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CNTTS apparatus in Bibleworks 9: excluded are v. 1 thelemates Aland Cat 1 mss #33; v. 4 hupo #1244 no Cat; but counted 3rd tou #1881 Cat II, both St. Catherine's.

	Syllable Count	Cumulative
¹ Παῦλος ἀπόστολος	6	6
οὐκ ἀπ' ἀνθρώπων	5	11
οὐδὲ δι' ἀνθρώπου	6	17
άλλὰ διὰ θεληματος Ἰ <u>η</u> σοῦ Χριστοῦ	7	24
καὶ θεοῦ πατρὸς	5	29
τοῦ ἐγείραντος αὐτὸν ἐκ νεκρῶν,	10	39
² καὶ οἱ σὺν ἐμοὶ πάντες ἀδελφοὶ	10	49
ταῖς ἐκκλησίαις τῆς Γαλατίας,	10	59
³ χάρις ὑμῖν κ <mark>αὶ εἰ</mark> ρήνη ἀπὸ θεοῦ πατρὸς ἡμῶν	15	74
καὶ κυρ <mark>ίου</mark> <u>Ἰη</u> σοῦ Χριστοῦ	7	81
⁴ <mark>όπο</mark> τοῦ δόντος ἑαυτὸν ὑπὲρ τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν ἡμῶν,	15	96
ὅπως ἐξέληται ἡμᾶς ἐκ τοῦ αἰῶνος τοῦ ἐνεστῶτος <mark>τοῦ</mark> πονηροῦ	22	118
κατὰ τὸ θέλημα τοῦ θεοῦ καὶ πατρὸς ἡμῶν,	14	132
5 $\mathring{\wp}$ ἡ δόξα ϵ ἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων, ἀμήν.	15	147

Meter Import

Paul writes:

- o 49 years after Christ should have been born in 4106 FAF under the <u>original Abrahamic Schedule</u> (2046+2100=4146 but Jacob born 2046+60 so 4106 Birth). Paul set up this pun with 24 and 29, since he really writes in the 24th year after the Lord at age 29, went into the wilderness (since that's what 49 means, IoI): 23+29=52, the Lord's real age. Heh. Earliest use of that formula I've seen = 4155 = our AD
- o 49. Not sure what month, but likely early January, else the 'pun' doesn't work (pun: He's really age 52, so they are 'late', *en retard* just as Israel had been). Paul also writes
- o 49/2 years after Pontius Pilate became prefect, and 49/2 years after Tiberius retired. And,
- o 49th year before the Lord's *actual* 100th birthday (haha, another pun on their being 'late'), so of course (playing on Mill, which begins in His 98th year on His 97th birthday), he writes in the
- o 49th year before the *shoulda-been* Millennium, *ceteris paribus* (52+49 pun).
- o 147 is 98 higher than 49 = 49x2, get the deft match with αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων, and the equidistant pun? That balances to Zecharias' endpoint, +7. So Paul also writes,
- o 147 years after 98 BC, when Anatolia (upper central = Galatia) came under <u>Roman 'alliance'</u> (due to Sulla's rise in Rome and his support, Senate granted petitioning Cappodocians the right to choose their *own* king). For you count 49 then 98 backwards, heh.

This dateline is scathing and pithy. The letter upbraids the Galatians, who had fallen under the Judaizers who came after Paul, everywhere he went. So Paul's precis of the 147 telegraphs a stern warning, THEY'RE ABANDONING THEIR RIGHT TO ELECT THEIR OWN KING, as Rome granted the petitioning Cappodocians; instead, the Galatians revert, as it were, to old tyrants who put up pretenders of fake lineage, to gain control. Yikes. So 49x3=147, Diaspora parallel. Double- and triple-yikes.

See, if you *include* first day of Passover in your count, and *include* Pentecost in your count, there are **58** days. Exclude either one, and there are **57**. Count *between* them, and you have **56**. So now subtract **7**, and you have the number of missed sabbatical years (on the 430 total elapsed years since Rehoboam's accession to *TEMPLE DOWN*). Since the extra seven couldn't be made up (Temple rebuilding had to begin after the **49**th year elapsed), Daniel prayed for that extra **7** to be made up, so Temple *could* be restored; God's reply, using the same meter Daniel used, 'housed' that extra seven in the '62 weeks'. But Messiah died at the end of the 61st week, *so Israel is 'late'*. So Paul cleverly asks, sotto-voce: *why would the Galatians want to emulate the people who rejected Messiah?* (61 x **7** = **427** years after Malachi was written, cleverly metered by Matthew in his genealogy as a dateline for when he wrote.)

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I'll write more later, once I know why Paul uses the other meters. He's going prophetic, but I'm not sure what he means to benchmark, right now.