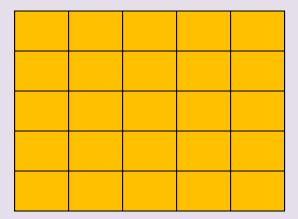
GEOMETRY OF NUMBER 25

INTRODUCTION

Does truth have a shape? Can you visualise the shape of 'faith'? Can you visualize the shape of 'rebellion'? We will show evidence in this paper that not only do numbers have spiritual meanings but geometric shapes do too. We will also show that when two shapes fit together to form another shape, the meaning of the whole shape relates to the meaning of the separate shapes that form it. Thus we can say, spiritual truth is not only diagrammatic, but obeys laws of addition and subtraction concerning the de-composition of its meaning into component spiritual truths.

SUMMARY OF NUMBER 25

The number 25 is a square of the number 5. $25 = 5 \times 5$.



The spiritual meaning of 25 is related to the meaning of the number 5. The spiritual number 5 means LIFE (5). It also has the sense of WEAKNESS (5), because all life is fragile. It also has another sense of GRACE (5) or MERCY (5), because fragile life is depends on the care of another to sustain it. A plant needs water and sun which God supplies. A child needs love which a mother supplies.

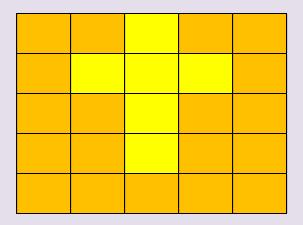
Whenever a spiritual number is squared, its essence is magnified. So, if the number 5 means WEAKNESS (5), then the number 25 means UTTERLY HELPLESS (25). If the number 5 means GRACE (5) or MERCY (5), then the number 25 means UTMOST GRACE (25) or ENDLESS MERCY (25). And, if the number 5 means LIFE (5), then the number 25 means ABUNDANT LIFE (25) or ETERNAL LIFE (25).

Through observation of the number 25 in Scripture, we see its association with the meaning **FORGIVENESS OF SINS (25)**. This makes sense because when we sin we are at the mercy of the one we have sinned against: we are **UTTERLY HELPLESS (25)**. When a sinner is forgiven their sins, this is an example of **UTMOST GRACE (25)**. With the relationship restored by **FORGIVENESS OF SINS (25)**, we enjoy **OVERFLOWING LIFE (25)** together again.

Psalm (25) says "O Lord... **REMEMBER NOT THE SINS (25)** of my youth" (Psalm 25:7). Lamentations is the 25th book of the Bible. Lamentations pictures the **UTTER HELPLESSNESS (25)** of sins that are not forgiven (Lam 3:42) but also **MERCY THAT IS NEW EVERY MORNING (25)** (Lam 3:22). The 25th Chapter of Isaiah pictures forgiven Jews in the thousand year kingdom of God on earth. The number (25) is used over 20 times in the dimensions of the temple which will stand during the thousand year reign of Christ.

DECOMPOSITIONS OF THE NUMBER 25

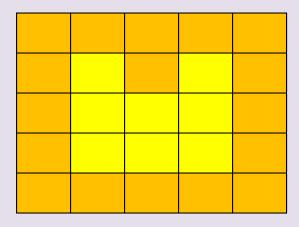
NUMBER 25 (FORGIVENESS OF SINS) = NUMBER 19 (FAITH) + NUMBER 6 (MAN)



In order to obtain forgiveness of sins it is necessary for Man (6) to have Faith (19). "When he [Jesus] saw their <u>faith</u> [19], he said, 'Man [6], your <u>sins are forgiven</u> [25]." (Luke 5:20). Jesus also said "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." (John 12:22). So, we see in the diagram a man represented by six yellow squares in the <u>shape of a cross</u>, <u>lifted up from the earth</u>, the bottom row, so his head touches heaven.

The nineteen reddish brown squares with the six yellow squares blazoned on it <u>looks like a shield</u>. It looks like the shields the European crusaders carried. Those men defamed the holy name of Christ by killing defenseless women and children in their sieges of Turkish cities. So the diagram cannot portray their shield. Rather, it is the shield of faith which the true spiritual Christians carry to do battle against spiritual powers and authorities in heavenly places: "Finally, my brothers, be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might, put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the Devil. For <u>we do not wrestle against flesh and blood</u>, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of the age, against the spiritual host of wickedness in heavenly places...<u>above all take the shield of faith</u> with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the evil one." (Ephesians 6:10-18)

NUMBER 25 (FORGIVENESS OF SINS) = NUMBER 8 (NEW MAN) + NUMBER 17 (VICTORY)

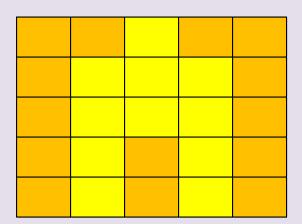


The New Man (8) is the born again man who has received Forgiveness of Sins (25) through the blood of Christ on the Cross. The diagram of the number 8 is a picture of a Communion Cup or a Crown. The Victory (17) is the Resurrection of Christ. Speaking to the Jews Peter said "Jesus of Nazareth... you have crucified... His soul was not left in Hades nor did his flesh see corruption... this Jesus God raised up... exalted to the right hand of God" (Acts 2)

To expand on the theological truth represented by this diagram, the crown of eternal life, the reward to the Christian for his or her faith in Jesus Christ depends on the resurrection of Christ from the dead and his ascension into heaven. If there is no resurrection of Christ, there is no Crown for the believer. Paul wrote to the believers in Corinth: "And if Christ is not risen your faith is futile; you are still in your sins." (1 Cor 15:17) We need have no fear because: "But Christ is risen from the dead [17], the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep." (1 Cor 15: 20)

Consider how deeply the diagram of the seventeen brown squares portrays spiritual truth. We see Christ raised up to heaven represented by the brown squares on the left column rising from the bottom row (the earth) up to the top row (heaven). The brown square hanging down in the center – pictures Christ leaving heaven to meet the resurrected saints in the air and then returning to heaven with them without touching the earth. The brown squares on the right hand column portray Christ returning from heaven back to earth! The fact the brown squares completely enclose the yellow squares indicates our salvation is secure.

NUMBER 25 (FORGIVENESS OF SINS) = NUMBER 14 (RIGHTEOUS) + NUMBER 11 (MYSTERY/HIDDEN/HIDING)



This amazing set of shape combinations tells us in order for forgiveness of sins to occur there must be a payment for sins to cover the debt. The payment for the sin must be carefully observed to ensure it is sufficient, hence the two witnesses overseeing the transaction. If the penalty of sin is death, then the payment for sin must be death. It may be paid by an innocent being, in this case a spotless animal, four legged or human, on behalf of a sinner.

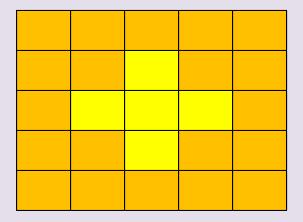
<u>First interpretation</u>: Three separate objects comprise the red-brown **RIGHTEOUS (14)** component. The number 3 means GOD (3). This makes sense, because God is righteous. We see in the shape of the righteous components: **the two angels overseeing the Ark of the Covenant in the Temple**.

The yellow component is in **the distinct shape of an animal** laid upon an altar. It could be a four legged animal if the view is front or rear. It could be a man. The **MYSTERY (11)** is the life is in the blood. The animal was slaughtered outside the Holy Place but the blood was applied inside on the cover of the Ark. Christ was slaughtered on earth, but his blood was applied inside the tabernacle that is in heaven.

We have a picture of the **MERCY SEAT (25)** upon which the blood of the sacrifice is applied **TO COVER SINS**. The blood of bulls and goats could not take away sins, only cover sin temporarily. The identity of the eternal sacrifice that would once and for all take away sins was a **MYSTERY (11)** until Christ died on Calvary.

<u>Second interpretation</u>: the red-brown components represent the trees of the Garden of Eden and the brown squares represent the two fig leaves Adam and Eve sewed to **COVER THEIR NAKEDNESS**. We can look at the yellow component to represent the **HIDING (11)** of **Adam (6)** and **Eve (5)**. Adam (6) has the number of **MAN (6)** since he was created on day six, and Eve (5) is five because she is the mother of all the **LIVING (5)**.

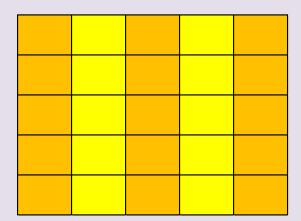
NUMBER 25 (FORGIVENESS OF SINS) = NUMBER 5 (LIFE) + NUMBER 20 (WISDOM)



The five yellow squares in the center are in the <u>shape</u> <u>of a flower</u> with petals outstretched, signifying **LIFE** (5) in all its beauty and vulnerability. The twenty (20) red-brown squares surround the flower densely on all sides, <u>like four hands that protect it</u>, <u>hold it</u>, <u>fashion it</u>. As the Scripture says God made **LIFE** (5) according to His **WISDOM** (20): "O LORD! How manifold are thy works (5)! In wisdom (20) thou hast made them all" (Psalm 104:24).

Any casual observer can see – this is the flag of the International Red Cross! In the same way as the Red Cross organization is dedicated to preserving life in circumstances of great human distress, be it war or natural disaster, God is dedicated to preserving life in spite of the sin of man. God must judge sin, but because of his great mercy he provided an atoning sacrifice in the person of his own Son to pay the penalty of sin, that unjust sinners who put faith in him, might live. Not only to extend life on earth, as Adam and Eve who benefitted from animal sacrifice, but to extend life eternally, as Christians benefit from the eternal sacrifice in Christ's blood.

NUMBER 25 (FORGIVENESS OF SINS) = NUMBER 15 (COVENANT/PEACE) + NUMBER 10 (TESTIMONY)

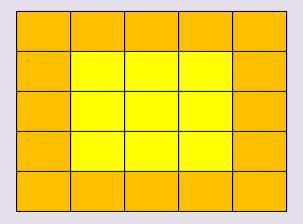


The TESTIMONY (10) either represents the Law in the form of two tablets (of five laws each), or it represents two witnesses who live (5) according to the Law. The three red-brown bars signify the other three parties: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Taken together what all this means is FORGIVENESS OF SINS (25) permits PEACE (15) between God and his witnesses, his TESTIMONY (10). Christ fulfilled the Law so Christians are deemed to have fulfilled it also.

In this banner the stripes are vertical representing a COVENANT (15) between heaven and earth, between God and his witnesses or his TESTIMONY (10). The stripes are intermingled suggesting the intimacy of the bond between the parties. The stripes are equal, but in a specific order. The first in honor is the stripe on the left which is the Father. The two yellow stripes representing the children of God are equal in honor with the Son who is the middle red-brown stripe. He calls us his brothers and sisters and we are seated with him in the heavenly places, possessing the same honor as him. Slave or free, male or female, all Christians are one in Him. The last stripe represents the Holy Spirit, who meekly and quietly binds all together in love.

The stripes are of course symbolic of the blood of Jesus Christ, by whose stripes (wounds) we are healed (Isaiah 53:5). As part of his suffering Christ sustained the scourge of lashing until his back was full of stripes.

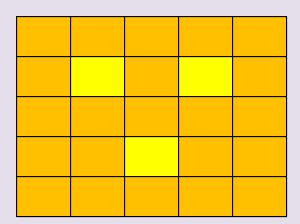
NUMBER 25 (FORGIVENESS OF SINS) = NUMBER 9 (JUDGEMENT) + NUMBER 16 (SACRIFICE)



The yellow square in the center is God's JUDGEMENT (9); the red-brown unbroken line of blocks on the border is SACRIFICE (16). We can look at the yellow square as the wound in the sacrifice, which killed the offering. We can also look at the sacrifice as covering God's judgment, soothing it, satisfying it. In spiritual geometry whatever surrounds something dominates it, or we could say triumphs over it.

The diagram we have here is of an altar – looking down from above. The red-brown border is the blood of the sacrifice that has been poured around the base of the altar or sprinkled on the sides of the altar, completely enclosing it. All offerings involving the death of an animal in the Book of Leviticus prescribe anointing the altar on all sides with blood: burnt offering (Lev. 1:5); fellowship offering (Lev.3:2); sin offering (Lev. 3:7); and guilt offering (Lev. 7:2).

NUMBER 25 (FORGIVENESS OF SIN) = NUMBER 3 (GOD) + NUMBER 22 (SPIRITUAL LIGHT)



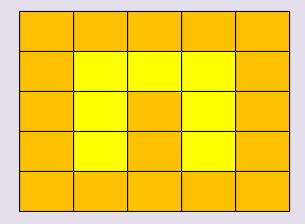
The number 3 stands for the TRINITY (3); it also means BINDING (3), such as the three places

Christ was nailed to the Cross: left hand, right hand, and feet. The number 22 means LIGHT (22) not physical light, but spiritual light. The three yellow blocks are like stars in the night sky – shining out a message for sinners. We must enter into the darkness of Christ's death in order to understand the TRUTH (3) of GOD (3).

If you stare at this arrangement of blocks long enough, you will <u>see a face: two eyes and a mouth</u>. The truth concerning forgiveness of sins with God is that to pay the penalty of death for Adam, it was necessary for a sinless human to die in his place. In order for a sinless human to die in his place, God needed to incarnate in human flesh, to put on a human face, to show us what a sinless human looks like. After we had examined him closely in every way and confirmed his purity, his spotless virtue, then he was qualified to die for us. And as we watch the Lamb of God take away the sins of the world, we understand the deepest truth of all – that God is Love. Not vain human love, but selfless love that is prepared to die to ensure there is a way to restore fellowship, through the forgiveness of sins.

Concerning the event of Christ's crucifixion it is written: "It was now about the sixth hour, and <u>darkness</u> <u>came over the whole land</u> until the ninth hour [three hours of darkness] <u>for the sun had stopped shining</u>. And the curtain of the Temple was torn in two. <u>Jesus...breathed his last</u>" (Luke 23:44-46)

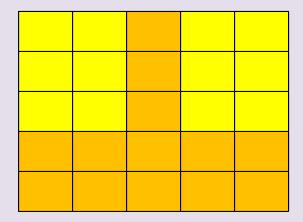
NUMBER 25 (UTTER WEAKNESS) = NUMBER 7 (THE END) + NUMBER 18 (BONDAGE TO SIN)



Here we have a picture in the yellow blocks of <u>a wall</u> <u>broken down</u>, of <u>a cup emptied out</u>. In the redbrown blocks we have a picture of <u>an enemy who</u> <u>has entered the gates, surrounded on every side</u>, <u>and who controls the center of the town</u>. Bondage to sin is like that. Freedom is gone. The ones in the town who resisted the attack and who survived the slaughter have become slaves. Man has no weapon against sin because the wages of sin is death.

All sin, all wrong perpetrated against anyone is an affront to God, a person who is righteous and pure, without sin. He who sins against his brother sins against God who made him. Therefore, when we sin we make God our enemy. God will judge sin, God will judge the sinner. If anyone breaks the Law of God in one place, he is guilty of breaking the whole Law; he is in **BONDAGE (18)** or slavery for a debt he cannot repay. The judgement of sin is death. The sinner whose sins are not forgiven is **COMPLETELY HELPLESS (25)** and **UTTERLY WEAK (25)**. There will be no other outcome than **THE END (7)** of your physical being, for you will die. All the possessions you gathered in this life will be scattered, you will take nothing with you into the next world. Your cup will be emptied out onto the ground. From dust you came, and to dust you will return.

NUMBER 25 (UTTER WEAKNESS) = NUMBER 12 (GOVERNMENT) + NUMBER 13 (REBELLION)

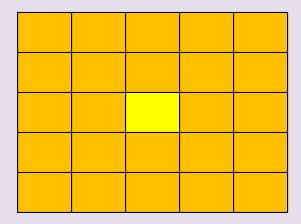


The image we see here of REBELLION (13) in the red-brown blocks is the tower built up to heaven. In building such a tower the GOVERNMENT (12) of God represented by the yellow blocks in the sky, is divided. In spiritual interpretations of geometry when something is divided it is defeated. The result of the rebellion is MAN (6) is divided from his fellow MAN (6) represented by the two sets of six yellow blocks. No government means anarchy.

When man decides to **REBEL (13)** against the **GOVERNMENT (12)** of God, it leads to **UTTER WEAKNESS (25)**. This is amply demonstrated by Nimrod who nullified the agreements under Noah between his three sons concerning the division of the earth into the possessions of their descendants. Nimrod established his kingdom, not in Africa which was the inheritance of Ham, but in the fertile crescent which was the inheritance of Shem. What has this rebellion produced? Peace on earth? This rebellion has led to endless conflict between tribes each claiming certain lands in the Middle East belongs to them. It led to anarchy.

The way to peace in your heart is to honor and submit to the government of God. Is God the Lord of your life? Do you experience peace with God? This is only possible if you obtain forgiveness of your sins.

NUMBER 25 (FORGIVENESS OF SINS) = NUMBER 1 (ONE) + NUMBER 24 (PRIEST)



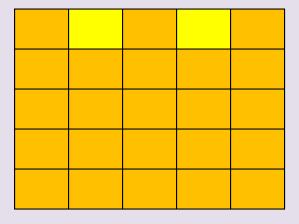
What is at the heart, at the center of FORGIVENESS OF SINS [25]? It is God. 'To err is human, to forgive is divine'. 'Hear O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is ONE [1]' (Deut. 6:4).

Who surrounds the LORD? Who proclaims his name? Who comes close to his presence? The people stand afar, but only the PRIEST [24] has the privilege of drawing near, and only once a year [Lev.16:2,29)

There is ONLY ONE [1] PRIEST [24] through which man may obtain FORGIVENESS OF SINS [25]. Is the priest this truth is declaring the Aaronic high priest? No. He was the minister of a covenant whose offering was an animal sacrifice. The blood of bulls and goats cannot take away sins, they can only cover sins. The blood of bulls and goats can only sanctify the worshipper outwardly so they are ceremonially clean for a time. The blood of Jesus is able to cleanse the inward person, as represented by the yellow block at the center (Heb. 9). If you look back at the diagram for the sum 16 + 9, you will see the blood of bulls and goats which was sprinkled on the sides and poured at the base of the (16) altar forms an enclosure on the outside of the altar only. On the inside of the altar judgment (9) continues to be there, raging like a fire, uncovered by blood.

Dear reader, have you obtained forgiveness of sins? Are you cleansed on the inside? If you desire this you must pray in the name of Jesus in Heaven to take away your sins. As high priest of Heaven, the Lord Jesus will intermediate for you with the Father who will see the blood of Jesus, his death on the Cross, and by his merits not any of yours you will be forgiven. **This is the ONLY WAY for man to be saved**.

NUMBER 25 (FORGIVENESS OF SINS) = NUMBER 2 (TWO) + NUMBER 23 (DEATH)



In this picture we see a winepress (23) and two feet (2) trampling on the grapes (lives). We also see a three pronged fork sticking up in the direction of heaven. This pictures the enmity against God of those who are dying. They hate God. They reject his beloved son Jesus. The vat of sinners they are lying with is splattering, seething, frothing as the feet trample them down. As if to say, these sinners are raising their fists and cursing the God of heaven.

In the deep mysteries of God in this diagram we see an amazing truth: **THERE ARE TWO (2) DEATHS (23).** Man is born to die [physical death] and then face the judgment [spiritual death]. Through the salvation brought through Christ's death on the Cross, the believer is redeemed from both deaths. First, we are reborn in our spirit at the moment we believe and this spiritual rebirth continues into all eternity. Second,

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we will be resurrected, thus overcoming the physical death. Thus, through the FORGIVENESS OF OUR SINS [25] we are set free from TWO [2] DEATHS [23]. The person who does not obtain forgiveness of sins will suffer both deaths.

Dear reader, do you hate Jesus, God's only Son? Then you are still in your sins. Jesus came to earth at tremendous personal cost and sacrifice and paid for your sins by his death on the Cross. You are freely offered salvation from your sins and the penalty of your sins, which is physical and spiritual death forever. Look into the face of Jesus on the Cross. He loves you enough to die for you. Bow before the God of Love. Surrender to the perfect sinless spotless Lamb of God. Confess your sins. And live.