

THE MARK OF THE BEAST... NOT! Studies in the Revelation

Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and sixty-six.
Revelation 13:18

SOME THINGS WE ARE ENCOURAGED TO KNOW:

Date of Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem:

"Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to (1) finish the transgression, to (2) make an end of sin, to (3) make atonement for iniquity, to (4) bring in everlasting righteousness, to (5) seal up vision and prophecy and to (6) anoint the most holy place.

The Beginning: So you are to know and discern that from the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem (March 14, 445BC) until

The Ending: Messiah the Prince (April 6, 32AD) there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; it will be built again, with plaza and moat, even in times of distress.
Daniel 9:24-25

<u>Note</u> : From 445BC to 32AD = 476 years x 365 days	173,740 days
March 14th until April 6th inclusive	24 days
Add leap years during period	<u>116 days</u>

Total: 173,880 days

69 weeks x 7 years x 360 days 173,880 days

Question:

Why is this important?

When He approached Jerusalem, He saw the city and wept over it, saying, "If you had known in this day, even you, the things which make for peace! But now they have been hidden from your eyes. For the days will come upon you when your enemies will throw up a barricade against you, and surround you and hem you in on every side, and they will level you to the ground and your children within you, and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because (why) you did not recognize the time of your visitation."
Luke 19:41-44

Date of the resurgence of Israel as a Nation:

First, the promise:

"Now you son of man, get yourself a brick, place it before you and inscribe a city on it, Jerusalem. Then lay siege against it, build a siege wall, raise up a ramp, pitch camps and place battering rams against it all around. Then get yourself an iron plate and set it up as an iron wall between you and the city, and set your face toward it so that it is under siege, and besiege it. This is a sign to the house of Israel. As for you, lie down on your left side and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel on it; you shall bear their iniquity for the number of days that you lie on it. For I have assigned you a number of days corresponding to the years of their iniquity, three hundred and ninety days; thus you shall bear the iniquity of the house of Israel. When you have completed these, you shall lie down a second time, but on your right side and bear the iniquity of the house of Judah; I have assigned it to you for forty days, (meaning) a day for each year."
Ezekiel 4:1-6

Note: Lord assigned punishment for Israel and Judah's sin corresponding to the number of days assigned Ezekiel to lie on his side, a "day for each year."

Total time: 430 days or 430 years (390+40=430).

This time began in the Spring of 336BC with the ending of the Babylonian captivity of 70 years. Hence, a total of 360 years (430 less the 70 spent in Babylon) is left after the prophecy of Ezekiel for Israel to be punished for their sins by being taken from their land.

Question:

**Did Israel repent of its sins after the Babylonian captivity?
If so, then when did God bring them back into their land as a sign
that their punishment was complete?**

Now, the fulfillment:

The blessings of obedience and the 7 times warning of disobedience:

"If also after these things you do not obey Me, then I will punish you seven times more for your sins."
Leviticus 26:18

"If then, you act with hostility against Me and are unwilling to obey Me, I will increase the plague on you seven times according to your sins."
Leviticus 26:21

"And if by these things you are not turned to Me, but act with hostility against Me, then I will act with hostility against you; and I, even I, will strike you seven times for your sins." Leviticus 26:23-24

"Yet if in spite of this you do not obey Me, but act with hostility against Me, then I will act with wrathful hostility against you, and I, even I, will punish you seven times for your sins." Leviticus 26:27-28

Primary Point:

God will increase the curse or punishment on Israel 7 times for continued disobedience.

Question:

So when did this period of punishment end and Israel would once again become a nation?

Note: 360 remaining years x 7 = 2,520 years
 2,520 years x 360 days (Jewish) = 907,200 days

Convert to Julian calendar:
 (907,200 / 365.25) = 2,483.8 years

Babylonian Captivity ended in Spring of 536BC 536.4
Less: Duration of Israel's captivity from Ezekiel 4:3-6 2,483.8
 1,947.4

Add: one year for the fact there was no year zero between 1BC and 1AD 1.0
 1948.4

Israel becomes a nation on May 14, 1948

SOME THINGS WE ARE NOT TO KNOW:

The time of Christ's return:

"Now learn the parable from the fig tree: when its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near; so, you too, when you see all these things, recognize that He is near, right at the door. Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away. But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone."

Matthew 24:32-36

Question:

Can we know the identity of the anti-Christ since we know his number is 666?

The Identity of the Anti-Christ:

Note: His number is the number of a man, 6, one less than perfection. For example, 6x6=36. And the sum of all the numbers from 1 to 36 = 666.

So, since each letter in the Hebrew and Greek has a numerical value and a place value, we can determine the name of the anti-Christ using the same method.

One, multiply each letter's numerical value by 6 (the number of man).

- A would equal 6
- B would equal 12
- C would equal 18 and so forth.

Two, begin with 1/2 of 6 squared (6 for the anti-Christ x 6 for the false prophet). We use 1/2, or 18, since we are only trying to find the identity of the anti-Christ and the false prophet also.

Three, begin your calculations with 18 and add the numerical value (x6) of each letter of the name until you reach the number of a man, 666, the anti-Christ.

I have done this for you below:

- 18
- 120 = _____
- 90 = _____
- 78 = _____
- 138 = _____
- 54 = _____
- 84 = _____
- 84 = _____
- 666

This man is the Anti-Christ!