

# 9/23 Correlations – Coincidence or Confirmation?

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Mathematical patterns found in nature attest that its Creator is a God of numbers.

God's numbers permeate every aspect of the cosmos, from the farthest galaxy structure to the letters and words that comprise the Holy Scriptures, where they serve as a silent witness to His authorship, revealing hidden meanings, spiritual truths, and prophetic timing.

With this in mind, it is fascinating to consider some biblical–numeric correlations related to the Feast of Trumpets, the *moed*, or appointed time, believed to foreshadow the Rapture. Since Trumpets lands on September 23–24 this year, it is striking that:

- The Feast of Trumpets is first mentioned in Leviticus 23:23, 24.
- 923 (September 23) is the Hebrew gematria of the phrase “Feast of Trumpets.”
- 1 Thessalonians 5:2, 3 (23) reveals the timing of the Day of the Lord (while people are saying “peace and security”).
- Genesis 5:23 reveals the timing of Enoch’s rapture (while he was 365 years old).
- Genesis 25:23 speaks of two groups being separated by a birth, evoking the rapture “birth,” when the righteous are separated from the wicked (Isa. 26:17–20).
- Habakkuk 2:3 states: “The revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end .... and will not delay.”
- The Bible’s most quoted psalm, Psalm 23, concludes: “I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.”
- Strong’s #23 Hebrew is the name, *Abiasaph*, which means “my father has gathered,” evoking the rapture gathering (2 Thess. 2:1).
- Strong’s #23 Greek is the word *aganakteó*, which means “to be indignant,” evoking the Day of Indignation that follows the Rapture (Isa. 26:20 KJV).
- The cells that make up the human body contain 46 chromosomes—23 from each parent.

- Earth's axis is tilted at an angle of 23 degrees, a feature believed to have occurred at Noah's Flood. What's more, according to Scripture, earth will again be tilted, at the Day of the Lord (Isa. 13:13; 24:1, 19, 20).
- 9/23/17 is when the "Revelation 12 Sign" caused a stir in the prophetic community, inspiring watchers worldwide to search astronomy software programs for signs of Jesus' coming.
- 9/23/25 marks the opening of the UN's 80<sup>th</sup> General Debate, where the discussion will center on the creation of a Palestinian state, and achieving "peace and security" in the Middle East (Joel:3:2; 1 Thess. 5:3).

Additionally, though not biblical, it is interesting to note that:

- The old slang phrase "23 skidoo" refers to leaving quickly, or being compelled by someone to leave quickly, as at the Rapture (1 Cor. 15:52; 1 Thess. 4:16, 17).
- The number 23 was used by Morse code operators to communicate "away with you."
- The 23 Enigma is a belief that the number 23 appears with unusual frequency in various contexts and holds a hidden significance, either sinister or sacred, depending on one's belief system.
- The date 9/23 appears often in movies, videos, and cartoons with apocalyptic themes:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=00d1TbFC6R4&t=10s>

Our final 9/23 correlation, related to a location, is personal and should be weighed accordingly, but is intriguing nonetheless.

From the house I have called home for nearly 23 years—since before my time as a prophecy writer—the nearest cross street is 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Going one block east on 23<sup>rd</sup>, the first cross street is 9th.

At the 'T' intersection of 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> is the gate of a cemetery.



I have walked past this cemetery located at 2323 9<sup>th</sup> St countless times, often considering it in terms of the Rapture, when the “dead in Christ” rise first. I even had a vivid rapture dream years ago, in which a blinding flash came from this direction. However, prior to putting together this study of 9/23 correlations, I had never taken note of the address or how it corresponds to the Feast of Trumpets date in 2025.

Adding to the coincidence, a conspicuous house number on 23<sup>rd</sup> (the street that runs eastward through the cemetery) is 1335.

The 1335 address is conspicuous for several reasons:

First, it is the only home on the street with a long private driveway, a house-number sign, and a bright white mailbox, setting it apart from the others.

Second, the home sits on a large private pond named “Dead Man’s Pond” (more on why this is significant just ahead).



The third reason the 1335 address is striking, which sheds light on the Dead Man's Pond connection, is that this number is featured in Daniel's vision of the end times, where it is said, "Blessed is the one who waits for ... the end of the 1,335 days" (Dan. 12:12). The end-times event that entails a blessing for waiting is, of course, the "blessed hope" the resurrection–rapture of the dead and living believers (Tit. 2:13; Luke 12:37).

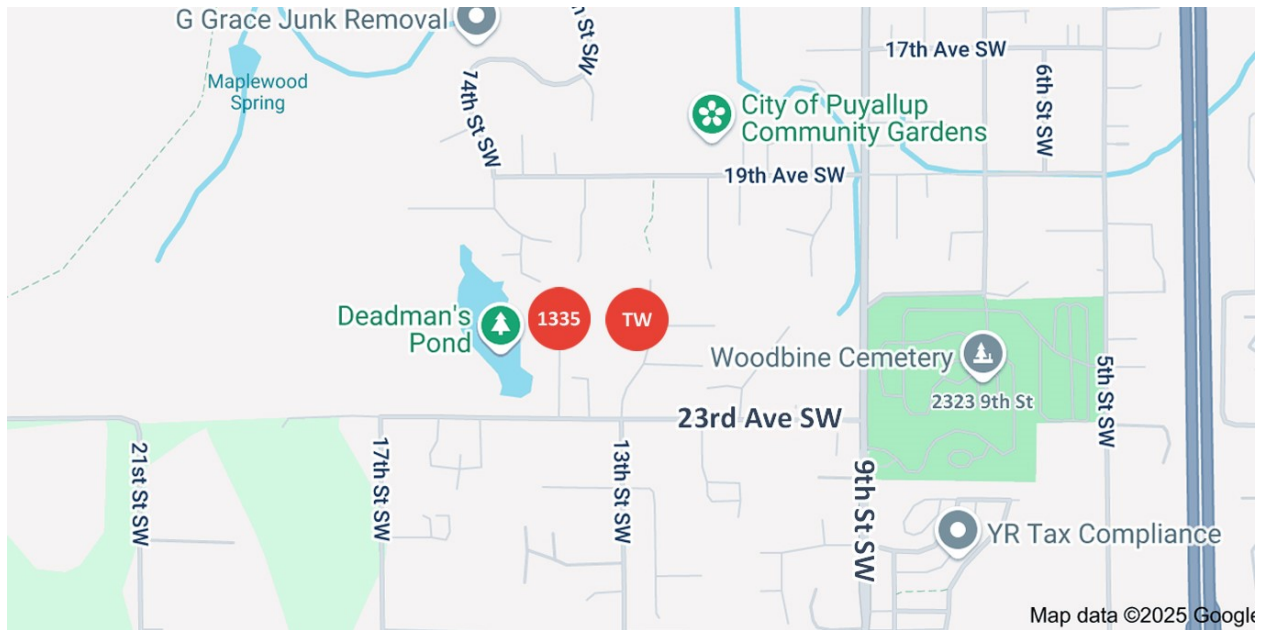
Now for some math. Since a day typically represents a year in Bible prophecy, and the 1,335 days begin with the setting up of an "abomination" in the Temple area (v. 11), it is reasonable to count 1,335 years from when the Islamic Dome of the Rock was set up on the Temple Mount:

AD 689 + 1,335 years = 2024

Remarkably, the 1,335 years end in 2024, the Sabbatical year preceding the confluence of Feast of Trumpets and 9/23 in 2025.

Is it a coincidence that this resurrection–rapture-themed confluence is reflected in the street connecting a cemetery and Dead Man's Pond in direct line of this watchman's home? Or is it, rather, an orchestration by the Master of time and space, meant to be shared with the watching Church?

Let the reader decide.



Having considered the rapture-themed correlations around 9/23, we understand that no one knows the day, not even the angels (Matt. 24:36). This is why Jesus warns us to keep watch *always* (vv. 42–44). Nonetheless, these correlations warrant the attention of any believer looking for the blessed hope, and beg the exhilarating question:

What if?

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#### NOTES:

1. The Feast of Trumpets occurs on 9/23 only once during the 40-year span between 2006 and 2044, in 2025.
2. “Feast of Trumpets” gematria: <https://www.gematrix.org/?word=feast+of+trumpets>
3. Significantly, Strong’s #23 Hebrew (my father has gathered) appears only once in Scripture, in Exodus 6:24.
4. 23 Skidoo: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/23\\_skidoo\\_\(phrase\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/23_skidoo_(phrase))
5. 9/23 in movies: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=00d1TbFC6R4&t=10s>

6. Pretribulational Rapture in Daniel 12: The first verse of Daniel's vision of the end times (Dan. 12) states that when the unequalled time of trouble begins, everyone found written in the book will be delivered. Another indication that Daniel describes the pretribulational Rapture is the phrasing, "many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake" (v. 2), which echoes the rapture phrasing in Isaiah 26: "Awake and sing, you who dwell in dust ... the earth shall cast out the dead. Come, my people, enter your chambers, and shut your doors behind you .... For behold, the LORD comes out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity."

7. The biblical day-equals-a-year principle is found throughout Scripture, particularly in Daniel (See Dan. 9:24–27; Gen. 29:27; Num. 14:34; Ezek. 4:5, 6).

8. Since the Dome of the Rock was built between AD 685–92, the midpoint (most cited construction date) is the latter part of 688 or the first part of 689. Counting 1,335 years from 689, we arrive at 2024, the Sabbatical year preceding 2025 (the 2024 Sabbatical is based on a 2025 Jubilee): <https://tinyurl.com/yjmvym46>).

9. More reasons 2025 could be a culminating year in Bible prophecy: <https://tinyurl.com/hmpy5825>