

## The Number of the Beast 666 or an Arabic inscription by Rabbi Simon Altaf

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Yahushua – The true name for Jesus which many in the Western world need to understand.

**Revelation 13:18** (NKJV) Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man: His number is 666.

Question 1) You proposed that the number in Revelation is not 666 but an Arabic inscription, are you not then stuck with the conclusion that you have to accept a Greek inspiration versus Semitic New Testament and what about any evidence of it being from the sixteenth century?

Rabbi Simon's response

Answer 1) If you had asked me this question Ten years ago I would have given you a different answer because then I was Muslim but nine and a half years ago YHWH brought me out of Islam and gave me the understanding of His words over several years of meditation of His words and worship, the process by no means happened over night, He continuously provides the education that I need so I am grateful to my Master Yahushua/Jesus. Your question is valid from a Western Hellenist mindset whether I am stuck with a Greek inspiration but before I have two questions for you. The first one, is YHWH limited? The second one is YHWH going to describe His Messiah in a Greek text and make sure no person from the tribe of Judah finds His Messiah?

The dilemma now anyone trying to answer these questions from two angles and both angles contradict the first question above because if you answer my first question in the positive then the other is against you because Salvation is from the Jewish people (John 4:22) for the wisdom of YHWH is not something you and me can comprehend. For the wise person this would be enough as an answer but I am not saying or even assuming you are not wise therefore I will expand on my reasoning below.

If you can prove that YHWH is limited then you are correct that the Inspiration is Greek and all scholars on the Greek front are correct also but you and they would all fail on the second question that is if you answered the first question in the positive and if you answer the second question in the negative then you will fail in the first question being Greek. This is a conundrum my friend almost like how can the Messiah be from Nazareth yet be born in Bethlehem and be from the tribe of Judah. Did not the Jewish listeners pose this very question (John 7:52, Matt 13:55)?

If you proved YHWH is limited and stuck to the Greek what most of the world wants to believe though they say YHWH is unlimited but they limit in which language He can write thus they contradict themselves then I am right by definition because I can prove that the Greek book of Revelation was not Greek but Semitic and being Semitic can still have an Arabic inscription since The whole

point is to show something in the future. The trouble with the Western mind is that they always ask for proof. Now I am going to be rude for a minute and ask you when was the last time you asked your mother for proof that your father is the man who you know as dad. Did you ask to see your birth certificate or did you believe your mother was honest and truthful? If you trust your mother and do not ask such questions then how much more are you willing to trust God that He is honest and trustworthy? This is what is termed faith which many lack.

I am Sorry but this is my style of debating and I know you won't like it but you have to understand I came out of Islam and we know how to debate, in fact ex-Muslims make the best debaters?

We all believe that the Messiah was born of a virgin but how many of us were there or went to ask Mary if what she said about Gabriel was true or was this just her imagination? Faith my friends is what lacks in many of us, without faith one cannot believe and the Messiah warned that without faith one cannot see the kingdom of YHWH let alone enter it.

I see you retort that the Messiah didn't say that. He said that one cannot enter if he is not born again or more correctly regenerated. I know people get hung up on words but the common denominator is "faith" and I can prove it. The Messiah gave a parable of the sower in Luke chapter 8 and the He said the word of Elohim is the "seed". He then went on to say this.

**Luke 8:13** "But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who **believe** for a while and in time of temptation fall away.

Even though the disciples did not immediately understand He explains that the seed is the "word" of God. Note that those that **believed** (This only happens by faith and not sight) in the words of God are then regenerated and are producing fruit. Those that believed for a while that means showed faith for a season and then the temptations of this world took over [More interested in watching Britney Spears then following YHWH types] were they not regenerated?

Most Christians will tell you no these types were never born again but scripture is clear that they were born again if that is what you want to call it but fell away later. The question is why did they fall away? The answer is simpler then we think, their faith dried up and it was only there for a season. Hence, it is with most people in the world and Christians are no exception to this that once their faith dries up and you get tired of giving out leaflets, going to worship, feeding the hungry and keeping the Sabbath if you ever kept it then what do you do?

You just go back to the world to do the things that your flesh enjoys, go to the movies, go out and party, go clubbing and that is how your spend your life unto death.

Hebrews 11:1 says faith is the substance of things hoped for and evidence of things not seen, it does not mean that the substance does not exist it simply

means we do not always have access to it because we are spiritually inept to see into the world that is around us called the spiritual world. We have two worlds one physical which we can see and other invisible but I digress because if the demons heard you say these things they would be laughing that these people cannot see the obvious. Now you may ask to prove the Semitic origins of the book of Revelation yet I have actually proved it if you read my comments this far.

OK, I will go a little further in fact on the whole renewed covenant writings there are three sides to the debate one that the books are Greek, another that they are Aramaic and lastly that they are Hebrew. By the evidence I have collected so far I believe it is only Hebrew and not Greek, since we do not have ALL the manuscripts in Hebrew but we have many in Aramaic so we have to believe the only text we have which is Greek at least for the book of Revelation for now however underneath I can see Hebrew clearly.

The book of Revelation was always Semitic and remains so eternally because the ideas and thoughts behind it are Hebrew and once you grasp that you will never ask me for proof again. If I as a Pakistani man writing an Eastern Novel even if I lived amongst Western people and spoke a dozen languages would my mindset be Western or Eastern?

It will always be Eastern so my first proof that the book of Revelation is Semitic is the fact that John wrote it and not some John Wayne (OK I made the Wayne). Sorry for the pun and his name does not transliterate to John or maybe Ken but John. The same man who gave us the gospel according to John. Was He Western? The answer is that he was 100% Hebrew.

There lies the answer to Greek inspiration or not. I don't even have to lift one finger to prove anything else and any sensible man knows this settles the debate right here that a Hebrew man is not going to think like a Westerner or write in a foreign dialect that none of his country men might understand.

He is certainly not going to pronounce His God as Kurios but YHWH so this even more rules out Greek because it was and is a sin to Pronounce or take the names of other gods in place of YHWH.

My second piece of evidence for the inspiration of Revelation to be Semitic is that the Hebrew people in the Romans era hated the Romans, their language and their customs so would never adopt them. I believe you could not understand this statement unless you have been enslaved in your life and oppressed and this is the situation here where the people were ruled by a rod of iron, many were killed who were innocent by the Romans so if the Western world wants us to believe that the book of Revelation is written in Greek that flies in the face of events in first century and the mindset of the Hebrew people.

Even Josephus the historian tells us that it was this way as I stated earlier that people would not be queuing up to learn Greek or Latin but if you want to believe the idea of a Greek NT than you have a right to your belief and I respect that. It was also a custom to translate the written text into other languages so it could reach the wider audience of the dispersed of Israel and

this is why like other books the book of Revelation was translated by a scribe into Greek and a poor translation at that. Do I evidence of this? Yes I do but I have no need to disclose everything, what I have stated so far is enough. No wonder we have Western lawless Christianity rampant in churches where no Jewish or Muslim person would dare enter, Western Christians often wonder at their failure to attract these two groups and the obvious answer stares them in their face.

### **Some further evidence**

When the book of the Hebrew Bible (Tanach) was translated into the Greek text for the Diaspora though it was translated into Greek but at the same time in all the text wherever it had the name of YHWH it was kept in Hebrew rather than put it in Greek. This principle applies all the way to the end.

The same way when the text of the book of Revelation was translated the text or mark of the beast in Rev 13:18 was kept as is in other words pure classical Arabic without vowel points, neither Hebrew nor Greek! It was a sign of a future world religion and its deity to come so YHWH showed John exactly what we would see today. Now tell me do you read the Bism-Allah in Hebrew or Aramaic?

The argument that the mark was in Greek is not only flawed but the mark of the Beast was never translated by the early believers because they never gave it the meaning of 666 but saw it as a symbol. If you think they did then I would like you to prove me wrong.

Now isn't it right that you provide evidence that refutes my theory for what I have stated and that is how my friend debates work. We do not have any early writings which say categorically that so and so person said the mark is 666 because none did and not even the anti-Semitic church fathers said anything for it being 666. So who is being duped by whom?

Now do you think my evidence goes in favour or against the one's who want to believe this is 666 today? If and when you can bring a piece of text from the 1st century that says that the early believers gave it the meaning of 666 then I would concede I was wrong but make sure you bring two witnesses if you know anything about Torah and witnesses.

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There are some writings of the early church fathers who thought it could be related to Nero and that is as far as we go in evidence, they never said it is 666 but I want to point out all and I mean ALL the early church fathers were anti-Semitic Yahudi hating Christians. They hated anybody who kept the Hebrew faith of our Messiah and many hate us today for keeping the Torah and believing in the Messiah but praise YHWH we stand FIRM. The hate only allows us to remain more firm knowing that this comes from Satan not YHWH.

Others, such as Commodianus, believed that Nero would be raised from

the dead in the Tribulation. Still others held that the 'resurrected Nero' will be the second beast of Revelation 13, Antichrist's cohort, the false prophet... The fact that some early believers concluded that Revelation 13 must refer to Nero is understandable in view of the dire suffering they endured. But the early assemblies could have been mistaken in making this identification.<sup>1</sup>

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