**SPIRITUAL NUMBER MAP**

**THEME 4 - CHRIST'S SUFFERING**

Great Themes of Scripture

(Nines)

Christ was enprisoned, flogged, and put on a cross to die. Suffering hardly begins to describe the experience. Those who falsely accused, falsely tried, and executed Him showed utter depravity, savagery, and blood lust.

Great Truths of Scripture

(Triplets)

This is the only Bible Theme represented by only 3 numbers not the usual 9 numbers

Hill of Zion

Clearly the significance of these 3 numbers is great.

**NUMBERS:**

33, 35, 37, 42, 43, 44

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**GOOD**

Scattered Servant

Remnant

Chosen Servant

**EVIL**

Blood

Thirsty

Killer

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Dear God, forgive my sin.

Grant me the power to live a righteous holy life, and when I pass, take me to be with Jesus forever.

I accept you free gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ my Lord.

Amen.

Day of Evil

Evil

Public Man

Humiliation

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Look into your heart does it tell you the behavior of Jesus was righteous?

Or the behavior of those who rejected Jesus was righteous?

Are you with Jesus?

Or are you with

Good Numbers:

His blood thirsty killers?

Bible Book: Micah Habbakuk Haggai

Bad Numbers:

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MEDITATION

The Spirit of God purposed the spiritual numbers to display Christ's suffering (Theme 4) after the spiritual numbers to display the Believer's Life (see Theme 3). This is of great significance. First, it indicates that as Believers progress, they will share Christ's sufferings, although never to the full extent He did. Second, it indicates that the suffering of Christ is to be the spiritual center of the Believer's Life. Although the event occurred in the past, mediation on the suffering of Christ brings forth out of the Believer's heart deep worship and love for Jesus that nothing else can ever accomplish.

Believers should make the observation of the Lord's Supper the center of their corporate worship as a body. The goal is to deeply appreciate the truth that in our flesh "dwell no good thing" and to identify with the truth "I am crucified with Christ, therefore no longer do I live, but Christ lives in me." Communities of faith who relegate the Lord's supper to an infrequent time or a brief add-on to a service must have some other agenda than the Lord's will.

GLORY OF GOD

SUFFERING - CAPTIVE / SCATTERED REMNANT

When you are a prisoner, your life is under someone else's total control. Although you are alive, you have died to many freedoms, loves, dreams, and hopes. Jesus came as the suckling lamb of God, full of innocence and sincerity. He was faithful to say God's truth and he lived spotlessly. In return, here he is, incarcerated like a criminal. This is the picture of gross injustice. But his mood was not depression and self-pity, it was concern for the future judgement and suffering of Jerusalem and his persecutors. It is his concern for the thief on the other cross and his tender offer of forgiveness.

SUFFERING - SUFFERING SERVANT / BLESSED OF GOD

Man embedded a crown of thorns into Christ's brow. He was reviled, mocked, and raised up on a stake to die ignominiously. It is hard to imagine calling that experience a blessing, yet that is exactly what it was. With each blow that fell upon his flesh without retort, the heap of righteousness rising up to the praise and glory of God grew higher. He did not keep His dignity, but He kept His faith with the Father, and so proved to us how worthy is the Father of our sacrifice, praise, and thanksgiving. And the Father indeed blessed Him, and gave Him the name that is above all names. (Phil 2:9)

SUFFERING - CHOSEN SERVANT / RULER OF GOD

Suffering is the badge of honor for believers. God chooses who will suffer for Him, and to be chosen is proof positive of His love for us. We know those who pay a price for their faith obtain a reward. Jesus was raised from the dead and ascended to the right hand of the Father in Heaven. If we have served Him well in this life, we will receive a great reward in the next life. "If we died with him, we will live with Him. If we endure, we will reign with Him." (2 Tim 2:12)

God chose Christ to die on the cross for our sins "before the foundation of the world". He is God's Chosen Servant.
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GLORY OF MAN

SUFFERING - EVIL MAN

We do not need to look to the time of the Romans to find mad emperors whose thrill it was to throw Christians to the lions. The persecution of Christians and anyone else who stands in the way of power crazed psychopathic monsters is all through history. In every age it seems there is at least one man who keeps subjects living in fear for their lives and oppresses them past what is even necessary to maintain order. Most people believe they have higher morals and standards and could never stoop to those levels. Yet, when threatened they grab a weapon and fight like ferocious beasts. The sobering reality is our humanity is a thin veneer. Murder, warfare, even office politics prove it again and again.

SUFFERING - PUBLIC HUMILIATION

Regarding Adam, God said in the Garden "It is not good for him to be alone, I will make a helper for him." One of our deepest human needs is to know we are not alone, that we are loved by others. If our deepest need is love, then our deepest hurt is rejection. Public humiliation is the worst form of rejection possible, because it burns all the bridges. Once publically shamed, who will want to associate with you? No doubt this is one reason the Romans chose crucifixion as a tactic to terrorize local populations. The protectors of the Jewish system of religion saw Jesus as a threat. They had in mind not only to kill him, but to strike fear among all His followers. They chose public humiliation.

SUFFERING - BLOOD THIRSTY KILLER

I have heard tales from the battlefield that once killing begins, it causes a blood lust in men. They want to kill their foe so badly they will even endanger themselves for the pleasure. In my rural experience I have seen animals fighting to the death, and the only way to describe it is wild crazed obsession to kill. No quarter is offered, and no quarter is taken. In the presentation of Christ to the crowd by Pilate, this frenzy fell upon them as they chanted "Crucify! Crucify!" It is the lowest of low points in the experience of a human being to another human being. It stands in the starkest contrast to the Savior, meek and mild, who opened not Him mouth against His accusers.
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### APPENDIX - NUMBER MEANINGS

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