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Listener Q + A

Listener Comment - Is the "666" Mark the Sign of Islam?

We've had a few listeners asking us essentially the same question: Is the "666" as seen in the Greek text of Revelation 13:18 the "Mark" of Islam? This question is based on the assertion that the "666" in the Greek text is said to resemble the look of the "mark" of Islam.

Tsiyon Answer - Is the "666" Mark the Sign of Islam?

This idea that the "Mark" is the sign of the Islamic god has been circulating for a while now, and at first it really gets your attention. However, it is not surprising that an x-Muslim came up with this idea. Muslims are conditioned to see the symbol of Islam in everything, as this <u>link</u> clearly demonstrates.

Further, to make the idea fit, Revelation 13:18 has to be completely changes so that it is not referring to a "number" that must be "counted."

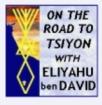
Yet, the Aramaic version (from which it appears the Greek was translated) also gives the "number" and tells us we must "calculate" it.

See these two translations from the Aramaic:

Here is wisdom. Let him who hath mind, calculate the number of the beast of prey; for the number is of man; and his number is Six hundred and sixty and six. [Revelation 13:18, Dr. John W. Etheridge's English Peshitta translation]

Here is wisdom: let him that hath intelligence, compute the number of the beast of prey; for it is the number of a man: and its number is six hundred and sixty and six. [Revelation 13:18, Dr. James Murdock's English Peshitta translation]

The Aramaic letters, of course, do not look the same as the Greek letters, rendering this entire concept unworkable if applied to the Aramaic original. [Information at this <u>site</u> proves that the



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Aramaic came before the Greek.]

The concept that Islam is the Beast of Revelation is becoming very popular right now. However, I don't subscribe to that belief. What I see in Scripture prophecy is the Islamic enemy nations of Israel soundly defeated BEFORE the Tribulation period begins, making the way for the real Beast power to rise thereafter. See my programs on the 4th and 6th Seals for more on that.

Listener Comment - Matrix Programs - Is Neo anti-christ?

I like what I am hearing, wasn't sure at first but your reading of the scriptures is GOOD!!! As iron Our Israel Site sharpens iron, I have some thoughts for you. I like your matrix movie points, it had a strong effect on me. On the surface, all the points you are drawing are good ... [Except] in my opinion, Neo is an antichrist figure.

Tsiyon Answer - Matrix Programs - Is Neo anti-christ?

I enjoyed your comments about the Matrix. In our Matrix programs so far we have been using the Matrix as an analogy for the seeker and what happens in the process of going from being a seeker to actually becoming unplugged. It didn't suit that theme to go into the darker side of the Matrix - the darker side that you have so accurately discerned. It has been my hope to come back to the topic at some future date and explore the Matrix from that other side of things, which is only hinted at in the 1st movie but which becomes clear through the 2nd and 3rd movie. Your excellent comments confirm to me that we DO still need to get back to the Matrix to reveal that darker perspective. Brother, thank you for your interest in Tsiyon and taking time to offer your valuable input.

From Eliyahu

We have taken a little break from our Signs in the Sky programs to bring you a program appropriate to the Shavuot season. I hope you will enjoy it, since it answers questions people often ask this time of year. We will be returning immediately to our Signs in the Sky series with more new programming on the topic. My biggest problem in bringing you this series is sorting through the mountain of information I have been uncovering on the subject! Coming up next: More on the Apollo moon program next week.

Blessings and Shalom,

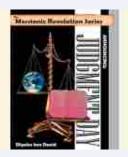
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