

THE

MARK


OF THE

BEAST

Rv.13:15-18; 14:9,11; 15:2; 16:2; 19:20; 20:4

THE MARK

- Some kind of identification device to secure worship during the Great Tribulation (Rv.13:11-18).
- This mark is not simply a card people will carry, because it is placed in the hand or forehead (Rv.13:16).
- This end-times identification will be required by the Antichrist in order to buy and sell (Rv.13:17).
- This mark begins after the Beast's starts at the mid-point of the 70th Week of Daniel.
- The False Prophet is the one who causes people to take this mark.
- It will be difficult for the unbeliever to resist Antichrist's claims (2Th.2:9,11), and the False Prophet's deceptions (Rv.13:13).
- Taking the Mark seals their eternal destiny (Rv.14:9-11).

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- **The number 666 identifies a person (Antichrist)**
 - **That this number must be counted implies the physical or visual mark itself is not 666.**
 - **This calls for wisdom (Rv.13:18)**

BEFORE THE 70TH WEEK

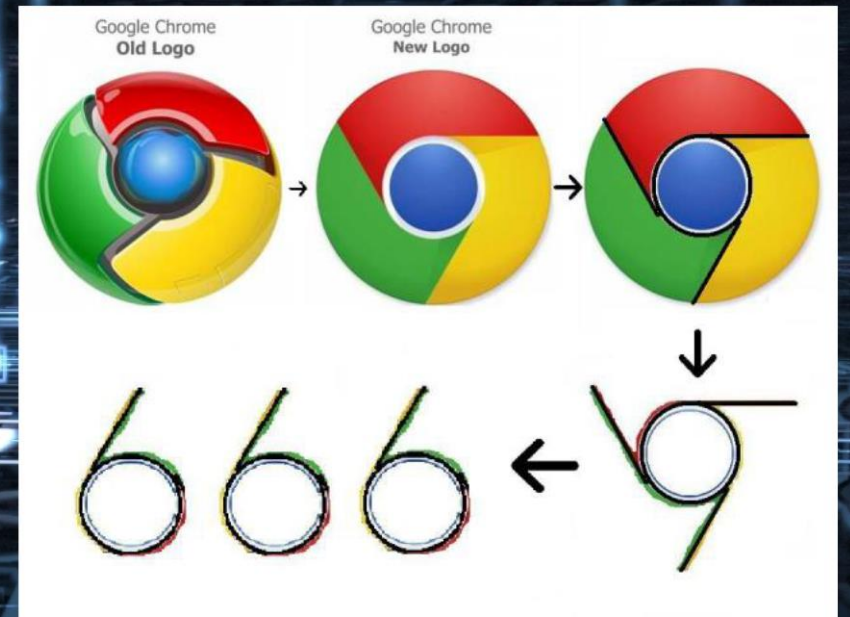
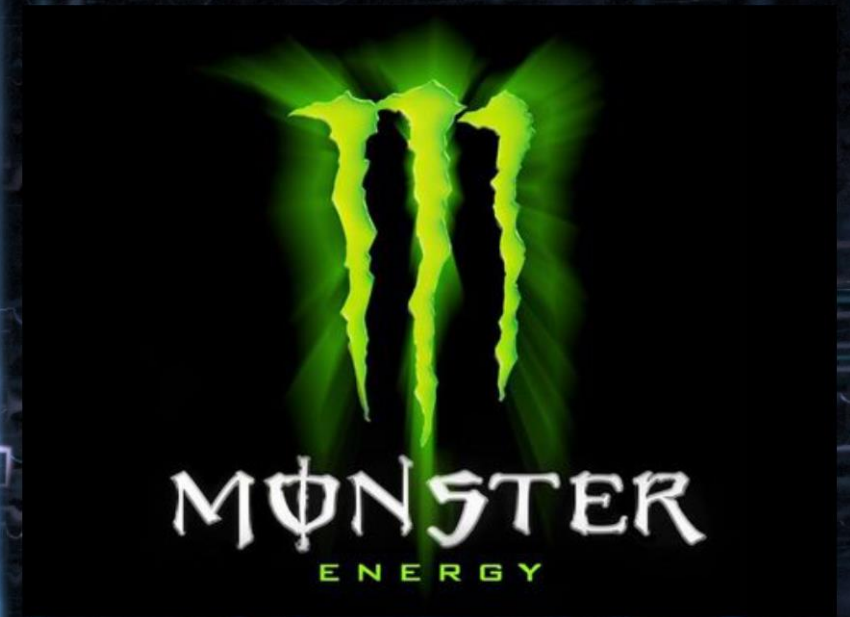
- **The Church today will not likely be able to “count” the number before Daniel’s 70th Week.**
- **This is specific to the group of believers during the 70th Week.**
- **This passage seems to imply those of the church, before the public revealing of the beast, will be able to identify him before he takes a seat in the Temple of God.**



BEFORE THE 70TH WEEK

- When we see the covenant allowing Israel to have a sanctuary, and offer animal sacrifices, then we should be able to “count” the number and ID the beast.
- These seems to suggest that his identity will not be known until that time that he breaks THE peace (Mt.24:15; 2Th.2:3-4; Rv.13; Da.9:27).

י	ט	ח	ז	ו	ה	ד	ג	ב	א
Yod	Tet	Chet	Zayin	Vav	He	Dalet	Gimel	Bet	Alef
(Y)	(T)	(Ch)	(Z)	(V/W)	(H)	(D)	(G)	(B/V)	(silent)
10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
ע	ס	נ	נ	מ	מ	ל	ך	כ	
Ayin	Samech	Nun	Nun	Mem	Mem	Lamed	Khaf	Kaf	
(silent)	(S)	(N)	(N)	(M)	(M)	(L)	(Kh)	(K/Kh)	
70	60	50	40	30	20				
ת	ש	ר	ק	ץ	צ	ף	פ		
Tav	Shin	Resh	Qof	Tsadeh	Tsadeh	Feh	Peh		
(T)	(Sh/S)	(R)	(Q)	(Ts)	(Ts)	(F)	(P/F)		
400	300	200	100	90	80				



Anatomy of a Barcode



WHY PEOPLE WILL WORSHIP THE ANTICHRIST

1. People are “awed” by the healing of the fatal head wound (Rv.13:3-4)
2. The many “great wonders” performed by the false prophet (Rv.13:13-14; 2Th.2:9-12)
3. They want the economic “security” the mark provides (Rv.13:17).

SOME WILL NOT RECEIVE THE MARK

- 1. Those individuals who choose to not receive the Mark and worship the Beast will be killed with the sword (Rv.13:15).**
- 2. The land areas not under the Beast's authority will suffer economic hardship, and experience famine from limited resources. It appears the Beast system will extend to 3/4 of the world land mass (Rv.6:8).**

ECONOMIC CONTROL

- 1. Failure to take the Mark will prevent one from participating in the Beast's economic system.**
- 2. They will not be able to “buy and sell” forcing them to operate outside the system to physically survive.**

SALVATION SECURITY

- A believer who is SEALED in union with Christ can not be lost.
- God will not allow a member of His family to take a mark that “reverses” HIS sovereign decision to save that person.
- Sometime prior to actually taking the mark, the weak and unprepared believer will be taken “home” by God through physical death.
- True believers will be unable to take the mark.

DIVINE DISCIPLINE

(God's “family” grace to His children)

- > Anannias and Saphira at Acts 5
- > Man public immoral life (1Co.5:5)
- > Those who “sleep” (1Co.11:30)
- > “Sin unto death” (1Jn.5:16-17)

“And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.” (1 JOHN 2:28)