DANIEL'S SEVENTY WEEK PROPHECY



SEVENTY-WEEK PROPHECY

Daniel 9:24

Seventy weeks are determined For your people and for your holy city,

- 1. To finish the transgression
- 2. To make an end of sins
- 3. To make reconciliation for iniquity
- 4. To bring in everlasting righteousness
- 5. To seal up vision and prophecy
- 6. And to anoint the Most Holy.

THE SUBJECTS OF THIS PROPHECY

Daniel 9:24

- Seventy weeks are determined...
- For your people [the Jews] and for your holy city [Jerusalem]
- This prophecy, then, is concerned <u>not</u> with world history or church history, but with the <u>history of Israel</u> and the <u>city of</u> Jerusalem.

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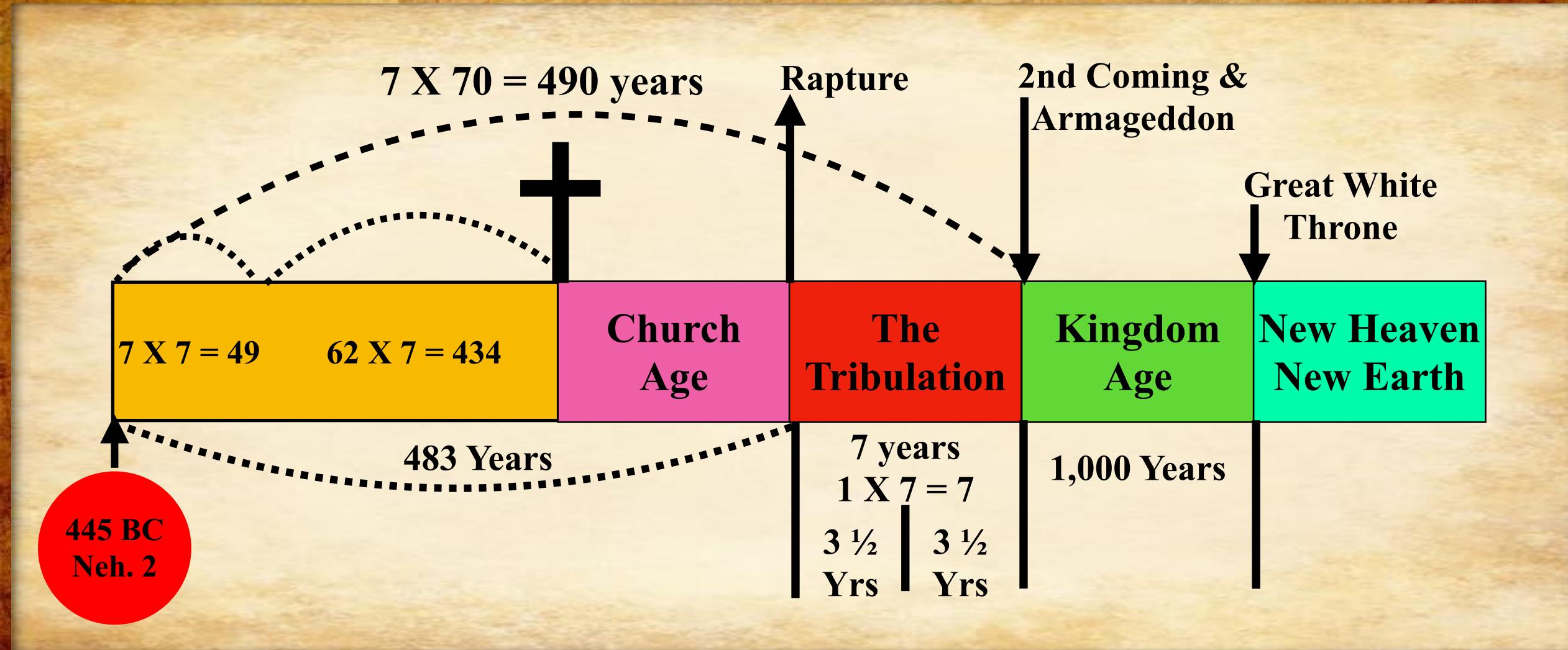
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Himself; And the people of the prince who is to come Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, And till the end of the war desolations are determined. Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, Even until the consummation, which is determined, Is poured out on the desolate.

(Daniel 9:26–27)

And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for

PANORAMA OF HISTORY FROM 445 BC



LET'S NOTICE ONE REASON WHY GOD, 900 YEARS EARLIER, HAD MOSES LEAD THE JEWS OUT OF EGYPT

Moses said, "The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for you were the fewest of all people: But because the LORD loved you, and because he would KEEP THE OATH which he had sworn unto your fathers" (Deut. 7:7-8).

God sent the Ten Plagues on Egypt because He refused to break His covenant.

And He will send a future Tribulation Period because He will refuse to break His covenant.

MOSES TOOK THE JEWS TO MT. SINAI AND RENEWED THE COVENANT WITH BLOOD



AT MT. SINAI GOD ASKED THE JEWS TO DO SEVERAL THINGS

» God said, "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: When you come into the land which I give you, then the land shall keep a sabbath to the LORD. 'Six years you shall sow your field, and six years you shall prune your vineyard, and gather its fruit; 'but in the seventh year there shall be a sabbath of solemn rest for the land, a sabbath to the LORD. You shall neither sow your field nor prune your vineyard." (Leviticus 25:1-4).

FIRST---GOD WANTED THE JEWS TO REMEMBER THE SABBATH

- God wanted the Jews to let the land go through a seven-year cycle.
- They could plant and harvest crops for six years.
- But, He wanted them to let the land rest every seventh year.
- · God called the seventh year a Sabbath year.

SECOND---GOD WANTED THE JEWS TO KEEP ALL OF THE COMMANDMENTS SOME OF THE COMMANDMENTS

God said, "You shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I am the LORD. If you walk in my statutes [plural], AND keep my commandments [plural]..." (Lev. 26:2-3).

-Keep the Sabbath + the other nine.

GOD WANTED THE JEWS TO KNOW THAT HE WOULD TAKE CARE OF THEM IF THEY WOULD LET THE LAND REST EVERY SEVENTH YEAR

God said, "And if you shall say, What shall we eat the seventh year? behold, we shall not sow, nor gather in our increase: Then I will command my blessing upon you in the sixth year, and it shall bring forth fruit for three years" (Lev. 25:20-21).

OBEDIENCE WOULD BRING A BIGGER HARVEST & A YEAR OF VACATION

- If the Jews would let the land rest in the Sabbath year, their <u>sixth year</u> harvest would be enough for <u>three</u> <u>years</u> (the sixth, seventh and the following year).
 - -Letting the land rest wouldn't mean losing one crop.
- Three crops in the sixth year actually means the Jews would gain a crop & they would get the seventh year off.

THE SIXTH CROP WOULD BE A PARALLEL APPLICATION FOR THE MANNA FROM HEAVEN

Recall that during the week, the Jews in the wilderness could gather only enough manna for <u>one</u> day.

-If they gathered more manna than they needed for one day, their extra manna spoiled.

BUT

- On the sixth day, the Jews could gather a two day's supply, and the extra manna wouldn't spoil.
- -So, if the Jews would let the land rest in the seventh year, God would give them a triple crop in the sixth year.
- —In the same way, they could gather <u>twice</u> the manna on the sixth day. By obeying this cycle...
- -They would get a triple crop in the sixth year.

OBEDIENCE WOULD BRING OTHER BLESSINGS

If the Jews would obey God, He would give them rain, good crops, plenty to eat, peace, security, make their enemies afraid, give them victory in war, give them children, dwell with them, be their God, and they would be His people (Lev. 26:4-13).

BUT DISOBEDIENCE WOULD BE VERY COSTLY

"And after all this, if you do not obey Me, but walk contrary to Me, then I also will walk contrary to you in fury; and I, even I, will chastise you seven times for your sins. You shall eat the flesh of your sons, and you shall eat the flesh of your daughters. I will destroy your high places, cut down your incense altars, and cast your carcasses on the lifeless forms of your idols; and My soul shall abhor you. I will lay your cities waste and bring your sanctuaries to desolation, and I will not smell the fragrance of your sweet aromas." (Leviticus 26:27–31)

AND, AND, AND...THEN

"AND I will bring the land into desolation: AND your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it. AND I will scatter you among the heathen, AND will draw out a sword after you: AND your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste. THEN shall the land enjoy her sabbaths, as long as it lies desolate, and you be in your enemies' land; even then shall the land rest, and enjoy her sabbaths. As long as it lies desolate it shall rest; because it did not rest in your sabbaths, when you dwelt upon it." (Lev. 26:32-35).

NOT LETTING THE LAND REST WOULD CAUSE GOD TO DO TWO THINGS

- •First, God would scatter the Jews among the heathen for not letting the land rest.
 - -He would put the Jews off the land and make it desolate for as long as they did not let it rest when they dwelt on it.
- •Second, God would chastise the Jews <u>seven times</u> more for their other sins of adultery, lying, killing the prophets, idolatry, etc.

BEFORE GOD PUT THE JEWS OFF THE LAND HE WOULD GIVE THEM CHANCES TO REPENT

- •But if they refused to repent and let the land rest every seventh year:
 - -God would eventually put them off the land, one year for every year they didn't let it rest when they were on it.
 - -PLUS God would punish them seven times more for breaking the other Commandments.

OVER TIME, THE YEARS WOULD ACCUMULATE

- •For instance, if the Jews didn't let the land rest 70 times in four hundred and ninety years...
 - —God would eventually put them off the land 70 years for breaking the Commandment about the Sabbath.
- •PLUS He would punish them <u>seven times</u> more (7 x 70 = 490 more years) for breaking the other Commandments.

HERE, WE CAN DO THE MATH

The land was supposed to rest:

- 1 year out of every 7
- 2 years out of every 14
- 3 years out of every 21
- 4 years out of every 28
- -70 years out of every 490

SOMETHING TO KEEP IN MIND

- •When God eventually decided to punish Israel, He would put the Jews off the land for as long as they didn't let it rest.
 - -If He put Israel off the land 70 years, it means Israel didn't let the land rest 70 times (they stole 70 crops or Sabbaths over the course of 490 years).
- •PLUS it also means that the Jews would be punished seven times more (7 X 70 = 490 more years) for breaking the other nine Commandments.

WHAT DID GOD NOT SAY...?

- God DIDN'T say He would put the Jews off the land forever.
- God DIDN'T say He would cancel the covenant with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.
- God SAID He would put the Jews off the land for <u>as long</u> as they didn't let it rest.
- The Jews would still own the land.
- They just wouldn't get to live on the land for <u>as long as</u> they didn't let it rest AND they would be punished seven times more for their other sins.

AFTER ALL OF THIS, HE STILL WOULDN'T BREAK HIS COVENANT

"Yet for all that, when they are in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away, nor shall I abhor them, to utterly destroy them and break My covenant with them; for I am the LORD their God. But for their sake I will remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the nations, that I might be their God:

I am the LORD."

(Lev. 26:44-45).

Q.---Paul asked, "Has God cast away His people" (Rom. 11:1)? A.---"God has not cast away His people."

REPENTANCE WOULD CHANGE THINGS

- If the Jews would repent and confess their sins,
 - -God would <u>remember</u> His covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.
 - -God would restore the nation.
 - —He would put the Jews back on the Promised Land (Lev. 26:40-46).

SO, WHAT HAPPENED

- · Moses died.
- God told Joshua to lead the Jews into the Promised Land and possess it (Josh. 1:2-4).
- The Jews were faithful for awhile.
- But during the time of the Judges, they went on a roller coaster of rebellion and repentance.

ABOUT 1100 B.C., SIN WAS RAMPANT

• The Jews stopped letting the land rest and started planting crops in the Sabbath year.

• They were also breaking the other Commandments: committing adultery, lying, killing the prophets, worshipping idols, etc.

DESTRUCTION IN THE NORTH

•In approximately 722 B.C. the Northern Kingdom called Israel was <u>destroyed</u> after several warnings because the people were more wicked than those in Judah.

A WARNING IN THE SOUTH

In approximately 606 B.C., Jeremiah warned the Southern Kingdom called Judah that God was going to put them off the land for seventy years.

JEREMIAH 25:8-10



"Therefore thus says the LORD of hosts: 'Because you have not heard My words, 'behold, I will send and take all the families of the north,' says the LORD, 'and Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, My servant, and will bring them against this land...

JEREMIAH 25:11-13



"against its inhabitants, and against these nations all around, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, a hissing, and perpetual desolations. Moreover I will take from them the voice of mirth and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones and the light of the lamp."

NOTICE THAT GOD USED BABYLON TO PUNISH IRAEL

Could it be also that God, in His sovereign way, used Hamas to punish the Israeli Jews who were worshipping idols at the rave music festival on October 7?

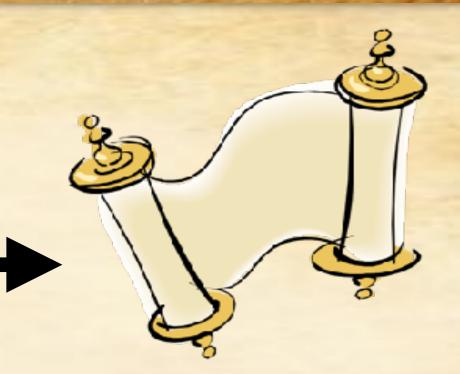


JEREMIAH WROTE A BOOK STATING...

- The land will be desolate for 70 years.
 - The Jews will be put off the land to serve the king of Babylon for 70 years because they did not let land rest.
- · After 70 years, God would punish **Babylon**.
 - -This turned out to be the night the hand wrote on the wall & Babylon fell.
- •Jeremiah's prophecy was written in a book for all to read.

WE HAVE A COPY OF JEREMIAH'S BOOK

• It' called the Book of Jeremiah in the Bible.



- The Book of Jeremiah was written:
 - -Before the Babylonian Captivity.
 - -About 600 years before the birth of Jesus.
- God preserved the Book of Jeremiah so we can read what He told the Jews.

JEREMIAH'S BOOK SAYS THE JEWS WILL RETURN AFTER 70 YEARS

- "Thus saith the LORD, That after 70 yrs be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, & perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place" (Jer. 29:10).
- Israel would be off the land 70 years for stealing 70 crops or Sabbaths.
- After spending 70 years in Babylon, God would cause the Jews to return to the land.
 - —But don't forget that they would still need to suffer 7 times more or 490 more years for their sins of adultery, lying, killing the prophets & worshipping idols.

WE HAVE THE HISTORICAL RECORD (2 CHRON. 36:20-21)

• The Babylonians attacked "And those that had escaped from the sword [The Jews that weren't killed he carried away to Babylon; where they were servants to him and his sons until the rule of the kingdom of Persia: Why To fulfil the word of the LORD by the mouth of JEREMIAH, until the land had enjoyed her Sabbaths: As long as she lay desolate she kept the Sabbath, to fulfil the seventy vears. ??

WHAT THE WORD OF GOD SAYS

- •The Jews were carried away to Babylon (put off the land)
- •The land enjoy
- •The land water the 70 Sabbaths they sto.).
- •This was done to fulfill miah's prophecy about the Sabbaths

DON'T FORGET



- •The 70 years off the land DIDN'T have anything to do with Israel's punishment for adultery, lying, killing the prophets, worshipping idols, etc.
- The 70 years off the land was punishment because the Jews did not let the land rest.
- The Jews would still have to be punished seven times more $(7 \times 70 = 490 \text{ more years})$ for their other sins.

ALL OF THE COMMANDMENTS

- It's important to keep the Sabbath, but keeping the Sabbath is not enough.
- The Jews needed to keep ALL of the Commandments not just one.

• We can be sure that the failure of multitudes to attend Church, the removal of the Ten Commandments from public property, from our schools, etc. will eventually trigger a reaction from God.

THE JEWS REACHED A POINT OF NO RETURN



- The Jews stole:
 - -1 crop out of 7
 - -2 crops out of 14
 - -3 crops out of 21, etc. until they had stolen 70 crops in 490 years.
 - -Then, God's patience ran out.
- · And God didn't forgive them anymore.

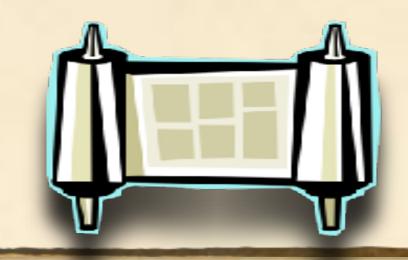
THERE SEEMS TO BE A LIMIT TO GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven." (490)

(Matt. 18:21, 22).

- · God is patient, but God will fulfill His Word.
- Judah's limit was 70 X 7 or 490 yrs.

DANIEL'S DISCOVERY



"In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the lineage of the Medes, who was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans— in the first year of his reign I, Daniel, understood by the books the number of the years specified by the word of the Lord through Jeremiah the prophet, that He would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem." (Daniel 9:1-2)

IT PAYS TO STUDY BIBLE PROPHECY

- Daniel was in Babylon.
- · King Darius of Persia had taken over.
- Daniel was reading the Book of <u>Jeremiah</u> when he understood why the land was desolate for <u>seventy</u> <u>years.</u>
- The Jews were off the land for seventy years because they stole 70 crops and Sabbaths & God said He would bring them back into the land.

DON'T MISS THIS

- •Daniel said he was reading the Book of Jeremiah when he understood why Israel would be off the land for 70 years.
- •But Daniel <u>DIDN'T</u> say he understood the part about the seven times more punishment.
 - -That comes from the Book of Leviticus.
- •Daniel ONLY figured out the part about the Sabbath of the Land (from Jeremiah).

AN IMPORTANT POINT

- The Church hasn't replaced Israel as some teach.
- · God punished Israel.
 - But He didn't break His covenant with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.
- He put the Jews off the land for 70 years for stealing 70 crops.
 - -But He didn't cancel His covenant.
 - -The land is still theirs.

A SECOND IMPORTANT POINT

- You have just read some of the same verses of Scripture that Daniel read in Babylon more than 2500 years ago.
- If you want to read the entire Book of <u>Jeremiah</u> that Daniel read in Babylon, you have it and you can read it.
- If Daniel could figure out part of this prophecy by reading the Book of <u>Jeremiah</u> in Babylon, you can too.

DANIEL GOT INVOLVED

- •First, Daniel got involved because he understood why Israel was off the land for seventy years.
- •Second, Daniel got involved because he knew God forgives and shows mercy (Daniel 9:1-23).

SO, WHAT DID DANIEL DO?

- •Daniel fasted, prayed, confessed his sins, confessed Israel's sins, asked God to remember His covenant, reminding God that He is merciful and forgiving, and asked God to let His anger be turned away from Israel.
- •Daniel also asked God to hear, act and not delay because the city and the people are called by God's name.



WHAT HAPPENED WHILE DANIEL WAS PRAYING

"yes, while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, reached me about the time of the evening offering. And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, "O Daniel, I have now come forth to give you skill to understand." (Daniel 9:21, 22).

THE ANGEL GABRIEL APPEARED

• Gabriel appeared to Daniel to give him skill and understanding.



- It's clear that Daniel understood why Israel was off the land for 70 years.
- But Daniel didn't understand that the Jews would be punished seven times more for breaking the other Commandments (adultery, lying, killing the prophets, worshipping idols, etc.).

GABRIEL'S MESSAGE TO DANIEL



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TIME OUT TO REVIEW THE MEANING OF "ONE WEEK"

- The Hebrew word "week" simply means "7".
- One week means "7" of something.
 - -One week of days means 7 days.
 - -One week of months means 7 months.
 - -One week of years means 7 years.
- When the Jews say "one week" they can mean one week of days, one week of months, one week of years, etc.

LET'S LOOK AT JACOB FOR AN EXAMPLE

For example, when Jacob wanted to marry Rachel, Laban said, "Fulfil her week, and we will give you this also for the service which you shall serve with me yet 7 other years. And Jacob did so, and fulfilled her week... and he loved also Rachel more than Leah, & served with him yet seven more years" (Gen. 29).

FULFILL HER WEEK MEANT WORK SEVEN YEARS

- · Jacob served Laban one week (or seven years) so he could marry Rachel.
- For him, one week meant seven years (six years plus one Sabbath year).

TEST CONCERNING JACOB

- If one week meant seven years to Jacob, how long was 7 weeks?
 - -7 weeks = 7×7 years = 49 yrs.
- · How long was 62 weeks?
 - -62 weeks = 62 X 7 years = 434 yrs.
- ·How long was seventy weeks?
 - -70 weeks = 70 X 7 years = 490 yrs.

YOUR PEOPLE HAVEN'T COMPLETED ALL OF THEIR PUNISHMENT

- The Jews had been off the land for about 70 years.
 - —But they still needed to be punished for breaking the other 9 Commandments.
 - -They still needed to suffer seventy weeks or seven times more (70 X 7 = 490 more years) "to finish the transgression."

WHEN WOULD THE 70 WEEKS OR 490 MORE YEARS START

- "Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build <u>Jerusalem</u>..."
 (Dan. 9:25-27).
- •The 490 more years of extra punishment would start with a command to restore and to build Jerusalem.
- •This command was issued by Artaxerxes & is found in Neh. 2:1-8.

HERE IS THE COMMAND TO REBUILD JERUSALEM

"If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favor in your sight, I ask that you send me to Judah, to the CITY of my fathers' tombs, that I may REBUILD IT... And THE KING GRANTED THEM TO ME according to the good hand of my God upon me." (Nehemiah 2:1-8)

THE COUNTDOWN STARTED



- •When Artaxerxes issued the command to rebuild Jerusalem the countdown clock on the 70 weeks (of years) of Israel's punishment started ticking.
- •It will take us down to what the Bible calls the Tribulation Period.

THE BIBLE GIVES THE MONTH & THE DAY THAT THE COUNTDOWN STARTED

- •Nehemiah said the command to rebuild Jerusalem was given in the month of Nisan (Neh. 2:1-8).
- •By Jewish tradition, if Nehemiah didn't identify the day (and he didn't) it was the 1st day of the month.
- •The command to rebuild Jerusalem was given on Nisan 1.

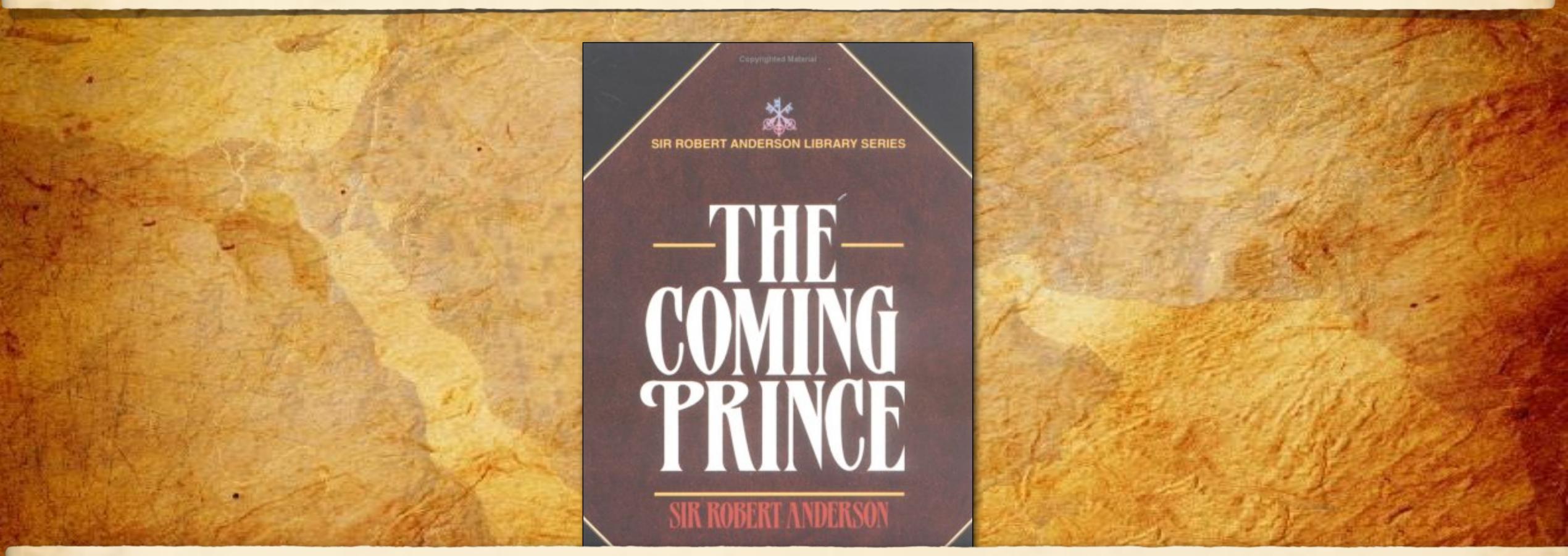
BUT THE START YEAR IS DISPUTED

Nehemiah said the command to rebuild Jerusalem was given in the month of Nisan in twentieth year of Artaxerxes (Neh. 2:1-8).

"And it came to pass in the month of Nisan, in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes...And the king granted them to me according to the good hand of my God upon me."

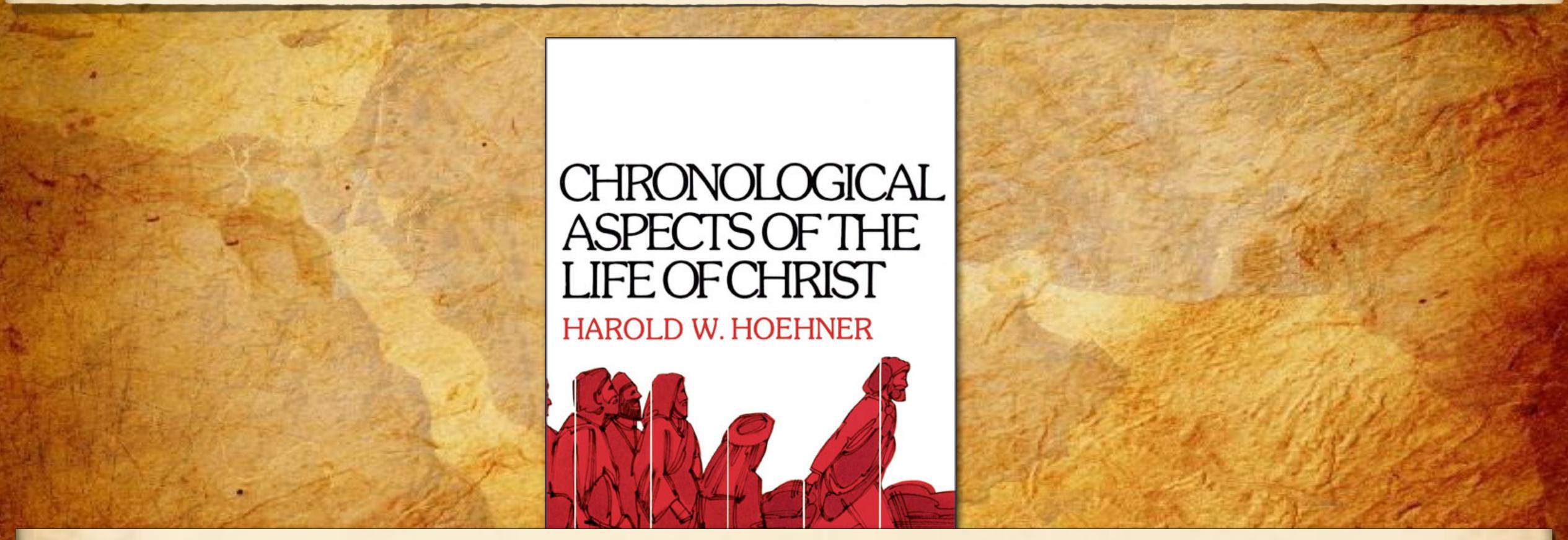
(Nehemiah 2:1, 8)

SIR ROBERT ANDERSON RESEARCHED THIS PROPHECY



He proposed that Artaxerxes issued the command (Nehemiah 2:1-8) to rebuild Jerusalem on March 5th, 445 BC (terminus a quo).

DR. HAROLD HOEHNER ALSO RESEARCHED



He proposed that Artaxerxes issued the command (Nehemiah 2:1-8) to rebuild Jerusalem on March 5th, 444 BC (terminus a quo).

IT DOESN'T MATTER

- •The way the Jewish calendar is set up, this comes out the same way whether we start in 445 B.C. or 444 B.C.
- •If we start counting one year sooner, we will just end up one year sooner.
- The number of days between the events will be the same.

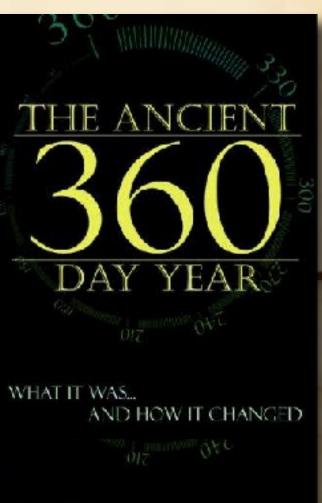
GABRIEL FORETOLD THE EXACT DAY OF THE FIRST COMING OF JESUS

"Know therefore and understand, That from the going forth of the command To restore and build Jerusalem Until Messiah the Prince, There shall be seven weeks [7] and sixty-two weeks [62]; The street shall be built again, and the wall, Even in troublesome times."

(Daniel 9:25)

- 7 weeks plus 62 weeks = 69 weeks of years.
- 69 weeks of years X 7 years/week = 483 years.
- 483 years X 360 days in a Jewish prophetic yr. = 173,880 days.
- Gabriel said there will be 173,880 days from the command to rebuild Jerusalem unto the first coming of Jesus.

360 DAYS PER YEAR



- We must realize that the dates in Daniel are based on a prophetic calendar, which is 360 days per year.
- The Bible uses 360 day/year in Genesis 7:11 8:4
 - *Daniel 12:7, 11
 - *Also in Revelation 11:3, 12:14, 13:5

CONCERNING NISAN 1, 445 B.C.

·If Sir Robert Anderson is right and we start counting on Nisan 1, 445 B.C. and count off 173,880 days, this means Jesus would make His Triumphal Entry on Nisan 10, 32 A.D (April 6, 32 A.D.).

IF THE YEAR WAS 32 AD

Nisan 10

Then Passover
maybe would have
been on
Thursday, April 10th
once we convert to
the Julian calendar.

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CONCERNING NISAN 1, 444 B.C.

If Dr. Harold Hoehner is right and we start on Nissan 1, 444 B.C. and count off 173,880 days, this means Jesus would make His Triumphal Entry on Nisan 10, 33 A.D. (Monday, March 30, 33 A.D.).

IF THE YEAR WAS 33 AD

Then Passover maybe would have been on Friday, April 3st depending on the Julian calendar conversion.



IT CHECKS OUT

"Then, six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was who had been dead, whom He had raised from the dead (John 12:1).

The <u>next day</u> a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem,"(John 12:12)

GABRIEL DIVIDED THE 490 YEARS INTO THREE TIME PERIODS

"Know therefore and understand, That from the going forth of the command To restore and build Jerusalem Until Messiah the Prince, There shall be SEVEN WEEKS and SIXTY-TWO WEEKS; The street shall be built again, and the wall, Even in troublesome times. "AND AFTER THE SIXTY-TWO WEEKS MESSIAH SHALL BE CUT OFF, but not for Himself; And the people of the prince who is to come Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. And he shall confirm a covenant with many for ONE WEEK..." (Daniel 9:25-27)

THE PASSAGE MENTIONS THREE TIME PERIODS

- 1) A period of 7 wks. = 7 x 7 = 49 yrs.
- 2) A period of 62 wks. = $62 \times 7 = 434$ yrs.
- 3) A period of $\frac{1}{wk}$. = 1×7 = $\frac{7}{yrs}$.
- •The total is 70 wks. = 490 yrs.
- •In the 1st 49 yrs. Jerusalem was rebuilt.
- •At the end of 434 yrs., was the 1st coming.
- The last 7 yrs. is the Tribulation Period

THE ARE THREE EVENTS THAT GABRIEL PROPHESIED IN SEQUENCE

•First, there will be a period of 7 weeks of years (49 years).

•Second, there will be a period of 62 weeks of

years (434 years).

•Third, after this period of 62 more weeks of years, (total 483 years) the Messiah will appear.

THE NEXT THREE EVENTS IN SEQUENCE

- •Fourth, after the Messiah appears, He will be cut off, [crucified] but not for himself.
- •Fifth, after the Messiah is cut off [crucified] the people of the prince that shall come will destroy the city (Jerusalem) and the sanctuary (Temple).
 - -Rome did this in 70 A.D.
- •Sixth, the end of the age will be with a flood (it will be overwhelming, but it will be after 70 A.D.).

THE NEXT TWO EVENTS

- •Seventh, the prince that shall come (the Antichrist) will sign a covenant (or a peace treaty) with many for one week (7 years).
- Eighth, in the midst of the week he (the Antichrist) will cause the sacrifice and oblation (offering) to cease.
 - -Sacrifices were always done in Jerusalem at the Temple.
 - -But since the Temple was destroyed in 70 A.D. it will have to be rebuilt before the middle of the Tribulation.
 - —And certainly we are hearing a lot about the rebuilding of the temple.

BE CAREFUL

- Some say Nero was the Antichrist and he destroyed Jerusalem & the Temple in 70^{AD} fulfilling this prophecy.
- This prophecy does not say the Antichrist will destroy Jerusalem and the Temple.
- It says, "The **PEOPLE** of the prince that shall come" (the people of the Antichrist) will destroy Jerusalem and the Temple.
- Jerusalem & the Temple were destroyed by the <u>Romans</u> in 70^{AD}, these are <u>the people</u> of the prince that <u>shall come</u> (the Antichrist).

THE ANTICHRIST IS STILL FUTURE

• He will show up at the end of the age and sign a covenant with many others for seven years of

peace in the Middle East.



LET'S NOTICE WHAT JESUS SAID WHEN HE MADE HIS TRIUMPHAL ENTRY ON NISAN 10

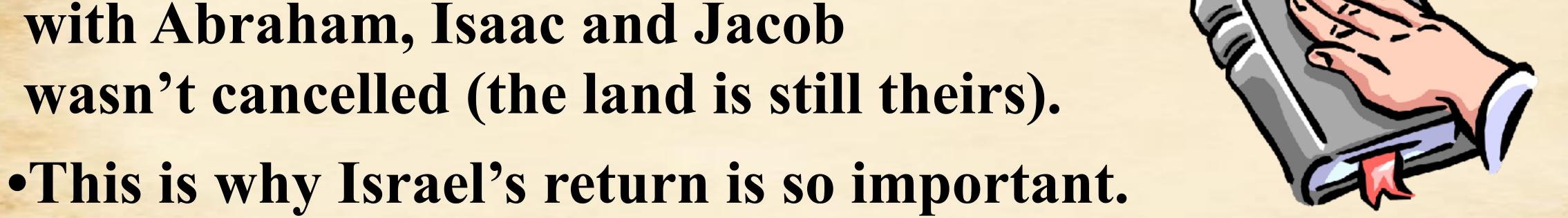
"...If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes [you're blinded]. "For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side, "and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation." (Luke 19:41-44).

HE SAID

- "You should have known that this was the day that your Messiah would appear."
- "But you didn't know, so now you're blinded & Israel & Jerusalem will be destroyed again."
 - The Jews were blinded & destroyed because they didn't know what day their Messiah would appear.
 - -They predicted the weather, but they ignored O.T. prophecies (Matt. 16:1-4).

WHAT ABOUT THE COVENANT

- •Israel and Jerusalem would be destroyed.
- •The Jews would be blinded and put off the land a second time.
- •But God's everlasting covenant with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob wasn't cancelled (the land is still theirs).



•It's setting the stage for the last 7 years that we call the Tribulation Period.

REMEMBER I SAID THAT NISAN 10 IS VERY IMPORTANT

- •Artaxerxes gave Nehemiah the Command to rebuild Jerusalem (Neh. 2:1-8).
- •7 weeks plus 62 weeks later (which was 483 years or 173, 880 days later) Jesus made His Triumphal Entry on the exact day the angel Gabriel said the Messiah would appear.
- •That day was Nisan 10.

WHY IS NISAN 10 SIGNIFICANT

- Nisan 10 is significant because God told Moses to have every family of Jews in Egypt select their Passover Lamb on Nisan 10 (Ex. 12:1-3).
- •So Jesus made His Triumphal Entry on Nisan 10 which is the same day that every family of Jews selected a Lamb to sacrifice as their family's Passover Lamb (Ex. 12:5).
- Nisan 10 is also the same day that the priests selected a lamb to be sacrificed as the <u>nation's</u> Passover Lamb.

NOTICE THAT THERE WERE 2 LAMBS

- The first lamb was sacrificed at home by the <u>head of the</u> <u>family.</u>
 - -Each family observed Passover Day with a Passover meal at home.
- The second lamb was sacrificed at the Temple by the Priests.
 - -The nation observed Passover Day with a Passover sacrifice at the Temple.
- This involved (2) two services (one at home and one a little later at the Temple).

THE NATION'S LAMB WAS KILLED AT EVENING TIME ON NISAN 14

- •God said select the lamb on Nisan 10, "Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight."
- •(Ex. 12:6).
- •The Priests killed the <u>nation's</u> Passover Lamb at the Temple at evening time <u>five</u> days <u>after</u> they selected it.

EVENING IS 3-6 P.M. IN ISRAEL

- Jewish <u>families</u> killed their Passover Lamb at 3 p.m. on the day <u>before</u> Passover so they could cook it & have it ready to eat for their Passover Meal at 6 p.m. (the beginning of Passover Day).
- Jewish <u>priests</u> killed the Passover lamb for the <u>nation</u> at the Temple at 3 p.m. the <u>next afternoon</u> (this was still on Passover Day).
- · Jesus was crucified on Passover Day (Matt. 26:2).
- · Jesus died at the ninth hour which was 3 p.m.
- Jesus died on the exact day & at the exact time the priests killed the nation's Passover Lamb at the Temple.

A SHADOW OF GOOD THINGS TO COME (HEB. 10:1)

- •God told the Jews not to leave any of the Passover Lamb until the next day (Ex. 12:10).
 - The body of Jesus was removed from the cross before the next day (Jn. 19:31).
- •God told the Jews not to break any of the Passover Lamb's bones (Ex. 12:46).
 - -None of the bones of Jesus were broken (Jn. 19:33).

JESUS WAS THE LAMB OF GOD WHO DIED ON PASSOVER DAY FOR THE SINS OF THE WORLD (JN. 1:29)

- •The angel Gabriel told Daniel the Messiah would be "cut off, but not for Himself" (Dan. 9:26).
- •Paul said, "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us" (I Cor. 5:7).
- ·Not for Himself, but for us.

THE ANTICHRIST WILL COME FROM A REVIVED ROMAN EMPIRE

- · Jesus foretold of the coming of the Antichrist.
 - "I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me; if another comes in his own name, him you will

(John 5:43)

receive."

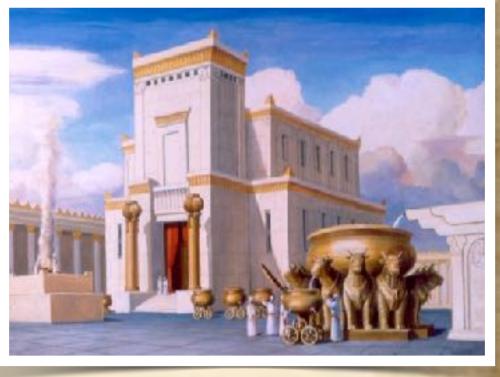


THE IDENTITY OF THE "MANY"

- "And he (the Antichrist) shall confirm the covenant with many for one week" (Dan. 9:27).
- ·The Bible doesn't identify the "many."
- •Currently, there are many entities wanting to establish a peace treaty with Israel and her surrounding enemies through the Abraham Accords (Many Arab states, etc.)

THE ANIMAL SACRIFICES

- "And in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease" (Dan. 9:27).
- The Antichrist will stop the animal sacrifices in the middle of the Tribulation Period.



• However, before the Antichrist can stop the animal sacrifices they have to be restarted.

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THINGS THAT HAD TO HAPPEN FOR THESE PROPHECIES TO BE TRUE

- 1. The Jews had to be captured and taken to Babylon for exactly 70 years (and they were).
- 2. The Jews had to return to Israel after 70 years (and they did).
- 3. Someone had to issue a command for Jerusalem to be rebuilt (and Artaxerxes did).

- 4. The Temple in Daniel's time had to be rebuilt (It was completed about 516 B.C.).
- 5.Jerusalem had to be rebuilt (and it was rebuilt by 396 B.C.).
- 6.Jesus had to appear exactly 173,880 days after the command to rebuild Jerusalem (and He did).

- 7. Jesus had to be killed (and He was).
- 8. The Temple had to be destroyed (the Romans burned it in 70 A.D.).
- 9.Jerusalem had to be destroyed (the Romans burned it when they burned the Temple in 70 A.D.).
- 10.Israel had to become a nation again to sign a sevenyear covenant (It became a nation in 1948).

- 11.Europe had to re-unite so the Antichrist can rise there and sign a seven-year covenant and Europe has.
- 12. There has to be peace negotiations, if there is to be a seven-year covenant (These are ongoing and world leaders want a peace treaty).

- 13. Jerusalem has to be rebuilt (and it has).
- 14. The Temple has to be rebuilt (and most of the design work is done).
- 15. The animal sacrifices have to resume (Priests have resumed those sacrifices.)



HAPPENING NOW!









THE JEWISH SANHEDRIN HAS COME BACK INTO BEING AFTER 1600 YEARS



THE HERD OF RED HEIFERS HAS BEEN RE-ESTABLISHED AFTER 1900 YEARS







#10

Mishna says
9 used from
Moses to 70 A.D.

Maimonides said #10 will be used in the Messianic Era.

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SHEWBREAD IS BEING BAKED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 1940 YEARS

- In O.T. times, on the Sabbath, priests placed shewbread in the Temple as an offering to God (Lev. 24:5-9).
- When the Romans destroyed Israel in 70 A.D. the recipe and baking process was lost.



• Recently, after intensive research, a group of priests, engineers and archaeologists succeeded in baking shewbread.

- •A school has been built by the Sanhedrin at Mizpah/Jericho to train priests.
- ·30,000 priests have been trained.





GARMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR THE PRIESTS WHO WILL SERVE AT THE TEMPLE



PRIESTS HAVE BEEN TRAINED TO OFFER ANIMAL SACRIFICES



MOST OR ALL OF THE TEMPLE ITEMS HAVE BEEN MADE



INCENSE ALTAR



SILVER TRUMPETS



GOLDEN MENORAH



VESSELS TO CATCH BLOOD OF ANIMALS



HARP FOR MUSIC



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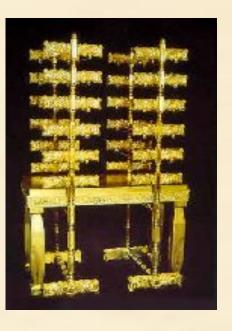
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CUPS



CHALICE FOR INCENSE



SHOWBREAD TABLE



SCAPEGOAT LOTTERY
BOX



SILVER SHOVEL

THE GREAT ALTAR OF SACRIFICE HAS BEEN BUILT

• The Sanhedrin authorized priests to start construction on the Great Altar of Sacrifice at their school.

- -It is now complete and will soon be used to resume the animal sacrifices.
- -It is portable and can be moved to the Temple Mount once they get government permission to do so.

PRIESTS LIGHTING THE MENORAH AND THE INCENSE IN A TEMPLE REENACTMENT



THE CHURCH IN PARENTHESES

