#1294 The Mark of the Beast – The Mark of the Lord (the Mark of God) represented the Deliverance by the Lord out of the physical/political bondage of Egypt, while the Mark of the Beast represents the Deliverance by the Beast out of physical/political bondage

Exodus 13:16-18 (KJV) And it [the Consecration of the Firstborn] shall be for a <u>TOKEN</u> [sign] upon thine <u>HAND</u>, and for frontlets <u>BETWEEN</u> <u>THINE EYES</u> [on/in the <u>forehead</u>]: for by strength of hand the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt.

17 And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that God led them not through the way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near; for God said, Lest peradventure the people repent when they see war, and they return to Egypt:



18 <u>BUT GOD LED THE PEOPLE ABOUT, THROUGH THE WAY OF THE</u>
<u>WILDERNESS OF THE RED SEA</u>: and the children of Israel went up harnessed out of the land of Egypt.

Key Understanding: The *unseen* Mark of the <u>Beast</u> of Revelation 13:16 (below) is a counterfeit of the *unseen* Mark of the <u>Lord</u> of Exodus 13:16 (above). While the *unseen* Mark of the Lord (the Mark of God) is for those who are delivered from *spiritual* bondage and sin and hell through the Cross of Jesus Christ and the power of the Spirit of God, the *unseen* Mark of the Beast is for those who have hearts and minds that seek after and are attached to deliverance from *physical/political* bondage by the Beast. The Mark of the Beast in Revelation 13:16-18 is to be taken as *real*, but *figurative* and *unseen*, not *literal*.

The *unseen* 666 Mark of the Beast upon the hand or upon the forehead of men is a symbol of **man's deliverance of man** from *physical/political* bondage (the number of man is 6), not **Jesus Christ's deliverance of man** from *spiritual* bondage (the number of God is 7).

Revelation 13:16-18 (KJV) And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a MARK in their RIGHT HAND, or in their FOREHEADS:
17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.
18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count THE NUMBER OF THE BEAST [referring to the Revelation 13:1 Beast out of the Sea and the Revelation 17:08 Beast out of the Pit]: for IT IS THE NUMBER OF MAN; AND HIS NUMBER IS SIX HUNDRED THREESCORE AND SIX [666].





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