

The Biblical Count of the 666 Beast

Who is the man whose number is 666?

"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."

Revelation 13:18

Count the Popes in History That Have Already Fulfilled This Prophecy

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	2Thess 2:7	8
Pius	Leo	Gregory	Benedict	John	Paul	John Paul	An Antipope	The Antichrist A New Name Not A Mountain
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	
+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2	+2		
+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3			
+4	+4	+4	+4	+4	+4			
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		+15		+15				
		+16		+16				
				+17				
				+18				
				+19				
				+20				
				+21				
78	91	136	105	231	21	3		

Total Name Count:

- 1. Pius 78
 - 2. Leo +91
 - 3. Gregory +136
 - 4. Benedict +105
 - 5. John +231
 - 6. Paul +21
 - 7. John Paul +3
 - 0. Antipope 0
 - 8. New Name +1
- 666

^ See the latest update below

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The Chiastic Pattern seen in Revelation 13 and Revelation 17

The following comparisons are highlighted between Revelation 13 and Revelation 17, showing that the beast spoken about in both chapters, is the same beast. That beast in Revelation 13 is the papacy, and in Revelation 17, it is also the papacy, that includes depicting it being ridden by a whore woman. There are the same elements found in both chapters. In Revelation 17, it is describing in more detail about the same things. These additional details reveal that it is being seen at a later time than before. In Revelation 13:1 - 10 it is describing the papal beast at the time before 1798, and in chapter 17 the papal beast is depicted at the time following 1798.

These are the similarities and common elements of this prophecy that demonstrate that the beast spoken of in these two chapters is identical. These two chapters demonstrate that they align very accurately with the chiasmic pattern of the whole book of Revelation. The beasts shown in Revelation 13:1-10 and 17 are thus demonstrated to be identical.

There are seven word phrases that also link Revelation 13 to Revelation 17;

1. Seven Heads and Ten Horns

Rev 13:1. And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

Rev 17:3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness:and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

2. Wonder

Rev 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed:and all the world wondered after the beast. Revelation 13:8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Rev 17:8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition:and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

3. Blasphemy

Revelation 13:1. And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.

6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.

Revelation 17:3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness:and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

4. Whose Names Are Not Written in the Book of Life

Revelation 13:8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Revelation 17:8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition:and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

5. Peoples, Multitudes, Nations, Tongues, Kindreds

Revelation 13:7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them:and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

Revelation 17:15 And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

6. Wisdom

Revelation 13:18 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.

Revelation 17:9 And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.

7. Power Given to Him to Reign Over the Kings of the Earth for 42 Months

Revelation 13:5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.

Revelation 13:7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them:and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

Revelation 17:18 And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

All these parallels point to the fact that it is describing the same beast in both chapters.

Update

^ This new pope Benedict XVI, will only reign for a short term. (unknown duration, but short). He will then be followed by the antichrist. This new pope will ultimately become an antipope due to his being deposed. The count will remain at 665, awaiting the antichrist pope, who will not adopt the papal names but use a new name. His name, being new, will be a first one thus adding the '1' to 665.

There are many interpretations regarding the number 666. But this interpretation presented here, is the only one that reaches across the chiastic link from Revelation 13:18 to Revelation 17:9 - 10, and uses all the elements found in these two linked verses, and demonstrates that the same 666 number is reflected in Revelation 17:9-10 as well. This interpretation is the only one that is endorsed by the Bible through its own chiastic structure.

Link:See what other readers have written about this interpretation
<http://www.666beast.net/testimony.htm>

An Update

The Conclave of Cardinals has finished, and the new pope elected is Joseph Ratzinger. For the last 1,082 years, all of the popes have chosen a papal name from one or more of their predecessors. Although John Paul has created a new name, it still follows that papal tradition that honors a previous pope, by choosing his name. John Paul thereby honors two of his predecessors. The new name of John Paul, drew the count most gradually toward the final count to 666 from the cumulative total of 662 with pope Paul VI (1963-78).

The pope elect Ratzinger has chosen the name of Benedict XVI to honor Benedict XV (XIV) with regard to the world war, and what he did to help.

This does not indicate that this research was false, as it has always been included in my research, that the next elected pope could be an antipope.

Many have seen and understood this prophecy for themselves. Others are perplexed that he did not choose a new name. This may have been an "unexpected" outcome to some, but it was not an unexpected outcome to me.

Many are jumping to the conclusion, that choosing the name of Benedict XVI, has voided the prophecy. That is false. When a pope is elected, he is considered "legitimate" until it is shown that he is an antipope. When he is found to be an antipope, he will be deposed. At his deposition, it is considered that he never was a pope. Then this research will be right back to where it started. Thoroughly investigate this research, and understand that an antipope has always been a possibility. This research still holds true.

On Sun, 22 Mar 1998, I sent out this email;

"So far, in my study, I have figured that there will be a new pope shortly. This new pope will only reign for a short term. (unknown duration, but short). He will then be followed by the antichrist. Though the next pope would ultimately become an antipope due to his being deposed. The count will remain at 665, awaiting the antichrist pope, who will not adopt the papal names but use his own name. This results in adding the '1' to 665."

As I wrote this research out, I could only imagine how it would appear, and I wrote it according to the prophecy's outline, and entered the elements from the papal record into

it. The outcome was the understanding just described in the above email. And on April 19, 2005 when the element of the new pope's name was first known and his number entered into the research, the conclusion was the same; that he is an antipope. And now with this additional element entered into the prophecy, the next event comes into view.

What happens next?

The Bible is the source for the answer:

2Thessalonians 2

3. Let no man deceive you by any means:for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?

6 And now ye know what (an antipope) withholdeth* (Greek; katecho) that he (antichrist) might be revealed in his time.

7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work:only he who now letteth (Greek; katecho) will let, until he (antipope) be taken out of the way. (deposed)

8 And then shall that Wicked (antichrist) be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,

*(Greek; katecho, to hold back) Letteth and withholdeth are the same Greek word.

As time goes on, God reveals more and more truth.

And thus it is revealed in these texts some of what is to transpire.

This new pope is an antipope, as this research indicates. The correct understanding of the prophecy confirms this. Though he is an antipope, the church and the world do not know it yet.

I had anticipated that we would have an antipope in this election. This is based on the fact that there were two antipopes within the papal record that were directly involved in

the count of this research. It was a direct possibility that we could have another antipope after John Paul II, and it could not be ruled out. Thus, by the ongoing count, with John Paul II leaving the count at 665, two options emerged: This new pope, would either be the antichrist, or he would be an antipope. A new name with a count of '1' which a new name would have, would signify that he is the antichrist, a used name, with a count greater than a count of 'one' would signify that he would ultimately be an antipope.

I had formerly surmised that if this next pope were an antipope, that he should have come from the continuing line of John Paul, as "remaining" in the seventh head, until the eighth arrives. However, hindsight is far better than guessing. The applied prophecy only indicates that any used papal name following John Paul II, would constitute an antipope.

Before the death of John Paul II, the prophecy left us with one of two possible outcomes; The pope to follow John Paul II would be either an antipope or be the antichrist, thus, it appears that it is speculative. But now that this papal transition is past history, that element of "if" has been removed, and we proceed from here without any element of speculation, but an affirmative statement that this pope will be deposed and the next pope will be that man who is identified as the antichrist. There will also be great deceptions to come that will arise that will contradict his identity as the antichrist. Let the prophecy of the Bible make this identity clear; he who completes the count to 666 is the antichrist.

There have been numerous prophecies, and they do not all agree. My wife read another "fiction" book, written in 2000, that actually names the pope after John Paul II as Benedict XVI. Which I believe, that the writer had borrowed from the "Benedictine" prophecies that say that this "Glory of the Olive" was to be filled by one from the "Order of Benedictine," and hence, the name chosen. Then there is the possibility that the cardinals are aware of these various prophecies, and are actually "trying" to fulfill them, as it might be in this case, by his choosing that name. But the Bible is the only test of any prophecy. All other prophecies may contain errors that may only be seen in their final conclusion. Malachy's prophecy indicates this next pope will be the "terrible judge, who will judge the people" which appears to be a description of Christ and the final judgment, whereas the prophecy from the Bible, identifies this next pope as the antichrist. It may be that Malachy's prophecy up to John Paul II, were true, and that the alleged corruptions by the publishers in adding the last pope, have turned it into a deception.

^ There are already being given to the public, deceptions and corruptions made from this 666 count research, and have already caused confusion, and have brought it into disrepute among those who should understand it.

See the corruptions at this link: The false teachings of two usurpers that have corrupted this research, and the extreme danger of their deceptions.

<http://www.666beast.net/corrupted.htm>

But there is a certain advantage in this pope's choosing one of the first five names used (Pius, Leo, Gregory, Benedict, or John,) because, as this prophecy reads; "Five are fallen." Thus, Benedict, in being one of these first five that are said to have "fallen," then "How can he stand?" The answer is: He cannot. The affirmative answer would be; Benedict as a name, is fallen and this new pontificate will not stand. The fact that this prophecy has indicated that the first five are fallen, seemed to be indicating that these names are excluded from being used again. But in the perspective of the count, and of the new papal election having become history, the correct understanding of the facts is now revealed by entering the new papal name into the research. Being "fallen" does not exclude one of these five from rising and later becoming an antipope. Indeed, an antipope is not seen at his beginning, but at his end.

I remembered what I had told another believer at church about two or three years ago;

Satan is the great counterfeiter. He has counterfeited the Sabbath by making Sunday "holy," and even without the support of the Bible, most are following this false sabbath.

Satan will attempt to counterfeit the coming of Christ. He must then, come and appear to "destroy the antichrist." So Satan needs a "puppet" to do this. Among all the things that Catholics believe, it includes the idea that the antichrist will try to take the holy "chair of Peter." They fear that this will happen, and if so, then it will be attempted by an imposter. This to them would be an antipope, for a real pope could not do this. There will be something yet that will transpire that will bring about the end of Benedict XVI that will cause him to be deposed. In this prophecy, there is no timeframe given for this to happen.

So the "next" pope after Benedict XVI, will come and "depose" this "antipope/antichrist" and thus appear as though he is the christ, that has come and put down the antichrist.

Now the Biblical method of counting the number, is by taking the real numbers from the names of these beast's seven heads themselves, and add them up. But Satan has also counterfeited this as well. The "beast's" method of counting the numbers to get 666, is by the conversion of letters into numbers.

They have violated the Scripture's injunction in Revelation 22:19, that warns against "adding" to the book of Revelation, or from taking away anything from it. And for this prophecy of the number 666 in Revelation 13:18, they have in their Catholic Douay Rheims bible, an "added" footnote; "Six hundred sixty-six. The numeral letters of his name shall make up this number."

All who employ this beast's method; of converting letters to numbers, are following after the delusions of the beast. As this research shows, it follows through 23 elements of this prophecy and is sufficiently clear enough to see that it is a match to the historical record of the popes, and does not need to venture outside of Scripture or to implement "speculation" or "human logic." It is a Biblical method of counting, because it stays with the Biblical outline.

The Latin spelling of Benedict is "Benediktos" and someone has figured out that this also adds up to 666. Satan has created this method, and since the popes are pawns in his hands, he has set up this new (anti)pope Benedict XVI as his "antichrist" which he will then send his (anti)christ and depose. Then the whole world will follow after this "real" antichrist, and believe that this antipope was the antichrist that Christ has come and put down.

The only real trustworthy source of interpretation, is the Bible itself, without any inclusion of other non-Biblical prophecies. This particular interpretation, is the only one that employs the chiasmic link that exists that is connected to the 666 verse. And, true to this link, the verse in Revelation 17:9, reveals the same number 666 as it gives us in Rev 13:18. Thus the Bible confirms its own interpretation.

Read what others have said in regard to this research; Link:Click Here to see:"A Testimony From Other Readers" <http://www.666beast.net/testimony.htm>

Much of what has been written in the links on this site, were written while John Paul II was still living, and is written with that perspective.

Wherever I update a page, you should see this ^ notation marking what I wrote since Benedict XVI was elected.

Check back occasionally to see more updates and new notes.

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Click Here to see: "Chiasmus: An Important Structural Device" by Brad McCoy (PDF Format) http://www.chafer.edu/journal/back_issues/Vol%209-2%20ar2.pdf

Click Here to see: Twenty Three Matches Between This Prophecy and Papal History <http://www.666beast.net/23matches.htm>

Link; A Message to Seventh-day Adventists <http://www.666beast.net/SDAMessage.htm>

This research, has been rejected by the "Biblical Research Institute" of the Seventh-day Adventist church.

For those who have come to understand the Biblical support for this interpretation, please write, call or send an e-mail to the BRI to encourage them to re-examine this research according to the proper guidelines, and to put aside their prejudices.

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Link; The BRI Newsletter; "Reflections" http://www.666beast.net/BRI_news.pdf

My rebuttal to: The BRI Newsletter; "Reflections" <http://www.666beast.net/TheRev13-17Beast.htm>

They are DRUNK on the wine of Babylon. Their interpretations are borrowed from papal theology.

The SDA members however, are becoming divided over this, with many others seeing this as the fulfillment of their greatest expectations. The Bible refers to the class that rejects this as “Laodicean.”

Revelation 3:17 “...and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:” v.18 “...anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.”

This research and message has been widely accepted and understood by non-SDAs, and does not belong to any group or sect, and has not originated from any organization. It gives a message to every person living; Repent, for the Day of the Lord is at hand.

As the Jews rejected the message of the coming Messiah in their day, so also have many of those who believe that they are the “Remnant” have rejected this research. They are given to their strong delusions, which allow no place for newly revealed truth from God.

I would describe this deafness on the part of all of the responsible ministers and administrators of the Seventh-day Adventist church, as the ultimate “Twilight Zone” or “Outer Limits” scenario; How can this one interpretation that invokes such a profoundly positive response in my readers, be so opposed by those in such responsible positions, without a single one of them, ever coming forward and SHOW me where I am in error? One such outspoken SDA theologian actually accused me of believing a lie:” If you do not want to learn the truth, feel free to believe a lie.” Yet my challenge to him to show me where I have lied, has not been answered. Not only that, but he has not even made any attempt to demonstrate where or how what I have written, is in error. All these leaders have shown that they are drunk on the Wine of Babylon; Little bits here and there in what they teach and believe, that are known to be sourced from the false teachings of the Great Whore of Babylon. Instead of looking to God and His Word for the source of their teachings, they have imbibed on the false teachings of the world to formulate their beliefs.

This is a single Bible study, which if followed methodically and prayerfully, will surprise, and no doubt shock many. To others, it will be a wake up call to the times in which we are now living. This study adheres strictly to the Biblical rules of interpretation set out

within the Bible itself, and in doing so, positively identifies the man with 666 as “the number of his name” (Revelation 13:17).

All of the Popes throughout history have numbered their names, as most Monarchs do. For example, Pope John Paul II has the number 2 as “the number of his name”. Therefore, if we add up the numbers of the name “John Paul”, we arrive at 3.

John Paul I (1) plus John Paul II (2) equals 3 ($1+2=3$).

If we add all the numbers of all the Popes’ names in the time period specified in Revelation 17, and counting up to and including Pope John Paul II, we arrive at the number 665!

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Coming from a Forum?

If you have followed a link to this site from a forum, please note; The most common error that the reader makes, is to “surface read” and not realize that it is the Biblical guidelines in the interpretation that are what governs the whole counting process. It is not a random selection of papal names that produce specific numbers that add up to 666. The prophetic elements of this prophecy, determine the papal names that are counted. Human selection is removed from this process. All the elements of the prophecy are brought into the interpretation. So before anyone else sends me another e-mail telling me that I have not counted the numbers correctly, or I have “selected” only those numbers that add up, or I have not counted all the numbers, please go through the research more carefully, and you should find the answers to your objections.

An Overview

Can we expect the next Pope, after John Paul II, to enforce the Mark of the Beast?

There is one particular observation to be made that I ask of every reader; That is, this research indeed shows that the very element of this prophecy where the number 666 is derived from, contains also within it, the answer to the identity of the seven heads, the meaning of the heads as being mountains, the identity of the five fallen, the one is, and the other is not yet come, and it defines the length of the short space, and in short, every

element of this prophecy is addressed by this one element; The Official Lateran Record of the Popes.

All other interpretations fail to differentiate between the beast and the dragon and try to make the beast's and the dragon's heads and horns all the same. They are not the same. They try to make heads out of the referenced parts of the body, mouth and feet that are given as descriptors of the beast, and attempt to make up four more heads that seem to fit. The primary fault in that interpretation is that it attempts to make these descriptor parts out of kingdoms, that are not, nor can ever be made to be the beast's heads. The whore woman that sits upon the seven mountains, never sat on any of these ancient kingdoms, as it is stated in the prophecy.

Once the first element of this prophecy was discovered to fit, all subsequent elements of the prophecy came together by their own weight and merit, thus allowing the Bible to interpret itself. It is as though this research wrote itself because every subsequent element of the prophecy also finds its answer from this same papal list. There are more than twenty separate elements found in this prophecy which are all answered by this one list. In contrast, every other interpretation takes a radical diversion in search of something that might seem to fit, but clearly fails. They do not demonstrate any connectivity to the Bible's own chiastic links.

I would also add that there is a definitive degree of certainty that the interpretation I give here, brings forward the Second Coming as a very imminent event. The next papal election will take place very soon. Whereas, other interpretations are rather open-ended with no imminent event yet in sight. It is wise to take a closer look at the interpretation that is more clearly imminent.

(Since this was written during the life of John Paul II, the expected papal election has already taken place. It remained as no surprise to me in this last election, as it continued to follow the prophecy with the same extreme accuracy, and now reveals what is to follow. While thousands of people are learning of this interpretation, they will soon witness that it will again be fulfilled according to the prophecy, and that which this interpretation has set out to do; to identify the man and beast, whose number is 666, will be observed, and will not fail. They will see that the interpretation of this prophecy as presented here, still stands correct.)

Researcher

I set out to answer one question, and without there being anyone to direct my path to the answer, I had to research it for myself. I had one single question; Did the numbers that the popes use on their names have anything to do with the count of the number 666. There are only two possible answers to this; Yes, or No.

To determine this, I must be able to see in the papal record that the number is there. Only the correct count could prove the answer as a “Yes”.

In all probability, it is harder to find any one specific number such as 666, than to find a thousand other possible numbers without a match to 666. A “Yes” is by odds harder to find than a “No”.

When I saw that there were seven names since Napoleon declared the papacy dead, it reminded me of the verse about the seven heads, and I knew at that time that these were the seven papal names whose numbers were to reveal this answer.

I made three or four attempts to count the numbers of these seven names, each time producing a total that was close to 666. I then made corrections to the errors I found, and the count came to 665. Not exactly what I expected, but in referencing the texts on the seven heads, I saw it also brings in an eighth, who would complete the count to 666. The context of the Greek, indicates that this eighth follows in succession after the seven. I began to realize that I was finding more things about this prophecy than I had even thought to look for.

I then checked it over three more times to make sure there were no more errors in counting. John Paul II = 665

Later I examined these last seven to see how they matched the “five are fallen, one is, and the other is not yet come”, and observed again, these also matched. Even to the detail of the short space.

No other interpretation has been able to demonstrate anything near this depth or degree of accuracy. Every prophetic element is easily seen to match the record with the same simplicity and accuracy as the previous matching set before it.

There is no attempt on my part to set any agenda beyond my initial plan to determine whether or not the number 666 could be found from the papal numbers. But when I found that the number did exist in the record, it also revealed an aligning of this historic record with all the rest of the elements of this prophecy.

It was not in my plan to discover the identity of the seven heads, and the other parts of the detailed fulfillment of the prophecy, but that was the natural result in the course which I first set out to do. This research would have gone nowhere except that I found an affirmative answer in my quest. Attached to this first answer, was the whole line of elements in the prophecy, all neatly following in their order, being reflected in the same historic record.

Led by these very elements, I have said of this research, that it wrote itself.

I was commended for having tried to interpret such a difficult chapter (Revelation 17). I disagree. There was nothing difficult about it; I watched as it interpreted itself. The Bible should always be that simple.

Researcher

The following program was not employed in the development of this research, but I feel that it is a valuable tool for anyone who desires to have many versions of the Bible, and in many languages, all at their fingertips;

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