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[1] indeed the **first** book, I **made** concerning everything, O Theophilus
 [2-4] which (there) **began**, Jesus, **to do** and also **to teach**
 [5-6] until which **day** He (**was**) **commanding** the apostles through (the)
Spirit, Holy – whom [*apostles*] He **had chosen** –

[7] He **was taken up**

[8-10] to them also, He **presented Himself, living** – after which, (there)
to suffer, Him – by many **signs** [*proofs*]

[1-2] through **days, forty, appearing** to them

[3-4] and **speaking**, what (**was**) concerning the kingdom of God

[5-6] and **assembling** (them) **together**, He **commanded** them

[7] from Jerusalem, **not to depart**

[8] but **to await** the promise of the Father

[9] “which you **heard** from Me

[10] that John indeed **baptized** with water –

[1-2] but you, in (the) **Spirit** – **will be baptized** – **Holy**, not after many
 (of) these **days**”

[3-5] who [*apostles*] indeed then, **having gathered together**, asked Him, **saying**

[1-2] Lord, in the **time, this** –

[3] **will You restore** the kingdom to Israel?

[4] but He **said** to them

[5-6]* **not** of you, it **is, to know** (the) **times** and the **appointed-times**

[1] which the Father **has appointed** by His own authority

[7] but you **will receive** power

[8] (when) (there **is**) **coming**, the Holy Spirit, upon you

[9-10] and you **will be** My witnesses in **Jerusalem** and in all **Judea**

[1-2] and **Samaria** and as far as (the) **last** [*farthest*] of the land [*earth*]

[3] and these (things) **having said** –

[4] (while) they (**were**) **watching** –

[5] He **was lifted up**

[1-2] and a cloud **took** Him **up** from their eyes [*two*]

[3] and as, **gazing intently**, they **were**, into the heaven

[4] (where) He (**was**) **having gone**

[5-6] and behold, **men, two, stood** by them in garments,

[7] **white**,

[8] who also **said**

[9]* **men**¹,

[10] **Galileans**² –

[1-2] why do **you stand**, **looking earnestly** into the heaven?

1:1

This is a translation and a study of the Book of Acts. This work presents the possible presence of a literary numbering system in Acts. Following the PebbleCounting hypothesis, this numbering system appears to be inherent in the Greek and consistently used throughout Acts, as it is in other books of Scripture. As this book is the sequel to the Gospel of Luke, the reader is urged to check out Luke's first book for local and macrostructural designs. Like Luke's gospel, the Book of Acts appears to be modeled with two subject columns: heavenly and earthly. © Steve, 2026. Update: October 10, 2026.
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“(the) times and the appointed-times” | The 40-fold literary measure “days, forty” is split, 20-fold and 20-fold, about the middle of this line. Luke may have crafted a doubled literary stature here. By literary time conversions:

“time, this”	→	10-fold	“days, forty”	→	40-fold
“(the) times”	→	(3x) 10-fold	“these days”	→	(3x) 1-fold
“appointed-times”	→	(3x) 1-fold	Total:		43-fold
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Another tenfold literary measure may boost these time conversion values to 430-folds, which is the measure of adversity for the ages. Here, the tenfold may arise by letter-play. In Greek, the place names *Jerusalem* and *Judea* begin with the Greek letter *iota*. Place name *Samaria* begins with the Greek letter *sigma*. The “last of the land” – by wordplay, the last letter of the word *land*, in context – is *sigma*. The letters *iota* and *sigma* are at a tenfold offset in the Greek alphabet, counting inclusively. Thus, in doubled significance:

Jerusalem	→	“last of the land”	=	10-fold (letters <i>iota</i> to <i>sigma</i>)
Judea	→	Samaria	=	10-fold (letters <i>iota</i> to <i>sigma</i>)

By literary compounding, these doubled 430-fold statures may arise here at the beginning of the first thousandfold elements in Luke. See a similar possible design at Acts 5-6, with reflected 430-folds in relation to a 1000-fold stature. For examples of letter-play, see Daniel 3 and 5. For examples of (2x) 430-fold as a measure of adversity, see comments, Esther and Revelation.

“men, Galileans” | Galilee means “circle” or “circuit.” Upper Galilee was predominantly gentile, while lower Galilee was predominantly Hebrew. The circle of ethnicities in Galilee may be a topic for these apostles, even as the fourfold destination of their missional circuit (Jerusalem, Judea // Samaria, last of the land) is split across literary sets, Hebrew versus gentile, above.

“time, this” | 10-fold

40 elements | “days, forty”

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[3] this Jesus who **(was) being taken up** from you into the heaven –
[4] thus He **will come**, (in) which manner
[5-6] you **saw** Him, **going** into the heaven
[7-8] then they **returned** to Jerusalem from the mountain **being called** “Olivet”
[“olive garden”]
[9-10] which **is** near Jerusalem – of a sabbath, **having** a journey
[1-2] and when they **had entered**, to the upper-room, they **went up**
[3-6] where they **were**, **staying**: **Peter**³ and **John**⁴ and **James**⁵ and **Andrew**⁶
[7-8] **Philip**⁷ and **Thomas**⁸
[9-10] **Bartholomew**⁹ and **Matthew**¹⁰
[1-2] **James**¹¹, of **Alphaeus**¹² [*son of Alphaeus*]
[3-4] and **Simon**¹³, the **zealot**¹⁴
[5-6] and **Judas**¹⁵, of **James**¹⁶ [*son of James*]
[7] these all **were**, **being devoted**, of-same-accord, to the prayer, with
(the) **women**¹⁷
[8-9] and **Mary**¹⁸, the **mother**¹⁹ of Jesus
[10] and His **brothers**²⁰

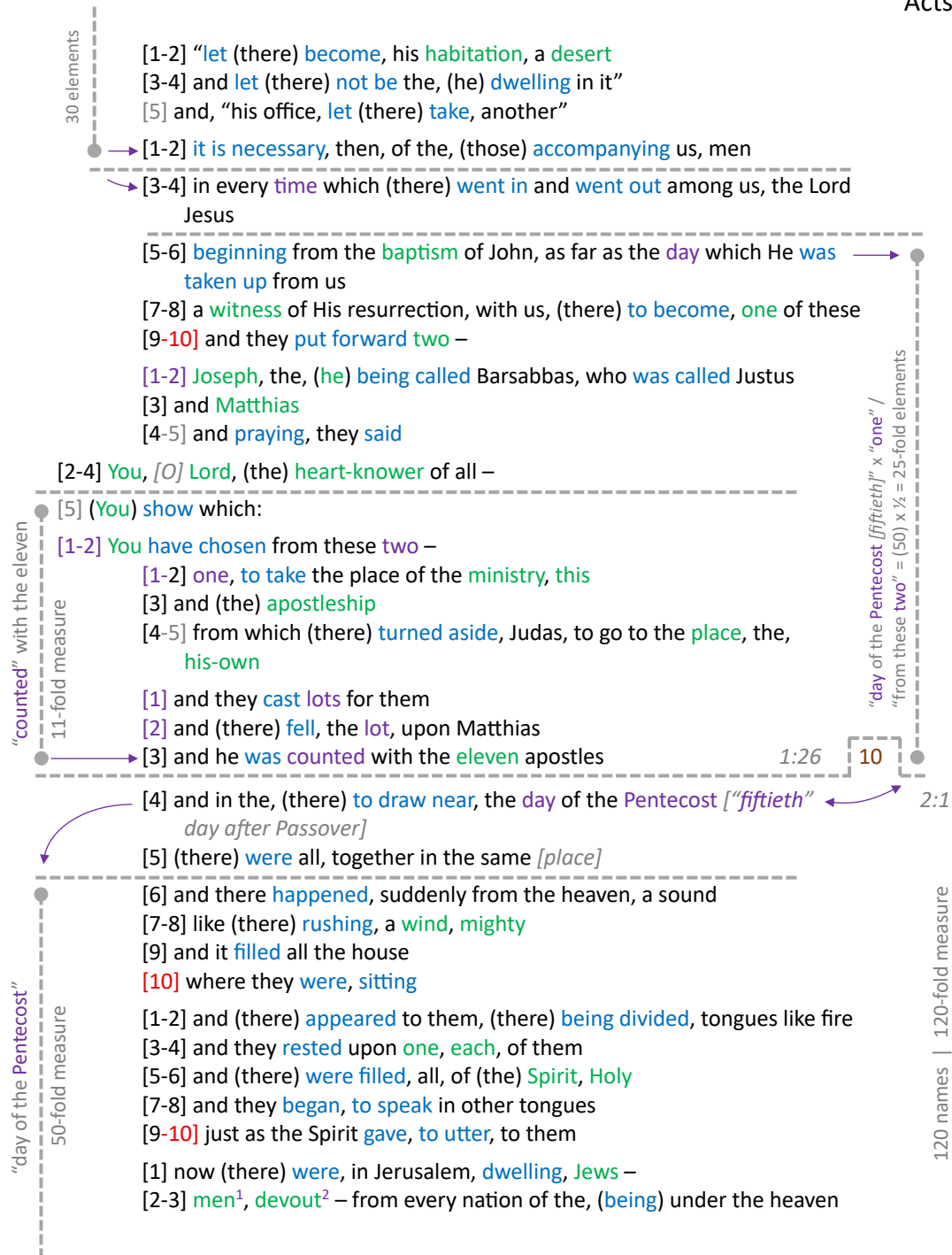
Luke may present a 20-fold identification of these “Galilean” followers of Jesus, as indicated with purple superscripts here. For a corresponding 20-fold identification of the Jews from among the nations, see the purple superscripts leading to the bottom of the 120-fold literary measure, Acts 2.

The diagram illustrates the concept of "120-fold measure" derived from 12 apostles and 120 names. It features three main vertical sections:

- Left Section:** A vertical dashed line labeled "12 apostles 'numbered'" on the left and " $\text{'days, those' x 'every time'} = (3\text{-fold}) \times (10\text{-fold}) = 30$ " on the right.
- Middle Section:** A large area containing biblical references grouped by brackets [1-2], [3], [4-5], [5-6], [7], [8-9], and [10]. The text includes words like "days," "those," "rising," "said," "was," "names," "hundred," "twenty," "men," "brothers," "necessary," "fulfilled," "Scripture," "foretold," "Spirit," "Holy," "mouth," "David," "concerning," "Judas," "having become," "guide," "seizing," "Jesus," "because," "having been numbered," "among us," "received-by-lot," "portion," "ministry," "this," "acquired," "field," "wage," "unrighteousness," "head-first," "becoming," "burst open," "in-the-middle," "poured out," "entrails," "known," "it became," "to all the," "inhabiting," "Jerusalem," "such that," "to be called," "field," "that," "their own dialect," "Akeldama," "this is," "field of blood," and "for it is written." These words are color-coded: purple for "days, those," blue for "rising," green for "said," red for "was," purple for "names," green for "hundred," purple for "twenty," purple for "men, brothers," blue for "necessary," blue for "fulfilled," green for "Scripture," blue for "foretold," green for "Spirit," green for "Holy," green for "mouth," purple for "David," purple for "concerning," purple for "Judas," blue for "having become," blue for "guide," blue for "seizing," blue for "Jesus," blue for "because," blue for "having been numbered," blue for "among us," blue for "received-by-lot," blue for "portion," green for "ministry," green for "this," blue for "acquired," blue for "field," blue for "wage," blue for "unrighteousness," blue for "head-first," blue for "becoming," blue for "burst open," blue for "in-the-middle," blue for "poured out," blue for "entrails," blue for "known," blue for "it became," blue for "to all the," blue for "inhabiting," blue for "Jerusalem," blue for "such that," blue for "to be called," blue for "field," blue for "that," blue for "their own dialect," blue for "Akeldama," blue for "this is," blue for "field of blood," and blue for "for it is written."
- Right Section:** A vertical dashed line labeled "120 names | 120-fold measure". To its left, there are two horizontal dashed lines with arrows pointing to them from the middle section. The top line is labeled "100" and the bottom line is labeled "20".

Arrows indicate the flow of information from the middle section to the right section, specifically from the [1-2] group to the "100" line and from the [10] group to the "20" line.

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On this very day, 3000 souls will be added to the community of faith (end of chapter 2). Luke may develop the 3000-fold stature from the present location, as follows:

Factor 1: Coming of the Spirit on the “hour, third”: (10-fold) x (30) = 30-fold

Factor 2: Special number 10, from the number of the apostles → 10-fold

Factor 3: Instances of “day” + accumulation of dual nouns:

- “hour, third, of the **day**”
- “**day** of (the) Lord”
- “as far as the **day**, this”
- “were added in the **day**, that”
- “hands [**two**] of (the) lawless”
- “fruit of his loins [**two**]”
- “footstool of Your feet [**two**]”

$$\text{Total} = (4) \times (1) + (3) \times (2) = 10\text{-fold}$$

Together, these may form the (30) x (10) x (10) = 3000-fold stature at 2:41.

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"days" x "days" =
(3) x (3) = 9-fold

[4] and your young-men, visions, **will see**

[5] and your elders, dreams, **will dream**

[5-6] and even upon My **male-servants** and upon My **female-servants**, in the **days**,

[7] **those**, I **will pour out** from My Spirit

[6] and they **will prophesy**

[8-9] and I **will give portents** in the heavens, above, and **signs** upon the earth, below:

[7-9] **blood** and **fire** and **vapor** of smoke

[10] and the **sun will be turned** to darkness –

[1] and the **moon**, to blood

[10] before (there), **to come**, (the) **day²** of (the) Lord –

[1-2] the **great** and **manifest**

[3] and it **will be** –

[4-5] every, whoever **calls** on the name of (the) Lord, **will be saved!**

[1-2] **men**, Israelites –

[3-4] (you) heed the **words**, **these**

[5-6] **Jesus**, the **Nazarene**,

[7-8] a Man **having been attested** by God to you by **powers** and by **portents**

[2] and by **signs** which (there) **did** through Him, God, in your midst

[9-10] just as **yourselves**, **you know**

[1] **this-One** –

[3-4] by the **having been determined**, **will** and **foreknowledge** of God –

[2-3] **delivered-up** [adjective] through (the) hands [two]¹ of (the) lawless –

[4-5] **being crucified**, **He was killed**

[5-6] whom God **raised up**, **loosing** the birth-pangs of death

[1-2] because it **was not** possible (for) (there), **to be held**, Him, by it

[3] for David **says** concerning Him

[4] I **foresaw** the Lord before me, through all

[5] because, from my right-hand, He **is** –

[6]* that I **may not be shaken**

[7] because of this, (there) **is glad**, my heart

[8] and (there) **rejoices**, My tongue

[9] and again, also my flesh **will settle** upon hope

[7] because You **will not abandon** my soul to *Hades* [death's place]

[8] neither **will** You **give up** Your holy (one),

[10] **to see** corruption

[9] You **have made known** to me, (the) paths of life

[10] You **will fill me** of gladness with Your face

90 elements (9th hour)

"that I may not be shaken" | A 90-fold literary measure may span from here to the 9th hour (the hour of prayer), beginning of chapter 3. Here also, the context is that of the 9th hour: the hour in which Jesus died. See Luke 23.

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[1-2] **men, brothers**, (there) **being right, to say** with confidence to you concerning the patriarch,

[3-4] **David**, that he **died** and **was buried**

[5-6] and his tomb **is** with us as far as the **day³**, **this**

[7-8] a prophet, then, **being**, and **knowing**

[1-2] that with an oath, (there) **swore** to him, God – from (the) fruit of his loins [**two**]², **to set** upon his throne

[9-10] **foreseeing**, he **spoke** concerning the resurrection of Christ:

[1] that neither **was** He **abandoned** to *Hades* [*death's place*]

[2] neither **did** His flesh **see** corruption

[3] this Jesus, (there) **raised up**, God

[3] of whom all we **are** witnesses

[4] to (the) right-hand, then, of God, **being lifted up**

[5-6] and the promise of the **Spirit**, the **Holy**, **receiving** from the Father, He **poured out** this –

[7-8] which you **see** and **hear**

[9-10] for **David did not ascend** to the heavens, but **says himself**:

[4] (there) **said**, the Lord, to my Lord

[1] **sit** at My right-hand

[5] until I **make** Your **enemies**:

[2-3] a footstool of Your feet [**two**]³

[4] assuredly, then, **let** (there) **know**, all (the) house of Israel

[6-8] that also **Lord, Himself**, also **Christ** – (there) **made**, God –

[5] this **Jesus** whom you **crucified**!

[1-2] now **having heard**, they **were pierced** (to) the heart

[3-4] and they **said** to **Peter** and to the other **apostles**

[5-6] what **should** we **do**, **men, brothers**?

[7-9]* now Peter to them, “(you) **repent**,” **said**, “and **be baptized**, **each** of you, upon the name of Jesus Christ for (the) forgiveness of your sins

[10] and you **will receive** the gift of the Holy Spirit

[1-2] for to **you is** the promise, and to your **children**

[3] and to all the, (**those being**) to far off

[9-10] as many as ever (there) **calls**, (the) **Lord**, our **God**

[4-5] and with other **words**, **many**, he **testified**

[6-7] and he **exhorted** them, **saying**

[8-10] **be saved** from the **generation**, the **crooked**, **this**!

[1-2] indeed then, the, (those) **receiving** his word, **were baptized**

[3] and (there) **were added** in the **day⁴**,

[4-6] that, **souls** – like, **three-thousand**

3000

“the name of Jesus Christ” | The name/title combination *Jesus Christ* is consistently modeled as a single literary element in the New Testament.

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"hour of prayer, the ninth" = (10-fold) x (9) = 90-fold elements

[7-10] now they **were, being devoted** to the **teaching** of the apostles and the **fellowship**, the **break** [breaking] of bread and the **prayers**

[1] now (there) **happened**, to every soul, fear

[2-3] and many **portents** and **signs**, through the apostles, **happened**

[4-5] and all who (**were**) **believing, were** upon the same [place]

[6] and they **had** all (things) (in) common

[7-8] and the **possessions** and the **belongings**, they **sold**

[9] and they **divided** them to all

[10] as ever a certain-one, a need, **had**

[1] and according to **day**, **attending** together in the temple,

[2-3] and **breaking** – according to house – bread, they **received** food with a **glad** and **sincere** heart

[4-5] **praising** God, and **having** grace toward all the people

[6] and the Lord **added**

[7] the, (those) **being saved**, according to **day**, upon the same

[8-9] now **Peter** and **John** **went up** to the temple at the **hour** of the prayer,

[10] the **ninth**

[1-2] and a certain **man** – **crippled** from (the) womb of his mother, **existing** – **was carried**

[3] whom they **placed** according to **day**¹, at the gate of the temple

[4] the, **being called** "of the **hour**" [seasonable, fitting – the Beautiful Gate]

[5-6] of which, **to ask** alms from the, (those) **entering** into the temple

[7-8] who, **seeing** **Peter** and **John**,

[9-10] **being about, to enter** into the temple –

[1-2] he **asked**, alms, **to receive**

[3-4] but (there) **looking intently**, **Peter**, at him, with the **John**,

[5] **he said**

[1] **look** at us!

[2-4] and he **gave attention** to them, **expecting**, a certain (thing), from them, **to receive**

[5] and (there) **said**, **Peter**

[1-2] **silver** and **gold**, **do not belong** to me

[3-4] but what I **have** – this, to you, I **give**

[5-6] in (the) name of **Jesus Christ**, the **Nazarene** – [rise up] and **walk**!

[7-8] and **seizing** him by the right hand, he **raised** him

[9-10] and immediately, (there) **were made strong**, his feet [two]¹

[1-2] and the ankles [two]²

[3-4] and **leaping up**, he **stood**

[5] and he **walked around**!

"day, that" x "hour of... prayer" x (2x) "according to day" = (1) x (10) x (2 x 1) = 20-fold elements

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As with the number 3000 (above), the number 5000 at 4:4 may develop from the present context, as follows:

Factor 1: "at the **hour** of the prayer" = 10-fold

Factor 2: "being called 'of the **hour**'" = 10-fold

Factor 3: "being called 'of the **hour**'" = 10-fold (second instance, next page)

Factor 4: Instances of "day" + accumulation of dual nouns:

- "according to **day**"
- "his feet [two]"
- "and the ankles [two]"

Total: (1) + (2) + (2) = 5-fold

Together, these may form the (10) x (10) x (10) x (5) = 5000-fold stature

This 5000-fold stature may connect the contexts: From the man being strengthened of feet and ankles, leaping and praising God for his new-found freedom of mobility, to the apostles being seized and placed into custody (4:3).

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[6-7] and entered with them into the temple, walking

[8-9] and leaping and praising God

[10] and (there) saw, all the crowd, him –

[1-2] walking around and praising God

[3] and they recognized him

[4] that he, it was, who

[5] for the alms, (was) sitting at the “of the hour” [timely, beautiful] gate of the temple!

[1-2] and they were filled with awe and astonishment

[3] over what had been happening to him

[4-5] but as he was holding Peter and John,

[6] (there) ran together, all the crowd, to them at the portico –

[7-8] the, (it) being called Solomon’s – (they being) astounded

[9-10] but seeing, Peter addressed to the people

[1-2] men, Israelites –

[3] why do you marvel at this-one

[4] or to us, why do you look intently

[5-6] as though, by our own power or godliness, making – of the, to walk – him?

[1-3] the God of Abraham and [the God] of Isaac and [the God] of Jacob –

[4-5] the God of our fathers glorified His Child, Jesus

[7-8] whom you indeed delivered over and denied in (the) face of Pilate

[9-10] (there) having judged, that-one, to release [Him]

[1-2] but you – the Holy (One) and Just (One), denied

[3-4] and you requested a man, a murderer, to be given to you

[5] but the Author of life, you killed!

[1] whom God raised from (the) dead

[1] of whom, we, witnesses, are

[2-3] and by the faith of His name, this-one whom you see and know –

[4] (there) has made strong, His name

[5-6] and the faith which (is) through Him, has given him the full-health, this, before all of you

[7] and now, brothers, I know

[8-9] that in ignorance, you acted, just as also your rulers

[2] but God, who declared-beforehand through (the) mouth of all the prophets

[10] (there) to suffer, His Christ –

[3-4] He has fulfilled, thus

[1-2] repent therefore, and turn back!

[3] for the, (there) to be forgiven of you, the sins

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"times" x "next-day" = (30-fold) x (1) = 30-fold elements

[5] in order that ever, (there) **may come**, **appointed-times** of refreshment from (the) face of the Lord

[6] and He **may send** the –

[4] (there) **having been appointed** for you, Christ Jesus

[7-8] whom, **it is necessary** (for) heaven, indeed, **to receive**, until (the) **times** of (the) restoration of all (things)

[9-10] of which (there) **spoke**, God, through (the) mouth of **holy** (ones) from (the) age – His **prophets**

[5] indeed, Moses **said** that

[1-2] a prophet for you, (there) **will raise up**, (the) **Lord**, our **God**, from your brothers, like me

[1] of Him, you **will listen**, according to all –

[2] as much as ever, He **may speak** to you

[3] and it **will be** –

[4-5] every soul who **does not listen** to the **Prophet**, **that**, **will be rooted out** from the people

[1-2]* and also, all the prophets from **Samuel** and of the **subsequent**, as many as **spoke**, also **proclaimed** the **days**,

[3] **these**

[4] you **are** the sons of the prophets

[3-4] and of the covenant which (there) **made**, God, to your fathers, **saying** to Abraham

[5] and in your seed, (there) **will be blessed**, all the families of the earth

[5-6] to you first – (there) **raising up**, God, His Child – He **sent** Him

[7-8] **blessing** you in the, **to turn away** each from your evils

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[1] and as they **(were)** **speaking** to the crowd

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[2-4] (there) **approached** them, the **priests** and the **magistrates** of the temple and the **Sadducees**, **being vexed** –

[5] because of their, **to teach** the crowd

[6-7] and **to proclaim** in Jesus, the resurrection, the, **(being)** from (the) dead

[8-9] and they **laid** on them the hands **[two]**

18 elements

[10] and **placed** (them) into custody for the **next-day** –

[1] for it **was evening** already

[2-3] but many of the, (those) **hearing** the word, **believed**!

[4] and (there) **became**, (the) **number** of the brothers,

[5-9] [like], **thousands**, **five**

[10] now it **happened** –

5000

[1-3] on the **next-day**, (there) **to be gathered** to them, the **rulers** and the **elders** and the **scribes** in Jerusalem

[4-5] and **Annas**, the **high-priest**

“from Samuel and of the subsequent” | The correspondence between running literary count and time/numerical measures may be as follows:

“Samuel and... subsequent, as many as spoke” x “days, these” x (“next-day” + “evening”) x (“hands **[two]**”)

= (2-fold) x (3-fold) x (1 + 0.5) x (2-fold)

= (6-fold) x (1.5-fold) x (2-fold) = 18-fold elements

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[6-8] and Caiaphas and John and Alexander
 [9-10] and as many as were from (the) family, (the) high-priestly
 [1-2] and putting them in the midst, they inquired
 [3-4] by what kind of power, or in what kind of name, do (there) perform
 this, you?
 [5-6] then Peter, being filled with (the) Spirit, Holy, said to them
 [7-8] rulers of the people, and elders – if we, today, are examined
 concerning a good deed for a man,
 [9] infirm –

[10] by what, this one has been saved –

[1-2] known, let it be to all of you and to all the people of Israel

[3-4] that in (the) name of Jesus Christ, the Nazarene, whom you crucified –

[9] whom God raised from (the) dead –

[5-6] by this [name] – this-one stands before you, whole

[7] this-One is the stone

[8-9] which, (was) being despised by you, the builders

[10] which, (was) becoming, to (the) head of (the) corner

[1] and (there) is not in any other, the salvation

[2] for not even a name, (there) is – other – under the heaven

[3] the, (it) having been given among men

[4-5] by which it is necessary, to be saved, us

[1] but seeing the –

[2-3] (being) of Peter – boldness – and of John –

[4] and perceiving

[5-7] that men, unlearned, they were, and unskilled [“idiots”]

[8] they marveled

[9] and they recognized them –

[10] that with Jesus, they were

[1] but the man, (they) [the priestly leaders] seeing

[2] with them, standing

[3] the, having been healed

[4-5] nothing, they had, to object

[1] but commanding them,

[2] outside of the Sanhedrin, to go –

[3-4] they conferred with one another, saying

[5-6] what shall we do to the men, these?

[7-8] because indeed then, an undeniable sign had become – through them, to all
 the, (those) inhabiting Jerusalem – manifest

[9-10] and we are not able, to deny (it)

40-fold “sign” measure (see below)

A 180-fold literary measure may connect this context with that of Ananias and Sapphira in chapter 5. In both cases, truthfulness is at stake. Here, the Sanhedrin are unable to deny the truth of what happened, though they will still threaten the apostles. In chapter 5, Ananias and Sapphira hold back a portion of a gift, and they lie about it. They are held to account for lying, not to men, but to God’s Spirit.

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[1] but in order that (there) **not**, upon more, it **spread** to the people
 [2] **let** us **threaten** them
 [3-4] no more, **to speak** in the **name**, **this**, to any person
 [5-6] and **calling** them, they **commanded**
 [7-8] altogether, **not to speak**, neither **to teach** in the name of Jesus
 [9-10] but **Peter** and **John**, **answering**, **said** to them

[10] if right, it **is**, before God –
 [1] of you, **to heed**, rather than of God
 [2] (you) **judge**
 [3] for (there) **are not able**, we –
 [4-6] what we **have seen** and **heard** – **not to speak**!
 [7-8] but they, **threatening-further**, **released** them
 [9-10] nothing **finding** which, how they **might curtail** them, because of the crowd –
 [1-2] because all **praised** God for what **had been happening**
 [3-4] for of **years**, (there) **was** – more than **forty** – the man upon whom
 (there) **happened**, the **sign**, 40
 [5] **this**, of the cure
 [6-7] but **having been released**, they **went** to their own
 [8] and they **reported**
 [9-10] as much as, to them, the **high-priests** and the **elders** had **said**
 [1-2] but the, (those) **hearing, of-one-accord**, **lifted** a voice to God
 [3] and they **said**

[1-2] [O] **Lord, You (are)** the, (He) **having made** the heaven
 [3-4] and the **earth** and the **sea**
 [5] and all that **(is)** in them
 [6-7] who – of our father, through (the) **Spirit, Holy** –
 [8-9] of (the) mouth of **David**, Your **child**, **(was)** **saying**
 [4] “why do (there) **rage**, (the) nations
 [5] and (the) peoples **plot** emptiness?
 [1] (there) **stand by**, the kings of the earth
 [2-3] and the rulers **gather** upon the same, against the **Lord** and against His
Christ [Messiah, anointed-One]”
 [4-5] for (there) **were gathered**, upon truth, in the **city**, **this**, against Your
 Holy Child,
 [6-] Jesus –
 [10] whom You **anointed** –
 [-7] **Herod** and **Pontius-Pilate** with nations
 [8] and (the) **peoples** of Israel, **to do** –
 [1-2] as much as Your **hand** and (Your) **will predestined**, **to happen**

40 years | 40-fold “sign” measure

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[3-4] and now, [O] Lord, (You) watch over their threats

[5] and give to Your servants

[9-10] with boldness, all – to speak Your word

[6] in which, (Your) hand, (there) to stretch out, You, for a cure

[1] and signs

[2] and portents, to happen through the name of Your Holy Child,

[3] Jesus

[4] and when (they were) having prayed,

[5] (there) was shaken, the place

[6] in which they were, having gathered

[7] and (there) were filled, all, of the Holy Spirit

[8] and they spoke the word of God with boldness

[9-10] and the multitude of the, (those) believing, were a heart and soul, one

[1-2] and not even one – a certain (thing) of the, (those) belonging to him – said,

[3] his own, to be

[4-5] but (there) were for them, everything, common

[6-7] and with power, great, (there) gave the testimony – the apostles – of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus

[8-9] and grace, great, was upon all of them

[10] for not even needy, a certain-one was, among them

[1-2] for as many as, possessors of fields or houses, existed –

[3-4] selling, they brought the proceeds of the,

[5] (it) having been sold

[1-2] and they placed (it) at the feet [two]¹ of the apostles

[3] and it was distributed to each-one

[4] as ever, a certain-one, a need, had

[5] now Joseph, the being called Barnabas by the apostles

[6] which is, being translated, “son of encouragement” –

[7-8] a Levite, a Cypriot by race – (there) belonging to him, a field –

[9-10] selling, he brought the money

[1-2] and he placed (it) at the feet [two]² of the apostles

[3-5] but a man, a certain-one, Ananias by name,

[6-7] with Sapphira, the, his wife, sold property

[8] and he held back from the price –

[9] (there) knowing also, the wife

[10] and bringing a part –

[1-2] a certain-one – at the feet [two]³ of the apostles, he placed (it)

40-fold measure

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30-fold measure

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"hours, three" x (3x "feet [two]") = (30-fold) x (6-fold) = 180

[3] but (there) **said**, Peter
 [4] Ananias, because of what, **has** (there) **filled**, Satan, your heart
 [5-6] (there) **to lie**, you, (to) the **Spirit**, the **Holy**
 [7] and **to hold back** from the price of the field?
 [8-9] **was** (there) **not** – (it) **remaining** – to you, it **remained**?
 [10] and (it) **being sold** –
 [1] in your power, it **existed**?
 [2-3] why (**is** it) that **you have set** in your **heart** [*reflexivity*], the deed,
 [4] **this**?
 [5] you **have not lied** to men, but to God!

[1-2] and (there) **hearing**, Ananias, the **words**, **these** –
 [3-4] **falling**, he **breathed-his-last**
 [5-6] and (there) **happened**, a **fear**, **great**, upon all the, (those) **hearing**
 [7-8] and **rising up**, the young-men **wrapped** him **up**
 [9-10] and **carrying** (him) **out**, they **buried** (him)

[1-3] now (there) **happened**, like, of **hours**, **three**, an interval [*a distance*]

[4-6] and his **wife**, **not knowing** what **was having happened**, **entered**
 [7] and (there) **answered** to her, Peter
 [8-9] **tell** me – if for so much, the field, you (all) **sold**?
 [10] and which, **she said**

[1] yes, (it **was**) for so much
 [2] but **Peter**, to her:
 [3-5] why (**is** it), that (there) **has been agreed** [*"sounded together"*] with you (all),
to test the Spirit of (the) Lord?

[1-2] behold, the feet [**two**]¹ of the, (those) **burying** your husband, (**are**) at the door

[3] and they **will carry** you **out**!
 [4-5] and she **fell down** immediately at his feet [**two**]²
 [6] and she **breathed-her-last**
 [7-8] and **entering**, the young-men **found her**, **dead**
 [9-10] and **carrying** (her) **out**, they **buried** (her) beside her husband

[1-2] and (there) **happened**, a **fear**, **great**, upon all the church
 [3] and upon all the, (**those**) **hearing** these (things)
 [4-5] now by the hands [**two**]³ of the apostles, (there) **happened** **signs**
 [6-7] and **wonders**, **many**, among the people
 [8] and (there) **were**, of-one-accord, all in the Portico of Solomon

[9-10] but of the rest, none **dared**, **to join** them

[1] but (there) **esteemed** them, the people

"hours, three" | 30-fold measure

"hours, three" | 30-fold reflection: a response of unity

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[2-3] but rather, (there) **were added**, (**those**) **believing** in the Lord:

[4-5] multitudes of both **men** and **women**

[6] so that even into the streets, **to carry out** the sick

[7-8] and **to place** (them) upon **cots** and **mats**

[9-10] in order that (as there **was**) **coming**, Peter – even the shadow **might overshadow** a certain-one of them

[1-2] and (there) **came together**, also the multitude of the – **around** – cities – Jeru-
salem, **bringing** (the) **sick** –

[3-4] and (those) **being disturbed** by **spirits**, **unclean**

[5-6] **who were healed**, **all**

[7-8] but (there) **rising up**, the **high-priest** and all the, (**those being**) with him –

[9] who **were being** (the) party of the Sadducees –

[10] they **were filled** with jealousy

[1-2] and **laying** the hands [**two**]¹ upon the apostles – even, they **put** them into custody,

[3] **public**

[7-8] but an angel of (the) Lord, by night, **opening** the doors [**two**]² of the prison –

[9-10] and **leading** them out, **said**

[4] **go!**

[5-6] and **standing**, **speak** in the temple, to the **people**, **all**, the words of the life,

[7] **this!**

[8] and **hearing**, they **entered** by the **dawn** to the temple

[10] and they **taught**

[1] but (there) **coming**, the **high-priest**

[2-3] and the, (**those being**) with him – they **called-together** the **Sanhedrin** and all the **senate** of the sons of Israel

[4-5] and they **sent** to the jail, **to bring** them

[6-7] but the, (there) **coming**, (the) officers **did not find** them in the prison

[8-10] but **returning**, they **reported**, **saying** that

[1-2] the jail, we **found**, **having been locked** with all certainty

[3-4] and the guards (**were**) **standing** at the doors [**two**]³

[5-6] but **having opened** – inside, nothing, we **found!**

[7-8] and as they **heard** the **words**, **these** – both the magistrate of the temple

[9] and the high-priests **were perplexed** concerning them –

[10]* whatever (there) **would become**, this!

1000

[1-2] but **coming**, a certain-one **reported** to them, that

1000

[3] behold the men whom you **put** in the prison –

[4] they **are**, in the temple, **standing**

[5] and **teaching** the people!

Luke may utilize a calendrical design to emphasize the correlation of literary elements with years, in view of the approaching thousandfold interval in the total literary count (just below). The out-of-sequence wording “the – around – cities – Jerusalem” may serve as a cue for a change in literary directionality: a reflection point. On either side of this line are three instances of Hebrew dual noun concepts:

“feet [**two**]”

“feet [**two**]”

“hands [**two**]”

around

“hands [**two**]”

“doors [**two**]”

“doors [**two**]”

Compounding with the 30-fold literary measure “**hours, three,**” which overlaps from above, the design may involve reflected (“two” x 3) x (30-fold) = 180-fold statures on either side of key word “**around.**” This design results in a 360-fold stature for the luni-solar year.

See similar possibilities for luni-solar calendrical designs at Psalm 90, Psalm 119, Ecclesiastes 7, Judges 13, Mark 13, and Habakkuk 2-3.

“whatever (there) would become, this!” | If literary counts are correct, the cyan dashed line indicates the completion of the first thousandfold in total literary count in the Book of Acts. Building upon the 7000-fold (7-day) macrostructure of the Gospel of Luke, the stature reaches the 8000-fold mark here. This is the stature of the 8th day: the day of resurrection, the first day of the new week. Themes from Jesus’ death and resurrection may be placed intentionally in the local context, leading to this line:

- Wrapping and burial of a dead body (Ananias) → Jesus’ death
- A literary 3-fold interval (Sapphira) → 3 days in the tomb
- Imprisonment (of the apostles) → held by death
- Guards at the prison → guards at the tomb
- Angelic intervention, apostles not found → Jesus’ resurrection

The presence of an 8000-fold literary design may be further established by the placement of two measures given in (**unit | quantity**) format for literary device, within the broader context of Acts 1-5:

- “**souls** – like, **three-thousand**” (chapter 2)
- “**number** of the brothers, [like], **thousands, five**” (chapter 4)

Taken together by literary device, these measures total to 8000-fold.

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[1-2] then **going away**, the **magistrate** with the **officers brought** them, not by force
 [3-4] for they **feared** the crowd, lest they **be stoned**
 [5-6] but **bringing** them, they **put** (them) in the *Sanhedrin*
 [7-8] and (there) **questioned** them, the high-priest, **saying**
 [9-10] **did** [not], a commandment, we **command** you, **not to teach** in the **Name**, **this?**

[1] and behold, you **have filled** Jerusalem with your doctrine
 [2-3] and you **intend, to bring** upon us the blood of the **Man**, **this**
 [4-5] but **answering**, **Peter** and the **apostles said**

[1-2] **to obey, it is necessary**, to God, rather than to men

[1] the God of our fathers **raised** Jesus

[3-4] whom you **killed, hanging** (Him) upon a tree

[5] **this-One** –

[2-3] God – **Ruler** and **Savior** – **raised up** to His right-hand, **to give** repentance to Israel

[4] and **forgiveness** of sins

[6-7] and we **are** witnesses of the **things, these**

[8-9] and the **Spirit**, the **Holy** (is) –

[5] whom (there) **has given**, God, to the –

[10] (those) **obeying** Him

[1-2] but they, **hearing, became furious**

[3-4] and they **wanted, to kill** them!

[5] but **rising up**, a **certain-one**, in the *Sanhedrin* –

[6-7] a **Pharisee**, by name, **Gamaliel**

[8-9] a **teacher-of-law, honorable** to all the people – **commanded**, outside, a **little** [while], the men, **to make**

[10] and he **said** to them

[1-2] **men, Israelites**

[3-4] (you) **take care to yourselves** [reflexive], upon the men,

[5] **these** –

[6-7] what you **are about, to do**

[8-9] for before these **days**, (there) **rose up**, Theudas, **saying**

[10] (there) **to be**, a **certain-one**, himself –

[1-4]* to whom (there) **joined**, of men, a **number**, like, **four-hundred**

[5] who **was killed**

[1-2] and all, as many as **were persuaded** by him, **were scattered**

[3] and **he became**, to **nothing**

[4-5] after him, (there) **rose up** **Judas**, the **Galilean**, in the **days** of the registration

[6] and he **drew away** a crowd after him

[7] and that-one **was destroyed**

[8-9] and all, as many as **were persuaded** by him, **were scattered**

A 55-fold sequence spans between the thousandfold interval (page above) and a reflected thousandfold stature for Stephen (beginning just below). The 55-fold may reflect a composite stature, as follows:

- God (the Father) acting with fivefold elements in the heavenly subject column. The tenfold literary identity of God (the Father) has been established by His having at least ten literary elements in the heavenly subject column, for which He is the divine Subject. His fivefold actions in the local context are His raising up Jesus to His right-hand, and giving the Holy Spirit. These fivefold actions are modeled with a literary half-set. Thus: (God the Father) x (5-fold actions) = (10) x (5) = 50-fold
- Jesus may be presented with fivefold names in the local context: (1) the Name, this; (2) the Man, this; (3) Jesus; (4) Ruler; (5) Savior. As Jesus was Himself given over to death, He may be modeled with fivefold significance in the digits place: (5-fold Name) = 5-fold

Thus, the composite stature is (50-fold) + (5-fold) = 55-fold.

For a comparable use of the same composite stature, see comments at John 6, 8, 12, and 21.

“a number, like, four-hundred” | In this curious phrase, Luke appears to insert the word *number* for literary emphasis, not merely on the number of men, which could be written more simply: “of men, like, four-hundred.” Rather, it appears Luke uses this *number* as a starting point for a literary design in the local context. From this line begins a thousandfold literary stature, reflected about the description of Stephen, and culminating in a 430-fold stature at each extent of the thousandfold reflection. They each focus on adversities arising from within, and overtaking, the covenant community: the people and their 12-fold leaders. Sandwiched within this context of adversity, Stephen is honored with a 1000-fold literary stature like the faith heroes of Genesis (see comments there). Stephen, like Joseph, will experience the edge of jealousy from his own people.

“before these days” x “a little [while]” = (3) x (3) = 9-fold elements

1000-fold stature

“days” x “days” = 3 x 3 = 9

400 430-fold stature of adversity

1000-fold stature for Stephen (500 + 500, reflected)

"day" x "days" = 1 x 3 = 3 elements

"days" x (10-fold) x (hands [two]) = (3) x (10) x (2) = 60 elements

[10] and which, now, I say to you
[1-2] withdraw from the men, these
[3] and permit them
[4-5] because if (there) be from men, the purpose, this,
[6-7] or the work, this
[8] it will be overthrown
[9] but if, from God, it is
[10] you will not be able –
[1] to overthrow them
[2] lest even, God-fighting [adjective], you be found!
[3] and they were persuaded by him
[4-5] and calling the apostles, scourging (them) –
[6-7] they commanded (them), not to speak in the name of Jesus
[8] and they released (them)
[9-10] who indeed, then, departed, rejoicing, from (the) face of the Sanhedrin –
[1-2] that they were considered worthy, for the Name, to be treated-with-indignity
[3-4] and every day, in the temple and according to house, they did not cease, teaching
[5] and proclaiming-as-good-news, the Christ (as) Jesus 5:42
[1-2] now in the days, these, (as there were) multiplying, the disciples, 6:1
[3] (there) happened, a grumble [grumbling] of the Hellenists against the Hebrews
[4-5] because (there) were neglected in the service, the daily, their widows
[1-2] but (there) calling, the twelve, the multitude of the disciples, they said 10¹
[3-5] (it) is not right for us – leaving the word of God – to serve tables
[1] but (you) select,
[2-8] brothers, men from yourselves, being of good repute, seven
[9-10] full of (the) Spirit and of wisdom –
[1-2] whom we will appoint over the duty, this
[3-4] but we, to the prayer and to the ministry of the word, will attend
[5] and (there) pleased, the word, before all the multitude
[6-8] and they chose Stephen, a man, full of faith
[9-10] and of (the) Spirit, Holy
[1-5] and Philip and Prochorus and Nicanor and Timon and Parmenas
[6-8] and Nicolas, a proselyte, Antiochian
[9] whom they set before the apostles
[10] and praying –
[1-2] they placed upon them, the hands [two]¹

430-fold stature of adversity

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1000-fold stature for Stephen (500 + 500, reflected)

60 elements

[3] and the word of God **grew**
 [4-5] and (there) **was multiplied**, the **number** of the disciples in Jerusalem, **greatly**
 [6] and a great crowd of the priests **obeyed** the faith
 [7-8] and **Stephen**, (**being**) full of **grace** and **power**, **performed** wonders
 [9-10] and **signs**, **great**, among the people

[1-2] but (there) **rose up**, certain-ones of the, (those **being**) of the synagogue
 [3] the, (it) **being called** "of Freedman"
 [4-5] and **Cyrenians** and **Alexandrians**
 [6-7] and the, (those **being**) from **Cilicia** and **Asia** – **disputing** with Stephen
 [8-9] and they **were not able**, **to withstand** the **wisdom** and the **Spirit**
 [10] with which he **spoke**

[1-2] then they **instigated** men, **saying** that
 [3] we **have heard** of him,
 [4] **speaking words**,
 [5-6] blasphemous, against **Moses** and **God**
 [7-9] and they **stirred up** the **crowd** and the **elders** and the **scribes**
 [10] and **coming up** –

[1] they **seized** him
 [2] and they **brought** (him) to the *Sanhedrin*
 [3-4] and they **placed witnesses**, **false** –
 [5] (they) **saying**

[1-2] the **man**, **this**, **does not cease**, **speaking** words against the place,
 [3-4] the **holy**, [**this**]
 [5] and the **law**

[1] for we **have heard** of him,
 [2] **saying** that
 [3-5] **Jesus**, the **Nazarene**, **this**, **will destroy** the place,
 [6] **this**

[7] and He **will change** the customs
 [8] which (there) **delivered** to us, Moses
 [9-10] and (there) **looking intently** toward him, all the, (those) **sitting** in the
 Sanhedrin –

[1] they saw his **face**,
 [2] as if (it **were**) (the) **face** of an angel

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[3] and (there) **said**, the high priest
 [4] if these (things), thus, **be**?
 [5] and he [*Stephen*] **said**

7:1

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1000-fold stature for Stephen (500 + 500, reflected)

[1-4] men, brothers and fathers – (you) listen!
 [1-2] the God of glory appeared to our father, Abraham –
 [5-6] (him) being in Mesopotamia, before even, (there) to dwell, him, in Haran –
 [3] and He said to him
 [7-8] go out from your land and [from] your kindred and here [verbal] to the land
 [4] which ever, to you, I show
 [9-10] then going out from (the) land of (the) Chaldeans, he dwelled in Haran
 [1] and from there – after which, (there) to die, his father –
 [5] He sent him off to the land –
 [2] this, to which, you now inhabit
 [6] and He did not give to him an inheritance in it – not even (the) step [breadth] of a foot!
 [7-8] but He promised, to give to him, for a possession, it – and to his seed after him –
 [3] (there) not being, to him, a child
 [9-10] but (there) spoke, thus, God, that
 [4-5] (there) will be, his seed, strangers in a land, foreign
 [6] and they will enslave them
 [7-10] and they will afflict (them), years, four-hundred
 [1] and the nation to whom they will serve-as-slaves –
 [1] (there) will judge, I –
 [2] God said
 [2] and after these (things), they will go out
 [3-4] and they will serve Me in the place, this
 [3] and He gave to him a covenant of circumcision
 [5] and thus, he begat Isaac
 [6-7] and he circumcised him on the day, the eighth
 [8] and Isaac, Jacob
 [9-10] and Jacob, the twelve patriarchs
 [1-2] and the patriarchs, being jealous (toward) Joseph, sold (him) to Egypt
 [4] and (there) was, God, with him
 [5] and He delivered him from all his adversities
 [1-2] and He gave him favor and wisdom before Pharaoh,
 [3] king of Egypt
 [3] and he appointed him –
 [4-5] leading over Egypt and [over] all his household
 [1-2] now (there) came, a famine upon all Egypt and Canaan
 [3-4] and (it was) an adversity, great
 [5] and (there) could not find food, our fathers

400

430-fold stature of adversity

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[1-2] but **hearing**, Jacob, (there) **being** grain in Egypt –

[3] he **sent forth** our fathers **first** →

[4] and in the second [*occasion*], (there) **was recognized**, Joseph, by his brothers

[5-6] and **known**, (there) **became** to Pharaoh, the **family** of Joseph

[7-8] but **sending**, Joseph **called Jacob**, his **father**

[9-10] and all the kindred, in souls, (**being**) **seventy-**

70

[1-5] **five**

[1] and (there) **went down**, Jacob, to Egypt

[2-3] and (there) **died**, **he** and our **fathers**

[4] and they **were transported** to Shechem

[5] and they **were placed** in the tomb

[6] which (there) **bought**, Abraham, for a price of silver-money from the sons of Hamor in Shechem

[7] but just as (there) **drew near**, the **time** of the promise

[4] which (there) **promised**, God to Abraham

[8] (there) **increased**, the people

[9]* and it **was** [*they were*] **multiplied** in Egypt

[10] until which, (there) **arose**, a king, other [over Egypt] –

[1] who **did not know** Joseph

[2-4] this-one, **outwitting** our kindred, **mistreated** [our] fathers, of which, **to make** their **infants**, **exposed**

[5] to which, (they **would**) **not**, **to be kept alive**

[1] in which **appointed-time**, (there) **was born**, Moses ←

[2-4] and he **was** beautiful to God – who **was brought up**, **months**, **three**, →
in the house of the father

[5] but (when there **was**) **being exposed**, him –

[6] (there) **took** him **away**, the daughter of Pharaoh

[7] and she **brought** him **up** for herself, for a son

[8] and (there) **was instructed**, Moses, [in] all (the) wisdom of (the) Egyptians,

[9-10] and he **was** mighty in **words** and in his **works** –

[1-2]* but as (there) **was fulfilled** to him, **forty-years' time**, ← 40

[3-4] (there) **went up** upon his heart, **to care for** his **brothers**, the **sons** of Israel

[5] and **seeing** a certain-one,

[6] **being mistreated**,

[7] he **defended**

[8] and he **did** vengeance for the,

[9] (him) **being oppressing** –

[10] **striking down** the Egyptian

“it was [*they were*] multiplied in Egypt” | Although the increasing of people is in view, the singular verb form is used here: “it was multiplied.” The semantic range of the verb can include growing, increasing, and augmenting. Here, a thousandfold literary stature may be intended for the people of God in Egypt, by literary multiplication. The placement of the word *time* (“(there) drew near, the time of the promise”) may introduce a 10-fold factor, based upon the tenfold literary time conversion value of the word. The running literary count indicated by the cyan bracket, including special number 70 (from “seventy-five”), is 100-fold. Taken together: 100 x 10-fold = 1000-fold.

“forty-years’ time” | This phrase could be expressed more simply, “forty years.” But Luke compounds the measure “forty-years” with the word “time,” which has tenfold literary significance by time conversion value. Taken together, this phrase has 40 x 10-fold = 400-fold literary significance. Like the word *time*, the word *month* has also been found to have tenfold literary significance by time conversion value. Coupled with the three months mentioned just above (3 x 10-fold = 30-fold literary significance), Luke may provide another 430-fold stature in local context of Egyptian adversity, for Moses during his early years. For a similar possibility of the word *time* being used as a multiplier in a local literary stature of 430-fold, see John 5.

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40 elements | "forty-years"

[1-2] now he **supposed**, (there) **to understand**, [his] brothers
 [5] that God, through his **hand**, **gave** deliverance to them

[3] but which, they **did not understand**

[4-5] but on the **succeeding day**, he **appeared** to them

[6] (while they **were**) **quarreling**

[7-8] and he **negotiated** with them for peace, **saying**

[9-10] **men** – brothers, **you are!**

[1] why **do** you **harm** one-another?

[2-4] but the, (he) **harming** the neighbor, **repulsed** him, **saying**

[5-7] who – **you** – **appointed**, a **ruler** and **judge** over us?

[8-10] (is there) **not**, **to kill** me – you **want** – which manner you **killed**
yesterday, the Egyptian?

[1-2] now (there) **fled**, Moses, at the **word**, **this**

[3-4] and **he became** a **sojourner** in (the) land of Midian

[5-6] where he **fathered sons**, **two**

[7-8] and (as there **were**) **being fulfilled**, **years**, **forty** –

[1] (there) **appeared** to him in the wilderness of the mountain of Sinai, an angel,
 in a flame [*"blade"*] of fire, of a thorn-bush

[9-10] and which, Moses, **seeing**, **admired** the appearance

[1-2] but (as he **was**) **approaching** him, **to look** –

[2] (there) **happened**, (the) voice of (the) Lord

[3] I (**am**) the **God** of your fathers

[4-6] the God of **Abraham** and **Isaac** and **Jacob**

[3] but a tremble [*trembling*] (**was**) **happening**

[4-5] Moses **did not dare**, **to look!**

[7] and (there) **said** to him, the Lord

[1-2] **loosen** the sandal of your feet [*two*]

[3] for the **place** upon which you **have stood** –

[4-5] **ground**, **holy**, it **is!**

[8-9] **seeing**, I **have seen** the affliction of My people

[1] who (**are**) in Egypt

[10] and their groan, I **have heard**

[1-2] and I **have come down**, **to deliver** them

[2] and now **come here** –

[3] I **will send** you to Egypt!

[3-4] this Moses, whom they **denied**, **saying**

[5-7] who – **you** – **appointed**, a **ruler** and **judge**?

[4-6] **this-one** – God – [even] **ruler** and **redeemer**, **sent** with (the) hand of the angel

[7] who (was) **appearing** to him in the thorn-bush

10 elem.

40

40 elements | "years, forty"

Acts

40 elements | "years, forty"

[8-9] this-one brought them out, working wonders and signs in (the) land of Egypt,
 [10] and in (the) Red Sea,
 [1-2] and in the desert, years, forty
 [3-4] this-one is the Moses who (was) saying to the sons of Israel
 [8] "a prophet – for you, (there) will raise up, God, from your brothers – like me"
 [5-6] this-one is the, (he) happening in the assembly,
 [7] in the wilderness with the angel –
 [9-10] the, (he) speaking to him in the Mount Sinai, and of our fathers –
 [8-10] who received oracles, living, to give to us
 [1-2] to whom (there) were not willing – obedient, to become – our fathers
 [3] but they repulsed (him)
 [4-5] and they were turned about, in their hearts, toward Egypt, saying to Aaron
 [1] make for us gods
 [2] who will go before us
 [3-4] for the Moses, this-one –
 [5] which, he brought us out from (the) land of Egypt –
 [6] we do not know
 [7] what has happened to him
 [8-9] and they made-a-calf in the days, those
 [10] and they offered a sacrifice to the idol
 [1-2] and they rejoiced in the works of their hands [two]
 [1] but (there) turned away, God
 [2] and He gave them over –
 [3] to serve the host of the heaven
 [4] just as it has been written in (the) book of the prophets:
 [5] "(did there) not – sacrificial-victims
 [6-7] and sacrifices – you bring to Me, years, forty, in the wilderness,
 [8] [O] house of Israel?
 [9] and you raised the tent of Molech
 [10] and the star of [your] god –
 [1] Rephan!
 [2-3] the images which you made, to worship them
 [3]* and I will send you off, beyond Babylon!"
 [4] the tent of the witness was to our fathers in the wilderness
 [4-5] just as (there) prescribed, He speaking to Moses:
 [5-6] to make it according to the pattern which he had seen

40

"days" x "hands [two]" = (3) x (2) = 6-fold elements

40

70 elements

"beyond Babylon" | Luke may structure the remainder of Stephen's speech with 70-fold measure, corresponding with the Babylonian captivity, which is referenced here. This 70-fold, and the five elements that precede it (Israel's idolatry), may be a literary reflection of the 75 souls of Joseph's kindred. These statues are positioned on either side of the four instances of 40-fold. For a possible parallel of a 70-fold measure related to Babylonian captivity, and resulting in a prayer for forgiveness, see Daniel's prayer, Dan. 9.

Acts

[7-8] and which, (there) **brought in** – (there) **receiving**, our fathers, with Joshua in the possession of the nations

[1] of whom, (there) **drove out**, God, from (the) face our fathers, until the **days** of David –
[9] who **found** favor before God
[10] and he **asked** –

[1] **to find** a dwelling-place for the **house**¹ of Jacob

[2] but Solomon built for Him a **house**¹

[2] but (there) **does not** – the Most-High – in hand-made (things), **dwell**!

[3] just as the prophet **says**

[3] “the heaven (**is**) My throne

[4-5] and the earth (**is**) (the) footstool of My feet [**two**]²

[1] what kind of house **will** you **build** for Me?

[4] **says** (the) Lord

[2] or what kind (**is**) (the) place of My rest?

[5] **has not** My **hand made** these all?

[3-4] [**O**] **stiff-necked** and **uncircumcised** in hearts

[5-6] and in the ears [**two**]³

[7-8] you always – the **Spirit**, the **Holy** – **resist**

[9-10] as your fathers (**were**) – also you (**are**)!

[1] which of the prophets **did** (there) **not persecute**, your fathers?

[2] and they **killed** the,

[3] (those) **announcing-beforehand** concerning the advent of the Righteous (One)

[4-6] of whom now, **you** – **betrayers** and **murderers** – **have become**!

[7] which, you **received** the law, for [**as**] a decree of angels

[8] and you **did not keep** (it)!

[9-10] but **hearing** these (things) – (there) **were furious** [*“sawn-asunder”*], their hearts

[1-2] and they **gnashed** the teeth [**two**]⁴ at him

[3-4] but **being** full of (the) **Spirit**, **Holy**

[5-6] **looking-intently** into the heaven, he **saw** (the) glory of God

[1] and Jesus, **standing** at (the) right-hand of God

[7] and he **said**

[8] behold, I **see** –

[2] the heavens **having been opened**

[3] and the Son of Man, at (the) right-hand – **having stood** – of God!

[9-10] but **crying out** with a **voice**, **great** –

[1-2] they **stopped** their ears [**two**]⁵

[3] and they **rushed** together at him

[4-5] and **casting** (him) outside of the city, they **stoned** him

“days” x (2x “house”) = (3) x (2) = 6-fold elements

70 elements

Acts

[1-2] and the witnesses **laid** their garments at the feet **[two]**⁶ of a young-man **being called** Saul
 [3] and they **stoned** Stephen –
 [4-5] (he) **calling out** and **saying**
 [4-5] **Lord Jesus, (You) receive** my spirit!
 [1-2] and **placing** the knees **[two]**⁷, he **cried out** with a voice,
 [3] **great**
 [1-2] **Lord, (You) do not place** against them these sins ←
 [4-5] and this, **having said**, he **fell asleep**
 [1] and Saul **was, approving** of his murder
 [2-3] now (there) **happened** on that **day**, a **persecution, great**, upon the church
 [4] the, **(being)** in Jerusalem
 [5-6] but all **were scattered** across the regions of **Judea** and **Samaria**, except the apostles
 [7-8] but (there) **buried** Stephen – **men, devout**
 [9-10] and they **made** a **lamentation, great**, over him
 [1] but Saul **ravaged** the church –
 [2] according to the houses, **entering**,
 [3-4] **dragging away** both **men** and **women** –
 [5] he **delivered** (them) **over** to prison!
 [1-2] indeed then, the (those) **being scattered, passed through** –
 [3] **proclaiming-as-good-news**, the word
 [4-5] but Philip, **going down** to (the) city of Samaria, **proclaimed** to them, the Christ
 [1] now (there) **paid attention**, the crowds, to the,
 [2] (those things) **being said** by Philip
 [3-4] together, in which, **to hear** – them – and **to see**
 [5] the **signs** which he **did**
 [1-2] for many of the, (those) **having spirits, unclean** –
 [3-4] **[the spirits] crying out** with a **voice, great**, they **came out**
 [5-6] and many **being paralyzed** and crippled, **were healed**
 [7-8] and (there) **happened**, much joy in the **city, that**
 [9-10] now a **man**, a **certain-one** –
 [1-2] by name, **Simon** – **existed formerly** in the city, **practicing magic**
 [3-4] and **astounding** the people of Samaria, **saying**
 [5-6] (there) **to be** a **certain-one** – himself – **great**
 [7-8] to which, (there) **paid attention**, all – from **small** as far as **great** – **saying**
 [9-10] this (one) **is** the power of God, which (**is**) **being called** “great!”

70 elements

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“considerable time” = 10-fold
(10-fold literary identity)

The 70-fold measure may also be by composite stature:

Factor 1: Including the doubled instance of “house” as elements 1 & 2 of a literary set, there are seven instances of Hebrew dual noun concepts within this 70-fold measure (see superscripts). Thus: (7) x (2) = 14-fold.

Factor 2: From context, Stephen’s life is an example of a dwelling-place for God’s Spirit – a *house* of God. Stephen gives up his life as he is stoned to death (5-fold half set). At the same time, Jesus receives Stephen’s spirit (also a 5-fold half set). A 5-fold factor may be implied: 5-fold.

In composite stature: (14-fold) x (5-fold) = 70-fold.

Acts

[1] and they **paid attention** to him
 [2] because of which, for a considerable **time**, with the magic-arts, **to astonish** them

[3] but when they **believed** Philip –
 [4-5] **proclaiming-as-good-news** concerning the **kingdom** of God and the **name** of Jesus Christ –

[1-2] (there) **were baptized**, both **men** and **women**
 [3-4] but **Simon** – even **himself** – **believed**
 [5-6] and **being baptized**, he **was**, **being devoted** to Philip
 [7] **seeing** both **signs** –
 [8-9] and **powers**, **great**, **happening**
 [10] he **was astonished**!

[1-] but (there) **hearing** – the in-Jerusalem apostles –
 [2] that (there) **had received**, Samaria, the word of God
 [-3] they **sent** to them **Peter** and **John**
 [4-5] who, **coming down**, **prayed** for them
 [6-7] that they **might receive** (the) **Spirit**, **Holy**
 [8] for not yet **was** He, upon any of them, **having fallen**
 [9-10] but only **having been baptized**, they **existed**, in the name of the Lord Jesus

[1-2] then they **placed** the hands **[two]¹** upon them
 [3-4] and they **received** (the) **Spirit**, **Holy**
 [5-6] but **seeing**, Simon, that through the placement of the hands **[two]²** of the apostles, (there) **was given**, the Spirit
 [7-8] he **offered** to them money, **saying**
 [9-10] **give** also to me, the **authority**, **this**

[1-2] in order that, to whom, if I **place** the hands **[two]³** –
 [3-4] he **might receive** (the) **Spirit**, **Holy**
 [5] but Peter **said** to him

[1-2] your **silver**, with you, **be**, to **destruction**
 [3-4] because the gift of God, you **thought**, through money, **to acquire**!
 [5-6] (there) **is not**, to you, a **portion**, neither a **lot**, in the word,
 [7] **this**, for your heart **is not** right [**“straight”**] before God
 [8-9] **repent** then from your **evil**, **this**!
 [10] and **beg** of the Lord –

[1] if then, (there) **will be forgiven** to you, the intent of your heart
 [2-3] for in (the) **gall** of bitterness and (the) **bond** of unrighteousness –
 I **perceive** you – **being**!
 [4-5] but **answering**, Simon **said**

“considerable **time**” x (3x) “**[two]**” =
 (10-fold) x (3) x (2) = 60-fold elements

Acts

60 elements

[1-2] (you) **beg** – **you!** – for me, to the Lord
 [3] in order that nothing **may come** upon me
 [4] of which (things), you **have spoken**
 [5-7] indeed then, **having testified** and **having spoken** the word of the Lord, they
returned to Jerusalem

[8] and (to) many villages of the Samaritans, they **proclaimed-good-news**
 [3-4] but an angel of (the) Lord **spoke** to Philip, **saying**

[9-10] **rise** and **go** toward (the) **mid-day** [*south*], upon the way –

[1] the, **going down** from Jerusalem to Gaza

[2] this-one **is** a wilderness

[3-4] and **rising**, he **went**

[5-8] and behold, (there **was**) a **man**, an **Ethiopian**, a **eunuch**, an **official** of
 Candace,

[9] **queen** of (the) Ethiopians

[10] who **was** over all her treasure

[1-2] who **had come**, (to be) **worshiping** in Jerusalem

[3-4] and he **was**, **returning** and **sitting** upon his chariot

[5-6] and he **read** the **prophet**, **Isaiah**

[7] now (there) **spoke**, the Spirit, to Philip:

[8] **draw near**

[9-10] and **join** with the **chariot**, **this**

[1-2] and **running up**, Philip **heard** him

[3-4] **reading Isaiah**, the **prophet**

[5] and he **said**

[1] surely then, you **know**

[2] what you **read**?

[3] but he **said**

[4] indeed, how ever **will** I **be able**

[5] unless a certain-one **guides** me?

[6] and he **called** for Philip –

[7-8] **rising up**, **to sit** with him

[9-10] now the passage of the Scripture which he **read**, **was** this-one:

[1] “like a sheep, to (the) slaughter, **is led**

[2-3] and like a lamb, before the, (those) **shearing** him, (**is**) silent

[4] thus He **does not open** His mouth

[5] in [His] humiliation, His justice **was taken away**

[6] His generation – who **will explain**?

[7] because (there) **was taken** from the earth, His life”

[8-9] but (there) **answering**, the eunuch – to Philip, he **said**

[10] I **beg** of you –

Acts

[1] concerning whom **did** the prophet **say** this?
 [2] (**was** it) concerning himself –
 [3-4] or (**was** it) concerning **another**, a **certain-one**?
 [5] but **opening** – Philip – his mouth –
 [1-2] and **beginning** from the **Scripture**, **this**, he **proclaimed-as-good-news** to him,
 Jesus
 [3-4] now as they **went** along the way, they **came** upon a certain water
 [5] and (there) **said**, the eunuch
 [1] behold, (there **is**) water!
 [2-3] what **hinders** me (from), **to be baptized**?
 [4-5] and he **commanded**, (there) **to stand** [*to stop*], the chariot
 [1-2] and (there) **went down**, **both**, to the water –
 [3-4] both **Philip** and the **eunuch** –
 [5] and he **baptized** him
 [6] and when they **went up** from the water
 [7] (the) Spirit of (the) Lord **snatched away** Philip
 [8] and (there) **did not see** him longer, the eunuch
 [9-10] indeed, he **went** on his way, **rejoicing**
 [1] but Philip **was found** at Azotus [*Ashdod*]
 [2-3] and **passing through**, he **proclaimed-good-news** (to) the **cities**, **all**
 [4] until which, (there) **to come** – him – to Caesarea
 [5-6] but Saul, still **breathing threat** and **murder** toward the disciples
 of the Lord
 [7-8] **going** to the high-priest, **asked** from him letters for Damascus, to the
 synagogues
 [9-10] in order that – if **certain-ones**, he **found** – of the way, **being** –
 [1-2] both **men** and **women** –
 [3-4] (**them**) **being bound**, he **might bring** to Jerusalem
 [5-7] but in which, (there) **to go** – it **happened** – him, **to come near** to Damascus
 [8] and suddenly him, (there) **flashed around**, a light from the heaven
 [9-10] and **falling** upon the ground, he **heard** a voice

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[5] **saying** to him

[1-2] **Saul**, **Saul** –
 [3] why, Me, **do** you **pursue** [*persecute*]?
 [4] but he **said**

[1-2] who **are You**, **Lord**?[3] and **He**:[4-5] * **I AM**, **Jesus**[5] whom you **pursue** [*persecute*]

“I AM, Jesus” | For the counting of this line as two elements due to apposition, see comments, John 6:35.

Acts

[1-2] but **arise** and **go** into the city

[3] and (there) **will be told** to you

[4-5] what you – **it is necessary** – **to do**

[1-2] but the **men**, the, (**those**) **traveling** with him, **stood**,

[3] **speechless**

[4] indeed, **hearing** of the voice

[5] but no-one, **seeing**

[1] now (there) **arose**, Saul, from the earth

[2-3] but (upon) **opening** his eyes [**two**], nothing **did** he **see**

[4-5] and **leading-by-hand** – him, they **brought** into Damascus

[1-3] and he **was**, **days**, **three**, **not seeing**

[4-5] and he **did not eat**, neither **drink**

[1-2] now (there) **was** a certain **disciple** in Damascus, by name, **Ananias**

[3] and (there) **said** to him, in a vision, the Lord

[4] **Ananias!**

[5] and he **said**

[1] behold, (it **is**) I, [**O**] Lord!

[2] and the **Lord**, to him:

[3-4] **rising**, **go** to the street

[5] the, (it) **being called**, “straight”

[6-7] and **seek**, in (the) house of Judah: **Saul**, by name; a **Tarsean** [*of Tarsus*]

[8] for behold, he **prays**

[9] and he **has seen** a man [*in a vision*] –

[10] **Ananias**, by name – **entering**

[1-2] and **placing** upon him, [the] hands [**two**]¹, so that he **might receive sight**

[3] but (there) **answered**, Ananias

[4-5] [**O**] Lord, I **have heard** from many concerning the **man**, **this** –

[6] how much evil, to Your saints, he **has done** in Jerusalem

[7-8] and here, he **has** authority from the high-priests, **to bind** all the,

[9] (those) **calling upon** Your name!

[10] but (there) **said** to him, the Lord

[1] **go**

[2-3] for a **vessel**, **choice**, (there) **is** to Me, this-one

[4-6] of which, **to bear** My name before (the) **nations** [*Gentiles*] and **kings** and
(the) **sons** of Israel

[7] for I **will show** him

[8-9] how much, **it is necessary** (for) him, for (the) sake of My name, **to suffer**

[10] and (there) **departed**, Ananias

“days, three” x “days, certain-ones” x (3x) “two” =
(3-fold) x (3-fold) x (3) x (2) = 54-fold elements

Acts

[1] and he entered into the house
 [2-3] and placing upon him the hands [two]², he said
 [4-5] Saul, brother – the Lord sent me – Jesus,
 [6] the, (He) appearing to you on the road
 [7] which you came
 [8] in order that you might receive sight
 [9-10] and you might be filled of (the) Spirit, Holy
 [1-2] and immediately (there) fell from his eyes [two]³, like, scales
 [3] and he received sight
 [4-5] and rising, he was baptized
 [1-2] and taking food, he was strengthened
 [3-4] now he became, with the in-Damascus disciples, days,
 [5] certain-ones
 [6] and immediately, in the synagogues, he preached Jesus –
 [7] that this-One is the Son of God
 [8-9] and (there) were amazed, all the, (those) hearing
 [10] and they said
 [1] is not this-one the, ravaging in Jerusalem,
 [2-3] the, (those) calling upon the name, this?
 [4] and here, for this, he came
 [5-6] in order that, having been bound – them – he might bring to the
 high-priests?
 [7] but Saul, more, was strengthened
 [8-9] and he confounded the Jews, the, (those) dwelling in Damascus
 [10] proving –
 [1] that this-One is the Christ
 [2-3] but as (there) were filled, days, considerable
 [4-5] (there) conspired, the Jews, to kill him
 [1] but (there) became known to Saul, their conspiracy
 [2-3] and they watched the gates [two]¹, day
 [4] and night
 [5] in order that him, they might put to death
 [1-2] but taking – the disciples – him (by) night through the wall, they let him
 down,
 [3] lowering (him) in a basket
 [4-6] and coming to Jerusalem, he tried, to join with the disciples
 [7-8] and all were afraid of him, not believing
 [9] that he was a disciple
 [10] but Barnabas, taking him –

54 elements

"days, certain-ones" x "days, considerable" x
 "[two]" x "day" =
 (3-fold) x (3-fold) x (2) x (1) = 18-fold elements

Acts

- [1] brought (him) to the apostles
- [2] and he explained to them
- [3] how, on the road, he [Saul] saw the Lord
- [4] and that He spoke to him
- [5] and how, in Damascus, he [Saul] spoke-boldly in the name of Jesus
- [1-2] and he was, with them, going in and going out at Jerusalem
- [3] speaking-boldly in the name of the Lord
- [4-5] and he spoke, and he debated against the Hellenists
- [1-2] but they attempted, to kill him
- [3-4] but learning, the brothers brought him down to Caesarea
- [5] and they sent him to Tarsus

- [1-3] indeed then, the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace, being built up
- [4] and walking in the fear of the Lord
- [5] and with the encouragement of the Holy Spirit, they were filled
- [6-8] now (there) happened, Peter – passing through all – to go down also to the saints,

- [9] the, (those) inhabiting Lydda
- [10] and he found there a man –
- [1-2] a certain-one; by name, Aeneas

- [3-10] from years, eight, lying down upon a bed

- [1] who was, being paralyzed
- [2] and (there) said to him, Peter
- [3-4] Aeneas, (there) heals you, Jesus Christ!
- [5] rise up
- [6] and spread out [make your bed] for yourself
- [7] and immediately, he rose up
- [8-9] and (there) saw him, all the, (those) inhabiting Lydda and Sharon
- [10] who turned back to the Lord

- [1-2] now in Joppa, a certain-one was a disciple, by name, Tabitha
- [3-4] which being translated, is called Dorcas
- [5-6] she was full of works, good

- [7] and acts-of-kindness, which she did
- [8] now it happened –
- [9-10] in the days, those, (there) being sick, her, to die [i.e., she died]

- [1-2] and washing, they placed [her] in an upper-room
- [3] and near, (there) being, Lydda to Joppa
- [4] the disciples, hearing
- [5] that Peter was in her [Joppa] –

“hour, ninth” = (9) x (10-fold) = 90-fold elements

“years, eight” x “days, those” =
(8-fold) x (3-fold) = 24-fold elements

36 elements

Acts

"hour, ninth" = (9) x (10-fold) = 90-fold elements

[1-2] they sent two men to him, urging
 [3-4] do not delay, to come as far as us!
 [5-6] and rising, Peter went together with them
 [7-8] which, (him) arriving, they took (him) to the upper-room
 [9] and (there were) standing by him, all the widows,
 [10] weeping

[1-2] and (they were) displaying tunics and garments
 [3-4] as many as (there) made – with them, being – Dorcas
 [5] but sending outside, all, Peter –

[1-2] and placing the knees [two]¹, he prayed
 [3-4] and turning back toward the body, he said
 [5] Tabitha –

[1] (you) arise!
 [2-3] and she opened her eyes [two]²
 [4-5] and seeing Peter, she sat up
 [6-7] and giving her a hand, He raised her up
 [8-9] and calling the saints and the widows, he presented her:
 [10] living!

[1] and known, it became, throughout all Joppa

[2] and (there) believed, many, upon the Lord
 [3-4] now he happened, days, considerable, to remain in Joppa with a certain
 Simon,
 [5] a tanner

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[1-2] but (there was) a man, a certain-one in Caesarea
 [3] by name, Cornelius
 [4] a centurion of (the) cohort,
 [5] the, being called, Italian –
 [6] devout

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[7] and fearing God with all his household
 [8-9] doing acts-of-kindness, many, for the people
 [10] and beseeching of God, through all

[1]* he saw in a vision, plainly – like, around (the) hour, ninth, of the day –
 an angel of God

[1-2] coming in to him and saying to him
 [2] Cornelius!
 [3] but he, staring at him –
 [4-5] and terrified, becoming – said

[1] what is it, Lord?

[3] and He [the Lord] said to him

"days, those" x "days, considerable" x (2x) "[two]" =
 (3-fold) x (3-fold) x (2) x (2) = 36-fold elements

"centurion" | 100-fold elements

"like, around (the) hour, ninth, of the day" | If literary counts are accurate, this line is the completion of 900 elements from the previous 1000-fold literary stature (reflected about Stephen). The measure centurion will bring this 900-fold to fulfillment as a 1000-fold stature for Cornelius.

30 elements

Acts

[2-3] your **prayers** and your **acts-of-kindness** **have gone up** for remembrance before God

[4] and now, **send** men to Joppa

[5-6] and **send for Simon**, a **certain-one**

[7] who **is called Peter**

[8-9] this-one **is hosted** by a certain **Simon**, a **tanner**

[10] to whom, (there) **is** a house by (the) sea

[4-5] and as (there) **departed**, the angel who (was) **speaking** to him

[1-2] he called **two** of the servants

[3-4] and a **soldier**, **devout**, of the, (those) **attending** him

[5-6] and **explaining** everything to them, he **sent** them to Joppa

[7] and on the **next-day**, (as there **were**) **journeying**, those

[8] and to the city, (their) **drawing near**

[9-10] (there) **went up**, Peter, upon the housetop, **to pray**, **around**, **hour**, **sixth**

[1-2] now he **became hungry**

[3-4] and he **wanted**, **to eat**

[5] and (as there **were**) **preparing**, they

[6] (there) **happened** upon him, a trance

[7] and he **saw** the heavens –

[8] **having been opened**

[9-10] and (there **was**) **coming down**, a **vessel**, a **certain-one** like a sheet,

[1-4] great, with **four** corners [*“beginnings”*], **being lowered** upon the earth

[5-8] in which (there) **were**, all the **four-footed** [*animals*]

[9] and **reptiles** of the land

[10] and **birds** of the heaven

[1] and (there) **happened**, a voice, to him:

[2-3] **rising**, **Peter** – (you) **kill**

[4] and **eat!**

[5] but Peter **said**

[1] by-no-means (**may** it **be**), Lord!

[2-3] because never **have** I **eaten** any **common** (thing) and **unclean** (thing)

[4] and a voice again, of a second [*occurrence*], (**was**) to him:

[1] what God **has cleansed** –

[5-6] **you** – (you) **do not make common!**

[7-9] now this **happened**, upon **three-occurrences**

[10] and immediately, (there) **was taken up**, the vessel, into the heavens

[1-2] now as, to **himself**, (there) **was perplexed**, **Peter** [*reflexive*]

[3] whatever (there) **might be**,

[4] the vision which he **saw** –

“around, hour, sixth” = (6) x (10-fold) = 60-fold: reflected 30-fold elements

100 elements

Acts

[5-6] behold, the **men**, the, (**those**) **having been sent** by Cornelius –

[7-8] **inquiring** (at) the house of Simon, **stood** upon the gateway

[9-10] and **calling**, they **inquired** –

[1-2] if **Simon**, the (he) **being called Peter**, in-that-place, **was being hosted**

[3] but (as) Peter (**was**) **pondering** about the vision

[4] (there) **said** [to him], the Spirit

[5-7] behold, **men, three**, (**are**) **seeking** you

[8-9] but **rising, go down**

[10] and **go** with them –

[1] nothing, **evaluating**

[2-3] because **I** – **I have sent** them! [*pronoun + perfect tense*]

[4-5] and **going down**, Peter, to the men, **said**

[1] behold, **I am**,

[2] whom you **seek**

[3] what (**is**) the reason,

[4] because of which, you **have come**?

[5] and they **said**

[1-2] **Cornelius**, a **centurion**,

[3-] a **man, righteous** –

[4] and (one) **fearing** God

[5] and (one) **being witnessed** by all the nation of the Jews –

[6] **was instructed** by an angel,

[7] **holy, to send** you to his house

[8] and **to hear** a word from you

[9-10] then **inviting** them **in**, he **hosted** (them)

[1-2] now on the **next-day, rising**, he **went out** with them

[3-4] and certain-ones of the brothers – the (**being**) from Joppa –

accompanied him

[5] and on the **next-day**, he **entered** into Caesarea

[6-7]* and Cornelius **was, expecting** them, **calling together** his **relatives** and the close **friends**

[8-9] and as (there) **happened** – of the, (there) **to enter**, Peter

[10] (there) **meeting** him, Cornelius –

[1-2] **falling** upon the feet [**two**], he **paid homage**

[3-4] but Peter **raised** him **up, saying**

[5] **rise up**!

[6-7] **I** also, **myself**, a man, **am**

[8-9] and **talking** with him, he **entered**

[10] and he **found** –

1000
1000

4 elem.

4 elem.

"centurion" | 100-fold elements

In concert with his identity as a centurion, and at a 100-fold offset, Cornelius is honored again for his faith. This same line is the 1000-fold interval from Stephen's reflected thousandfold stature. Notice the symmetry of Cornelius' identity about this line: four elements on each side, with a bridging count from element 3 to 6.

"and Cornelius was, expecting them, calling together his relatives and the close friends" | The pairing of verbs "**was, expecting**" [*being verb + present active participle*] and "**calling together**" [*aorist middle participle*], with dual objects **relatives** and **friends**, appears to be allowable because the participle verb forms are in different voices (active vs. middle).

Acts

- [1] (there) **having gathered together**, many
 [2] and he **said** to them
 [3] you **understand**
 [4-6] how unlawful it **is**, for a **man**, a **Jew**, **to join** or **to visit** with a foreigner
 [2] and to me, God **showed**
 [7] no “common” or “unclean,” **to call** a man
 [8-9] therefore also promptly, I **came**, **having been sent for**
[10] I **ask**, then –
 [1] on what account, you (all) **sent for** me?
 [2] and Cornelius **said**
[3-4] **from** (the) **fourth day**, **up to** this **hour**, I **was** –
 [5] the **ninth** – **praying** in my house
 [3-4] and behold, a man **stood** before me in **clothing**, **bright**
 [5] and he **said**
 [1] Cornelius – (there) **has been heard**, your prayer
 [2] and your acts-of-kindness **have been remembered** before God
 [3] **send** therefore to Joppa
 [4] and **call for** Simon
 [5] who **is called** Peter
 [6-7] this-one **is hosted** at (the) house of **Simon**, a **tanner**, by (the) sea
 [8] immediately then, I **sent** for you
[9-10] and you, kindly **doing**, **are appearing**
 [1-2] now then, all we, before God, **are present**, **to hear**
 [3] all the, (those things) **having been commanded** to you by the Lord
 [4-5] and (there) **opening**, Peter, the mouth, he **said**
 [1] upon truth, I **understand**
 [1] that (there) **is not** – one-showing-partiality – God
 [2-4] but in every nation the, (he) **fearing** Him and **doing** righteousness – acceptable to Him, **is**
 [2-3] the word [which] He **sent** to the sons of Israel, **proclaiming-as-good-news**, peace through Jesus Christ:
 [5] this-One **is**, of all, Lord!
[1-2] **you** – **you know**
 [3] the, (there) **has been happening**, thing, throughout all Judea
 [4] **beginning** from Galilee with the baptism
 [5] which, (there) **proclaimed**, John – Jesus,
 [6] the, (He **being**) from Nazareth
 [4-5] how (there) **anointed** Him, God, with (the) **Spirit**, **Holy**
 [6] and with **power**

“from (the) fourth day, up to this hour ... the ninth” = from (4) to (90-fold) = 86-fold elements

Acts

[7-9] who **passed through**, **doing good** and **healing** all the,
[10] (those) **having been oppressed** by the devil

[7] because God **was** with Him
 [1] and we (**are**) witnesses of all (things)
 [2-3] which He **did** in both the **country** of the Jews and [in] **Jerusalem**
 [4-5] Him also, they **killed**, **hanging** upon a tree

[8] this-One, God **raised** [on] the third **day**
 [9] and He **granted** Him –
 [1] manifest, **to become** – not to all the people, but to witnesses –
 [2] to the, (there) **having been chosen beforehand** by God – us –
 [3-4] which, we **ate with** (Him) and **drank with** Him after the,
 [5] (there) **to rise** – Him – from (the) dead

[10] and He **commanded** us:
 [1] **to preach** to the people
 [2] and **to solemnly declare**
 [3] that this-One **is** the –
 [4-5] (there) **having been appointed** by God – Judge of (the) **living** and of (the) **dead**
 [6] to this-One, all the prophets **testified** –
 [7-8] forgiveness of sins, (there) **to receive** through His name, all the, (those) **believing** in Him
 [9-10] (as there **was**) still **speaking**, Peter, the **words**, **these** –
 [1-2] (there) **fell**, the **Spirit**, the **Holy**, upon all the,
 [3] (those) **hearing** the word
 [4] and (there) **were astonished**, the, of (the) circumcision, faithful
 [5] as many as **came together** with Peter
 [6] that also upon the Gentiles, the gift of the Holy Spirit **was poured out**
 [7] for they **heard** them,
 [8-9] **speaking** in tongues and **magnifying** God
[10] then, (there) **answered**, Peter
 [1-2] neither the water – **is** (there) **able**, **to withhold**, a certain-one –
 [3] of which, (there) **to be baptized**, these?
 [4-5] who, the **Spirit**, the **Holy**, **received**, as also we?
 [6] and he **commanded** them,
 [7] in the name of Jesus Christ, **to be baptized**
 [8] then they **asked** him,
[9-10] **to remain**, **days**, **certain-ones** ← 10:48

86 elements

Acts

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[1-2] now (there) **heard**, the **apostles** and the **brothers**
 [3] the, (**those**) **being** throughout Judea
 [4] that also the Gentiles **received** the word of God
 [5] and when (there) **went up**, Peter, to Jerusalem –
 [1-2] (there) **criticized** toward him, the, (those **being**) of (the) circumcision
 [3] **saying** that
 [4] you **entered** to men,
 [5] uncircumcision, **having**
 [6] and you **ate with** them!
 [7-9] but (there) **beginning** – Peter **explained** to them, **sequentially**
[10] saying
 [1-2] I **was** in (the) **city, Joppa, praying**
 [3] and I **saw** in a trance, a vision
 [4-5] (there **was**) **descending** a **vessel**, a **certain-one** like a sheet –
 [1-4] great, with **four** corners [**beginnings**], **being lowered** from the heaven, and it
came as far as me
 [5-6] into which, **gazing**, I **perceived**
 [7-10] and I **saw** the **four-footed** [**animals**] of the land –
 [1] and the **beasts**
 [2] and the **reptiles**
 [3] and the **birds** of the heavens
 [4] and I **heard**, also, a voice,
 [5] **saying** to me
 [1-2] (there) **rising**, **Peter** – (you) **kill**
 [3] and (you) **eat**!
 [4] but I **said**
 [5] by-no-means (**may it be**), Lord!
 [6-7] because a **common** (thing) or **unclean** (thing) **has never entered** into my
 mouth
 [8] but (there) **answered**, (the) voice, of a second [**occurrence**] from the heavens
 [1] what (things) God **has cleansed**
[9-10] you – (you) do not make common
 [1-3] now this **happened**, to, **three-occurrences**
 [4] and (there) **were taken up** again, all, into the heaven
 [5-7] and behold, immediately, **three** men **came** upon the house
 [8] in which we **were**
 [9] **having been sent** from Caesarea, to me
[10] now (there) said, the Spirit, to me –
 [1-2] **to go together** with them – nothing, **evaluating**

Acts

- [3-8] now (there) **came** with me, also, the **six** brothers,
 [9] **these**
 [10] and we **entered** into the house of the man
- [1] and he **told** us
 [2] how he **saw** [the] angel in his house –
- [2-3] **standing** and **saying**
 [3] **send** to Joppa
 [4] and **to send for** Simon
 [5] the, (he) **being called** Peter
 [6] which, he **will speak** words to you
 [7-8] by which, (there) **will be saved** – **you** and all your **household**
 [9-10] and in which, (there) **to begin**, me, **to speak** –
- [1-2] (there) **fell**, the **Spirit**, the **Holy**, upon them, just as also upon us, in (the) **beginning**
 [3] and I **remembered** the word of the Lord,
 [4] how He **said**
 [5] John indeed **baptized** with water
- [1-2] but you **will be baptized** with (the) **Spirit**, **Holy**
- [4] if then, the equal gift, (there) **gave** to them, God
 [3-4] as also, to us, **believing** upon the **Lord**, **Jesus Christ**
 [5-6] I – who **am**?! – able, **to hinder** God?
 [7-8] and **hearing** these (things), they **remained quiet**
 [9-10] and they **glorified** God, **saying**
- [5] therefore also to the Gentiles, God – the repentance unto life – **has given**!
- [1] indeed then, the, (those) **being scattered abroad** from the adversity –
 [2] the **having happened** upon Stephen –
 [3-5] **passed through** as far as **Phoenicia** and **Cyprus** and **Antioch**, to no-one **speaking** the word, except only to Jews
- [1] now (there) **were certain-ones** of them –
 [2-4] **men**, **Cypriots** and **Cyrenians** –
 [5-6] who, **coming** to Antioch, **spoke**
 [7] and to the Hellenists, (they **were**) **proclaiming-as-good-news**, the Lord Jesus
 [8] and (there) **was**, (the) hand of (the) Lord, with them
 [9-10] and a great **number** – the, (those) **believing** – **turned back** to the Lord
- [1-2] and (there) **was heard**, the report, in the ears [**two**] of the church –
 [3] the, (her) **being** in Jerusalem – concerning them
 [4-5] and they **sent forth** Barnabas [**to pass through**], as far as Antioch

Acts

[1] who, **coming**
 [2-3] and **seeing** the grace [the] of God, he **rejoiced**
 [4] and he **exhorted** all
 [5] in the purpose of the heart, **to remain** in the Lord
 [6-7] for he **was** a **man**, **good**
 [8-9] and full of (the) **Spirit**, **Holy**
[10] and of **faith**
[1-2] and (there) **was added**, a **multitude**, **considerable**, to the Lord
 [3-4] now he **went out** to Tarsus, **to seek** Saul
 [5-6] and **finding** (him), he **brought** (him) to Antioch
 [7-8] and (there) **happened** to them – even a **year**, **whole** – **to gather** in the church

“year” x “days” = (1) x (3) = 3-fold

[9-10] and **to teach** a **multitude**, **considerable**
[1] and (there) **to be called firstly** in Antioch, the disciples, “Christians”
 [2] now in those **days**, (there) **came down** from Jerusalem, prophets, to Antioch
 [3-4] but (there) **rising**, **one** of them – by name, **Agabus** –
 [5-6] he **signified** by the Spirit, a **famine**, **great**,
 [7-8] **to be about**, **to be** upon all the world
 [9] which **happened** at [at the time of] Claudius
[10] and of the disciples – just as (there) **prospered**, a certain-one –
 [1-2] they **determined** – each of them – for relief, **to send** to the –
 [3] (there) **dwelling** in Jerusalem – brothers
 [4-5] which also, they **did**, **sending** to the elders through (the) **hand**
 of **Barnabus** and **Saul**

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[1] and about that **appointed-time**, (there) **laid**, Herod,
[2-3] the king, the hands [**two**], **to harm** certain-ones of the,
[4] (those **being**) from the church
[5-6] and he **killed James**, the **brother** of John, with a sword
[7] and **seeing**
[8] that agreeable, it **was**, to the Jews
[9-10] he **added** [**this**] – **to seize** also Peter
[1] now they **were** [the] **days** of the unleavened-breads
[2] whom also, **seizing** –
[3-6] he **placed** into prison, **delivering** (him) over to **four** squads-of-**four**,
 of soldiers, **to guard** him

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[7-8] **intending**, after the Passover, **to bring** him **out** to the people
 [9] indeed then, Peter **was kept** in the prison
[10] but prayer **was**, earnestly **happening** by the church, to God, for him

“appointed-time” x “[two]” x “days”
 = (1) x (2) x (3) = 6-fold elements

4 x 4-fold = 16 soldiers | 16 elements

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- [1-2] now when (there) **was about, to bring** him **out** – Herod –
 [3] in the **night**,
 [4-5] that, (there) **was** Peter, **sleeping** between **two** soldiers
 [1-2] **having been bound** with **chains, two**
 [3] and guards, before the door, **kept** the prison
 [1] and behold, an angel of (the) Lord **stood by**
 [4] and a light **shone** in the chamber
 [2-4] and **striking** the side of Peter, he **raised** him, **saying**
 [5] **arise** in haste!
 [1-2] and (there) **fell**, the chains, from his hands [**two**]
 [5] and (there) **said**, the angel, to him
 [3] **dress**
 [4] and **bind on** your sandals
 [5-6] and he **did, thus**
 [6] and he **said** to him
 [7] **put on** your garment
 [8] and **follow** me
 [9-10] and **going out**, he **followed**
 [1] and he **did not know**
 [2-3] that true [**real**] **was** the, (it) **happening** through the angel
 [4-5] but he **supposed** – a vision, **to see**
 [1-2] and **passing through** (the) **first** guard and the **second**, they **came** to the gate,
 [3-4] the **iron**, the, (it) **leading** into the city
 [5] which automatically **opened** to them
 [1-2] and **going out**, they **proceeded** (on) a **street, one**
 [7] and immediately, (there) **departed**, the angel, from him
 [3-4] and **Peter** – to **himself, becoming** – **said**
 [5] now, I **know**, truly –
 [6] that (there) **sent forth**, [the] Lord, His angel
 [8-9] and he [**the angel**] **delivered** me from (the) **hand** of Herod and all the **expectation** of
 the people of the Jews
 [7-8] and **considering**, he **came** upon the house of **Mary**, the **mother** of John
 [9] the, (he) **being called** “Mark”
 [10] where (there) **were**, a considerable [**number**], **having been gathered**
 [1] and (they **were**) **praying**
 [2] and (as he **was**) **knocking** upon the door of the gateway
 [3-4] (there) **came**, a **girl, to answer** – by name, **Rhoda**
 [5-6] and **recognizing** the voice of Peter – from the joy, she **did not open** the
 gateway

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[7-8] but **running in**, she **reported**

[9] (there) **to stand**, Peter, at the gateway

[10] but which, to her, they **said**

[1] “you **are mentally-disordered**”

[2-3] but she **insisted** – thus, (there) **to be**

[4] but they **said**

[5] “his angel, it **is**”

[1-2] but Peter **continued**, **knocking**

[3-4] and **opening**, they **saw** him

[5] and they **were astonished**!

[1] and **waving** to them with the hand,

[2] **to be silent**

[3] he **explained** [to them]

[4-5] how the Lord, him, **brought out** from the prison and **said**

[1-2] **report** to **James** and to the **brothers**, these (things)

[3-4] and **going out**, he **went** to another place

[5] and (as there **was**) **becoming**, **day** –

[6-7] (there) **was** a **consternation**, not **little**, among the soldiers

[8] what then, Peter **had become**!

[9-10] but Herod, **seeking** him, and **not finding** –

[1-2] **examining** the guards, he **commanded**,

[3] (them) **to be led away** [*to execution*]

[4-5] and **going down** from Judea to Caesarea, he **remained**

[1-2] now he **was**, **being angry** with (the) **Tyrians** and (the) **Sidonians**

[3] and of one-accord, they **came** to him

[4] and **persuading** Blastus –

[5] the, (him **being**) over the bedroom of the king –

[6] they **asked** peace

[7] because of which, **to be fed** – their country – from the palace

[8-9]* now on (the) appointed **day**, Herod – **wearing** (the) **clothing**, **royal**, [and]
sitting upon the judgment-seat –

[10] he **spoke-in-public** to them

[1] but the people **cried out**

[2] “of a god (**is**) (the) voice, even – not of a man!”

[10] but immediately, (there) **struck** him, (the) angel of (the) Lord

[3] because of which, he **did not give** the glory to God

[4-5] and **becoming worm-eaten**, he **breathed-his-last**

“wearing... sitting” | Judging by the completeness and flow of the literary set, these two participles are paired with the intervening noun/adjective pair, “clothing, royal.” The first participle is in the middle voice, and the second is in the active voice.

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[1-2] but the word of God increased and multiplied

[3-4] now Barnabas and Saul turned back to Jerusalem, having fulfilled the service

[5] bringing along, John

[6] the, (he) being called, Mark

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[7]

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