

# The Spiritual Significance Of The Number Seven-The Number Of Completion

## Especially Of Judgment

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### 1) Weekly cycle ends in 'day of rest.'

Seven is first mentioned as the **completion** of the weekly cycle.

Gen 2:2 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.

Gen 2:3 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.**

This weekly cycle is mentioned again in the New Testament:

Heb 4:3 For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.

Heb 4:4 For he spake in a certain place of the seventh [day] on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all his works.

Heb 4:5 And in this [place] again, If they shall enter into my rest.

Heb 4:6 Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief:

Heb 4:7 Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Heb 4:8 For if Jesus had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another day.

Heb 4:9 There remaineth therefore a rest [in Christ] to the people of God.

## 2) The completion of the first Adam

Lamech's generation is the completion of mankind before the flood. This fact is signified by Lamech's age, 777. Three sevens signify that the **process** of judging man (3) was **complete** (7) in Lamech's generation

Genesis 5:28 And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two years, and begat a son:

Genesis 5:29 And he called his name Noah, saying, This same shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.

Genesis 5:30 And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five hundred ninety and five years, and begat sons and daughters:

Genesis 5:31 And all the days of Lamech were **seven hundred seventy and seven years:** and he died.

Genesis 5:32 And Noah was five hundred years old: and Noah begat Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

Genesis 6:3 And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be **an hundred and twenty years.**

The seventh from Adam was used of God to prophesy of the completion of the rule of the first Adam:

Jude 1:14 And Enoch also, the **seventh** from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,

### 3) The judgment of all of mankind

The judgment of Jericho typifies the judgment of all mankind. How was that judgment announced?

Jos 6:4 And **seven priests shall bear before the ark seven trumpets** of rams' horns: and the **seventh day** ye shall compass the city **seven times**, and the **priests** shall blow with the trumpets.

Jos 6:6 And Joshua the son of Nun called the priests, and said unto them, Take up the ark of the covenant, and let **seven priests bear seven trumpets** of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD.

Jos 6:8 And it came to pass, when Joshua had spoken unto the people, that the **seven priests bearing the seven trumpets** of rams' horns passed on before the LORD, and blew with the trumpets: and the ark of the covenant of the LORD followed them.

Jos 6:13 And **seven priests bearing seven trumpets** of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD went on continually, and blew with the trumpets: and the armed men went before them; but the rereward came after the ark of the LORD, **the priests** going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

Seven priests with seven trumpets? Does this sound familiar?

Heb 11:30 By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about **seven days**.

Rev 8:2 And I saw the **seven angels** which stood before God; and to them **were given seven trumpets**

Rev 8:6 And the **seven angels which had the seven trumpets** prepared themselves to sound.

Now who are these angels?

Rev 19:10 And I fell at his [the angels] 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.

Rev 22:8 And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things.

Rev 22:9 Then saith he unto me, See thou do it not: for **I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book:** worship God.

Rev 1:3 Blessed [is] he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time [is] at hand.

Rev 1:6 And hath made us **kings and priests** unto God and his Father; to him [be] glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 5:10 And hast made us unto our God **kings and priests:** and we shall reign on the earth.

The above verse is written to those who 'have eyes to see (he that readeth) and ears to hear (they that hear the words of this prophecy)' what God is saying to them.

#### **4) Complete Corruption Of Mankind**

Mat 12:38 Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee.

Mat 12:39 But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:

Mat 12:40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

Mat 12:41 The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas [is] here.

Mat 12:42 The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon [is] here.

Mat 12:43 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none.

Mat 12:44 Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth [it] empty, swept, and garnished.

Mat 12:45 Then goeth he, and taketh with himself **seven other spirits more wicked than himself**, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last [state] of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation

Rev13:1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw **a beast** rise up out of the sea, having **seven heads and ten horns**, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

And what does this remind you of?

Rev 12:3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold **a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.**

Good or evil, the principle is the same:

Rom 1:20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

## 5) Complete Judgment of God's Elect and of the Church Requires Three Sevens

Rev 1:4 John to the **seven churches** which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;

Heb 11:30 By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about **seven days**.

Rev 1:20 The mystery of the **seven stars** which thou sawest in my right hand, and the **seven golden candlesticks**. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.

And what is the message to the church through the seven angels?

1) Seven seals

Rev 5:1 And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with **seven seals**.

Rev 5:2 And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?

Rev 5:3 And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon.

Rev 5:4 And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.

Rev 5:5 And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose **the seven seals thereof**.

This book is completely sealed.

2) seven trumpets:

Rev 8:1 And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.

Rev 8:2 And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.

Rev 8:3 And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer [it] with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

Rev 8:4 And the smoke of the incense, [which came] with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.

Rev 8:5 And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast [it] into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.

Rev 8:6 And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

### 3) Seven Vials

Rev 15:1 And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God.

Rev 15:6 And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles.

Who is it who opens the eyes and ears of God's elect?

Rev 21:9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

## 6) Complete Nourishment

Bread is a type of God's Word:

Mat 15:34 And Jesus saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, **Seven**, and a few little fishes.

Mat 15:36 And he took the **seven** loaves and the fishes, and gave thanks, and brake them, and gave to his **disciples, and the disciples to the multitude [This is the channel of God's Truth]**.

## **7) God's Truth Is Inexhaustable**

Mat15:37 And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken meat that was left seven baskets full.

Mar 8:20 And when the seven among four thousand, how many baskets full of fragments took ye up? And they said, Seven.

## **8) Forgiveness Must Be Complete**

Mat 18:21 Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times?

Mat 18:22 Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven.

Mat 18:23 Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants.

Mat 18:24 And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand talents.

Mat 18:25 But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.

Mat 18:26 The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

Mat 18:27 Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.

Mat 18:28 But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellowservants, which owed him an hundred pence: and he laid hands on him, and took [him] by the throat, saying, Pay me that thou owest.

Mat 18:29 And his fellowservant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

Mat 18:30 And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt.

Mat 18:31 So when his fellowservants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done.



Mat 18:32 Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me:

Mat 18:33 Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellowservant, even as I had pity on thee?

Mat 18:34 And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him.

Mat 18:35 So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.