence from 1 to 36 and the numbers of all the gods were then added together to make one sum, "666". There was only one founder of the line so there was only one sequence of gods to count. Obviously, if there had been more than one line, there would have been several sequential counts that would have been done and the total would still have come to "666".

When the Bible says that the beast has the number "666", it is telling us several things. These are:

- The number "666" was derived from the count and sum of the numbers of the gods and did not stand alone. Without the individual numbers making up the count, the sum, "666", would not exist.
- It informs us to begin the count with the founder of each line (starting at 1 for each line) and the sum of all lines is "666".
- The "god" who adds his count number to the total and receives the final "666" sum is one who in some special way is going to be perceived as having greater power than the other gods, even having power over all other "gods" because he will have the sum, "666".

Vance explained on page 27 of his book, the seven heads of the seven-headed astrological cosmic dragon were the seven planets of the sky. The planets in ancient times were the planets visible to the naked eye and also included the Sun and Moon, but excluded the earth itself. The Babylonians arranged them in order according to the time it took for one rotation for each object across the zodiac, which was in longest to shortest order: Saturn,

Jupiter, Mars, Sun, Venus, Mercury, and the Moon. Note that the Sun occupied the central position in the list, something to which the Babylonians attached significance (Vance, pg. 18). The seven planets were considered the cosmos and these were referred to as universal. The word Catholic means universal and originated with astrology rather than the Christian Church (Vance, pg. 8). Of course, the seven planets were considered to be of one line because the Sun was the founder of their line and was the father of all the objects in the sky, including the six other planets and the other 35 gods. Thus, there was one sequence to their count that went from **1** to **36**.



One thing that is very important to understand is that while it is true that many of the ancients wrote the number **“666”** by itself, often without the **36** numbers to be summed, the number **“666”** does not in any way stand by itself. This is because without the count that is to be summed up, there would be no **“666”** number. It simply would not exist because that number came about by summing up the individual god numbers. The number symbolized that it had power over all the gods.

In the situation we face in Revelation 13 and 17, we are given the numbers **8** and **“666”**, the name Babylon, and the astrological seven headed cosmic dragon is very nearly identical to

the dragon of Revelation 12. All this information makes it abundantly clear that these things are taken from Babylon rather than some other place or time. Thus, we have two numbers, **8** and **"666"**, which fit with Babylon and tell us that the number **36** is the missing term. Because there was no use for 616 or 606 as a magic square sum (or any other independent use) in the Babylonian god worship system, this makes it abundantly clear that the number in Revelation 13:18 must be **"666"**. This point refutes the view by some that some recently found manuscripts raises the point the number is 616 or something else but not **"666"**. The Textus-Receptus, the basis for the KJV Bible is clearly **"666"**. And, of course, even though we have an older manuscript version that has the number 616 on it, we still have other terms that tell us that the number is not 616, but rather is **"666"**. There is the number **8**, the cosmic 7-headed dragon, and the name Babylon for the woman. This consists of three items, making it an even stronger case that the number is **"666"** rather than 616.

Now, some have tried to get around this by saying that the numeric value of the name Caesar Nero works out to 616 if one drops the letter "n" at the end of the name to make it Caesar Neron (Hebrew names typically added the "n" to foreign names ending with an "o"), so they claim this proves the number they have is valid. But, given the information that there is an **8** and the name Babylon should lead us to sum the numbers from **1** to **8**, giving **36**, and then sum from **1** to **36**, giving **"666"**. This tells us that **"666"** is the correct number, not 616. The 616 idea for Nero is simply a distraction to take people's eyes off of the Papal system. The Vatican has attempted to divert focus from what it appropriated from the Babylonian Empire.

However, those wishing to make Nero the beast still have an out because by leaving the "n" at the end of the Hebrew name of Nero, it can then add up to **"666"** because "n" has a value of 50, so  $616 + 50 = \text{"666"}$ . The problem with this, of course, is that Nero does not fit all the descriptions of the Beast. The Beast was said to blaspheme the tabernacle of God, which means it substituted and established its own service for that which God had provided. Nero never did that in the temple of God. Thus, he is not the Beast and he is not the person who receives the **"666"** number.

The numbers **36** and **"666"** are called summary numbers because they "summarize" the sum of the numbers of the gods. **36** is the summary number for the god numbers **1** through **8**, while **"666"** is the summary number of the god numbers **1** through **36**. More commonly they are called triangular numbers. This was an important concept to the ancient Babylonians.

Each god had one or more numbers assigned to it and the Sun god not only had the number **"666"** assigned to it as the sum of the numbers of the **36** gods, but it also had the number 1 assigned to it which was used to help create the sum of the **36** god numbers. The number 2 was assigned to the Moon god. The Moon god was considered the wife of the Sun god, so their most important son was assigned the number 3 and typified all new life, whether plant or animal. The summary number of all three of these gods was **6** because  $1+2+3 = 6$ . As Murl Vance put it, *"As the summary number of the father, the mother, and the son, 6 therefore 'embraced all the powers of the three gods.'*" (Vance, pg. 26) Logically, to swear by the number

6 was to swear by the power of all three of these gods. This, of course, was the Pagan equivalent of the divine trinity, or “666”.

The names of our days of the week in English are named after the same gods that occurred on the seven heads/gods of the cosmic dragon. The names of the seven gods/heads on the cosmic dragon were as follows (Vance, page 66):

<b>Planet gods/dragon heads/days of the week names</b>		
<b>Planet Names</b>	<b>Babylonian God Names</b>	<b>English Day Names</b>
Sun	Shamash	Sunday
Moon	Sin	Monday
Mars	Nergal	Tuesday
Mercury	Nabu	Wednesday
Jupiter	Marduk	Thursday
Venus	Ishtar	Friday
Saturn	Ninib	Saturday

Note that the heads of the cosmic seven-headed dragon were believed by the Babylonians to be gods, something that is also true of the seven-heads of the beasts in Revelation 13 and 17 because the seven-heads are symbolic of mountains, which in the Bible are associated with groups of gods.

Consider that because the number 616 and “666” appear to work for Nero in Hebrew, is it possible that some scribe deliberately introduced this error into the text in hopes that it would be seen to point to Nero? In such a case, it would not be an accidental error, but still deliberate. And there is historical evidence to back up the idea that it is an error that may have been deliberate. Irenaeus reported that there were scribal errors of the number in his time (2nd century A.D.) and then went on to use the number “666”, so this would indicate that 616 is incorrect even though it is found on the earliest fragment of text of Revelation currently known which contains Revelation 13:18 (*Number of the Beast, Against Heresies*). Irenaeus ought to have known the correct number because when he was young, he was a pupil of Polycarp, who in turn was a pupil and friend of John who wrote the book of Revelation.

Finally, note that because of the things in Revelation 13 and 17 that clearly point to Babylon as their source, we can know with confidence that the number of the beast is “666”. In no way is there a method to arrive at 616 or 606 and have an 8th king as part of the package given the facts about astrology and Babylon that historians and archeologists know today. Therefore, one must conclude that the numbers 616 or 606 are due to scribal error and nothing more. The age of the document that these numbers were found on is irrelevant. A mistake, no matter how old, is still a mistake, even when propagated down through additional copies.

## Why does the book of Revelation Speak against Babylon and the Number 666?

When the Medes and Persians conquered Babylon (539 B.C.) they came with their own religious practices and gods, so had no need of the priests of the Babylonian religious system. Although the Persians were somewhat sympathetic towards the Babylonian god Marduk and apparently accommodated the priests of this god for a while, it **appears** from history that eventually they simply fired the whole crew of priests and installed their own. What scholars do know is that eventually the Babylonian priests left Babylon for a new location, probably because they were out of a job, though the exact reason why they left Babylon apparently is unclear.

Therefore, these Babylonian priests, apparently being without a livelihood, began to look for more fertile ground to work. They found it in the city of Pergamum, which was a city in what is now Western Turkey with no port or major industry at that time except education. It was a city of the universities of its day where students came to learn medicine and law. Soon after leaving Babylon, the Babylonian priests added their religious schooling to the educational institutions available in Pergamum. Clearly, they saw it as a progressive move. There was a major library there, with some 200,000 volumes, so it obviously was a good place for any university to be located.

To help you get a feel for the location of Pergamon, look at a map of Asia Minor during the time of the Greeks and Romans. You should be able to find Pergamon on the northwest end of Asia Minor in an area known as Mysia just a little to the south across the strait from a region known as Thrace. If you look carefully, you should also be able to see the locations of some of the other cities mentioned as part of the seven churches in Revelation, such as Ephesus, Thyatira, and Laodicea.

Some of the Babylonian priests did not go to Pergamon, but instead went to Egypt where they taught their religious practices to the Egyptians. The Egyptians readily picked up the Babylonian religious concepts and further extended and developed some of the ideas that are found in astrology even today. They also picked up the idea of the **36** supreme gods from the Babylonians along with the number **"666"** as the sum of the **36** god numbers which had power over all the gods, especially the most powerful of them, the sun god.

The teaching of the Babylonian religious practices by the Babylonian priests and their direct descendants went on in the city of Pergamon for centuries afterwards. They taught astrology (which likely included the science of astronomy) and making the amulets with the numbers 1 to 36 on them in the special arrangements they commonly used. They built a large complex as part of their worship system. This continued until about the year 133 B.C, at which time the last king of the Attalid Empire, who had his capital at Pergamon, died, and in his will, he bequeathed his kingdom to the Romans. After putting down a small rebellion, the Romans easily took over the Attalid Empire by 129 B.C. Revelation 2:13 says Pergamum was the Seat of Satan! ***"I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is: and thou***

***holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.***

When Alexander the Great came through the region, much of the knowledge of astronomy and astrology that the Babylonian priests possessed was passed on to the Greeks. Sometime relatively soon after the Romans took over the Attalid Empire, the priests who were still teaching the Babylonian religious practices in Pergamon saw their opportunity, packed their bags and took a ship and set to Rome. The Romans often adopted the religious practices of other cultures, something that went a long way towards helping their empire survive as long as it did. The Babylonian priests rightly calculated that the Romans would be very willing to learn and follow their teachings.

The Babylonian priests set up shop in Rome and began teaching the Romans about their religious practices. Soon all of Rome was filled with their religious teachings and practices. It eventually became so pervasive that people called Rome the new Babylon. This is an important aspect to remember. It is for this reason that many teach that references to Babylon in Revelation is in fact a code word for Rome. The Apostle John used the term several times.

Eventually, when the Christian Church came along, the practices and beliefs of the Babylonian religion followed right into the church. Historians have noted that at one point it seemed almost the entire city of Rome converted virtually overnight to Christianity, but what actually happened is the Babylonian religion was simply brought into the church and the three supreme gods of the Babylonian religion were renamed as God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. It was a convenient step. Other lesser gods became saints of the church. The Pagan Babylonian religious practices came into the church right along with it, including the practice of making amulets with the **36** god numbers on them. This made it easy for the followers of the Babylonian religion to "convert" to Christianity, but it certainly was not a genuine conversion. Because of the movement of Pagan religious practices into the Christian church, God condemned the church in Revelation by referring to it as Babylon. God condemns pagan religious practices, but in spite of that, they brought these practices into the church anyway. Part 24 of my series "The Beast Empire" addresses this in particular. The Apostle John had no doubt that the term "Babylon" was "code" for Rome!

Here is an example of pagan religious beliefs being incorporated into the very heart of the Papacy. Why are these symbols present above the pope's throne? During Medieval times, the Zodiac symbols were carved into the Papal throne (Vance, pg. 22); One has to wonder why the Zodiac, which is clearly Pagan symbols, would be carved into the throne of the ruler of the Catholic Christian Church? Rome was and still is the epitome of "syncretism" of other Pagan religions!

### **Timeline of Roman Catholicism**

The long-held claim by Roman Catholicism that it was the only unchangeable church is not supported by church history – not even Roman Catholic history. How sad to realize that this

false claim influenced so many to join or to stay in this false church, which actually is the product of centuries of changes. Most of these changes resulted from the Roman Catholic church's yielding to heathen customs and practices that were subsequently incorporated into Roman Catholic teachings and worship. The following is a partial list of heathen, unscriptural practices that became a part of Roman Catholic dogma over a period of seventeen centuries. Some of the dates given are approximate. In many cases, these heresies were even debated for years before being given the status of required beliefs:

1. Prayers for the dead – 300 A.D.
  2. Making the sign of the cross – 300 A.D.
  3. Veneration of angels & dead saints – 375 A.D.
  4. Use of images in worship – 375 A.D.
  5. The Mass as a daily celebration – 394 A.D.
  6. *Beginning of the exaltation of Mary; the term, "Mother of God" applied at Council of Ephesus* – 431 A.D.
  7. Extreme Unction (Last Rites) – 526 A.D.
  8. Doctrine of Purgatory (Gregory I) – 593 A.D.
  9. Prayers to Mary & dead saints – 600 A.D.
  10. Worship of cross, images & relics – 786 A.D.
  11. Canonization of dead saints – 995 A.D.
  12. Celibacy of priesthood – 1079 A.D.
  13. The Rosary – 1090 A.D.
  14. Indulgences – 1190 AD.
  15. Transubstantiation (Innocent III) – 1215 A.D.
  16. Auricular Confession of sins to a priest – 1215 A.D.
  17. Adoration of the wafer (Host) – 1220 A.D.
  18. Cup forbidden to the people at communion – 1414 A.D.
  19. Purgatory proclaimed as a dogma – 1439 A.D.
  20. The doctrine of the Seven Sacraments confirmed – 1439 A.D.
  21. Tradition declared of equal authority with Bible by Council of Trent – 1545 A.D.
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- I. Denied every doctrine of the Reformation, from Sola Scriptura to "salvation by grace through faith alone";
  - II. Pronounced 125 anathemas (eternal damnation) upon anyone believing what evangelicals believe and preach today. Here is a sampling:
    - i. If any one shall deny that the body and blood together with the soul and divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ, and therefore entire Christ, are truly, really, and substantially contained in the sacrament of the most holy Eucharist; and shall say that He is only in it as a sign, or in a figure, or virtually – let him be accursed (Canon 1).
    - ii. If any one shall say that the substance of the bread and wine remains in the sacrament of the most holy Eucharist, together with the body and blood of our Lord

- Jesus Christ, and shall deny that wonderful and singular conversion of the whole substance of the bread into the body, and of the whole substance of the wine into the blood, the outward forms of the bread and wine still remaining, which conversion the Catholic Church most aptly calls transubstantiation – let him be accursed (Canon 2).
- iii. If any man shall say that Christ, the only begotten Son of God, is not to be adored in the holy sacrament of the Eucharist, even with the open worship of latria, and therefore not to be venerated with any peculiar festal celebrity, nor to be solemnly carried about in processions according to the praiseworthy, and universal rites and customs of the holy Church, and that he is not to be publicly set before the people to be adored, and that his adorers are idolaters – let him be accursed (Canon 6).
  - iv. If anyone shall say that the ungodly man is justified by faith only so as to understand that nothing else is required that may cooperate to obtain the grace of justification, and that it is in no wise necessary for him to be prepared and disposed by the motion of his own will ... let him be accursed (Canon 9).
  - v. If anyone shall say that justifying faith is nothing else than confidence in the divine mercy pardoning sins for Christ's sake, or that it is that confidence alone by which we are justified ... let him be accursed (Canon 12).
- I. Equal value and authority of tradition and Scripture (in actuality, tradition is held above Scripture);
  - II. Scriptures for the priesthood only (prohibited to anyone in the laity without written permission from one's superior -- to violate this was [and still is in most "Catholic countries" today] considered a mortal sin);
  - III. Seven sacraments;
  - IV. Communion by eating the bread only (not drinking the wine);
  - V. Purgatory;
  - VI. Indulgences;
  - VII. The Mass as a propitiatory offering.

22. Apocryphal books added to Bible – 1546 AD

23. Immaculate Conception of Mary – 1854 AD

24. Vatican Council I – 1870 AD

- I. Defined the infallibility of the pope in matters of faith and morals
- II. Confirmed Unum Sanctum (no salvation outside of the Catholic Church).

25. Assumption of the Virgin Mary (bodily ascension into heaven shortly after her death) – 1950 AD

## 26. Vatican Council II – 1965 AD

Vatican II made no new doctrines, nor did it change or repudiate any old ones; Trent and Vatican I stand as is (Vatican II verified and validated all the anathemas of Trent). Vatican II reaffirmed such Roman heresies as papal supremacy; the Roman priesthood; the mass as an unbloody sacrifice of Christ; a polluted sacramental gospel; Catholic tradition on equal par with Scripture; Mary as the Queen of Heaven and co-Redemptrix with Christ; auricular confession; Mariolatry; pilgrimages to "holy shrines"; purgatory; prayers to and for the dead; etc.

- I. Mary proclaimed Mother of the RC church.
- II. Reaffirmed the infallibility of the pope (and even when he does not speak ex-cathedra, all RC's must still give complete submission of mind and will to what he says).
- III. Divided RC doctrine into that which is essential core of theology, and must be received by faith, and that which is still an undefined body of theology which RC's may question and debate without repudiating their essential core.
- IV. Established 20 complex rules concerning when and how any indulgence may be obtained, and condemned "with anathema those who say that indulgences are useless or that the Church does not have the power to grant them ... [for] the task of winning salvation."

The church in Rome seems to believe that it can bring things into the church that is Pagan in origin, make them holy and therefore make them acceptable to God. However, the Bible teaches that only God is holy and only He can make things holy. At this point, one can see how Rome really is about **"Sun"** worship, and not **"Son"** worship! This point is brought out in Alexander Hislop's book *'The Two Babylons'*. Catholics despise Alexander Hislop, as it exposes this issue of "syncretism" or "milk-shake" effect that Rome effectively incorporated into merging Paganism with Christianity.

In the Vatican there is a statue of what is supposed to be Peter. However, that is not what it originally was sculpted to be. The original design of it was to represent the Roman god Jupiter (some say it is the god Saturn and I am not sure which it is). Consider that many Catholic Pilgrims every year kiss the feet of the Roman god Jupiter, thinking they are kissing the image of Peter. These people are ignorantly kissing the feet of a Pagan god idol. What do you think God thinks of this when he spoke so strongly against Pagan idols? Do you honestly think He approves of this?

Ultimately, there are a number of things in the Catholic Church which trace back to the Babylonian religious practices. Many Catholics do these things ignorantly, of course, not knowing that God does not approve of them. We hope God will be fair and just for these individuals and overlook their ignorance, but God still does not approve bowing to an image of any kind. In ancient Israel, they also brought Pagan practices into their "church" (synagogue), but in spite of the evident belief among them that this made these practices safe to bring into the synagogue, God condemned this practice. Why would it be any different for the Christian

Church today? Has God changed (consider Malachi 3:6 - ***“For I am the LORD, I CHANGE NOT therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed)”***).

Who is the supreme authority in this universe, God or the pope? It appears the Catholic Church thinks the pope is because it long ago dropped the commandment against the making of, bowing to or worship of images, from the list of the Ten Commandments. However, a long time ago God told Isaiah. ***“For mine own sake, even for mine own sake, will I do it: for how should my name be polluted? and I will not give my glory unto another.”***—(Isaiah 48:11)

Look at that phrase again, ***“I will not give my glory unto another”***. It seems unlikely this is speaking of the light that surrounds the presence of God, of that we may be sure. Verses around this text speak of the great power of God as creator and his ability to foretell the future, so it strongly suggests that it is speaking of His power, His authority, and most of all, His position in the universe as its Designer and Creator of all life. The popes have usurped that authority and claimed they have the right to interpret or change the Laws of God. When the Catholic Church claims it has the authority to change the Law of God, is this not a claim that the Church has an authority at least equal (if not greater) with God? Consider again, about what God says, ***“I will not give my glory unto another.”*** It is something we need to think about very carefully.

Many individuals in the Catholic Church believe they are genuine Christians who will be in heaven, but it is also true that as a religious system, God condemns it because it is a conglomeration of Paganism and Christianity. **It mixes truth with error.** So, do not mistake the destiny of the individual member of that church for the destiny of the system of which they are a part. They are not necessarily synonymous. God loves all people everywhere and wants to save everyone if at all possible. He will do everything possible to save people, but not all will choose salvation and some will be lost as a result of their choice.

God calls all genuine Christians out of this system so that they will not have to suffer the same fate that is going to come to the system as a whole. The end of this world is near and God tells us in the Bible that this system, along with all other forms of evil in this world, is soon to be the subject of the judgments of God. To prevent the destruction of good people along with those who do evil, God calls those who will follow him to come out of Babylon:

***“And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.”*** - (Revelation 18:1-4) This is for Catholic people as much as anyone else.

Note that Revelation 17 portrays a woman that symbolizes Babylon and it says she is the “mother of harlots”, which clearly indicates she has daughters. There are many who believe that a woman in Revelation symbolizes a church, so this woman of Revelation 17 symbolizes a corrupt church or churches. The Roman Catholic Church is the only church that claims it is the mother church, so, the daughters must be the Protestant churches that will corrupt themselves by joining with Babylon at the end and by doing the same thing the mother did commit fornication with the kings of the earth. Therefore, this call will apply to God's people within the Protestant churches as well. I believe most of the seven main line Protestant denominations will come together during the Tribulation period under the mantle of Rome and the one-world church.

The only way to salvation is through Jesus Christ, for Acts 4:12 says, speaking of Jesus, ***“Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.”*** Note that Peter, whom the Catholic Church claims was the first pope, spoke these last words. The Catholic Church also claims the right to determine salvation for other people. **Nevertheless, here Peter himself declares it is Jesus alone who saves. The Pope or the church cannot save you. And even if Peter were a pope, in this verse he declared that he himself could not save you.** Many of God's people are in the Catholic and Protestant churches and He is calling all to return to worshipping him the way He approves. Look to Jesus and His Word (the Bible) for direction and help for this because He is the sole source of salvation. He will help you if you sincerely ask Him and are willing to follow where He leads. Jesus gave His life for you. It cost him everything, so He is very willing to help. Consequently, you can trust Him to lead you in the right path. Please choose to follow Him wherever He leads. You will not be disappointed in the end.

Now, the Bible speaks of the number “666” in very serious tones. Probably the most serious warning in the Bible is in connection with the “Mark” of the beast and the number “666” (see Revelation 14). **The reason the Bible speaks negatively about the number “666” is that it symbolizes the power of the person who has that number to have power over all the gods, which in the case of the Papacy is their claim to be God and to have authority over God and His law,** all of which are false claims. There is no power in the number, but the power exists with the demon behind the number! Because the popes claim both to be God and to have authority over God and His law, this empowers them to believe that they can change the law of God to suit their own purposes. God sees this as very serious and knows it will lead many to be lost for all of eternity because the claims are false. So, for this reason, He warns against this power and calls His people to come out of that church in Revelation 18:4: ***“And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.”*** The time will come when God will make this call very loud and clear so that His people will come out of it. That will be their last opportunity to escape the punishment that is about to come upon that church.

**The Catholic Church has long made the claim that they have power over God and His law and to be the only legitimate Christian Church.** This claim is based upon their claim of **apostolic succession** in which they teach that their authority traces all the way back to Peter

and Jesus. This is based on succession of the office of the pope that they believe extends back to Peter. Here is the basic idea as described in Wikipedia:

**"Apostolic succession is usually described as the official authority that has been passed down through unbroken lines of successive bishops beginning with the original Apostles selected by Jesus, or on a similar basis. Put another way, bishops (in churches subscribing to the doctrine) are only created bishops by other bishops; thus, every bishop today is the end of an unbroken line of bishops, extending all the way back to one (or more) of the Apostles, through which authority descends."** ([http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Apostolic\\_succession](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Apostolic_succession))

The claim that churches which do not have this succession cannot be legitimate Christian Churches and do not have the ultimate authority that they, the Catholic Church, has. It is an argument that clearly has a powerful appeal to many. There are a few other churches besides the Catholic Church which claim to have Apostolic Succession such as the Orthodox Churches, so this is not an exclusive claim of the Catholic Church. However, the Catholic Church is the only church that has taken this to its ultimate extreme because they are the only church that claims to have changed God's ten commandment laws.

Ultimately their claim to have power over God and His law is based on the idea of apostolic succession. Now, what does this have to do with the number **"666"**?

Many have argued that the number **"666"** is correctly derived from converting the letters of a Papal title to the number **"666"**. While this does work, there is good reason to believe that it is not the method God had in mind for deriving the number when he gave it to John. There are several reasons for this. First, it is clear that the original **"666"** number was derived from a direct count of the Babylonian Pagan gods. Anything that deviates from that runs the high risk of not being the method God had in mind because He obviously patterned the woman and the beast among other things in Revelation 13 and 17 after Babylon. Second, there is the matter of the apostolic succession in relation to the ultimate meaning of the number **"666"**.

As stated above, the ultimate meaning of the number **"666"** when applied to the beast is that it is the sign of their claim of authority over God and God's law. But it is also true that the Catholic Church points to the apostolic succession as the source of their authority, which they have used as the foundation for their right to change God's ten commandment laws. Consequently, the apostolic succession idea is, in essence, a sign of their claim to authority over God and His law. Thus, this connects the apostolic succession and the number **"666"** together. In other words, it connects the number **"666"** and the apostolic succession together because both of these are a sign of their claim to authority over God and His law. Perhaps you can think of it something like this if you borrow from mathematics to represent the relationships:

- sum to **"666"** = sign of authority over God and His law
- apostolic succession = sign of authority over God and His law
- Conclusion: apostolic succession = sum to **"666"**

What this tells you is that somehow the apostolic succession is related to the derivation of the sum of numbers to “666”. How is it related? Well, the fact is that the number 666” was calculated, as shown above, by counting the Pagan god numbers of a founder of a group of Pagan gods and all of his line and then adding these count numbers together to reach “666”. In the case of the apostolic succession, you have a group of popes that succeed one another, “supposedly going back to Peter. Because they are clearly related as shown above, then in some way, to arrive at the sum of “666”, you must count the popes and add their count numbers to reach “666”. You do that by counting the popes in the different lines of the apostolic succession, where different lines are defined by a new founder's name. You can know that the final pope line, the 8th king, will receive the final sum, 666”, because in Revelation 13:18 it is clear that the number is applied at the end of the world when the 8th king is in power. This is one version taught by Seventh Day Adventists but it has gone out of vogue.

Thus, when God points to this, He is directly pointing to the source of their claim to power and is something that they cannot escape without destroying the foundation of their claim to power. It marks them because of the meaning of this symbol and because they do make such claims. Therefore, it is a powerful identifying mark, especially when combined with other characteristics of the beast.

As discussed before, there are those who believe that the Papal title *Vicarius Filii Dei* is the real source of the number “666”. And there are those who believe that the number is merely a triple six, or in other words, three sixes in a row because they believe that this represents the ultimate sign of evil that this power represents. This idea comes about because they think that “6” is the number of man, which they consider a sign of evil, and a triple six is just the Bible's way of emphasizing the great evil of man in the beast system. Perhaps this appears to not be a bad idea, but it is wrong because it totally ignores the real source of the number and the way it is to be counted.

There is another problem for those who believe in the triple six theories, the theory that “666” is merely a set of three sixes and does not represent six hundred sixty six as a sum. Their idea is that 6 is the number of man. But the Bible says that the woman is Babylon and the number “666” is the number of the beast, of which the woman is a constituent part. Thus, this points not to a Biblical definition of the number “666” or 6 by itself as they wish to do so that the number is just 6-6-6. In the Babylonian system, the number 6 was representative of the Babylonian trinity because it was the sum of the numbers  $1 + 2 + 3 = 6$ . In their thinking, the ultimate meaning of this number, 6, was that it was the number of the serpent, meaning specifically that they were ultimately worshiping Satan! (Vance, page 93). Because this number, 6, represents the serpent, then 6-6-6 is certainly a sign of the great evil that applies to the beast. However, the problem with this is that the number cannot be a triple six because the beast and Satan are two different powers and are represented as two different beasts in Revelation 12 and 13. They are separate entities so should not be confused with one another. Thus, this creates a dilemma that cannot be resolved except by realizing that the number “666” is not 6-6-6, but rather a sum representing the number **six hundred sixty six**. This allows us to

realize that the number is that of the Beast rather than the number of the dragon, which matches what the Bible tells us rather than matching popular opinion.

For those who believe that the number comes from a Papal title, they have a problem. It is known that in ancient times names were often summarized with a number just as is done with the title *Vicarius Filii Dei*. Even the Babylonians sometimes did that. It was not uncommon for archeologists to find that people wrote a number in place of a name in some of the ancient cultures. The Gnostics in Egypt were famous for writing the number “666” on their documents, which some believe is a substitute for the name of something. The problem with all this is that God said that the woman in Revelation 17 is Babylon and the number “666” is the number of the beast. The woman is a part of the beast because the beast is defined in Revelation 13 and 17 to be the combination of the woman and the kings of the earth. There is no evidence in history or the Bible that the number derives from the kings of the earth, so the number must come from the woman. Because the woman is said to be Babylon, therefore, in order to correctly derive the number, the number must be derived the same way the Babylonians did it. Because the number “666” exists only because of the count of the gods and was never a stand-alone number, the number when applied to the woman must be done by counting the gods, 1 to 36 summed to “666”. Because the woman represents the Catholic Church, how do you count the gods in the Catholic Church?

Of course, some would say that there are no gods in the Catholic Church, but that is not true. Some of the popes have claimed to be God and to have power over His laws (other popes have never refuted that claim), so therefore, they are the gods that are in the symbolic woman. Because these are the gods in the woman, it is logical that one must count them to count the gods to arrive at the number “666”. Adding up the letters of a title converted to numbers or just writing three sixes in a row will not fulfill that method because they have never been considered gods. You must count individual popes and add up the count numbers to correctly do this.

The point of all this is that it is irrelevant how or why the Gnostics, the Romans, or any other culture (other than the Babylonians) wrote the number “666”. The only way that is relevant is how and why the Babylonians wrote the number “666” because God tells us that the woman is Babylon and we know that was the source of the number. If one refuses to do it as the Babylonians did it, then one is voiding the clear instruction that God has given us concerning the source of the number. If God had intended us to see it derived from another source, then He would have told us that the woman was perhaps Egypt (for the Gnostics) or some other indication so we would know that the number was to be derived from another source. But saying that the woman is Babylon limits the source of the number to Babylon. Therefore, because the Babylonians used this number only in connection with the count of the gods, we must conclude that the count of the gods is the only correct way to derive it.

As a result, the Papal title *Vicarius Filii Dei* or the triple six theories are both wrong. Both of them essentially posit that the number is a standalone number that has nothing to do with the count of the gods. Both fail to understand the source or significance of the sum, “666”, and

both fail to understand that without the count, the number “666” would never have been heard of by anyone. It simply would never have existed. For these reasons, there is no other method other than counting the gods that gives you the true method for deriving the number.

In summary, as we have seen, the number “666” was derived in Babylon by counting gods who (1 to 36) were part of a line of gods with one founder. Each of them has a count number that is part of the sum towards the number “666”. Each of their numbers was believed to hold power over that particular god. The sum, “666”, was believed to hold power over the father of all the other gods, the Sun god, and this gave the holder of that sum ultimate power over all the gods because the Sun god was the most powerful god and because the sum contained the numbers of all the individual gods. Thus, possessing the number “666” was a sign of their ultimate authority over even the most powerful god. Likewise, for God to say that the Beast has the number “666” is to say two things: first, that there is a count of gods involved, and second, that it is a sign of their ultimate claim to power over God Himself and His law, a claim that ties the number into the apostolic succession from which the number is derived. As this study reveals, “666” has remained an intrinsic element of the Roman Catholic Institution over the past nearly 2,000 years. It culminates in what is called “**Mystery Babylon**”

Hopefully this helps you understand the origin and purpose of the number “666”. It is not just the devil's number, but rather the number of the Beast. It is a number that tells us quite a bit about the 8th king and how he will behave at the end in his attitude towards God and His law.

Roman Catholic priests are quick to call it a myth when *Vicarius Filii Dei* comes up in discussion. One common myth surrounding the Papal tiara involves the claim that the words *Vicarius Filii Dei* exist on the side of one of the tiaras. They claim the myth centers on the widely made claim that, when the Latin is converted to numbers (i.e., when those letters in the 'title' that have roman numeral value are added together) they produce the number “666”, described in the Book of Revelations as the number of the Antichrist. Even Jesuit Papal assistant, Fr. Malachi Martin, confirmed it to be true at least twice, as he uses the exact same title for the Pope on pages 114 and 122 of his book, *The Keys of this Blood.*

In the 1940's Robert Correia and others sought out to prove *Vicarius Filii Dei* was an official title of the pope. Here is their story and a link to a document signed by Dr. J. Quasten, S.T.D., professor of Ancient History and Christian Archeology, School of Sacred Theology, Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., 1943; Stating that *Vicarius Filii Dei* and *Vicarius Christi* are very common for the title of the popes.

*Vicarius Filii Dei*, Vicar of the Son of God in Latin, is a title mentioned in the so-called forged Donation of Constantine as belonging to Saint Peter. Seventh-day Adventists claim that it is a title possessed by the Pope as head of the Roman Catholic Church. However the Roman Catholic Church categorically denies this.

**New Discovery!** [Click here](#) to view page 343 of an actual Vatican document (in Latin) "*Deusdedit cardinalis ... collectio canonum, ed. a P. Martinucci*" where they use the term VICARIUS FILII DEI! For decades they have lied about this title after the truth about "666" came out! [Click here](#) to see entire book "digitized" online. (The Latin title on the page "De Libertate Ecclesie Et Rerum Eius Et Cleri" translated = "the liberty of the Church and her ministers") Also see [Deusdedit's bio](#) for further verification and publishing dates.

Not only does that publication show the title, *Vicarius Filii Dei*, it also explains that it IS considered a valid title as they do not refute that. Instead they merely attempt to explain why it is a trivial matter that it equals 666. Their obfuscation reveals their disingenuous answer.

One more note of interest! Why is it I ask, when you go to the archives of "*Our Sunday Visitor*" that this particular edition is missing? Why is it oh so difficult to get a copy of page THREE of the November 15, 1914 "*Our Sunday Visitor*?" A photocopy of the missing page is on the next page. It was provided to the Seventh Day Adventist church during its claim, and as well the Roman Catholic Church denial.

Also you will see in Revelation 13 that the number of the beast "666" is the number of A MAN. Take a look at the following quotes ... "The letters inscribed in the pope's miter are these; *Vicarius Filii Dei*, which is the Latin for 'Vicar of the Son of God.' Catholics hold that the Church, which is a visible society, must have a visible head; stating that Christ, before His ascension into heaven, appointed St. Peter to act as His representative. Hence, to the Bishop of Rome as head of the church, was given the title, 'Vicar of Christ'." At present the pope's miter does not contain the Latin title, but the words are incorporated into the coronation ceremonies of each newly crowned pope". (Quote from Roman Catholic newspaper, '*Our Sunday Visitor*', of April, 1915).

**"Question:** *Vicarius Filii Dei?* What does this mean? Is it a phrase referring to the pope or priest? I have heard that it is inscribed on the pope's hat, or something. Just curious to know what is it."

**"Answer:** (From father Reginald Martin) ... *Vicarius Filii Dei* means Vicar [or representative] of the Son of God, a term scholars believe first appears in a document known as the Donation of Constantine, dated to the eighth or ninth century. This is an apt description of the Pope, who is frequently referred to as the Vicar of Christ, and, at present, probably only the most bitterly anti-Catholic individuals would take offense at the title." (Our Sunday Visitor, The Catholic Answer, 24th Nov. 2011 -

<http://www.osv.com/TCANav/TCAQuestionoftheDay/Nov21252011/tabid/8480/Default.aspx>)

Now if you convert the letters of the name "Vicarius Filii Dei" into Roman numerals and add them up, you will come to "666". There can be no doubt that the Antichrist little horn and the Antichrist sea beast of Revelation 13 are of the same power, and that power being the Papal Church of Rome. This alludes to the term "**Mystery Babylon**", discussed later in this eBook.



1960's for the most part has prevailed in the religious world. This is not saying that the issue has died out, certainly not, but it has been dominated by other issues that are overshadowing the issue. Since the SDA Church has been a watchdog about the Roman Catholic Church, it is worth our while to listen to what they have to say about the Institution that has claimed to be the One True Church, stating that salvation comes only through the Roman Catholic.

Since the focus of this series has been to focus on the many connections of **"666"**, it helps us to gain greater depth and understanding of the historical roots, from Babylonian Paganism, and how the Roman Empire absorbed so many Pagan concepts that led to syncretism whereby those Pagan customs and belief structures subsequently became the core of Roman Catholicism, brought forth into modern times, and being taught as Christian. In the larger context of this historical documentation, it becomes "enshrouded" in a way that the Bible speaks in the descriptive words of **"Mystery Babylon"**.

The **"Beast"** and **"Mystery Babylon"** of Revelation is the epitome of a man-based construct, extrapolating out to a global system centered in Rome as well as "new" Rome and mirrored by the world's greatest modern day empire, our own nation, the USA with the UPC barcode as its bedrock!

Maranatha, Lord Come,