Subject: Bible Numerics
Posted by wishing34 on Sat, 21 Mar 2009 23:21:04 GMT
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Hi,

Here is a little on Bible Numerics if anyone is into it or has loved ones into it. Pretty obscure stuff unless your minister is into it... and some people very similar to FA are into it.

Bible Numerics does the following to analyze a passage of Scripture to test if it is really from God or not.
(counting is done in the original languages)

1) Count the number of words in the passage.
2) Divide the total by seven
3) If remainder equal zero then this is a "hit"
4) If remainder is not equal to zero then this is a "miss"

Repeat those 4 steps up to 70 times for different count items. Count the number of vowels, number of consonants, number of verbs, number of verbs beginning with vowels, the number of nouns, the number of nouns beginning with a vowel,the number of nouns beginning with a consonant .... and on and on.

If you can keep trying counting various things and eventually get up to 10 "hits" then this passage is accepted as Divinely inspired. If you cannot reach the number 10 then this passage is rejected as not from God.

Some have created a new "Numerics" bible of only acceptable verses.

(The following is kind of thick math which is why it is tricky)

Key idea is. . .

You have to include the "number of tries" when you calculate the odds.

For example...
Numerics literature says the odds of finding 3 "hits" are

1/7 times 1/7 times 1/7 or 1/343

this is an error in math

the real calculation is

6/7 times 8/7 times 7/7 or 336/343

assuming there were 6 counts, then 8 counts, then 7 counts
before the "hits" were obtained. You have to include the
number of tries - the 6, the 8, and the 7

That 336/343 fraction is very close to equal to one which
will always be the case. Odds of nearly equal to one are not
impressive at all.

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Being redundant now. . .

If I try 6 counts before I get a "hit" then the odds
associated with that hit are 6/7 (close to = one)

If I say the odds were 1/7 that is wrong because I
tried 6 counts not just one count.
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The extremely high odds boasted in the Numerics literature
is wrong math. Numerics is not a way to judge Bible verses.

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Numerics might sound bizarre to get caught up in.

Numerics is "sold" as valid by referring to tremendous odds to obtain the 10 "hits."
In reality (math reality that is) the odds are completely unremarkable.

Please go easy on those who might have gotten
into Bible Numerics. You can see how harry the math
is to understand and when Bible Numerics is "sold"
via a book or web page the huge odds are quite
appealing because they make it look like it had to
be God to obtain such large numbers. The hook is to
think you are validating the Scriptures in a really
cool way - actually you end up deleting real Scriptures
which of course will hinder the ministry of the pure Word
or hinder a 5-fold from succeeding.

Subject: Re: Bible Numerics
Posted by mark1124 on Sat, 21 Mar 2009 23:55:33 GMT
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Biblical numerics is a complete waste of time and energy. I hope those caught up in this will instead use that valuable time in studying the scriptures and obeying what it says, and preparing for the soon coming rapture. To say the least, getting caught up in biblical numerics is another ploy of the enemy to get people away from learning the true meaning of scripture.

Mark

Subject: Re: Bible Numerics
Posted by james on Sun, 22 Mar 2009 00:35:00 GMT
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james

Subject: Re: Bible Numerics
Posted by william on Sun, 22 Mar 2009 00:58:38 GMT
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> " Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever."
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After reading over the methodology, I'm thinking about just joining the
KJV Only crowd... that would be so much simpler!

Blessings,
William

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Subject: Re: Bible Numerics
Posted by mark1124 on Sun, 22 Mar 2009 01:16:15 GMT
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Very funny William!

If I may just a comment to what I said earlier.

We can use numbers in the Bible as a pattern, and they do have meanings in scripture...namely 6, 7, 8, 12, 40, for example. That's fine...because God shows us patterns and principles through numbers. But after reading the first post, I would say that learning Hebrew and Greek would be easier than to try to figure out the numerology thingy!

Mark

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Posted by Mark L on Sun, 22 Mar 2009 04:11:42 GMT
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I don't think he is promoting it. Just providing info about it.

Subject: Re: Bible Numerics
Posted by jisamazed on Sun, 22 Mar 2009 21:21:29 GMT
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A similiar error regards biblical "codes", or using numerology to find hidden messages in scripture. It would teach that a certain given passage has so many Hebrew letters in it, or the letters represented something, and they would plug in this formula to show how the hidden numerical code predicted WWII something like that. This was popular about 10 years ago, and a few of my friends and relatives fell for it.

Some occultic circles are preoccupied with numbers and see some sort of magical significance with them. Some naive Christians think the same way. I even heard a preacher once say, "If you see a number in the Bible, it is significant. Find out what the significance is." Whoa, time out, brother. That would be an open door to deception. You can't do that with God's word. He communicated truth through words and through Jesus Christ. He does not need hidden codes to do anything. Sometimes the Bible simply says that Peter and Co. caught so many fish because that's how many they caught, and no other reason, or it says that so many Philistines were killed in a certain battle, because that's how many were killed, and no other reason beyond that. There is no need to give significance to numbers if scripture itself does not give significance to them. In fact, I would say that it is dangerous.

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Posted by james on Sun, 07 Mar 2010 00:14:26 GMT
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I'd not heard of the bible codes Jiz mentioned until recently, there's a book called "Bible Code Bombshell" and it made me curious, Wow! If you want to see an example of the effect of deception upon people, look no further.(I'm not recomending the book, I didn't read it.)

They jumped on the 'deception' that the drug companies and medical science perpetrated upon the whole world...The Swine Flu, aka: H1N1. So not only are these people deceived who've bought into the 'codes' as to the Bible being revealed through 'secret codes'; but they were deceived about the Swine Flu and it being an endtime, worldwide, pandemic, plague that wipes out vast numbers of people.(it didn't happen, it was hyped and propagated by the Disease Control people in Atlanta, the media, and those who served to profit the most from it...the pharmaceutical companies.)

A man named Nathan Jacobi Ph.D. has unraveled the code from the Hebrew text. Here's some of

what he's come up with, in Jeremiah 44:6 and in Isaiah 8:7 he saids it tells of a 'worldwide plague sent as punishment from GOD' and it's called Pandemic Virus. He 'found' this in swine flu 'clusters'.

Also he claims to be able to read a special set of codes in clusters that tell of the Haitian Earthquake...of course it's after the fact...

People are hungry, but they're feeding on the wrong things. Instead of partaking of the 'Bread of Life' and 'Rivers of Living Water', they flock to the bizarre and 'secret' stuff being passed out by snake oil salesmen. Because they aren't being taught to discern these errors and aren't willing to study God's Word for themselves.
