

On Sunday January 9<sup>th</sup> during worship, the LORD spoke one word to me--- SNOW! As is usually the case, when the Holy Spirit of God speaks, we “know” all we need to know. I knew that God was pointing me to a specific word to study. As soon as we arrived home that afternoon, I began my study with great anticipation, for “*without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him*” (Heb. 11:6).

With the greatest awe and reverence, I watched the lesson unfold before me. The English word “snow” appears 24 times in the KJV Bible. Twenty-one times in the O.T. and three times in the N.T. The Hebrew word for snow is the word “sheleg” and is spelled (Hebrew is read from right to left) Sheen-Lamed-Gimel שלג and in the ancient Hebrew script of Moses it appears like this שׁלג the way the letters were written has changed over the years of the Babylonian captivity, but the meaning of each letter has remained the same. The Hebrew of Moses’ time was a picture language, much like that of the Egyptians. The letter sheen שׁ means “a teeth, to destroy or consume”, the letter Lamed ל means “control, authority, the tongue and is the letter of learning” and the Gimel ג means “a camel, to lift up, pride, requite”.

The picture we get from the letters of the word “snow” is:  
**“To destroy the wisdom of the proud”**

The word snow comes from the root “Shawlag” and means “white”. During my computer search of the Word snow, I found this in Job 38, verses 22 and 23:

*Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail, <sup>23</sup>Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?*

Now my heart burned within me, what treasures lay in the word snow? Looking at the Gematria of the word snow, I found that the total numerical value of the word is 333. This in itself is amazing, for when a word is raised to it’s triplicate, it takes on the Divine perfection as the number three is the number of divine perfection. The number 333 is also the total of the following:

My heart said unto thee [Ps 27.8] לך אמר לבי

The Hope [1<sup>st</sup> Thess. 5:8] η ελπις

Thy throne O God is forever [Ps 45.6] כסאך אלהים עולם

But most importantly, 3 is the number of **FATHER**, Aleph-Bet. It is the first word in the Hebrew dictionary. We are told that : “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights James 1:17a

*For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain cometh down, and the **snow** from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my **word** be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it. (Isaiah 55:9-11)*



The snow flake is a geometric shape that is mathematically based, and we have been told that snowflakes are NOT all the same shape or configuration.

Could it be that the snow is connected to God’s Word?Δ

In Proverbs 31:21 we read:

*She is not afraid **of the snow** for her household: for all her household are clothed with scarlet.*

As I added up the total of the phrase “of the snow” in the scripture verse above, I found that it is the word **משלג** Mishlag and has a numerical total of **373**!

To my great joy I recognized 373 as the Gematria of the Greek word “**LOGOS**” the same word that is translated in John 1:1 below as **WORD!**

John 1:1 In the beginning was the **Word 373**, and the **Word 373** was with God, and the **Word 373** was God;

Also numbering **373** is the phrase underlined above in John 1:1, **and God was 373** (the word)

**και θεος ην** Kai Theos Hen . as well as the following:

The voice of the LORD is full of majesty. [Ps 29.3] **קול יהוה בהדר** = 373

Arise and Shine! [Isa 60.1] **קומי אורי** Qumi, Auri = 373

Eternal Memorial [Ps 112.6] **זכר עולם** Zakur Olam = 373

The Greek term **ὁ λογος** (Ho Logos, The Word) used above in John 1:1 and also used in Hebrews 4.12 integrates with the Second Letter of the Hebrew Alphabet, "Bet" through the identity: The Word **ὁ λογος** Ho Logos = 443 which is the same as

The House of God **אל ביה** Beyt El. = 443

Most people are familiar with Beyt El as Bethel. It is where Jacob set up a **pillar** and made a vow to God. The House of God identifies with **the Word!** I found out a most interesting fact on a recent trip to Israel. Engraved in the landscape, visible on a satellite map of Israel, is the sacred name of God, **YHVH** at Beyt El! Further conformation and proof that the house of God is closely identified with the Word.

The Word! As you can see, the Word continues to **BRANCH** out, and as the living being that it is, continues to grow. May we all be encouraged to study the Word and grow thereby. May your eyes be opened, and may you be blessed by this study.

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### ***The Snowflake Man***

"Under the microscope, I found that snowflakes were miracles of beauty; and it seemed a shame that this beauty should not be seen and appreciated by others. Every crystal was a masterpiece of design and no one design was ever repeated., When a snowflake melted, that design was forever lost. Just that much beauty was gone, without leaving any record behind."



Wilson "Snowflake" Bentley 1925

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This article and the amazing proof of the vast diversity in the geometric shape of individual snowflakes along with the different geometric NUMBER required for the different shapes reinforces my own personal belief that when it snows, it is a visible symbol of God's eternal word softly floating down upon us from the heavens, to cover

the Earth in the white robe of His righteousness (white). Each snowflake, a numerical match for a word. Blessing, teaching, and guiding.

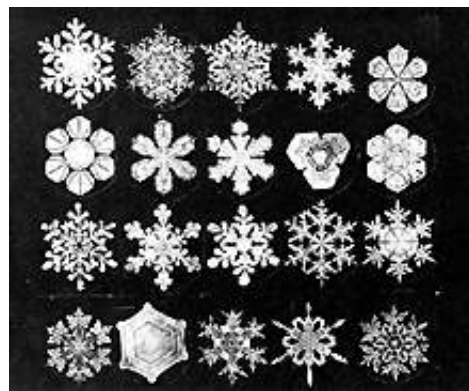


“From the earliest memories of our childhood, many of us can remember hearing the phrase "**no two snowflakes are alike**". This discovery was made in the small rural town of Jericho, Vermont by Wilson A. Bentley (1865-1931).

A self educated farmer, Bentley attracted world attention with his pioneering work in the area of photomicrography, most notably his extensive work with snow crystals (commonly known as snowflakes). By adapting a microscope to a bellows camera, and years of trial and error, he became the first person to photograph a single snow crystal in 1885.

He would go on to capture more than 5000 snowflakes during his lifetime, **not finding any two alike.**

His snow crystal



photomicrographs were acquired by colleges and universities throughout the world and he published many articles for magazines and journals including, Scientific American and National Geographic. In 1931 his book "Snow Crystals", containing more than 2400 snow crystal images, was published by McGraw-Hill but has long been out of print. A soft cover copy, identical in all respects, can be obtained today from Dover Publications, Inc.. On December 23, 1931, Bentley died at the family farmhouse in Jericho. Because of his wonderful work with snow crystals, he became affectionately known as "Snowflake" Bentley.”

In summary, I find that the snow is really a true treasure that comes down on us from the Father above. As one can easily see, the Word of God is very complex and integrated. What impacted me most in this, was the realization that the next time I see snow, I will think of God's Word floating down on me, the blessed Word of God, to give me bread to eat, seeds to sow and because that Word never returns void, that is useless or empty, I can expect great teaching and instruction as well as a harvest of souls for the kingdom of God.

As it is written:

***All scripture** is given **by inspiration of God**, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 3:16,17*

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