

Doctrine of The Head

1. Etymology:

1.1 Hebrew - The most common word is ROSH.

1.2 Greek - The most common word is KEPHALE.

2. Jesus used the word HEAD to show the arrogance of man and to reveal the inferiority of the Mosaic Law as compared with the Kingdom teachings.

Mat 5:33 "Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not break your oath, but keep the oaths you have made to the Lord.'

Mat 5:34 But I tell you, Do not swear at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne;

Mat 5:35 or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King.

Mat 5:36 And do not swear by your **HEAD**, for you cannot make even one hair white or black.

Mat 5:37 Simply let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

2.1 This verse must not be taken out of context. It is not a prohibition against swearing an oath to tell the truth in court but rather refers contextually to the vows taken under the Mosaic Law. I would refer you to our doctrine of vows for more information who and why vows were taken.

3. The word **HEAD** is used by our Lord to show the protection of God over each and every believer even down to the remotest minutiae.

Mat 10:30 And even the very hairs of your **HEAD** are all numbered.

Luk 12:7 Indeed, the very hairs of your **HEAD** are all numbered. Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

4. When the Jews of Macedonia rejected Christ and Paul's message the great Apostle used an idiom to indicate "their choice, their responsibility."

Acts 18:6 But when the Jews opposed Paul and became abusive, he shook out his clothes in protest and said to them, "Your blood be on your own **HEADS!** I am clear of my responsibility. From now on I will go to the Gentiles."

5. Another idiom, "coals on the **HEAD**" was used by the Apostle Paul to teach the need for a relaxed mental attitude with reference toward even those who are your enemies.

Rom 12:20 On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his **HEAD.**"

6. **HEADSHIP** is used to teach the authority of Christ over the man and the authority of the man over the woman in terms of a right man/right woman relationship.

1Co 11:3 Now I want you to realize that the **HEAD** of every man is Christ, and the **HEAD** of the woman is man, and the **HEAD** of Christ is God.

1Co 11:4 Every man who prays or prophesies with his **HEAD** covered dishonors his **HEAD**.

1Co 11:5 And every woman who prays or prophesies with her **HEAD** uncovered dishonors her **HEAD**--it is just as though her **HEAD** were shaved.

1Co 11:6 If a woman does not cover her **HEAD**, she should have her hair cut off; and if it is a disgrace for a woman to have her hair cut or shaved off, she should cover her **HEAD**.

1Co 11:7 A man ought not to cover his **HEAD**, since he is the image and glory of God; but the woman is the glory of man.

1Co 11:8 For man did not come from woman, but woman from man;

1Co 11:9 neither was man created for woman, but woman for man.

1Co 11:10 For this reason, and because of the angels, the woman ought to have a sign of authority on her head.

Eph 5:23 For the husband is the **HEAD** of the wife as Christ is the **HEAD** of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior.

7. In the Book of the Revelation the word **HEAD** is used to describe seven nations at the time of the great Tribulation.

Rev 12:3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven **HEADS** and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his **HEADS**.

Rev 13:1 And the dragon stood on the shore of the sea. And I saw a beast coming out of the sea. He had ten horns and seven **HEADS**, with ten crowns on his horns, and on each **HEAD** a blasphemous name.

Rev 13:2 The beast I saw resembled a leopard, but had feet like those of a bear and a mouth like that of a lion. The dragon gave the beast his power and his throne and great authority.

7.1 The dragon is Satan and the beast is the Revived Roman Empire.

7.2 At the time of the events of the Tribulation there are 10 nations ruling "Europe." There is a weak nation belonging to the federation of ten called in Dan 7:8 a little horn.

7.3 It is from this weaker nation that the antichrist, who is indwelt by Satan comes.

7.3.1 He conquers somehow, according to Dan 7:8, three of the other nations and forms a single nation and thus the ten nation federation becomes seven which will be ruled by the antichrist. It is this **seven or ten HEADED** powerful federation which will rule from Rome as the Revived Roman Empire.

7.3.2 One of the **HEADS** of the beast seemed to have had a fatal wound, but the fatal wound had been healed. The whole world was astonished and followed the beast. Some think the antichrist is

injured and recovers and others (including me) believe it is rather a reference to the Revived Roman Empire.

Rev 13:3 And I saw one of his **HEADS** as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed; and all the world wondered after the beast.

7.4 One of the original 10 nations would seem to be Roman, a tacit representation of the original Roman Empire which was long since thought to be dead but will arise again as the Revived Roman Empire.

7.4.1 This would seem to be the meaning of Rev 13:3.

7.5 The emphasis beginning in verse 4 of Rev 13 seems to transition; it shifts from the Revived Roman Empire to the leader of the empire, the satanically indwelt antichrist.

Rev 13:4 Men worshiped the dragon because he had given authority to the beast, and they also worshiped the beast and asked, "Who is like the beast? Who can make war against him?"

Rev 13:5 The beast was given a mouth to utter proud words and blasphemies and to exercise his authority for forty-two months.

7.5.1 His power and might is exercised during the first three and one half years of the Tribulation as a world leader who is anti Christ and anti Christians. Forty two months using the Jewish calendar is 3 and one half years. Elsewhere it is referred to as 1260 days (360 days time 3.5 = 1260 days). There were 360 days in the Jewish calendar year.

Rev 13:6 He opened his mouth to blaspheme God, and to slander his name and his dwelling place and those who live in heaven.

Rev 13:7 He was given power to make war against the saints and to conquer them. And he was given authority over every tribe, people, language and nation.

Rev 13:8 All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast--all whose names have not been written in the book of life belonging to the Lamb that was slain from the creation of the world.

7.5.2 That Satan is the real power is clear and that the antichrist will be indwelt is also therefore equally clear.

7.5.3 Related Scriptures are Dan 7:7-8 and Rev 17:3,7-9

Dan 7:7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

Dan 7:8 "While I was thinking about the horns, there before me was another horn, a little one, which came up among them; and three of the first horns were uprooted before it. This horn had eyes like the eyes of a man and a mouth that spoke boastfully.

Rev 17:7 Then the angel said to me: "Why are you astonished? I will explain to you the mystery of the woman and of the beast she rides, which has the seven **HEADS** and ten horns.

Rev 17:8 The beast, which you saw, once was, now is not, and will come up out of the Abyss and go to his destruction. The inhabitants of the earth whose names have not been written in the book of life from the creation of the world will be astonished when they see the beast, because he once was, now is not, and yet will come.

Rev 17:9 "This calls for a mind with wisdom. The seven **HEADS** are seven hills on which the woman sits.

7.6 The statements found in Rev 7:8 "once was, now is not, and will come up out of the Abyss" and "go to his destruction because he once was, now is not, and yet will come" refer to the Revived Roman Empire.

7.7 The city of Rome is famous for being located on seven hills. Rev 7:9 would seem to provide further documentation of Rome as the city in which the antichrist and whore church calls home. This because Rome was famous for being located on seven hills.

7.8 The three selected animals chosen to describe the Revived Roman Empire are given also in Daniel 7 and the fourth empire known as the Revived Roman Empire gathers all the dreadful power of each of the prior empires into one.

7.9 The Revived Roman Empire having the majesty and power of the lion (Babylon), the strength and tenacity of the bear (Medo-Persian), the speed of the leopard (Greece) and then is added the Satanic power coming from a fourth beast i. e. the dragon, old Satan himself.

7.8 His power and activity are describe further by Daniel in Daniel chapters 2 and 7.

8. The headship of Jesus bringing maximum blessing is used in three ways:

8.1 the **HEAD** of Israel.

Acts 4:9 If we are being called to account today for an Acts of kindness shown to a cripple and are asked how he was healed,

Acts 4:10 then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed.

Acts 4:11 He is "'the stone you builders rejected, which has become the **HEADSTONE**.'

8.2 the **HEAD** of the church.

Eph 1:22 And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be **HEAD** over everything for the church,

Eph 1:23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

8.3 He is the **HEAD** over all things.

Col 2:9 For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form,
Col 2:10 and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the **HEAD** over every power and authority.

9. When Col 1:18 is compared 1Co 12:14-18 and Eph 4:15, we see that the **HEAD** is used to communicate the importance of every believer. We also find the word **HEAD** is used to describe our eternal security in these passages.

Col 1:18 And he is the **HEAD** of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

1Co 12:14 Now the body is not made up of one part but of many.

1Co 12:15 If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body.

1Co 12:16 And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body.

1Co 12:17 If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be?

1Co 12:18 But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be.

10. In Ephesians chapter four the **HEAD** is used as part of a body analogy to show that those today with the gift of evangelist and pastor teacher are established in order to grow the body of Christ and thus become productive in time.

Eph 4:12 to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up

Eph 4:13 until we all reach a unity in the faith by means of the knowledge of the Son of God;

becoming mature believers, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Eph 4:14 So that we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching even succumbing to the cunning and craftiness of men and their deceitful scheming.

Eph 4:15 Instead of such foolishness, it is expect that we will speak the truth from doctrine in our souls, that we may in all things grow up becoming more like Him who is the **HEAD**, that is, Christ.