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Foundational Thoughts

God's Word is true because **God is true.**

God's Word is true when we **can** understand it.

God's Word is true when we **can't** understand it.

Reading the Bible while **paying attention** to our modern world will help us understand **both** better.



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RABBI: LIGHT OF COMING REDEMPTION IS BLINDING

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Rabbi Yosef Berger, a direct descendant of King David, is in tune with how current events fit into a *geula* (redemption) process. “It is impossible for anyone to say that we are not in the final stages of geula.”

“Who could have imagined North Korea or Iran threatening the entire world. Who could have imagined the armies of the entire world poised to explode in Syria? Even nature is crying out that we need to prepare for the geula and do *tshuva* (repentance) this Rosh Hashanah... Earthquakes are increasing around the world. How can people not see that these are powerful signs, specifically described by the prophets, and they are happening today?”

“This has been happening for a very long time, for one hundred years, growing stronger every year. Many people refuse to see, yet now, for the first time in history, non-Jews are coming to join with Israel. This too was described by the prophets. This is the final stage in the process and these are the people who are trying to board the train before it pulls out of the station.”

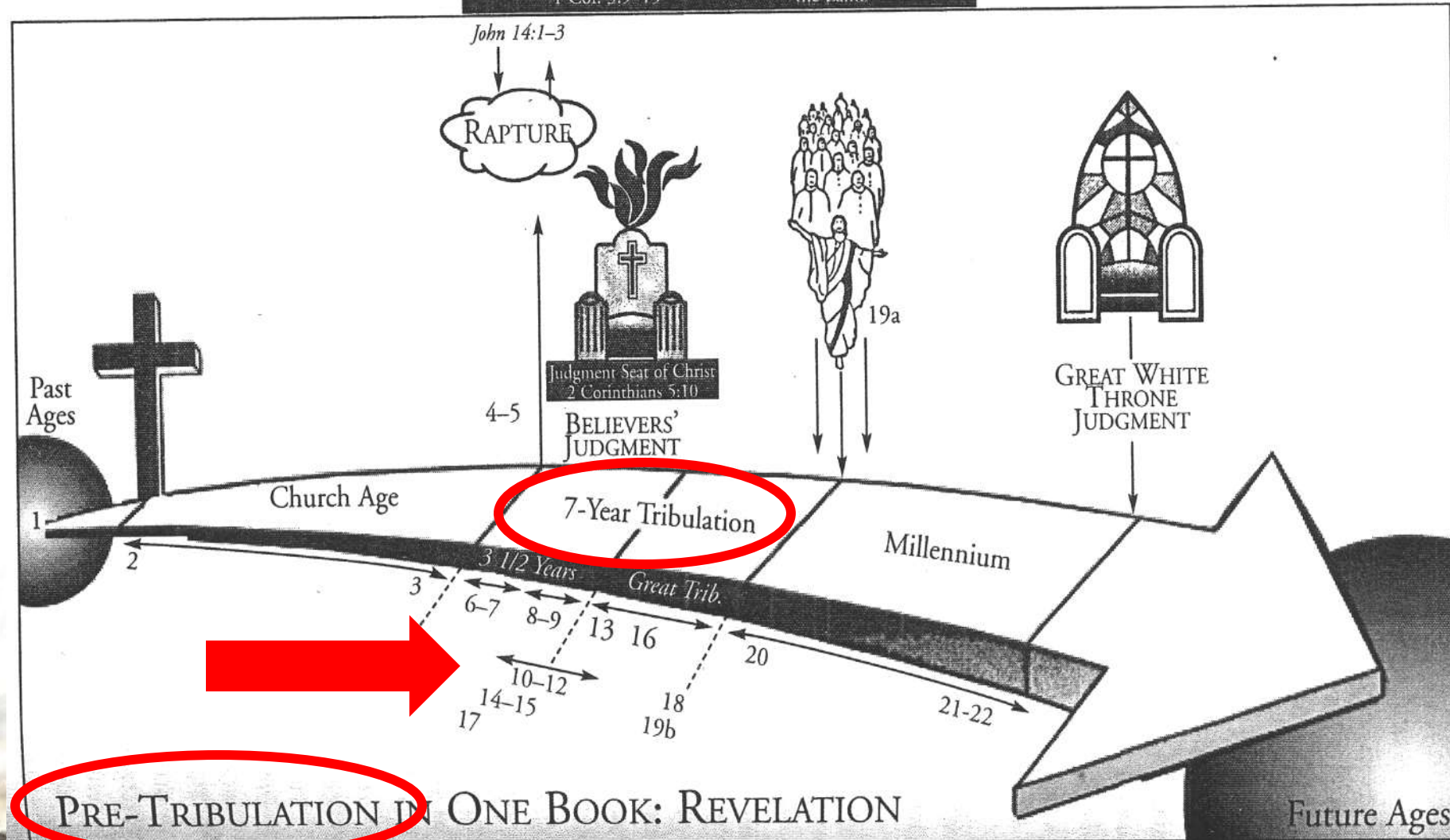
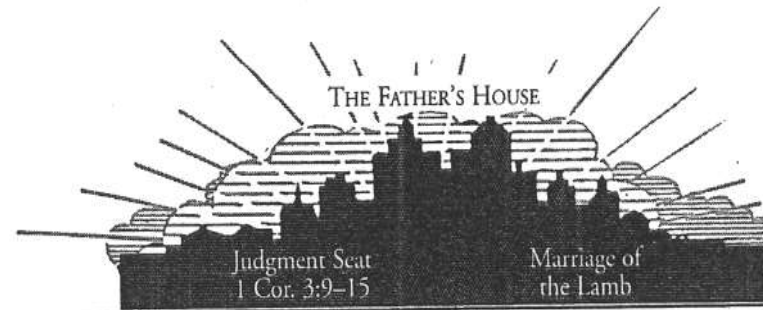
“Seeing that this is true is not simple. **The light of the Messiah is so bright and so close that many people go to great efforts to not see it.** If you look a tiny bit into the future with eyes that are ready to see geula, it is blinding.”

“We are required by the Torah to anticipate the Messiah at every moment. No one can say when. But a person who says there never will be a Messiah is simply speaking foolishness. How could he possibly know what will be in the future? From what I am seeing, I know that the geula is close.”

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What is The Tribulation?



“Then after the sixty-two weeks the Messiah will be cut off (*executed*) and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come (*Antichrist*) will destroy the city and the sanctuary. And its end will come with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined. And he (*Antichrist*) will make a firm covenant with the many (Israel) for **one week (*7 year Tribulation*), but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate.” Daniel 9:26-27**

Why is it called “Tribulation”?

Jesus said, “For then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will.” Matthew 24:21

θλίψις [*thlipsis*] Greek noun; 45 occurrences; translated as “tribulation” 21 times, “affliction” 17 times, “trouble” three times, “anguish” once, “persecution” once, “burdened” once, and “to be afflicted” once.

Other terms for “Tribulation”

- Mentioned over 50 times in the Old Testament
 - “the day of calamity” (Ezekiel 35:5)
 - “day of wrath” (Zephaniah 1:15)
 - “the day of the Lord’s wrath” (Zephaniah 1:18)
 - “the day of Jacob’s trouble” (Jeremiah 30:7)
 - “the day of vengeance of our God” (Isaiah 61:2)
 - “the day of the Lord” (Joel 1:15)
 - “time of distress (trouble)” (Daniel 12:1)
- Mentioned over 12 times in the New Testament
 - “great Tribulation” (Matthew 24:21)
 - “the hour of testing” (Revelation 3:10)



Satanic/Unholy/Evil Trinity during the End Times

- **Satan** (dragon) – imitates God the Father
- **Antichrist** (first beast) – imitates God the Son
- **False Prophet** (second beast) – imitates God the Holy Spirit

What does Satan do? He copies and perverts truth.



Revelation 13



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The Church of Jesus Christ is mentioned 19 times in the first three chapters of Revelation and then not again until Revelation 22. Why? The Church has been Raptured.

“And the dragon (*Satan*) stood on the sand of the seashore. Then I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and on his horns were ten diadems, and on his heads were blasphemous names. And the beast (*antichrist*) which I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were like those of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. And the dragon gave him his power and his throne and great authority.” Revelation 13:1-2

“I saw one of his (*antichrist's*) heads as if it had been slain, and his fatal wound was healed. And **the whole earth was amazed and followed after the beast**; they worshiped the dragon (*Satan*) because he gave his authority to the beast (*antichrist*); and they worshiped the beast, saying, ‘Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?’”

Revelation 13:3-4



“the whole earth was amazed” Revelation 13:3

- 2018 estimated population of the world = 7.63 billion
 - Internet users at the end of year 2000 = 361 million
 - Internet users today = 3.2 billion (42% of world population)
- 2008 Olympics in Beijing, China had an estimated TV audience of 4 billion people
- Funeral of Princess Diana was watched by an estimated 2 billion people in September 1997.
- World Cup soccer is the most widely-viewed sporting event in the world. 1 billion+ individuals simultaneously watched the final match of the 2014 tournament.
- YouTube was launched in November 2005
 - The total number of people who use YouTube – 1.3 billion
 - 300 hours of video are uploaded to YouTube every minute
 - Almost 5 billion videos are watched on Youtube every single day.



Roy Orbison Hologram Tour Sets North American Dates

'In Dreams: Roy Orbison in Concert – The Hologram Tour' sets 28-date trek, Missouri residency

By DANIEL KREPS



The estate-approved Roy Orbison hologram tour has announced its maiden journey across North America.
Tabatha Fireman/Getty Images for BASE Holograms

In Dreams: Roy Orbison in Concert – The Hologram Tour will pair the singer with live orchestration and “newly recorded, never-before-heard, **digitally remastered** arrangements of his classics.” “Our goal for this type of show is not just to play in major metropolitan cities, but to bring this experience to a variety of markets,” Brian Becker, CEO of BASE Hologram, said. “Roy loved playing smaller more intimate venues because he loved having that type of connection with fans. We also **want to give fans across the globe** the unique opportunity to once again experience the legend who continues to be a pivotal force in Rock ‘n’ Roll music and ensure that people in every city, in every type of venue, have a chance **to witness what we truly believe is the future of live entertainment.**” The hologram will have a residency at Branson’s Andy Williams Moon River Theatre – the first ever hologram residency – starting in 2019.

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Roy Orbison

video at

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“The audience was dancing in the aisles. They were singing along with the songs, and most importantly, at the end of each song, they applauded. They were applauding a projection who can’t appreciate it. **I’ve seen this hundreds of times now. I know every inch of how it’s done, and still my mind accepts it as real.**”

Marty Tudor, chief executive of productions for Base Hologram

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Are we paying attention?

Jesus said, “For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect. Behold, I have told you in advance.” Matthew 24:24-25



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Revelation 13:3-4



“There was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies, and authority to act for forty-two months (*3.5 years*) was given to him. And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, that is, those who dwell in heaven. It was also given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them, and authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him (*political power*).”

Revelation 13:5-7





Paul Henri-Spaak, president of the United Nations General Assembly (1946-1947) and Secretary General of NATO (1957-1961), prime minister of Belgium and a proponent of socialism and one-world government, said this in a General Session of the UN in 1957:

“We do not want another committee. We have too many already. What we want is a man of sufficient stature to hold the allegiance of all people, and to lift us out of the economic morass in which we are sinking. **Send us such a man and, be he God or the devil, we will receive him.**”

“Then I saw another beast (*false prophet*) coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb and he spoke as a dragon. He exercises all the authority of the first beast (*antichrist*) in his presence. And he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed (*religious power*). He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth in the presence of men. And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who had the wound of the sword and has come to life.” Revelation 13:11-14

“And it was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast would even speak and cause as many as do not worship the image of the beast to be killed. And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, **to be given a mark** on their right hand or on their forehead, and he provides that **no one will be able to buy or to sell**, except the one who has the mark, either the name of the beast or the number of his name (*economic power*).” Revelation 13:15-17



Mark of the Beast... 20th Century

A man from Bulgaria under communism wrote, "You cannot understand and you cannot know that the most terrible instrument of persecution ever devised is an innocent ration card. You cannot buy or sell anything except according to that little card. If they please, you can be starved to death. If they please, you can be dispossessed of everything you have, you cannot trade, you cannot buy, you cannot sell without it."

<https://www.gty.org/library/sermons-library/66-48/the-final-false-prophet-part-2>

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Mark of the Beast... 20th Century

“All it takes is a syringe-injected microchip implant for patrons of the Baja Beach Club in Barcelona, Spain to breeze past a ‘reader’ that recognizes their identity, credit balance and even automatically opens doors to exclusive areas of the club for them. ‘By simply passing by our reader, the Baja Beach Club will know who you are and what your credit balance is,’ Conrad K. Chase explains.”

Source: WorldNetDaily, April 14, 2004

Mark of the Beast... 21st Century

Leave no dark corner

China is building a digital dictatorship to exert control over its 1.4 billion citizens. For some, “social credit” will bring privileges — for others, punishment.

By China correspondent Matthew Carney

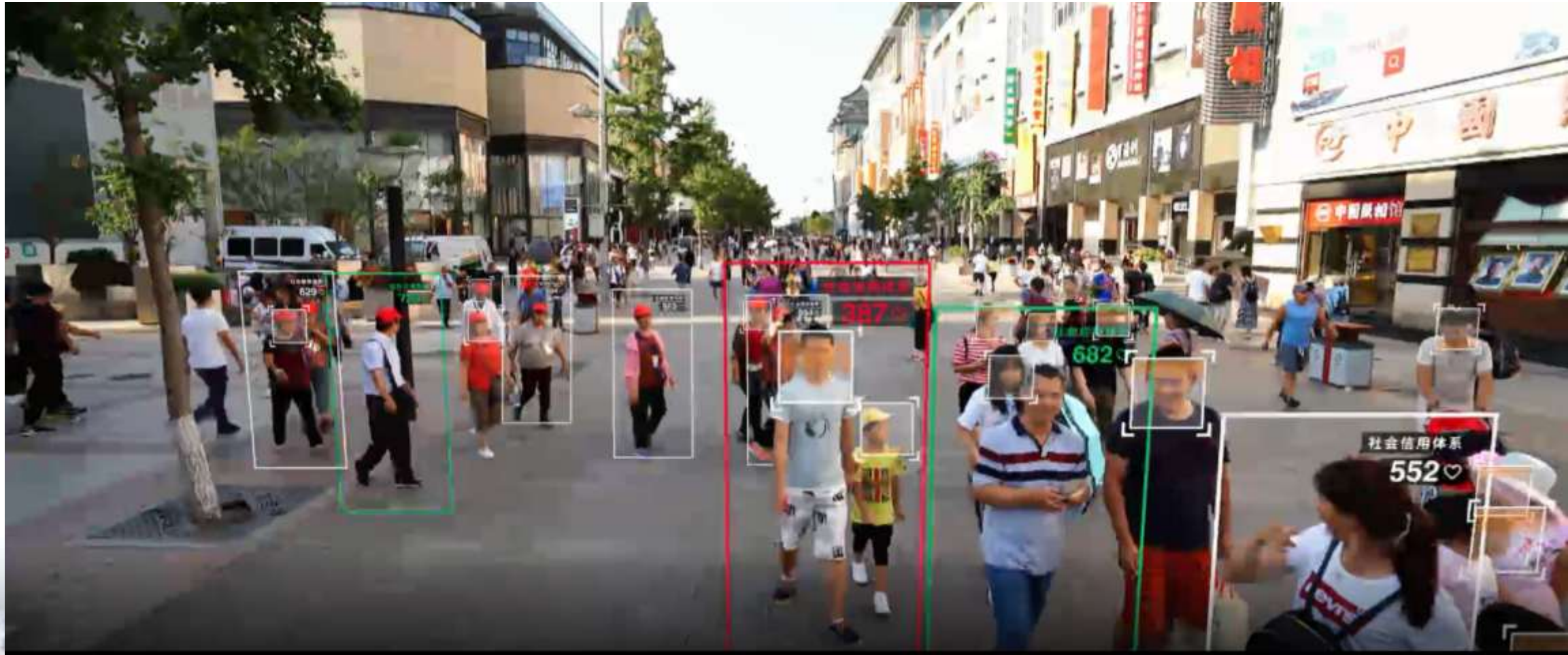


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Mark of the Beast... look at the 21st Century

Dandan Fan is very much the modern Chinese woman. A marketing professional, she's diligent and prosperous — in many ways she's a model Chinese citizen. But Dandan is being watched 24 hours a day. A vast network of 200 million CCTV cameras across China ensures there's no dark corner in which to hide. Every step she takes, every one of her actions big or small — even what she thinks — can be tracked and judged. And Dandan says that's fine with her. The Communist Party calls it “social credit” and says it will be fully operational by 2020. Within years, an official Party outline claims, it will “allow the trustworthy to roam freely under heaven while making it hard for the discredited to take a single step.” Social credit is like a personal scorecard for each of China's 1.4 billion citizens.



Dandan Fan

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A financial app shows Dandan's score is 773 out of 800. The perks of such a high score are only a few taps away.



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Mark of the Beast... look at the 21st Century

Already, about 10 million people have been punished in the trial areas of social credit. In many societies, Liu Hu would be celebrated. Not in China. Liu Hu is an investigative journalist who has uncovered corruption at the top levels of the Party and solved serial murder cases. He says the government considers him an enemy. Hu lost his social credit when he was charged with a speech crime and now finds himself locked out of society due to his low score. Last year, the 43-year-old found himself blacklisted as “dishonest” under a pilot social credit scheme. It’s destroyed his career and isolated him, and he now fears for his family’s future. The social credit system has closed down his travel options and kept him under effective house arrest in his hometown. Hu tries to use a phone app to book train tickets to Xi’an. The attempt is rejected. Hu claims his combined Wechat and Weibo accounts had two million followers at their peak but are now censored.



Liu Hu

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“Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and sixty-six.”

Revelation 13:18

What does “666” mean?

Meaning of The Number 666

Dr. David Reagan writes...There are three good reasons this number was used.

1. In the Scriptures, the number of Man is 6 because Man was created on the sixth day. The number of God is 7 because it represents completion and perfection, since on the 7th day of creation, God rested from His work which He declared perfect.

- In Hebrew, superlatives are expressed by repeating the word or phrase, the ultimate being its repetition three times. When Isaiah saw the Lord lifted up and exalted in the Temple, he heard Seraphim singing, *“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts”* (Isaiah 6:1-3). 666 represents the number of Man carried to its zenith.
- The use of this number is most appropriate because during the Tribulation Satan will work to exalt his man, the Antichrist, as the world’s Messiah. There demonic trinity who will represent the Humanistic aspirations of Man — Satan masquerading as God, the Antichrist pretending to be the Messiah, and the False Prophet mimicking the role of the Holy Spirit by pointing people to the false Messiah.

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Dr. David Reagan writes...

2. 666 is used is because of its symbolism in Jewish thinking. The Bible tells us that in the year in which King Solomon received 666 talents of gold, he turned his back on God and became obsessed with women, horses, and money (1 Kings 10:14 and 2 Chronicles 9:13). Thus, in Jewish history, the number 666 came to stand for apostasy.

3. In Hebrew and Greek, the letters of the alphabet also stand for numbers. It is possible to add up a numerical value for every name. The Antichrist's name will add up to 666 in either Greek or Hebrew (or both) and will thus be an expression of the ultimate apostasy — presenting one's self as a substitute for the real Messiah.

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Next week...

One world government

One world religion



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Are we afraid of the future?

- Jesus said, “Do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will care for itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.”
Matthew 6:34
- Say to those with anxious heart, “Take courage, fear not. Behold, your God will come with vengeance; the recompense of God will come, but He will save you.” Isaiah 35:4
- “I sought the Lord, and He answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.” Psalm 34:4
- Jesus said, “Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful.” John 14:27



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The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bond-servants, the things which must soon take place; and He sent and communicated it by His angel to His bond-servant John, who testified to the word of God and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, even to all that he saw.

Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of the prophecy, and heed the things which are written in it; for the time is near. Revelation 1:1-3

