Series: Bible math
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Some numbers turn up over and over in the Bible. The number 7. And 12. And 40. For centuries, Jewish and Christian students of the Bible have found symbolic meanings in these numbers (see Bullinger's *Number in Scripture*, 1921). As a math major and numbers-lover, I've played around with numerology (Jewish *gematria)* at times. During the next three Sundays, we'll talk about three curious numbers.

This morning, a number that's not a "Bible number" but a "verse number" that Bible verse quoters find ourselves repeating over and over again: 3:16-17.

Genesis	MARRIAGE: The battle of the _____ is part of the Fall.
Zephaniah	GOD: The Lord God takes great _____ in us!
Malachi	CHURCH: God pays rapt attention when we _____ together.
John	SALVATION: God proved his _____ for us at the cross; our eternal destiny depends on our response.
1 Corinthians	INDWELLING: Every Christian is a _____ in which God dwells.
Ephesians	PRAYER: God gives us _____ strength in answer to prayer.
Colossians	SPIRITUALITY: The spiritual life is a life full of God and his Word-- teaching, singing, thanking, and living for Him.
2 Thessalonians	PEACE: Peace not anxiety can be a way of life for every believer.
1 Timothy	CHRISTIANITY: Start to finish, Christianity is all about _____.
2 Timothy	BIBLE: Scripture is God himself speaking to meet our every need.