

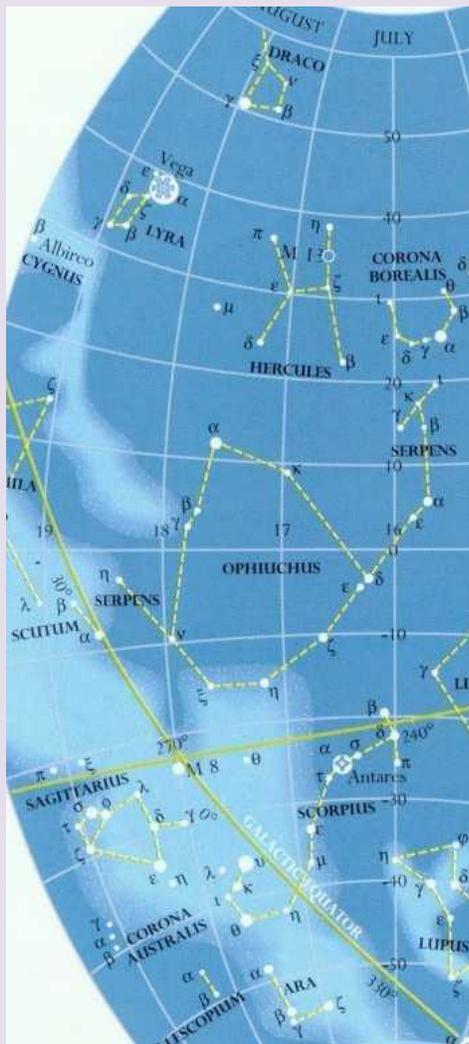
SAGITTARIUS / THE ARCHER

SUMMARY OF THE SIGN

The constellation Sagittarius / The Archer (Hebrew '*Kesith*'¹) draws his bow to destroy the deadly enemy Scorpio. The decan signs are Lyra/Eagle, Draco/Devil, and Ara/Altar. Kesith speaks the words of God and possesses great military might. His enemies are the nations who hate God and who seek the dominion of the world. Kesith has an enemy, the Devil, who leads the anti-God world system. Angels loyal to Kesith make war on the Devil and all his dominion. Like an eagle high in the sky that swoops down they are sent by Kesith to punish those who refuse to exalt God. The Devil is cast out of the high places and falls head-first down to earth. His followers are brought to judgment and banished to outer darkness forever.

POSITION IN THE SKY

Source of Image: Jim Kaler Star Maps



Sagittarius – bottom left - lies at the crossing of the line of the Ecliptic – path of the Sun – and the Galactic Equator – running through the Milky Way. Sagittarius is rich with stars (lighter shaded area on the diagram).

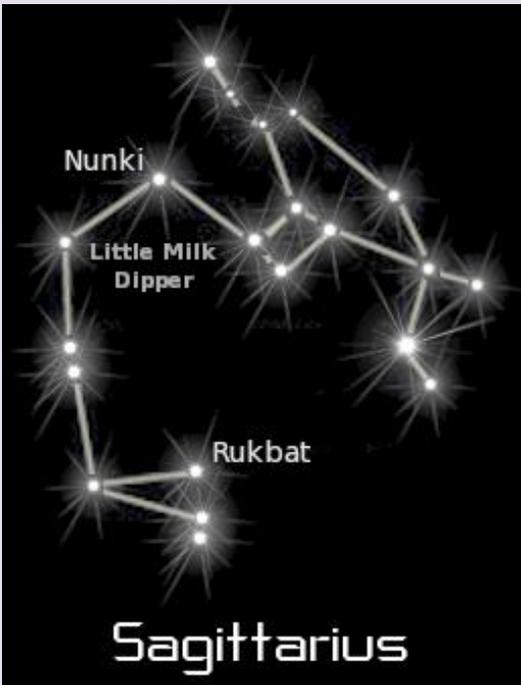
Sagittarius points his arrow at Scorpius. The tail of Scorpius reaches into the Milky Way – as if to gather angels and fling them to the Earth. Beneath the tail of Scorpius is the upside-down flaming altar, Ara – whose flames point down to the nether parts of the sky – the place of judgment where Scorpius is doomed to reside.

Scorpius represents the Godless system of world power with its grip on mankind. Behind Scorpius stands spiritual evil in high places: the Devil or Draco. The head of the enemy of The Archer is at the top of the sky in the position of falling downwards from its place of privilege. The great length of Draco is not pictured but lies at the very top of the sky and follows Draco down.

Just beneath the head of Draco falling down is the sign of Lyra – the Harp. The chief star of Lyra is Vega – standing for Victory. And so when Draco falls it will be to the chorus of the righteous – announcing the victory of Christ over all the power of the wicked Devil and proclaiming the happy tidings of the kingdom of God on Earth at last.

¹ In Hebrew: Kesith means “The Archer”

KESITH/THE ARCHER



The Hebrew name for the sign is 'Kesith' or "**The Archer**". His arrow is aimed directly at Antares, the chief star of Scorpio, the evil one. The Centaur is treading on a snake whose head is lifted up to bite.

The star at the base of the neck is 'Nunki', meaning "**Prince of the Earth**". The star at the bottom of the bow is 'Al Naim', meaning "**The Gracious One**". In the feet there are two stars 'Ruckba er Rami' (hind leg) and 'Urkab er Rami' (fore leg), which both mean "**Bowman Riding**". 'Nehusta' means "**Sending Forth**". 'Shaula' means "**The Dart**".

The sun passes out through the mouth of Kesith on the ecliptic. The center of the Milky Way lies just in front of the drawn bow. There are many faint, distant, huge galaxies, in Kesith.

The stars of Kesith are not bright, but they are many. There are five stars of the third magnitude (all in the bow), nine of the fourth magnitude, and dozens even weaker. That means the brightest star in Kesith (third magnitude) is only 13% as bright as the brightest star in the heavens, the next brightest stars (fourth magnitude) are only 9.6% as bright.³ The weakness of the star light suggests the truth represented by Kesith is hard for man to grasp.

The multitude of the stars in the sign suggests great power is being wielded. Add to those visible stars the hundreds of billions of stars in the faint distant galaxies in Kesith, and the power of Kesith is immeasurably great.

The fact that as the sun as it travels from East to West through the sky it appears to break forth out of the mouth of Kesith suggests Kesith represents a person who speaks the words of God or speaks with the authority of God. Kesith is located over the center of our galaxy, the Milky Way. The person Kesith represents resides literally at the center of our universe. Kesith is none other than God himself. This brings to mind the Scripture "**...whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow by the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming.**" As the sun

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³ Magnitude ranges from 1 brightest to 6 weakest: a range of 100x. Magnitude 6 is barely visible to the naked eye.

emerges from the mouth of Kesith it immediately proceeds West to obliterate the evil sign of Scorpio from all sight.

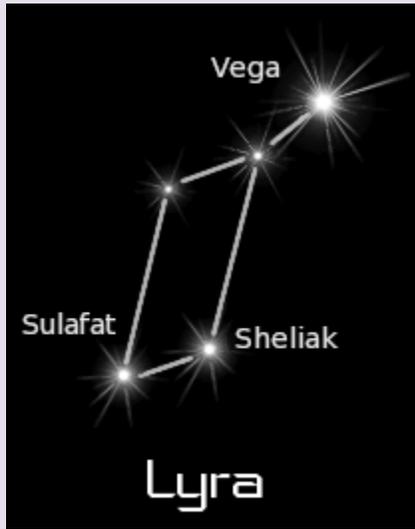
The drawn bow of Kesith tells us the great power of God has not yet been sent forth but is ready to fly at any moment. The arrow is being pointed directly at the heart of Scorpio. This suggests the vast destroying power of God is being reserved to extinguish evil when it makes its bid to take over the world. Scorpio represents the particular aspect of evil that lusts after power and world domination. We know this because one of the decan sign of Scorpio is Serpens who is stretching out its mouth to grasp the royal crown (Corona Borealis)⁴, representing dominion on earth and in heaven. The prophetic moment in history when Satan makes his bid for absolute world power and domination will be during the Great Tribulation. Satan's two men, the beast and the false prophet, like the two claws of the scorpion, will offer peace to the world in return for total control. The arrow in Kesith therefore represents God's wrath poured out in destructive judgments as described in the Book of Revelations. Like an arrow, the judgments will be precisely directed and lethal in effect. The identity of the Archer and the meaning of the arrow is a critical point of interpretation not only for the sign of Kesith, but will have application to each of the three decan signs of Kesith. (Note: The spiritual numbers pertaining to Scorpio can be found in the Spiritual Number Map Theme 6 – "Who will control the world?")⁵

Who is the person represented by Kesith? The star picture tells us the person has a dual nature: a man and a flying horse. Of course, the Lord Jesus is not a created being and therefore any symbol used to portray him using animal analogies has the risk of being misinterpreted. This is precisely the mistake pagan astrology made. In the Bible the horse is the symbol of aggressive military power. The prime example was Egypt who was famed for raising war horses and fielding chariots. In other countries kings and princes owned horses, the rest of the citizens owned donkeys or walked. Horses were used as the attack element in an army of war (Jer. 8:6). Israel was forbidden to own horses (Deut. 11:16) because Isreal's army was meant for self-defence. It was God's will for Israel to live in peace with its neighbors, not to attack and conquer them. Yet, Jesus is pictured as a flying horse. The message of Kesith is saints on earth are to be peace loving and non-threatening. Jesus in his role as our defender will wage war against those who threaten us.

⁴ Corona Borealis is located high up in the heavens, signifying ultimate power and authority. This crown has already been awarded to Jesus Christ upon the achievement of His great victory over sin and death at the cross.

⁵ See www.biblenumbersforlife.com

1st DECAN SIGN – LYRA / NESHER



There are two Hebrew names for Lyra: 'Nesher', meaning "**fishing eagle**", and 'Gnasor', meaning "**harp**". The two words sound similar so it is likely they are a pun. Both names fit with the individual star names and are appropriate labels for the constellation. The bright star is 'Vega' which means "**He shall be exalted**". It is the same root word in Hebrew word that is used in the opening stanza of the Song of Moses: "**I will sing unto the Lord for He is highly exalted.**" (Exodus 15:1) We get the word "**victory**" from the same root word. The star to the bottom right is 'Sheliak' meaning "**eagle**" and the star to the bottom left is 'Sulafat' meaning "**springing up**" or "**ascending**". The picture is of an eagle swooping down to catch a prey to eat and then climbing back up again to the glory of its master. The ring nebula is located between Sheliak and Sulafat. The ring nebula is a star that exploded and left a massive cloud of shining dust with the tiny remnant of the star burning hot at the center.

The eagle is the destroyer of snakes and scorpions. Hence the eagle imagery in Nesher is consistent with the theme of Kesith which is the destruction of the deadly enemy. In the Book of Revelation each time God unleashes wrath on earth He does it by sending an angel.⁶ These angels leave heaven and bring a judgment down to earth. This is consistent with the picture of an eagle dropping down out of the sky and eating its victim.

Vega means "He is exalted". In these three words we understand the message of God to the rebellious wicked world as wrath and judgment fall on them in the Great Tribulation. The Bible says at this time "**All inhabitants of the earth will worship the Beast – all those whose names are not written in the book of life belonging to the Lamb...**" (Rev 13:8). In addition the false prophet "**deceived the inhabitants of the earth. He ordered them to set up an image in honor**

⁶ Christ opens the seals himself but the trumpets and bowls are visited upon the earth by angels. The bowls and trumpets are clearly wrath judgments. Some believe the seals are events which precede the Great Tribulation.

of the Beast who was wounded by the sword yet lived.” (Rev 13:14). So, the judgments falling on the earth are falling on idol worshippers who hate God. They worship the beast, and refuse to accept the message of God to repent and worship the One who is truly exalted, the Lord Jesus Christ.

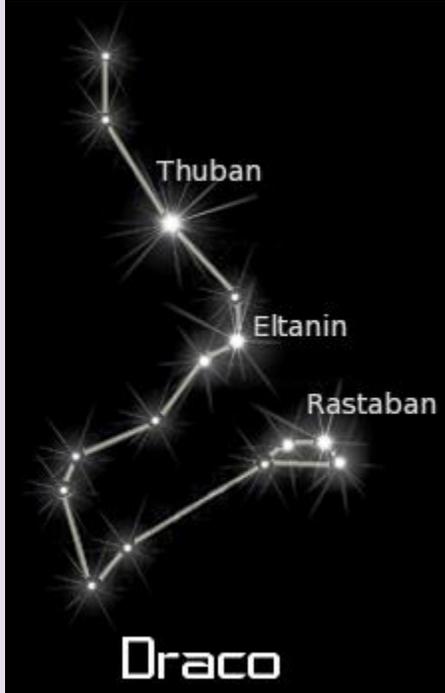
There is an important lesson here: either you are with Christ or you are with Satan. The arrow of Kesith is pointed at Scorpio, but it is not Satan who will suffer and die, it is all his legion of followers during the Great Tribulation. Satan himself will be bound up and held until the end of the Millennium (Rev. 20:1-3).

One of the star names in Kesith is ‘Al Naim’, meaning “**the gracious one**”. In the context of this panorama of spiritual conflict such a star might seem out of place. Yet, the Lord is gracious and compassionate in His heart. He desires none to be destroyed and takes no pleasure in judgment. His mercies are new every morning. No matter who you are, what mistakes you have made, whatever your sins, Jesus loves you and will receive you with his open arms the moment you repent and believe.

MEDITATION

Dear reader, this is not a fairy tale like in the pagan myths, this is really going to happen on planet Earth. If you are not yet God’s child, then the arrow of judgment is pointed at you. If you have not yet done so in your life, fall down and repent of your sins and beg God to forgive you through the blood of Christ on the cross. This is your only hope of deliverance from the judgments to come. Hundreds of millions of deceived souls on earth headed directly to doom, who are knowingly or unknowingly following Satan. Save yourself from this wicked generation!

2nd DECAN SIGN – DRACO / DEVIL / DARACH

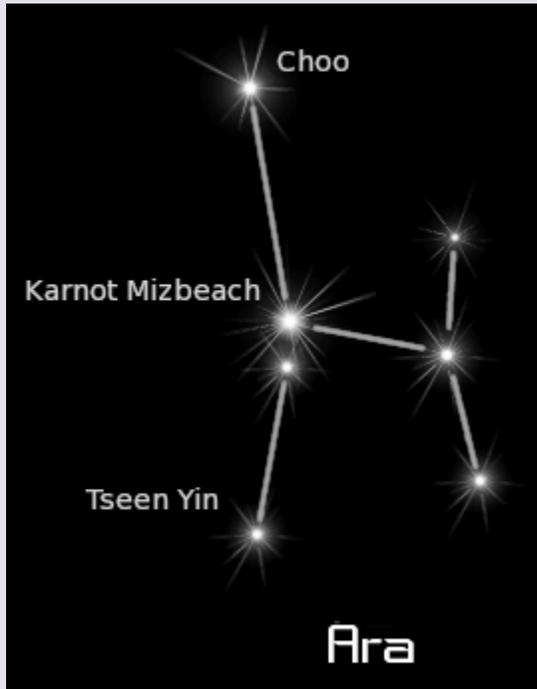


'Draco' is a Greek word meaning "trodden on". The Hebrew word 'Darach' means "to tread". The star in Darach's head is 'Rastaban' meaning "the head of the subtle" and the star in Darach's tail is 'Thuban' meaning "the subtle". Another star is 'Giansar' meaning "the punished enemy", 'El Atik' meaning "the fraudulent", and Eltanin meaning "the great serpent". The head of Darach is pointed down, so the picture is of a great snake being cast out of heaven.

The Bible does not leave the interpretation of Darach in doubt. Revelation 12:9-10 says:

"And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent called the devil or Satan, which deceives the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven 'Now has come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.'"

The Great Tribulation is about purification. The Lord will purify heaven by casting out the devil and his angels (Rev 12:7-12). This will be accomplished by a spiritual war in the heavens between the angels loyal to Christ and those who follow Satan. Satan and his hordes will be defeated and cast down to earth. With the addition all these evil spirits, the world will become a horrible place, marked by idol worship, demon possession, and every wicked practice. When the Lord returns to the earth in the battle of Armageddon the victory (Vega) on Earth will be won and all the enemies of God will be defeated.

3rd DECAN SIGN: ARA / ALTAR / BOH

The Hebrew name for this constellation is 'Boh', which means "**He cometh**". This is the same word as is written in Isaiah "**Who is this who cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah...Why is your apparel red and your garments like the one who treads the winepress?...From the nations no one was with me. For I have trodden them in my anger, and trampled them in my fury; their blood is sprinkled upon my garments.**" (Isaiah 63: 1-3).

Without a doubt this connects Boh to God's wrath that will be delivered upon the nations who hate Him in the Great Tribulation.

The most ancient picture we have of this star sign⁷ is a man seated on a throne with a whip or a flail in his hand. The four stars on the left are the seated man, and the three small stars on the right are his flail. This is consistent with the message of One who comes to deliver a painful judgment. Boh has also been pictured as an upside down altar. The four larger stars being the base of the altar, the center of the three smaller stars being the pinnacle of the altar, and the two dispersed smaller stars being flames. Some commentators⁸ have noted the flames appear to be directed to the South part of the heavens that is the darkest, indicating those who are judged will be thrown into "outer darkness".

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⁸ Bullinger, "The Witness of the Stars"

The startling observation⁹ has been made that the altar appears to be a pyramid in shape. This connects Boh to the Great Pyramid, which is a structure laden with prophetic knowledge of the plan of salvation, the judgment of the Great Tribulation, and the Millennium to come.¹⁰ This interpretation makes sense in the context of the Book of Revelation: “**When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and the testimony which they held.**” (Rev 6:9) For these martyrs to be under “the altar” makes no sense unless the altar is upside down as it is portrayed in the sky! In this case the martyrs would be on the safe side of the judgment and their voices would be carrying upward to the throne of God in the highest heavens.

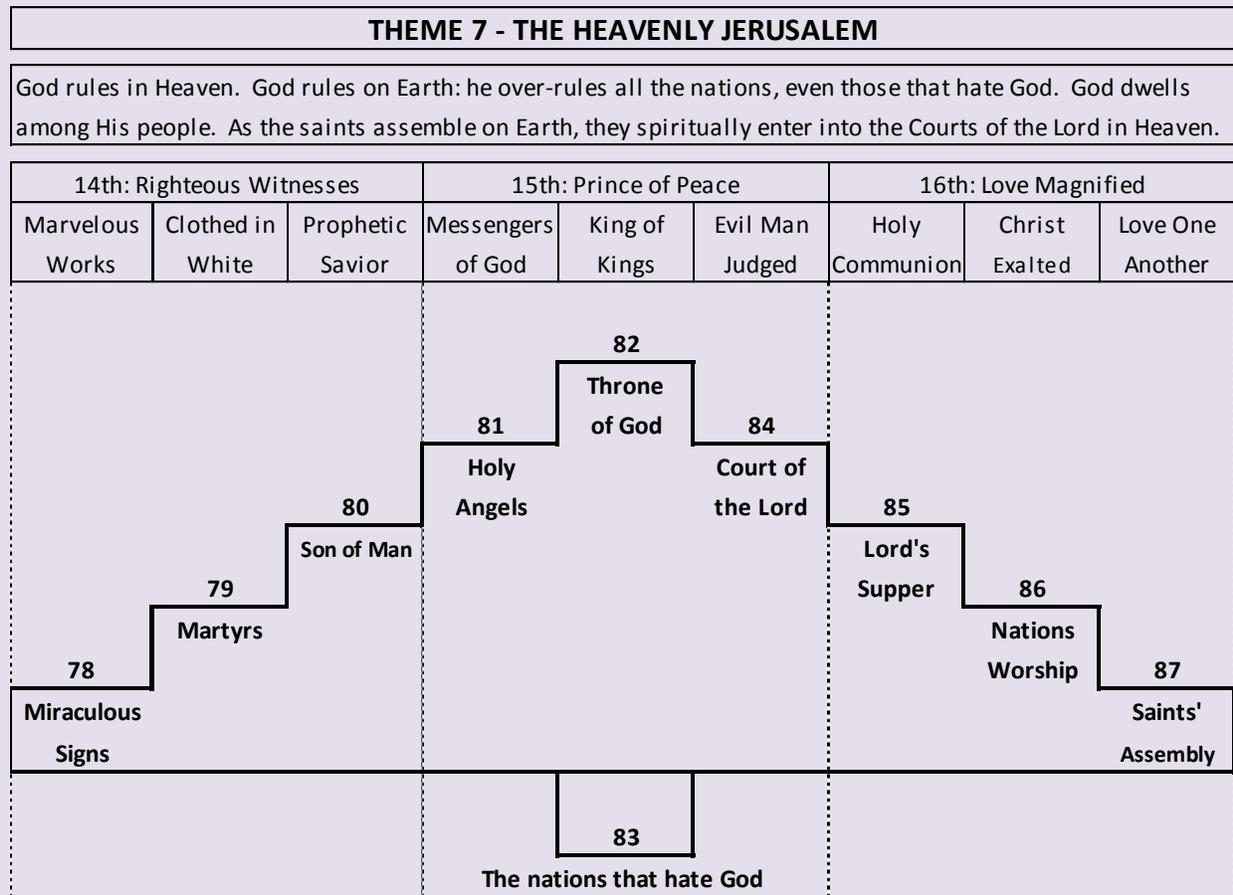
The only star in this sign with a Hebrew name is ‘Karnot Mizbeach’, which means “**horns of the altar**”. The two stars on either side of the upside down pyramid look like horns. The horn is a sign of great strength but also of gory and violent death, as animals with horns would use them to fight. God put horns on the brazen altar and on the altar of incense in the holy place. Did He do that to make a connection between the articles of the tabernacle and the signs in the stars? The brazen altar prophetically symbolizes the judgment of sin on the cross. Does the golden altar of incense prophetically symbolize the judgment of the world in the Great Tribulation? We note that both altars had four horns. The Book of Revelations connects incense from the golden altar with the wrath of God to fall upon the earth: “**Then another angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense that he should offer with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, ascended before God from the angel’s hand. Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and threw it to the earth. And there were noises, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake.**”(Rev 8:3-5) From these verses we deduce, the sign of Boh pictures the golden altar of incense, which itself is prophetic of judgment in the Great Tribulation.

⁹ Helena Lehman, “Language of God in the Universe”

¹⁰ See www.biblenumbersforlife.com page 4.0 Prophecy for an extended analysis of the Great Pyramid

CONNECTION BETWEEN KESITH AND SPIRITUAL NUMBER THEME 7 – HEAVENLY JERUSALEM

See the spiritual number map below:



The numbers in this theme and the message of the star sign Kesith fit hand in glove:

- We see the Throne of God (82) and of course the one sitting upon it must be God. The stars of Kesith lie over top the center of our galaxy, symbolically the center of our universe;
- We see the Holy Angels (81) which are portrayed in the decan star sign Neshar. The angels are perched on high at the right hand of God¹¹, ready to do his bidding. In this case, that bidding is to bring death and punishments to the rebellious nations on Earth;
- We see the Court of the Lord (84) where God speaks and makes judgments. As we have seen the sun passes directly through the mouth of Kesith, indicating the One on the throne speaks the very words of God;
- We see the Nations that Hate God (83) down below, directly under the Throne of God (82). This is a connection to Scorpio, to whom the drawn bow of Kesith is pointed.

¹¹ That is on the left hand side as we look at God on the throne. It is on his right hand side as he looks at us.

While the nations conspire against God down below, the reality is the One on the Throne of God rules over heaven and earth. The star “Nunki” in the neck of Kesith means “Prince of the Earth”.

- The decan star sign Boh is also present in the Martyrs (79). The Book of Revelation says the martyrs sit under the altar, safe from judgment, but call for God to take vengeance on their persecutors. As we have seen, the altar of Boh is the golden altar of incense;
- The Son of Man (80) pictures Christ as the One who “dwells between the cherubim” (Psalm 80:1). The cherubim sit on each side of the ark, which is the place where God dwells. Thus, the Son of Man is He who sits on the Throne of God, the same One who “looks down from heaven” (Psalm 80:14). This speaks of Christ’s dual nature: Son of Man and Son of God. This is pictured in Kesith by the One who has the head and torso of a man, but the strength of a horse;

The other third of the numbers in Theme 7 speak of the assemblies of God’s believers on earth and the Lord’s Supper. None of the stars in Kesith, Neshar, Boh, or Draco speak of assemblies of believers, so what is the connection? We know from Scripture that God will not pour out His wrath on earth so long as the church is here: **“The mystery of Lawlessness is already at work only He who now restrains will do so until He is taken out of the way.”** (2 Thess. 2:7) The ‘He’ is the Holy Spirit who dwells in the hearts of believers. Kesith’s bow is drawn and ready, but the arrow of God’s wrath will not fly until Satan makes his all-out bid for world domination and begins the persecution of Christians. There will be a great falling away and the chorus of the martyrs for justice will rise. Once the church is raptured and the Holy Spirit is taken out of the world, the arrow of God’s judgment will fly.

The decan sign Draco is connected with Satan’s plan to rule the world. Whereas Scorpio symbolizes the antichrist one world system, Draco symbolizes the great deception that will be employed in that plan. The stars in Draco speak of “subtle one” and “the great serpent”, which we know deceived Adam and Eve in the first place. In the Book of Revelation when it speaks of the casting out of the Devil in heaven it says **“that serpent of old, the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world.”** (Rev 12:9)

From the star map of Draco (see page 5) we count 15 stars in Draco’s twisted body: The second is Rastaban, the eleventh is Eltanin, and the thirteenth is Thuban. The number 15 means “Peace”, the number 2 means “Division” or “Oppose”, the number 11 means “Protection” or “Safety”, and the number 13 means “Rebellion to God”. So the deception of the Devil in the last days is this: make me your world ruler and I will give you “Peace” and “Safety”. As we read in Scripture: **“Let no man deceive you by any means for the Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed the son of perdition who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped so that he sits as God in the temple of”**

God showing himself that he is God.” (2 Thess. 2:3-4) “For when they say ‘Peace and Safety’ then suddenly destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape.” (1 Thess. 5:3) It is a great deception, for the devil knows very well those who believe his lie will certainly be destroyed by the Lord. This is the wickedness of evil: it delights in baiting others to destruction. In Satan’s twisted sick mind, if he cannot have dominion of the world, which he surely knows he lost at Calvary, then He will do all in his power to ruin the world and destroy those who might be saved. The number 83, which means “Nations that hate God” is the 23rd prime number. 23 means “death”. Those Nations that Hate God are plotting death. Death to God’s people: “They have taken crafty counsel against your people, and consulted together against your sheltered ones. They have said ‘Come and let us cut them off as a nation’” (Psalm 83:3-4). Sadly, the Nations that Hate God are being fooled by Satan because it they which will be destroyed.

As if all those connections between the star signs in Kesith and the spiritual numbers in Theme 7 – “Heavenly Jerusalem” are not enough, consider the indirect references to Kesith in these few short verses in Hebrews:

“But you have come to Mount Zion [Number Theme 7] and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels [Nesher/#81], to the general assembly [#87] and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven [#86] to God the Judge of all [#84], to the spirits of just men made perfect [#85].” (Heb. 12:22-23)

“See that you do not refuse Him who speaks [Kesith/#82]. For if they did not escape who refused Him who spoke on earth [#83], much shall they not escape [Boh] if they turn away from him who speaks from heaven [#80], whose voice then shook the earth [#78], but now He has promised ‘Yet once more shall I shake not only earth but heaven’ [Draco]” (Heb. 12:25-26)

FINAL THOUGHTS

The message in the stars and the message in the spiritual numbers agree. The message in the stars and the message in the spiritual numbers agree with the Word of God, or in the Scripture. By two or three witnesses the truth shall be established. Praise the Lord! He has revealed his mysteries to us and validated it by multiple witnesses.