

Revelation 13:18

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v. 18 - This calls for wisdom. If anyone has insight, let him calculate the number of the beast, for it is man's [ἄνθρωπος (*ánthrōpos*): **genitive noun**] number [ἀριθμός (*arithmós*): **predicate nominative or “head noun”**]. **His number is 666.**

NOTE: The noun *ánthrōpos* is generic indicating reference to all mankind. The two nouns are anarthrous meaning no articles. When both nouns are anarthrous, then they are considered definite so that the article “the” is understood with each.

In biblical numerology, 6 is the number of man. The anarthrous *ánthrōpos* means that the number 6 tripled refers to the effort to deify mankind, a satanic strategy in evidence today in our increasingly godless society in which “Man is the measure of all things” (Protagoras). This quote has come to mean that man, rather than God, is the ultimate judge of what is true.

