

## THE MARK OF THE BEAST

\* \* \* CALCULATIONS FOR COMMON NAMES \* \* \*

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Soli Deo Gloria!

"Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is six hundred threescore and six."

**Revelation 13:18**

Though virtually all cultures today make use of *Arabic* numerals, this was not the case in the ancient world. Both the Hebrew and Greek cultures used letters as numerals, so every letter had a numerical value (see table below); thus, a Hebrew/Greek word has a numerical value one can "count" by summing the numerical values of all the letters in the name<sup>1</sup>. Using this procedure, the (presumably) Greek name of the Antichrist will sum to **666**.

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>Γ</b>	<b>Δ</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>Z</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Θ</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>Λ</b>	<b>M</b>
<b>α</b>	<b>β</b>	<b>γ</b>	<b>δ</b>	<b>ε</b>	<b>ζ</b>	<b>η</b>	<b>θ</b>	<b>ι</b>	<b>κ</b>	<b>λ</b>	<b>μ</b>
1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	20	30	40
<b>N</b>	<b>Ξ</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>Π</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Σ</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Υ</b>	<b>Φ</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Ψ</b>	<b>Ω</b>
<b>ν</b>	<b>ξ</b>	<b>ο</b>	<b>π</b>	<b>ρ</b>	<b>σ</b>	<b>τ</b>	<b>υ</b>	<b>φ</b>	<b>χ</b>	<b>ψ</b>	<b>ω</b>
50	60	70	80	100	200	300	400	500	600	700	800

The table of numerical values of the Greek letters is missing letters having values for "6" and "90". Two letters in classical Greek, *digamma* (or *stigma*) and *koppa*, had the numerical values of "6" and "90", respectively. These two letters fell out of use as letters in Koine Greek (the language of the N.T.), but continued to be used as numerals; the letter *stigma* is used in Revelation 13:18 as a numeral, where the number of the beast is given as three Greek letters: *chi* (**χ**), *xi* (**ξ**), and *stigma*, or 600 + 60 + 6.

### Calculations for common names.

Jesus (Greek, **Ιησους**) is 10+8+200+70+400+200 = **888**.

Judas (Greek, **Ιουδας**) is 10+70+400+4+1+200 = **685**.

Iscaiot (Greek, **Ισκαριωτης**) is 10+200+20+1+100+10+800+300+8+200 = **1,649**.

Caesar (Greek, **Καισαρ**) is 20+1+10+200+1+100 = **332**.

Alexander (Greek, **Αλεξανδρος**) is 1+30+5+60+1+50+4+100+70+200 = **531**.

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<sup>1</sup> The process of assigning a numerical value to a word/name/phrase based on its letters is known as Gematria. It first developed in the Hebrew culture, but was subsequently adopted into many other ancient cultures.