

Typology: Nebuchadnezzar; The Golden Image; The Number 666

(Part 1 - Prophecy of Daniel) (August 28, 2022) (**Daniel 3:1 KJV; Matthew 24:3-24 KJV**)

Typology: Typology unites both covenants, seeing in the **Old Covenant types and shadows which prefigure something in the New Covenant. Physical systems** are established in the Old that **become spiritual** in the New. **Old Testament concealed -- New Testament revealed.**

- In the Hebrew Bible, the Old Testament, there are “pictures” or reflections of that are yet to be born. Differing from visions and dreams, these pictures are actual events or people that were prophetic depictions. This is known as typology. These “shadows” are representatives of the actual person to follow. They aren’t narrowed to people and events. Typologies can also be objects and ceremonies.

Shadows of things to come:

- Shadows are imagery: **Hebrews 10:1 KJV** *For the law having **a shadow of good things to come, [and] not the very image of the things,** can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.*
- Shadows are to point to Christ: **Colossians 2:17 KJV** *Which are **a shadow of things to come; but the body [is] of Christ.*** – Note: Shadows are created by something real

The timing – tribulation begins: **Daniel 3:1 KJV** *Nebuchadnezzar the king **made an image of gold,** whose height [was] threescore cubits, [and] the breadth thereof six cubits: **he set it up in the plain of Dura,** in the province of Babylon.*

- The Septuagint points us to “the eighteenth year of King Nebuchadnezzar” – 588BC
- That year: **Jeremiah 52:29 KJV** *In the **eighteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar** he carried away **captive from Jerusalem eight hundred thirty and two persons:***
 - Second of three attacks on Jerusalem by King Nebuchadnezzar bringing Jews into captivity
 - First: The rich class of nobles (Daniel) (17,320); Second: Middle class (832); Third: Princes, mighty men, craftsmen, smiths (10,000’s) but “save the poorest sort”
 - Jerusalem & Israelites under tribulation
- Septuagint tells us Nebuchadnezzar was ruling “all inhabitants on earth from Ethiopia to India”
 - “a king of kings”: **Daniel 2:37 KJV** *Thou, **O king, [art] a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.***
 - Kingdoms and glory used as temptation: **Matthew 4:9 KJV** *And saith unto him, **All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.***

Numbers are important – the image: **Daniel 3:1 KJV** *Nebuchadnezzar the king **made an image of gold,** whose **height [was] threescore cubits, [and] the breadth thereof six cubits:** he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.*

- Obelisk: The center of worship for the sun god Ra – usually built at 10 to 1 ratios
- Prominent obelisks (10 x 1): Vatican (82 x 8’), Washington (555 x 55’), Fairview KY (351 x 35)
- Nebuchadnezzar’s “**image of gold**” built at 10 to 1 (90’ x 9’)

Numbers are important – the number of man: **Revelation 13:17-18 KJV** *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.** (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.*

- Bread of Life Discourse: **John 6:64-67 KJV** *But there are **some of you that believe not.** For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were **that believed not, and who should betray him.** (65) And he said, Therefore said I unto you, **that no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father.** (66) **From that [time] many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.** (67) Then said Jesus unto the twelve, **Will ye also go away?***
- The number represents apostasy – notice the only 666 verse in scripture: **John 6:66 KJV** *From that [time] **many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.***

Numbers are important – Count the number of the beast: *Revelation 13:18 KJV* 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.

- Notice: We are searching for the name not the mark – the name is a number scripturally
- Irenaeus of 2nd Century: Antichrist “sums up in his own person all the comixture of wickedness which took place previous to the deluge, due to the apostasy of the angels”
 - Irenaeus identifies the first tribulation (deluge/flood) with a number
 - Irenaeus is speaking of the “deluge” – The Flood (the original wrath of God)
 - The original tribulation – the deluge/flood had the number of the man (600): ***Genesis 7:6 KJV* And Noah [was] six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth.**
- Daniel is prophesying the Great Tribulation by the number of man (66): ***Daniel 3:1 KJV* Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height [was] threescore cubits, [and] the breadth thereof six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.**
 - We have an image/mark and a number in ***Daniel 3:1 KJV*: *Revelation 13:15-18 KJV*** contains a mark; a number; worship of the mark and consequences (death)
 - The image/mark is threescore (60) + 6 cubits (66)
 - The image will be the culmination of apostasy by worship or death (***Daniel 3:6 KJV***)
- Antichrist is the culmination of the fallen angels (original apostasy) in the Great Tribulation
- The first tribulation (deluge/flood) is 600; the prophecy of the final tribulation (Great Tribulation) is 66; the final tribulation (Great Tribulation) is 600 + 66 = 666

The basis is scripture – the mystery unlocked by scripture:

- Tell us about the tribulation: ***Matthew 24:3 KJV* And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what [shall be] the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?**
- Be not deceived: ***Matthew 24:4 KJV* And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.**
- Falseness could deceive us: ***Matthew 24:24 KJV* For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if [it were] possible, they shall deceive the very elect.**
- ***Jude 3-4 KJV* Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort [you] that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. (4) For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.**
- Fancy Roman Numeral calculation; personal names calculation; denominational guilt is eliminated by scripture
- The Great Tribulation discourse by Jesus in ***Matthew 24 KJV*** mentions only two names describing the events: Daniel the prophet (Verse 15) and Noah (Verse 36-39)