## **Biblical Significance of the Number 3**

He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given, Matthew 13:11

## Key Encounters in the Bible Involving the Number 3

The Trinity (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit), Matthew 28:19

Creation, Genesis 1:9-13

Jonah in the Belly of the Whale, Jonah 1:17

Elizabeth, pregnant with John the Baptist, visited Mary who was pregnant with Jesus, for 3 months. Elizabeth, six months pregnant at the time, stayed with Mary until reaching her 3rd trimester, Luke 1:36–56

Jesus' Resurrection, Luke 24:7, 1 Corinthians 15:4

The Transfiguration - Jesus took Peter, James, and John (three disciples) with Him, Matthew 17:1-9

Jesus was tempted three times, Matthew 4:1-11

Peter denied Jesus three times, Luke 22:61

Jesus asked Peter three times if he loved Him, replacing denial with love and restoration John 21:15–17

The Three Patriarchs through whom God established His covenant—Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Exodus 3:15

Three hours of darkness before Jesus died, from the 6th to 9th hour (multiples of three), Luke 23:44

The Ark of the Covenant's three items: the tablets of the Law, a pot of manna, and Aaron's rod, Hebrews 9:4

## God's Spoken Word in the Form of 3 - Resulting in Miracles

Who touched me? - Healing Power Released, Luke 8:45

'Go in peace' - Healing the Woman with the Issue of Blood, Luke 8:48

'Peace, be still' - Calming the Storm, Mark 4:39

'Lazarus, come forth' - Raising Lazarus from the Dead, John 11:43

'It is finished' - Completion of Salvation, John 19:30

'Be thou clean' - Healing the Leper, Matthew 8:3

Three Commands in One Miracle
"Rise, take up thy bed, and walk" – Healing the Paralyzed Man, John 5:8

## <u>Summing it all up: What this Means for God's People Today</u>

Divine Completeness and Wholeness

God's guidance toward a complete work—whether it's in a season of spiritual growth, healing, or transformation

Breakthrough, new opportunities, and a fresh start

Restoration and renewal after a period of difficulty, trial, or waiting

God's reminder to us of His power, guidance, and protection

God's reminder to us that faith and obedience lead to wholeness and blessings

Encouragement of patience and trust in God's timing and promise to fulfill His promises