

THE EARTH – 4th WITNESS OF GOD: MEASURE OF ALL

The Earth is the fourth object in the solar system: Sun, Mercury, Venus, and Earth. The spiritual number **4** means “**Measure**” or “**Message**”. The Earth is the place God chose to create life and to create man. As a painting reflects the painter, the creation reflects the creator. All God’s creation, from the tiniest bacterium to the most awesome creatures, contains a message about God. Above all man displays the image of the creator and it was into the flesh of a man that the second person of the Godhead indwelt to bear witness to God’s most sublime qualities of compassion, self-sacrifice, and moral purity.



Mass relative to Earth: 1.00

Volume relative to Earth: 1.00

Surface Area relative to Earth: 1.00

Distance from Sun relative to Earth: 1.00

Orbit: 365.26 days (sidereal) **Rotation:** 1.00 days (sider.)

Axial Tilt: 23.44° **Inclination:** 0.00° (to ecliptic)

Eccentricity of Orbit: 1.03 (Aphelion / Perihelion)

Power of Gravity relative to Earth: 1.00

It is the destiny of planet Earth not only to glorify God, but to demonstrate the downfall of the Devil.

During one orbit of the Sun the Earth spins on its axis **366** times, but because the direction of its orbit is the same as the direction of its spin, there are only **365** sun rises (or days) per year. The meaning of **366** is “**Strength**”(3) of “**Brotherly Love**”(133) and the meaning of **365** is “**Weakness**”(5) of “**Babylon**”(73). Jesus said “**This is my commandment that ye love one another**” (John 15:12). In God’s kingdom serving one another is supreme. In Satan’s world system, called Babylon, oppressing one another is the rule. God’s kingdom and Satan’s system are in conflict. Babylon will flourish, but in the end it will be dashed to pieces and revealed to be weak compared to the kingdom of Almighty God.

The measurements of Earth as a planet are the key to the spiritual understanding of the cosmos.

Please refer to the first three documents in this series relating to the spiritual interpretation of the Sun, Mercury, and Venus.² You will notice the measurements of those celestial bodies are meaningful only when they are taken in relation to the measurements of the Earth. For example: the mass of the Sun is 333,000 times the mass of the Earth. This tells us the spiritual number 333 is significant in understanding the meaning of the Sun. The number **333** means “**The Truth**”(3) of the “**Fear of the Lord**”

¹ <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Earth>

² <http://biblenumbersforlife.com/7-0-stars/>

(111). Where does the fear of the Lord come from? It comes from the Holy Spirit, and that is what the Sun is a symbol of. Other measurements of the Sun in relation to the Earth confirm that interpretation.

When God confronted Job his first challenge to him was: “**Now, prepare yourself like a man: I will question you and you will answer me. Where were you when I laid the foundations of the Earth? Tell me if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements? Surely you know.**” (Job 38:3-5) The Lord equates the measurements of the Earth with understanding and spiritual knowledge.

In a powerful illustration God said to Job regarding the Earth: “**It takes shape like clay under a seal: its features stand out like those of a garment**” (Job 38:14). A potter would make an impression in the bottom of the clay jar to indicate the pot was his craftsmanship and reflected his artistry. This is the same sense in which John said “**the Word became flesh and lived for a while among us. We have seen his glory, that of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth**” (John 1:14). When we look at Jesus we see God being expressed through flesh (which the Bible said God made out of clay or the dust of the ground). When we look at the earth, and all the living things in it, we see God being expressed, as surely as a seal makes an impression in the clay. No one has seen God, but when we look at creation and the incarnation, we see the ‘shape’ of God in the same way garments outline the shape of a man.

The spiritual numbers related to the measurements of the Earth are:

- Eccentricity of Orbit: **1.03** which means “**Name of God**” (**103**)
- Axial Tilt relative to Orbit: **23.4°** which means “**Death**” (**23**)
- Sidereal Orbit: **365** which means “**Weakness**” (**5**) of “**Babylon**” (**73**)

If the Earth is a message who is it directed to? Isn't it directed to the stars, which are allegorical symbols for the ‘Watchers’ or angels? Recall that angels were created before the Earth. We know that because it says in Scripture: “**On what were its [the Earth’s] footings set, or who laid its cornerstone - while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy?**” (Job 38:6-7)

To recap the history of the universe, God made the angels to minister to him before he made the Earth. In the beginning there was unity in the angelic realm but the heart of Lucifer was lifted up, God judged him, expelled him from the mount of God, and threw him down to the Earth (Ezekiel 28:11-19).

Why was Lucifer’s heart lifted up? Why did he find it so difficult to exalt God? Being a guardian cherub, he had a front row seat to witness the glory of God. The answer is he was simply in awe of his own greatness (Eze. 28:2). After the fall of Satan, God created the Earth and man upon it to display to all the angels his infinite power and wisdom. God wants every spiritual being to understand and to accept that he is most worthy of worship. In this way, God saves us all from the blindness and pride of the devil who refused to worship him, even while he was standing in the very presence of Almighty God.

These background facts help us to interpret the meaning of the three numbers associated with the measurements of the Earth. The first measurement, **103** “**Name of God**”, points to the primary significance of Earth, it is the place where God will display his Name, not only in the physical universe, in

the living creatures, and in man, but most importantly in the life of Jesus Christ, God made flesh, the Word of God. Of all the objects in the physical universe, the Earth is unique because God has visited us.

As one might expect, when God announced the Earth would be his masterpiece and man his eternal friend, a plan was hatched to sully this place and to suppress the worship of God here. Satan succeeded in tempting man to sin against God. The result of that sin was **23** "**Death**" (Romans 3:**23** & 6:**23**). Other than naturally being of a contrary nature, why do you suppose Satan was so serious about contaminating creation? The Bible says "**Do you not know that we will judge angels?**" (1 Cor. 6:3). This is apparently the fulfillment in Christ of the authority given to Adam to rule over all of the creatures God made (Gen. 1:26). No surprise then that Satan is so ruthlessly focussed on suppressing the worship of God and destroying mankind. Being proud and independent minded Satan cannot stand the thought of being ruled by lowly men. (Note: Given the prediction that believers in Christ will rule over angels, we can therefore understand why the holy angels eagerly desire to look into these things (1 Peter 1:12). It appears their future state is tied in some way to our own.)

Satan's master plan to exalt himself on Earth is spiritually called 'Babylon'. It is a religious commercial empire bent on suppressing the worship of God and enslaving mankind (Rev.13). The third number of the Earth is **365**, which means "**Weakness**" (**5**) of "**Babylon**" (**73**). Thus, the Earth will be a message to the Universe not only of the greatness and worthiness of God, but it will also be a demonstration of the weakness and depravity of Satan and his schemes. Babylon is hidden at this time but will come to full flower on planet Earth for a short time before it is dashed to pieces (Rev.18). Its prince and its priest will be thrown into the lake of fire prepared for the devil and his angels.

The things we have discussed thus far address the spiritual numbers connected to the astrophysical dimensions of planet Earth. There are other respects in which the Earth contains messages. For example, the geographic locations on Earth can be measured and provide spiritual insight into historical events which transpire in those places. Please see our research on www.biblenumbersforlife.com, section 9.0 GEOGRAPHY.

Many of the dimensions of the Earth are captured in the construction of the Great Pyramid of Giza. For example: the mass of the Earth, the volume of the Earth, the relationship of the diameter of the Earth to the diameter of the Moon, etc. The Great Pyramid is an ancient monument which expresses important spiritual truths. It was put there to be one of God's witnesses of these truths to future generations such as ours. For more information on the Great Pyramid of Giza as it pertains to the dimensions of the Earth and prophecy please see our research on www.biblenumbersforlife.com, section 4.0 PROPHECY.

The spiritual number 4 means "Measure" or "Message". There are some commentators who see the number 4 so connected to Earth that they translate the spiritual number 4 "World". We can see how people could reach that conclusion. However, we chose not to define the number 4 as "World" since there would inevitably be confusion between the natural world God created and the world system that man operates in the Earth. Christians are encouraged not to love the world (system).