1	Numbers in the Bible
	Number Three

Topical Studies
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3 The Number Three

- Three appears 493 times across 429 verses in the KJB. That does not include the various forms of Three. i.e., third, thirdly, thrice, threefold, or ordinal numbers, 3rd, 33rd. Also, as a fraction it appears as One third, or the third part.
- The number three shows the threefold entity of God-His completeness. God is a trinity, and in the creation virtually everything is in triplets with three parts. Three indicates balance and the Resurrection.
- The Top Three books that have the most verses containing three are Numbers (30) = 6.99%, 1 Chronicles (30) = 6.99%, and Genesis (26)= 6.06%

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- The First Mention of three is Genesis 6:10 "And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth."
- The first mention of third is Genesis 1:13 And the evening and the morning were the third day.
- The Godhead is found 3 times in the KJB: Acts 17:29, Romans 1:20, & Colossians 2:9
- 1 John 5:7 "For there are three that bear record <u>in heaven</u>, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. 1 John 5:8 And there are three that bear witness <u>in earth</u>, the spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one."

6 Israel = Three Feasts

- Exodus 23:14 "Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year."
- 15 "Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:)
- 16 And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, *which is* in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field."
- 2 Chronicles 8:13 Even after a certain rate every day, offering according to the commandment of Moses, on the <u>sabbaths</u>, and on the <u>new moons</u>, and on the <u>solemn feasts</u>, three times in the year, *even* in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles.

7 The Number Three – The Resurrection

- Jonah 1:17 "Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights."
- Matthew 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."
- John 2:19 "Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. 20 Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days? 21 But he spake of the temple of his body."

8 The Number Three & The Apostle Paul

• Acts 9:9 "And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink."

- Acts 17:2 "And Paul, as <u>his manner</u> was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures,"
- Acts 19:8 "And he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, disputing and persuading the things concerning the kingdom of God."
- Acts 20:3 "And *there* abode three months. And when the Jews laid wait for him, as he was about to sail into Syria, he purposed to return through Macedonia."
- Acts 20:31 "Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears."

9 The Number Three & The Apostle Paul

- Acts 28:11 "And after three months we departed in a ship of Alexandria, which had wintered in the isle, whose sign was Castor and Pollux. 12 And landing at Syracuse, we tarried *there* three days."
- Acts 28:15 "And from thence, when the brethren heard of us, they came to meet us as far as Appii forum, and The three taverns: whom when Paul saw, he thanked God, and took courage."
- Acts 28:17 "And it came to pass, that after three days Paul called the chief of the Jews together: and when they were come together, he said unto them, Men *and* brethren, though I have committed nothing against the people, or customs of our fathers, yet was I delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans."

10 The Number Three & The Apostle Paul

- 1 Corinthians 13:13 "And now abideth <u>faith</u>, <u>hope</u>, <u>charity</u>, these three; but the greatest of these *is* charity."
- 2 Corinthians 12:2 "I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven."
- 2 Corinthians 13:1 "This *is* the third *time* I am coming to you. In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established."
- Galatians 1:18 "Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days."