THE LINE OF CAIN

INTRODUCTION

The story of Cain could have been one verse: ‘Cain was a rebellious son who murdered his brother’. However, the Book of Genesis devotes an entire chapter to the events surrounding the rebellion of Cain and the line of his offspring. An abundance of detail is provided. Why so much attention? After Genesis chapter 4 we don’t hear Cain’s name mentioned until late in the New Testament\(^1\).

The Old Testament is meant to be read with an eye to prophetic fulfillment. Paul was clear that God has bigger things in mind than just recording history in Scripture. Even mundane legal requirements in the Torah have a deeper meaning for believers: “For it is written in the Law of Moses: ‘Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain’. Is it about oxen that God is concerned?” (1 Cor. 9:9)

If the story of Cain’s sin and his banishment are documented so carefully in the Book of Genesis then the prophetic fulfillment must likewise be something of large significance in the dealings of God. The story’s location in Scripture – right after the account of the Fall of Adam in the Garden of Eden at the beginning of all Scripture - also suggests the prophetic meaning is of great importance.

CAIN AND ABEL – AS PROPHETIC TYPES

Jesus settled the prophetic interpretation of Cain. Speaking to the teachers of the Law the Lord said:

"You snakes! You brood of vipers! How will you escape being condemned to hell? ... And so upon you will come all the righteous blood that has been shed on earth, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah son of Berekiah whom you murdered between the temple and the altar." (Matt. 23:33-35)

Who was guilty of the blood of righteous Abel? **Cain**.

How is Cain a representative or prophetic type of the nation of Israel in 33 AD? Cain was a man of the soil. **Cain loved the land - meaning the Promised Land.** When the Lord declared the punishment of Cain - that the land would bear no crops for him and he would be a restless wanderer on the earth - Cain said "it is punishment more than I can bear" (Gen. 4:13). When the Romans came and destroyed Jerusalem the people of Israel were scattered a second time. Cain (the people of Israel) was punished for the sin of murdering Abel (Jesus). They have longed for the land (Promised Land) ever since.

The word 'Cain' in Hebrew means **Spear** or **Acquisition**. The sin of Cain was grasping for the things of this world – taking them by force - by so doing ignoring the world to come and his eternal destiny.

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\(^{11}\) Heb. 11:4, 1 John 3:12, Jude 1:11
The gematria[^2], or numerical value of the Hebrew letters of the word ‘Cain’ is 160. The meaning of the spiritual number 160 is "Division" (2) of "Son of Man" (80). This meaning suits Cain, who was responsible for killing the Son of Man, the Messiah.

Abel was a keeper of flocks. He loved the sheep - meaning the believers in God. He offered an acceptable sacrifice to God - his own life on the cross - to save the sheep.

The word 'Abel' in Hebrew means "Breath". Jesus was the spiritual man - not holding on to the things of this world - but looking to the kingdom of God that will come in the future.

The gematria, or numerical value of the Hebrew letters of the word 'Abel' is 82. The meaning of the spiritual number 82 is "Throne of God". Jesus did die on the cross at the hands of Cain, but God raised him up to the highest place to sit at his right hand in heaven.

When Jesus accused the Pharisees of "the blood of righteous Abel" he was really prophesying his own death at their hands!

**THE BANISHMENT OF CAIN**

Here is the account of the judgment of Cain:

“Cain said to the LORD…’Today you are driving me from the land, and I will be hidden from your presence; I will be a restless wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me. ‘ …Then the LORD put a mark on Cain so that no one who found him would kill him.” (Gen. 4:14-15)

Did Cain get away with murder? There is no doubt he did the deed. The LORD said “…the ground opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand.” (Gen. 4:11)

[^2]: For an explanation of gematria and the meaning of spiritual numbers, please visit www.biblenumbersforlife.com
Job also thought it strange that the wicked appear to prosper in sin and escape trial and judgment:

“Have you never questioned those who travel? Have you paid no regard to their tokens? The evil man is spared from the day of calamity - he is delivered from the day of wrath. Who denounces his conduct to his face? Who repays him for what he has done? He is carried to the grave, and watch is kept over his tomb...all men follow after him, and a countless throng go before him” (Job 21:29-33)

This passage is particularly pertinent to the case at hand. Job insinuates that those who restlessly wander on the earth, those who are itinerant travelers, are typical of the wicked of which he is about to speak. Without a care, without a responsibility, without any contribution to society, they enjoy the city squares, the wells, the food, and all the other amenities that local people worked so hard to put in place. Such travelers would immediately not be trusted. Those who meet them would demand to see their ‘tokens’ – to see proof they have permission from authorities to pass through the land.

Cain was punished for the murder of Abel – the punishment was being without land. In the days of old peace and contentment was defined as ‘every man sitting under his own fig tree’. To have land was to be a part of a community – to experience the joys and the sorrows of human existence supported by others around you who shared a culture and a way of life for generations without end. To have no land was to have no material security and to dwell in the midst of uncouth foreigners. Cain’s punishment was banishment to the prison of non-identity: whose windows were full of watchful eyes and whose doors were roads to the next town.

Does this not describe the misery of the wandering Jews of Europe for nineteen hundred years after Christ? Cain was the first born of Adam – destined to be a patriarch of dignity, honor, and the father’s blessing. But he would know none of that. Likewise, the itinerant Jews felt the shame that they were God’s chosen people entrusted with God’s words - but forced to tiptoe in the midst of the boisterous and boorish Gentiles – people who to a Jewish sensibility were unclean in behavior and who in the Jewish understanding worshiped a different God (or gods).
THE MARK OF CAIN

Here is the account in Scripture:

“The LORD said to Cain: ‘Where is your brother Abel?’ ‘I do not know’ he replied ‘Am I my brother’s keeper?’ The LORD said ‘What have you done? Your brother’s blood cries out to me from the ground. Now you are under a curse and driven from the ground…Cain said to the LORD ‘I will be a restless wanderer on the earth and whoever finds me will kill me. But the LORD said to him ‘Not so. If anyone kills Cain, he will suffer vengeance seven times over.’ Then the LORD put a mark on Cain so that no one who found him would kill him.’” (Gen. 4:9-15)

The people of Israel were held accountable for the actions of the Sanhedrin to bring Jesus to trial on false accusations and take him to the Romans demanding the penalty of crucifixion. Jesus was innocent of all charges and defenseless in the hands of rabid religionists and calloused corrupted Roman governors. Moreover, the people of Israel accepted responsibility for the murder:

“When Pilate saw he was getting nowhere, but that instead an uproar was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd. ‘I am innocent of this man’s blood’ he said. ‘It is your responsibility!’ All the people answered ‘Let his blood be upon us and on our children!’” (Matt. 27:24-25)

After the death of Jesus, the tables were turned. During his ministry Jesus walked through the Holy Land without a home: “Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests – but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.” (Luke 9:58). Just as Jesus had been a stranger and alien among his own people, the banishment of the people of Israel resulted in them becoming strangers and aliens in the world.

The mark of Cain ensured there would be another parallel. The people of Israel suffered a terrible judgment when they killed the Savior. The people of the world would suffer a terrible judgment should they attempt to kill the people of Israel. The LORD said:

“If anyone kills Cain, he will suffer vengeance seven times over.”

In the case of the prophetic fulfillment of Cain, what did the Lord mean? Supposing a country did persecute the second diaspora of Israelites – how could a country be banished seven times? And how could a Gentile nation be banished from their land? That nation would have to be utterly destroyed.

Here is a perfect example of where the understanding of spiritual numbers brings to light truths of Scripture. The spiritual meaning of the number seven in the Bible is “The End”. In prophecy it often occurs in reference to the last days, or the time of the end. When we read the Book of Revelation we find the number seven is throughout – seven lampstands, seven stars, seven trumpets, seven vials, etc.
This is no coincidence because the Book of Revelation details the sequence of events that unfolds at the end of times. The Book of Revelation also has as one of its core themes the vengeance of God:

“How long, Sovereign Lord, holy and true, until you judge the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood?” (Rev. 6:10)

Our interpretation of the prophetic meaning of the phrase “vengeance seven times over” is this:

The Lord Jesus promised on oath

when the second diaspora of the people of Israel (Cain) are killed

by the Gentile nations

the event of Jewish genocide (death of Cain)

will trigger a process that will lead to the Great Tribulation (God’s vengeance)

In the Second World War a Gentile nation, Nazi Germany, made a serious attempt to exterminate Jews. Millions of innocent people from the second diaspora of Israel were executed in horrible fashion. The main partner in the genocide was Fascist Italy – the same nation whose ancestors, the Romans, conducted wars against Israelites in Palestine and utterly destroyed Jerusalem in 70AD. In other words: the precondition of the mass killing of Cain has been fulfilled.

These premises lead us to the further inescapable and astounding conclusion:

The process which will result in the Great Tribulation is now underway

The tables have turned once again. Now it is not the blood of Abel (Jesus) crying to God from the ground – it is the blood of Cain (the second diaspora Jews). God witnessed the suffering of those helpless second diaspora Jews, the kinfolk of the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will avenge their blood!

THE LINE OF CAIN

The story of Cain does not stop here.

The Book of Genesis details the descendants of Cain. As we shall see the descendants of Cain describe in detail the major figures portrayed in the Book of Revelation relating to Israel: the Beast from the Land (False Prophet), Babylon, and the Harlot.

Amazingly – all this was set forth in one of the earliest chapters of Scripture – that we might understand God knows the end from the beginning. He wrote it in the Bible so we would have proof. He is the LORD – awesome in power, fearful in praises – to Him be the glory! For ever and ever: Amen.
ENOCH – ‘THE GREAT CITY’

The son of Cain was named ‘Enoch’:

“Cain lay with his wife, and she became pregnant and gave birth to Enoch. Cain was then building a city, and he named it after his son Enoch” (Genesis 4:17)

The word Enoch in Hebrew means ‘dedication’. Cain dedicated the city he was building to his son Enoch. Cain did not dedicate his city to God – he dedicated his city to a man – specifically a man in his likeness. Ultimately, we can view the city Cain built as a monument to himself.

In the Book of Revelation we learn about the Great City. It is in fact the fulfilment of Cain’s vision:

“Every sea captain, and all who travel by ship, the sailors, and all who earn their living from the sea, will stand far off. When they see the smoke of her burning, they will exclaim ‘Was there ever a city like this great city? They will throw dust on their heads, and with weeping and mourning cry out: ‘Woe! Woe! O great city, where all who had ships on the sea became rich through her wealth! In one hour she has been brought to ruin!’” (Rev. 18:17-20)

Notice that the great city was built for travelers! A perfect fit with Cain – the restless wanderer. The city spoken of was not rooted in a single location, like a New York or a London. The city is a network of merchants who travel and may be in any location on the earth. [Note: The author has a friend who imports wine to Canada. It sounds like an operation that could be managed by telephone. In fact, this friend travels around the world to inspect goods, establish relationships, and negotiate contracts.]

The city that is spoken of here is a system of world trade built on transporting commodities long distances (by sea) from country to country. Cain began his career as a man of the soil – but his prophetic descendants will never lift a finger to labor – they will buy and sell the commodities others sweat to produce and make a grand profit from it.

Why is the system of world trade an evil thing? This is laid out for us in Revelations:

“Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great! She has become a home for demons and a haunt for every evil spirit...The kings of the earth committed adultery with her, and the merchants of the earth grew rich from her excessive luxuries...The merchants of the earth will weep and mourn over her because no one buys their cargoes any more – cargoes of gold, silver, precious stones, etc... The merchants who sold these things and gained their wealth from her will stand far off, terrified by her torment.” (Rev. 18:2-15)

3 Although the spelling is exactly the same, this son of Cain is not to be confused with the other Enoch, the son of Jared, the great-great grandson of Seth.
The kings of the earth commit adultery with this system of world trade. A king ought to be jealously dedicated to protect his nation and keep authority over her. The system of world trade blurs national borders. Those kings who enter into agreements with merchants to trade end up in a situation where the trade agreements supersede and replace the laws of the country. The kings trade the sovereignty of their nations away to make a personal fortune. The system of world trade results in the end in a one world government run by merchants. The kings become mere salesmen for world trade – dedicated to enriching themselves.

This was the very thing that brought the judgment of God down at the Tower of Babel:

“As men moved East they found a plain in Shinar...Come let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves...But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the men were building. The LORD said ‘If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan will be impossible for them.’” (Genesis 11:3-7)

Here was the issue that distressed God: ‘nothing they plan will be impossible for them’. In other words the world would be planned and controlled by the city – a One World Government run by merchants.

The first time God came down and confused the languages and scattered the nations over the face of the earth. The second time there will be no scattering – there will be destruction once and for all.

GEMATRIA ANALYSIS

The spiritual numbers associated with Enoch, the son of Cain:

(1) The gematria of Genesis 4:17 = 4,706 = 26 x 181 = “Gospel” (26) of “Alien Ruler” (181)

The system of world trade results in aliens, people not of your nationality, ruling your country. The merchants seductively cast the system of world trade as “Gospel”, in other words ‘good news’. The kings of the earth and the nations obey this system, as if it were Gospel – the highest overarching truth.

(2) Genesis 4:17 is the 97th Verse in the Bible.

The spiritual number 97 means “Fire Burns the Enemies”. The Great City that Cain builds is dedicated to honor man, not to honor God. Therefore, it becomes the enemy of God. We have it on the authority of the Book of Revelation: God will destroy that city with fire.

(3) The gematria of the word ‘Enoch’ is 84

The spiritual number 84 means “Court of the Lord”. The Great City that Cain builds usurps the rule of the whole earth – a role which belongs rightly to God and was delegated in part to the
kings of the nations. Decisions made by the men who sit in the boardrooms of the multinational corporations, the captains of the ‘ships of the Sea’, which control the city that controls the whole earth have untold power over the affairs of nations almost as great as the true Court of the Lord in heaven. But in the last days the true Court of the Lord in heaven will prove it has the ultimate power.

Is there a connection between the second diaspora of Israelites and the world trading system?

The table below shows the occupation of Jews in Prussia in 1861. Note the propensity of people of second diaspora Israelites living in Europe having the occupation of commerce:

![Chart showing occupation of Jews in Prussia in 1861](http://www.jewishencyclopedia.com/articles/11652-occupations)

Not too many of the second diaspora of the people of Israel worked the land any more.

The involvement of second diaspora Israelites in banking is worth note. Trade relies on transactions executed by banks with international branches or relationships. For a religious / ethnic people who were successful merchants and traders it was natural to expand into international banking as a complimentary business. Up to the sixteenth century the Roman Catholic See forbade Catholics from usury – that is, charging interest on loans. A great opportunity for profit and dealing was open and it was not passed up by Cain. The Talmud (B. B. 90; B. Ḳ. 84) classes the usurer with the murderer, neither of them being able to atone for his crime. Cain did not care about atonement – he only wanted wealth. He may also have believed the Law and the Talmud only pertain to dealings between Jews.
CAIN – THE FALSE TEACHER

So far we have seen the Great City of Babylon appear in the line of Cain. The False Prophet is next up.

After Enoch the next four descendants in the line of Cain are recounted for us in Genesis:

“To Enoch was born Irad, and Irad was the father of Mehujael, and Mehujael was the father of Methushael, and Methushael was the father of Lamech” (Gen. 4:18)

Here are the meanings of their names: (see Appendix for details on the Meaning of the Names)

Irad: “Running Off Again” - a donkey escaping the flock – a runner or a messenger

Or “Return to the City” – suggesting the direction of travel: back to the city of Cain

Mehujael: “Smitten by God” - a message: God is at fault for my woes

Methushael: “I’m a Man: Who is God?” – a sentiment: God is not worthy of our worship

[Note: Lamech is part of this group but will be discussed in the next section]

Jesus came to Israel and proclaimed the Kingdom of God. Some repented and believed. These became the apostles and first members of the Church of Jesus Christ. Most Israelis in the Holy Land did not believe Jesus in spite of all the signs. The Pharisees went so far as to accuse Jesus of being an agent of Satan: “It is by the prince of demons that you cast out demons” (Matt. 12:24). Even after his resurrection and his appearance to hundreds of witnesses at one time – they would not believe!

The point is the second diaspora of Israelis was made up of persons whose hearts were hard to God. They did not comprehend what had happened to them. They could not make the connection that the curse of Cain fell upon them because of the death of Jesus. They would not accept that God was righteous and just to punish them for their sin. In the end they blamed God for the woes that had fallen upon them (Mehujael) and although they were ethnic Israelis and perhaps continued some of the traditions of their culture many were haters of God or at least had very mixed feelings.
Paul, who was himself a Hebrew of Hebrews, described the condition of the second diaspora Israelites:

“God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes so they could not see, and ears so they could not hear, to this very day.” (Romans 11:8)

We propose that it is from this stock of spiritually blinded ethnic Israelites that the ultimate False Prophet of the Book of Revelation will come. We have already shown that the city of Cain becomes in the end the prophetic Great City of Babylon. If the ethnic Israelites from the second diaspora are the ones who found and build revived Babylon, would we not expect their religious leader to be someone of their own kind? Of course we would expect that. As we show in the section below, the gematria of Genesis 4:18 supports this startling conclusion.

**GEMATRIA ANALYSIS**

The spiritual numbers associated with Irad, Mehujael, and Methushael:

(1) The gematria of **Genesis 4:18** = 4,330 = \(10 \times 433 \text{ [84th prime]}\) =

"Testimony" (10) of the "Court of the Lord" (84)

The spiritual number 84 which we saw in the meaning of Enoch appears again! The Sanhedrin, or the highest circle of Israelite judges, is likely what is in view here. They do not rule by God’s law – they rule by man-made laws established through rabbinical debate and Jewish jurisprudence over the centuries.

The Way of Cain, which exalts man, has believed the lie of Satan that man can be like God. As such, rather than praying to God in heaven to know his will this council of judges perpetuates the principle that man is sufficiently wise to make his own laws and to rule his own affairs. In this way the rules of man enshrined in the organized institution of the city of Cain is in direct conflict with God. The spiritual number 10 “Testimony” refers to the community of Israelites – which ought to be a testimony of God and his Law – but which by this time in history testifies only of the glory of a man (Cain) and his laws.

(2) **Genesis 4:17** is the 98th Verse in the Bible.

The spiritual number 98 means “Blind Religious Leader”. This is the strongest possible association of Irad, Mehujael, Methushael, (and Lamech) with the False Prophet. An example in Scripture of a ‘Blind Religious Leader’ type would be Eli.

(3) The gematria of the word ‘Irad’ is 284

The spiritual number 284 means “Error in Judgment”. It refers to an error in judgment specifically in choosing the wrong side in a conflict of mortal enemies. An example in Scripture of an ‘Error in Judgment’ would be Ahithophel switching sides from David to serve Absalom.
The gematria of the word ‘Mehujael’ is 95

The spiritual number 95 means ‘Voice of God’. The number 95 = 5 x 19 which can also be interpreted ‘Weak’ (5) in ‘Faith’ (19). We learned from the meaning of his name that Mehujael blames God for his troubles. Job had troubles and yet he did not blame God. Mehujael fails the test and brings the condemnation of God upon himself by accusing God of wrong. The ‘Voice of God’ is the central spiritual number in theme 8 which pertains to church renewal. The implication is God is witnessing in some way - possibly through the Scripture – imploring Mehujael to turn back to him. Mehujael is weak in the faith and in spite of the plain truth set before him continues to blame God. Hard hearted!

The gematria of the word “Methushael” is 777

The spiritual meaning of the number 777 is “The End” (7) of “The Fear of the Lord” (111). This is another strong association with the False Prophet – who has the spiritual number 77. Thus, based on the spiritual numbers – whereas God pleaded with Mehujael because there was some faith there, however weak – when we get to Methushael there is no faith at all. No way for God to communicate. Cain prophesied: “I will be hidden from your presence” (Gen. 4:14). The hiding did not take effect the instant Cain was cursed by God – or the instant Christ was crucified – it was a gradual falling away of genuine spiritual interest over the centuries until no faith at all is left in the religious leaders.

CAIN – THE PERSECUTOR

The fourth name mentioned in Genesis 4:18 is Lamech.

The meaning of the name Lamech is “Powerful” or “Wild Man”. (Appendix of Name Meanings)

The words of Lamech recorded in Genesis support the idea he was a self-willed brutal ruler who took vengeance into his own hands with deadly results:

“Lamech said to his wives, ‘Adah and Zillah listen to me, wives of Lamech hear my words. I have killed a man for wounding me, a young man [a boy, a youth] for injuring me. If Cain is avenged seven times, then Lamech seventy-seven [77] times.” (Gen. 4:23-24)

The spiritual number 77 identifies Lamech with the False Prophet. Whereas the previous three patriarchs in Cain’s line represent the historical path to the fulfillment of Cain’s line – Lamech is the fulfillment – the literal False Prophet of whom the Book of Revelation speaks.

As a natural consequence of his appearance in the line of Cain, we deduce that the False Prophet will be an ethnic Israelite from the second diaspora. At the pinnacle of authority among the ethnic second diaspora Israelites - the teacher and chief judge of his people – Lamech will be the head of the Sanhedrin. During the time of the False Prophet the temple will be rebuilt and the priesthood will be reinstated. Therefore, the head of the Sanhedrin will necessarily also be the Jewish high priest.
Lamech will wickedly prosecute and persecute Christians to the death at the end of the Age of Grace, prior to the rapture and the beginning of Daniel’s 70th week - the Great Tribulation. In those days it will be just as the Jewish high priest and Sanhedrin persecuted Christians in the days of the early church. The wheels of history turn back to the beginning of it all.

Compare these passages from the Book of Acts and from the Book of Revelation:

“You stiff-necked people with uncircumcised hearts and ears! You are just like your fathers: you always resist the Holy Spirit! Was there ever a prophet your fathers did not persecute? They even killed those who predicted the coming of the Righteous One. And now you have betrayed and murdered him...when they heard this, they were furious...yelling at the top of their voices, they rushed at him, dragged him out of the city and began to stone him.” (Acts 7:51-57) [Note: Saul was among them. At that time he was a member of the Sanhedrin]

“I know the slander of those who say they are Jews yet are not; but are a synagogue of Satan. Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. I tell you the devil will put some of you in prison to test you, and you will suffer persecution for ten days. Be faithful, even to the point of death...” (Revelations 2:10)

“When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the Word of God and the testimony they had maintained.” (Revelations 6:10)

The False Prophet will not only persecute Christians prior to Daniel’s 70th week, he will also persecute Israelites who convert to Jesus and refuse to worship the beast in the last half of Daniel’s 70th week.

“Then I saw another beast, coming out of the land [Promised Land]. He had two horns like a lamb but he spoke like a dragon [A dragon in lamb’s clothing!]...He was given power to give breath to the image of the first beast [Anti-Christ], so that it could speak and cause all [of the Israelites back in the Land] who refused to worship the image to be killed.” (Rev. 13:11-14)

The False Prophet will even kill his fellow Israelites. Is all this not the spirit of Cain?
“Now Cain said to his brother Abel: ‘Let’s go to the field’. And when they were in the field, Cain attacked his brother Abel, and killed him.” (Genesis 4:8)

LAMECH’S WIVES – A PICTURE ISRAEL IN THE LAST DAYS

We will now turn our attention to the two wives of Lamech - Adah and Zillah:

“**Lamech** married two women, one named **Adah** and the other named **Zillah**.” (Genesis 4:19)

The name ‘**Adah**’ means “**Ornament**”. What are the ornaments that women adore? Are they not the jewels and coins of her wedding? (See Luke 15:8-10) Thus, Adah is a picture of Israel remarried. Who will Israel be remarried to in the last days? Not to the Lord God! He would never marry an unbeliever. The husband of Israel will be the Anti-Christ, the world leader who enters into covenant **[i.e. marries]** Israel. He permits the people of Israel to return to their land and he becomes her Lord and protector.

“**The people of the ruler will come…He will confirm a covenant with many for one seven**” (Daniel 9:27)

One might ask: if Lamech is the False Prophet and he marries the two wives – then how could it be that they marry the Anti-Christ? The answer is the Anti-Christ and the False Prophet are co-regents. They share authority over the world. To enter into covenant with one is to enter into it with the other:

“**He** [Beast from the Land – The False Prophet] **exercised all the authority of the first beast** [Beast from the Sea – The Anti-Christ] **on his behalf...**” (Revelations 13:12)

The name ‘**Zillah**’ means “**Shade**”. This is a picture of the dark occult influence in the people of Israel in those days. Zillah pictures the Great Harlot of Revelations cavorting with the devil [scarlet beast]:

“**Come I will show you the punishment of the great prostitute, who sits on many waters. With her the kings of the earth committed adultery and the inhabitants of the earth were intoxicated by the wine of her adulteries...I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast [Occult] that was covered with blasphemous names...the woman was dressed in purple and scarlet, and was glittering with gold, precious stones, and pearls [Ornaments]...I saw the woman was drunk with the blood of the saints, the blood of those who bore testimony of Jesus.”** (Revelations 17:1-6)

**GEMATRIA ANALYSIS**

Prepare to be surprised. The gematria confirm there is a silver lining beneath the dark cloud that is Israel in the last days. On the surface it appears all is lost – but the Lord will triumph in this tragedy!

The spiritual numbers associated with Lamech, Adah, and Zillah:

(1) The gematria of **Genesis 4:19** = 4,429 = **27** x **127** = “**Holy Truth**” (27) of “**Spiritual Sons**” (127)
Against the backdrop of the idolatry of the False Prophet and the occult influence in the people of Israel in the last days, the gematria nevertheless suggests in Daniel’s 70th week a remnant of the Israelites will once again become spiritual sons - believers in God. This agrees with Scripture. In the first half of Daniel’s 70th week the two prophets (two lampstands) will be God’s only witnesses (light) in the Promised Land (olive tree) (Rev. 11:3-4). After they die, are raised from the dead, and taken to heaven, there will be a mass conversion of Jews to following Jesus. In the last half of Daniel’s 70th week – the believing remnant of Israelites will once again be his “Spiritual Sons” (127) and offer a witness of his “Holy Truth” (27). Of course, these are the very ones the False Prophet will persecute.

(2) **Genesis 4:19** is the 99th Verse in the Bible

The spiritual number 99 means “Shekinah Glory”. It is associated with the cloud by day and the fire by night that accompanied the people of Israel on their desert march. When the False Prophet unveils the abomination of desolation on a wing of the temple – the true believers will flee to the desert (Rev. 12:6). Their God will meet them there and appear to them just as he did in the first desert journey. As in the Exodus, the Lord will appear to his people in the desert.

(3) Gematria of the name ‘**Lamech**’ is 90.

The spiritual number 90 means “Church Sifted” – or persecuted. That is the specialty of the False Prophet: killing all who are in his way. First Christians are killed then the believing Jews.

Gematria of the name ‘**Adah**’ is 79.

The spiritual number 79 means “Martyrs”. There will be great rejoicing when the second diaspora Israelites are gathered from all parts of the world and return to the Promised Land. That euphoria will turn to misery when the true believers among them realise to stay true to God and not accept the Mark of the Beast – will mean death.

Gematria of the name ‘**Zillah**’ is 125.

The spiritual number 125 means “Protector Surrounds”. Those who do not make it to the desert in time will die as martyrs at the hand of the False Prophet. However, they will rule and reign with him in the Millennium. They have died the first death for Jesus – but they will not die the second death of eternal damnation – their Savior will protect them from that. Those who do escape to the desert will be protected. These are the 144,000 who were sealed on the very first day of Daniel’s 70th week – they will be protected from all of God’s judgments and will survive the Great Tribulation unscathed.
LAMECH’S THREE SONS – THE WHEAT AND THE WEEDS

Jesus spoke in a parable concerning the end times. He described it as a man who owned a field but while he slept an enemy sowed weeds among the wheat. The servants said ‘Do you want us to dig them up?’ The master said ‘let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters to first collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned. Then collect the wheat. (Matt. 13:24-30). When his disciples were in a private place, the Lord explained the parable:

“The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age...Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the Kingdom of their Father.” (Matt. 13:30-43)

The meaning of the names of Lamech’s three sons: (see Appendix of Meaning of Names)

The wheat: Jabal – “River” or “Rushing Waters” or “Trumpet”  
Jubal – “Stream”

The weeds: Tubal-Cain – “Worldly Acquisition” or “Gain the World”

Here is what Scripture says about the three sons of Lamech:

“Adah gave birth to Jabal; he was the father of those who live in tents and raise livestock. His brother’s name was Jubal; he was father of all who play the harp and the flute.” (Gen. 4:20)

“Zillah also had a son, Tubal-Cain, who forged all kinds of tools out of bronze and iron.” (Gen. 4:21)

The name ‘Trumpet’ is the prophetic give-away of the identity of Jabal. It will be precisely on the date of the Feast of Trumpets at the mid-point of Daniel’s 70th Week when the seventh trumpet of angelic judgment sounds that the Abomination of Desolation occurs on the wing of the Temple and every Jew in Israel will realise that their spiritual leader, their high priest, is an idol worshipper. When the believing Jews flee to the desert to escape the death sentence of the False Prophet upon those who will not worship the Beast – those who flee will convert en masse to faith in Jesus Christ. When this event occurs there will be jubilation in heaven (a word related to Jabal and Jubal):

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4 For more detail as to the prophetic significance of the Feast of Trumpets – there is a paper written on this topic in the ‘4 Prophecy’ page of our website: www.biblenumbersforlife.com
“Now has come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ...therefore rejoice [Jabal / Jubal] you heavens and you who dwell in them!” (Rev. 12:10-12)

Note the parallel to the description of the loud voices in heaven when the seventh trumpet sounds:

“The kingdom of the world [Tubal] has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign forever and forever.” (Rev. 11:15)

What is the difference between Jabal and Jubal? Perhaps the Holy Spirit is suggesting that this remarkable harvest begins as a “River” (Jabal) but ends as a “Stream” (Jubal). In other words, the False Prophet will pursue and catch most of the converts to Jesus, who will die as martyrs. Only a few, the 144,000 sealed preachers to the Gentiles, will survive the Tribulation and enter into the Millennium still alive. The 144,000 will go out throughout the earth urging the Gentile not to take the Mark of the Beast, to choose martyrdom with the promise of resurrection rather than eternal judgment (Rev. 14:6-13).

Why do we think Jubal is prophetic of the 144,000? Jubal is the father of all who play the harp and flute: who make the music of songs. What does the Scripture say concerning the 144,000?

“Then I looked, and there before me was the Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with him the 144,000 who had his name and his Father’s name written on their foreheads. And I heard a sound from heaven like rushing waters [Jabal] and like a peal of thunder. The sound I heard was like that of harpists playing their harps [Jubal]. And they sang a new song [Jubal] before the throne...No one could learn the song except the 144,000.” (Rev. 14:1-3)

What of the rest of the Jews – Tubal-Cain - who chose to receive the Mark of the Beast? They will suffer the Bowl Judgments. They are the ones who did not listen to the warning of Jesus:

“What does it profit a man if he gains the whole world [Tubal-Cain] but loses his soul?” (Mark 8:36)

What is the Mark of the Beast? We don’t know, but the figure below is our guess:
It would be an appropriate mark: those who will not bend the knee to Jesus are those who love this world [Tubal] and the things of this world (money) more than they love God.

**GEMATRIA ANALYSIS**

The spiritual numbers associated with **Jabal** and **Jubal** (Genesis 4:20):

(1) The gematria of Genesis 4:20 = 1,556 = 2 x 2 x 389 [77th prime]

The spiritual meaning is: “Two” (2) (sons) “Divide” (2) the “False Prophet” (77)

If the False Prophet had committed the abomination of desolation and none of the Israelites had fled to the desert and all the Israelites had taken the Mark of the Beast, then Satan would have no angelic challenger in heaven, he would not have been cast down, there would have been no victory of Christ on earth, and the Millennium would not have come. Most readers of Scripture will not realise this but a part of the nation of Israel must accept Jesus in order for the Millennium to come. If they do not, the Millennium will not come, and neither will Christ return. Christ will not return because he will be protecting the saints in heaven from Satan. Satan will be in heaven because Michael and the other angels loyal to Christ cannot defeat him. The good angels cannot defeat him because the Israelites on earth are idol worshippers and loyal to Satan. The worship of Satan by the Israelites binds Michael in heaven. If the Israelites repent and believe in Jesus, Michael is loosened, and Satan can be forced out of heaven. This is what Jesus meant when he said “Whatsoever ye bind on earth, shall be bound in heaven” (Matt. 16:19). When the Christians are raptured to heaven, the keys of the kingdom pass back to the Israelites on earth.

The verse number of Genesis 4:20 is 100 which means “Holy Flock”. This is self-explanatory: Jabal and Jubal are the remnant of all the Israelites in the end times who are saved and belong to God – they are set apart, or holy, to him.

The gematria of “Jabal” is 42 which means “Evil Man”. Just because Jesus saves them and resurrects them at the beginning of the Millennium (see Rev. 20:4) does not mean they are not steeped in their sins at the point at which they call upon the Lord.

The gematria of “Jubal” is 48 which means “Father’s Blessing” or “Blessed of the Father”. Here is the distinction of the 144,000 versus the rest of the repentant Jews. As it is written:

“No one could learn the song except the 144,000 who had been redeemed from the earth. These are those who did not defile themselves with women, for they kept themselves pure…No lie was found in their mouths; they are blameless.” (Rev. 14:3-5)

The spiritual numbers associated with **Tubal-Cain** (Genesis 4:21):
The gematria of **Genesis 4:21** = 1,657 = 1,657 [260th prime]. 260 = 2 x 130

The spiritual meaning of number 260 is “Division” (2) of “Accusation” (130).

This is what Scripture says happens when Jabal and Jubal repent and accepts Jesus:

> “Now [that a great number of the people of the nation of Israel have repented and accepted Jesus] have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ. For the accuser of our brethren, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down.” (Rev. 12:10)

Of course, the Tubal-Cain portion of the population of Israel is oblivious to the event of the fall of Satan, the god they serve. And so the great irony – these idol worshippers hang on to the world, only to lose it when their brothers who love not this world receive it in the Millennium.

> “Blessed are the meek, they will inherit the earth” (Matt. 5:5)

**TUBAL-CAIN’S SISTER – NAAMAH**

We have only a little information about Naamah:

> “…Tubal-Cain’s sister was Naamah” (Genesis 4:22)

The meaning of the name ‘**Naamah**’ is **pleasant, beautiful, sweet, delicate**.

Here we have a stark contrast between the aggressive, acquisitive, grasping Tubal-Cain – he who lusted after money, power, influence, and worldly things – and his sweet sister, Naamah, who appears to be content with what she has, a sensitive person and a delightful human being to spend time with. If ever there were unlike siblings – this is it!

Naamah must have been very special. It is rare in the Bible for female offspring to be mentioned in accounts of the descendants of patriarchs. Naamah is the fourth female to be named in the Bible: Eve, Adah, Zillah, Naamah. Naamah is the twelveth person including Adam named in the Bible. In the account of the descendants of Seth no daughters are named (Genesis 4). In the account of the descendants of Noah, no daughters are named (Genesis 10). In the account of the descendants of Shem no daughters are named (Genesis 11) – Sarai, Milcah, and Iscah are named but they were spouses not daughters in the line of descendants to Abraham.

What is the prophetic fulfillment of Naamah? **We propose that Naamah represents the Israelites who enter the Millennium** – a time of pleasantness and beauty. A time when Jesus Christ is Lord – and they will be his adoring worshippers - which could only have been pictured or prefigured by a female!
To support this proposed typology – we would offer this simple argument – Naamah was desirable, and Tubal-Cain was undesirable. This in a nutshell summarizes God relationship with the people of Israel from the most ancient time until now: in order for God to enjoy all the desirable persons of the race of Israel he had to put up with all the undesirable persons. In order for the most excellent characters to exist: Joseph, Joshua, David, Daniel, Mary, Abraham, Isaiah, John and so on – God had to put up with the most despicable characters: Esau, Saul, Jeroboam, Ahab, Saul of Tarsus and so on.

At the end of the age, during Daniel’s 70th Week, all the while God is wreaking vengeance upon the people of Israel for their idolatry and sin – God is mindful of the paradise on earth that will follow after it – and all the pleasant, sweet, beautiful people of Israel that he shall share it with.

This was the attitude of Jesus Christ himself, even as he faced his own cross:

“Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy [Jabal, Jubal, Naamah] set before him endured the cross, despised the shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.” (Hebrews 12:2)

In the light of the cross, as we perceive the love the Lord Jesus has for the people of Israel who will believe in him, and acknowledging we can never determine in advance who he will choose and who he will not, let us beware of resentment toward the people of Israel for the deeds they will do in the last days, especially when the persecution of Christians occurs at the hands of one of their own: the False Prophet. Let us rather do what we can to ensure their hearts will retain some softness to God. On the fateful day at the mid-point of Daniel’s 70th week when they must chose to die rather than to recant their faith in Jesus, may they recall when we were martyred we reviled them not, but rather prayed for their eternal souls. For we will most certainly spend eternity with them.

**GEMATRIA ANALYSIS**

The phrase “…Tubal-Cain’s sister was Naamah” has a gematria value of 1,178 = 62 x 19.

The spiritual meaning of 1,178 is “Jerusalem” (62) of “Faith” (19)

The name ‘Naamah’ has a gematria value of 165 which has the spiritual meaning “Peace and Safety”

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APPENDIX – MEANING OF NAMES IN THE LINE OF CAIN

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CAIN (קֶּנֶּן)
The name Cain is identical to the hebrew word Cain (qyn) meaning spear and occurring only once, in 2 Samuel 21:16, where the spear of the giant Ishi-benob is said to weigh three hundred shekels of bronze. It didn't do Ishi-benob much good, though, because David's general Abishai defeated and killed him.

Related languages contain a root qyn meaning to forge, but this name comes most likely from the verb qana qana (2039), get, acquire, create, as used in Genesis 4:1 where the name Cain is either explained or played upon by Eve, "...I have acquired a man with YHWH."

The identical Hebrew root qana (qana) yields the derivation qana (qaneh), meaning some herb on a stalk or reed, which may explain the word for spear. This word for reed or stalk is quite common in the Bible. Most notable are its occurrences in the beautiful promise of Isaiah that a bruised reed will not broken (42:3) and its use as one of the four ingredients for the holy oil (Exodus 30:23).

BDB Theological Dictionary states that although it seems that the name Cain comes from the verb used by Eve in Genesis 4:1, the name Cain is etymologically most probably akin the Kenite tribe mentioned in Judges 4:11. Story-wise the two are separated by the flood of Noah and have nothing to do with each other.

HAW Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament and NOBS Study Bible Name List translate Spear but NOBS adds Smith, possibly because of the similarity with the verb qyn or because of the name Tubal Cain, who was a smith.

Jones' Dictionary of Old Testament Proper Names relates it to qana and renders Acquisition.

ENOCH (اخر)
The name Enoch comes from the verb hanak (hanak) meaning dedicate, begin. HAW Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament notes, "With one exception (Proverbs 22:6), hanak and its derivates refer to an action in connection to a building (1 Kings 8:63), wall (Nehemiah 12:27), an altar (Numbers 7:10), or an image (Daniel 3:2)."

Fuerst’s Hebrew & Chaldee Lexicon To The Old Testament reports additional meanings of imprint, pierce into, instruct, make wise. Derivatives are hanik (hanik) trained servant (Genesis 14:14); hanukka (hanukka), dedication (Psalm 30:title). This noun reappears as the name Hanukkah, the still celebrated Feast Of Dedication (John 10:22).
Remarkably, the root **hanak** (hkn) also yields the derivative **hek** (hek), meaning **palate, mouth**, with connotation of **speech** (Proverbs 8:7, Song of Solomon 5:16).

The name **Enoch** means Initiated (Jones' Dictionary of Old Testament Proper Names) or **Dedicated** (NOBS Study Bible Name List).

**IRAD**

The meaning of the name Irad is disputed since there is no such word in the Hebrew language. It may be a combination (or rather a contraction) of two words.

Jones' Dictionary of Old Testament Proper Names derives **Irad** from two words: **ir** (ir) meaning **city**, as a permanent settlement without reference to size or claims. And **ud** (ud) meaning **return, repeat**; derivatives: continuance, witness, testimony, bear witness. So doing Jones' Dictionary of Old Testament Proper Names concludes that Irad means City Of Witness.

NOBS Study Bible Name List thinks differently and goes with an unused root **ir** ('yr), meaning according to cognates (says BDB Theological Dictionary) to go away, escape through sprightliness. Derivative ir (ayir) means male donkey. (The male donkey was apparently known as a runner-offer.) So doing NOBS Study Bible Name List concludes that Irad means Fugitive, but fails to explain the letter daleth upon which the name ends.

Other words of interest are yarad (yarad), go down, descend, decline. And ir ('ir), excitement.

The name Irad may mean City Of Witness, Fugitive On A Rebound, Declining Escapee, and even Jolly Decline.

** Editor: Our definition would be ‘Running Off Again’ (second diaspora Israelites) **

**MEHUJAEJL**

The name Mehujael seems to be a compilation of two elements. The first part comes from the root group **maha** (maha I & II) meaning to wipe, wipe out (root I), and strike (root II). This same verb is used in Genesis 6:7, where God plans to blot out mankind as it is at that time.

The second part of the name is **el**, the common abbreviation of **Elohim**, the genus God.

The name Mehujael means **Destroyed Of God** (Jones' Dictionary of Old Testament Proper Names), or **Smitten Of God** (NOBS Study Bible Name List).

**METHUSHJAEJL**

Traditionally the name Methushael is explained as follows:
The final part of the name is el (El 93) and the first part comes from mat (mat 1263), which is one of a few words to denote man or mankind, and used most often to indicate a male capable of combat. There is an obvious and grim connection with the word mut (mut 1169), to die; corpse.

However, in between mat and el stands the letter shin, which the traditional explanation ignores. But it is too dominant a letter to just show up and not alter meaning (such as is the case in some occurrences of waw, he and yod). The shin as particle is interrogative: who, which, or where, what? It’s also used as conjecture: that, because. Or to indicate the genitive. Reading a particle for shin the name becomes: I’m A Mortal; Where’s God?

Another solution shows when we all together depart from the idea that every el must relate to God. The word shaal (sha’al 2303) means to ask, inquire, borrow, beg (see Saul). Derivatives: sheela (she’la 2303a) means request, demand. sheol (she’ol 2303c), curiously enough is the famous word Sheol, meaning grave, pit, or in some applications, hell.

** Editor: if the last part of the word is Sheol – then the name means Mortal [to] Hell !! **

** LAMECH (לַמְכֶ) 

The word lmk does not occur in Hebrew, so we are left to guess at its meaning. BEB remains silent on the subject, but both Jones’ Dictionary of Old Testament Proper Names and NOBS Study Bible Name List suggest relations to an untreated root meaning strong and robust young man. Jones’ Dictionary of Old Testament Proper Names reads Powerful; NOBS Study Bible Name List reads Wild Man.

The name Lamech may also be seen as constructed of the particle le (le), meaning to or towards; and the verb muk (muk), be low, depressed, or even the adjacent verb makak (makak), be low, humiliated. The whole name would thus mean For Lowering; For Humiliation.

** Editor: indeed, the Anti-Christ will be brought low and humiliated **

** ADAH (אַדָּ) 

The Hebrew word Adah is quite common and there is no way to be sure which of the many meanings of this word this name was made from. According to various transliterations that history preserved for us, the name Adah sounds more or less like the first two of the following words that are spelled identical to the name:

1) The verb Adah means go on, pass by. Derivatives are continuing future, booty, prey, as far as, until, while.

2) The verb Adah means to ornament, deck oneself. The derivative adi means ornaments.
3) The verb yaad means appoint, betroth, assemble, meet. The derivative Adah means congregation.

4) The verb ud means return, repeat. Derivations Adah mean witness, testimony/ies.

5) The noun Adah means menstruation.

In merry unison, NOBS Study Bible Name List, BDB Theological Dictionary and Jones' Dictionary of Old Testament Proper Names take the name from Adah and read Ornament.

**ZILLAH (זִילָּה)**

The name Zillah comes from the not so very positive root group salal (sll I, II, III & IV). HAW Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament gives it four separate meanings:

1) salal (salal), means to tingle or quiver. The derivatives of this root cover a whirring or buzzing and things that whirr: silsal (silsal), meaning spear, locusts, and things that ring: (bells, cymbals).

2) salal (salal II), means to sink or submerge (Exodus 15:10 only).

3) salal (salal III) means to be or grow dark (Nehemiah 3:19). Derivative sel (sel) means shadow. The female form of this word would yield the name Zillah.

4) salal (sll IV) is the assumed root of slwl (slwl); the killer cake of Judges 7:13.

The meaning of the name Zillah may include any of the above. Both NOBS Study Bible Name List and Jones' Dictionary of Old Testament Proper Names read Shadow.

**JABAL (גָּבָל), JUBAL (יְבָל), TUBAL-CAIN (תָּבָל-קַיָּן)**

The names Jabal, Jubal and Tubal Cain come from a word rich in meaning. The root is Jabal (yabal) generally meaning bring, carry, lead, conduct. This root gives rise to a substantial amount of derivations. The following derivations are spelled the same as the name Jabal:

Jabal (yabal) means watercourse. This word occurs only in Isaiah 30:25 and 44:4 in plural.

Jabal (yobel 835e) meaning trumpet; curiously enough the same as the name Jabal and not Jubal.

Identical to the name Jubal is the word Jubal (yubal), meaning stream. This word occurs only in Jeremiah 17:8.

Identical to the name-segment Tubal is the word tebel (tebel), meaning world. This word tebel is one of two regular words for world. The other is eres (eres). Eres is used more frequently and tends to denote substance (earth, ground, land, country), while tebel tends to denote the world of economy and interaction (sometimes including the atmosphere and the heavens).
**yebul (yebul) means **produce** (of the soil).**

**bul (bul) means **produce, outgrowth**. Only Job 40:20, and Isaiah 44:19.

NOBS Study Bible Name List reads **Moving** for Jabal and **Playing** for Jubal, which is a very liberal interpretation. NOBS does not translate Tubal.

Jones' Dictionary of Old Testament Proper Names has **Leading, Flowing** and **River** for Jabal, **Joyful Sound**, Music and Jubilee for Jubal, and **Flowing Forth Of Cain** for Tubal Cain.

**Editor: In the context of our prophetic analysis 'World of Cain' seems more fitting for Tubal Cain**

**NAAMAH (נאם)****

The name **Naamah** comes from **naem (naem) meaning be pleasant, sweet, delightful, beautiful.** Derivatives are naem (noam), pleasantness, beauty; naim (naim), pleasant, sweet; naaman (naaman), pleasantness; and manammim (manammim), delicacies.

For a meaning of the name **Naamah**, Jones' Dictionary of Old Testament Proper Names reads **Pleasant**. NOBS Study Bible Name List reads Sweet, Pleasant.