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Kaf

כף

means hand, palm of the hand

Pictogram: A cover (indicating to cover over, to protect)

The word כף has a numeric value of 100. $100 = (3 \times 7) + (3 \times 7) + (3 \times 7) + 37$

In the Bible, to lay hands on (the head) is to impart.

Exo 29:10,15,19 Aaron (the High Priest) and his sons laid hands on the head of an animal to impart their sins to an innocent other.

First reference to כף in the Bible is in Exo 4:4

... the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand (יד) and grasp it (the serpent) by the tail." So he stretched out his hand (יד) and caught it, and it became a staff (a symbol of authority) in his hand (כף)

As Moses obeyed, he was empowered by God. It was now no longer the strength of his arm/hand (יד) but the supernatural power of God imparted through Moses' open hand (כף).

Exo 33:22 (God to Moses) ... I will put you in the cleft of the rock and cover you with My hand (כפי) until I have passed by.

Numeric value of כ = 20 This is twice the value of יד (10)

We see the shape of a bowl in the letter כ.

The word for a "bowl" at Ezra 1:10 and 8:27 is כפור.

The "atonement cover" on the ark of the covenant is כפרת in Hebrew.

The "root" (or shoresh) in both cases is כפר. This root כפר indicates the "covering" for sins that was made when blood was sprinkled on the ark by the High Priest.

Jesus is our great High Priest (Heb 4:14). He was also the full atonement for our sins through His sacrifice on the cross, and the shedding of His blood.

In Him, we are forgiven, accepted and drawn under His protective covering.