



'Sevens' - Living Faith Bible Institute

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Week 1 - Class Orientation and Introduction

The study of sevens in the Bible could be viewed as a subsection of _____ which can be viewed as a subsection of _____.

Numerology and typology are approaches to Bible study and interpretation normally employed by those who accept a faith-based view of Scripture and who see the Bible as a self-defining book containing "_____."

Lesson

"When we talk about numbers in the Bible, if God wrote it, He had to fix universal symbols to His text and define those symbols. That is, the Author of Truth has to reveal truth in line with truth, as that is essential to His own Being and Nature. Once you go that far with it, then accepting God as He is revealed in Scripture, the Creator of all matter, then it must stand to reason that the harmonies and laws of the universe are both fixed and relative to His own divine Person and expression of Himself."

So think of it like this . . . numbers are an exact science. They are absolute. They also are hidden in the composition of all matter. (How very much like God.) As well, God connects the idea of numbers to what He considers to be the strongest evidence for and defense of Truth.

And what does God call truth?

John 17:17 *"Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth."*

Where does Jesus Christ identify for us our strongest apologetic?

Revelation 19:10 *"And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."*

The number seven is God's number for _____ and in the Bible _____ simply means _____.

The number God uses to divide is contingent on the thing He wants divided, or the purpose He has chosen. Seven is how God divides "time" and demonstrates completion.

The concluding book of the Bible, Revelation, contains 7 letters to 7 churches opening with 7 candlesticks, 7 spirits, and continuing with a Slain Lamb (Who is Jesus Christ) having 7 eyes and 7 horns, and then on to 7 vials, 7 trumpets, 7 angels, 7 seals, and to boot, the last chapter of the last book contains the expression "the book" 7 times.

God _____ by sevens.

God counts six days and the seventh is a _____.

Genesis 2:2-3 *“And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.**3** And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.”*

God counts six weeks and the end of the seventh week is a _____, Pentecost.

Leviticus 23:15-25 *“And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall be complete:**16** Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall offer a new meat offering unto the Lord.**17** Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals; they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baked with leaven; they are the firstfruits unto the Lord.**18** And ye shall offer with the bread seven lambs without blemish of the first year, and one young bullock, and two rams: they shall be for a burnt offering unto the Lord, with their meat offering, and their drink offerings, even an offering made by fire, of sweet savour unto the Lord.**19** Then ye shall sacrifice one kid of the goats for a sin offering, and two lambs of the first year for a sacrifice of peace offerings.**20** And the priest shall wave them with the bread of the firstfruits for a wave offering before the Lord, with the two lambs: they shall be holy to the Lord for the priest.**21** And ye shall proclaim on the selfsame day, that it may be an holy convocation unto you: ye shall do no servile work therein: it shall be a statute for ever in all your dwellings throughout your generations.**22** And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not make clean riddance of the corners of thy field when thou reapest, neither shalt thou gather any gleaning of thy harvest: thou shalt leave them unto the poor, and to the stranger: I am the Lord your God.**23** And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying,**24** Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation.**25** Ye shall do no servile work therein: but ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord.”*

God counts six months separating the seventh month for three feasts: _____, trumpets, and the Day of Atonement

Exodus 34:22-26 *“And thou shalt observe the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the year's end.**23** Thrice in the year shall all your menchildren appear before the Lord God, the God of Israel.**24** For I will cast out the nations before thee, and enlarge thy borders: neither shall any man desire thy land, when thou shalt go up to appear before the Lord thy God thrice in the year.**25** Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leaven; neither shall the sacrifice of the feast of the passover be left unto the morning.**26** The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring unto the house of the Lord thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.”*

God counts years, sanctifying the seventh year as a year of _____.

Exodus 21:1-5 *“Now these are the judgments which thou shalt set before them.**2** If thou buy an Hebrew servant, six years he shall serve: and in the seventh he shall go out free for nothing.**3** If he came in by himself, he shall go out by himself: if he were married, then his wife shall go out with him.**4** If his master have given him a wife, and she have born him sons or daughters; the wife and her children shall be her master's, and he shall go out by himself.**5** And if the servant shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free:”*

Leviticus 25:1-10 *“And the Lord spake unto Moses in mount Sinai, saying,**2** Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land which I give you, then shall the land keep a sabbath*

unto the Lord.**3** Six years thou shalt sow thy field, and six years thou shalt prune thy vineyard, and gather in the fruit thereof;**4** But in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of rest unto the land, a sabbath for the Lord: thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard.**5** That which groweth of its own accord of thy harvest thou shalt not reap, neither gather the grapes of thy vine undressed: for it is a year of rest unto the land.**6** And the sabbath of the land shall be meat for you; for thee, and for thy servant, and for thy maid, and for thy hired servant, and for thy stranger that sojourneth with thee.**7** And for thy cattle, and for the beast that are in thy land, shall all the increase thereof be meat.**8** And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years; and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years.**9** Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the jubile to sound on the tenth day of the seventh month, in the day of atonement shall ye make the trumpet sound throughout all your land.**10** And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubile unto you; and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family.”

God counts six thousand years, then sanctifies the seven thousandth year.

2 Peter 3:8 “But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.”

Psalms 90:4 “For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.”

Revelation 20 “And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.**2** And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,**3** And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.**4** And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.**5** But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.**6** Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.**7** And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison,**8** And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog, and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea.**9** And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.**10** And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.**11** And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.**12** And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.**13** And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.**14** And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.**15** And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.”

ADAM TO CROSS	4
CHURCH AGE	2
DAY OF THE LORD	1

Malachi 4 *“For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.**2** But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.**3** And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the Lord of hosts.**4** Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.**5** Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord:**6** And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.”*

God not only uses the number seven to divide time and demonstrate completion, but He even has a tendency to divide the number seven itself. 4/3

Examples are:

- A. Revelation
- B. Lord’s Prayer
- C. Genesis 1 (Day 4=Life)

I John 5:12,13 *“He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.**13** These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.”*

- D. Third day

John 1:38-39 *“Then Jesus turned, and saw them following, and saith unto them, What seek ye? They said unto him, Rabbi, (which is to say, being interpreted, Master,) where dwellest thou?**39** He saith unto them, Come and see. They came and saw where he dwelt, and abode with him that day: for it was about the tenth hour.”*

John 1:48-51 *“Nathanael saith unto him, Whence knowest thou me? Jesus answered and said unto him, Before that Philip called thee, when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee.**49** Nathanael answered and saith unto him, Rabbi, thou art the Son of God; thou art the King of Israel.**50** Jesus answered and said unto him, Because I said unto thee, I saw thee under the fig tree, believest thou? thou shalt see greater things than these.**51** And he saith unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.”*

John 2:1 *“And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there:”*

John 11:39 “*Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been dead four days.*”

E. John 4 - Samaritan woman

John 4:39-46 “*And many of the Samaritans of that city believed on him for the saying of the woman, which testified, He told me all that ever I did.***40** *So when the Samaritans were come unto him, they besought him that he would tarry with them: and he abode there two days.***41** *And many more believed because of his own word;***42** *And said unto the woman, Now we believe, not because of thy saying: for we have heard him ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world.***43** *Now after two days he departed thence, and went into Galilee.***44** *For Jesus himself testified, that a prophet hath no honour in his own country.***45** *Then when he was come into Galilee, the Galilaeans received him, having seen all the things that he did at Jerusalem at the feast: for they also went unto the feast.***46** *So Jesus came again into Cana of Galilee, where he made the water wine. And there was a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum.*”

F. Mt. of Transfiguration

Matthew 17:1-3 “*And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart,***2** *And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.***3** *And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him.*”

2 Peter 1:16-20 “*For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.***17** *For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.***18** *And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.***19** *We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:***20** *Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.*”

Luke 9:28 “*And it came to pass about an eight days after these sayings, he took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray.*”

2 Peter 3:1-14 “*This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:***2** *That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:***3** *Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,***4** *And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation***5** *For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:***6** *Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:***7** *But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.***8** *But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.***9** *The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.***10** *But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.***11** *Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,***12** *Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?***13** *Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and*

*a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness. **14** Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless."*