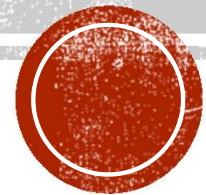


REVELATION — DANIEL 9

THE 70 WEEKS

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ORGANIZATION - HISTORICAL CHAPTER 1-6

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 - **1. Deported as a teenager**
 - **2. Nebuchadnezzar's Dream**
 - **3. Bow or Burn: the Furnace**
 - **4. Nebuchadnezzar's Pride**
 - **5. The Fall of Babylon**
 - **6. The Lion's Den**



VISIONS CHAPTERS 7-12

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 - **7 The Times of the Gentiles**
 - **8 The Ram and the Goat**
 - **9 The Seventy Week**
 - **10 A Glimpse of the Dark Side**
 - **11 The “Silent Years” (in advance)**
 - **12 The Consummation of All Things**



CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

- 1 Babylonian Captivity 606 B.C.
- 2 Nebuchadnezzar's Dream 602 B.C.
- 3 Nebuchadnezzar's Image
- 4 Nebuchadnezzar's Pride
- 7 The Times of the Gentiles 556 B.C.
- 8 Ram and Goat vision 554 B.C.
- 5 Babylon falls to Persians 539 B.C.
- 9 Vision of seventy Weeks 538 B.C.
- 6 The Lion's Den
- 10-12 Closing visions



JESUS' CONFIDENTIAL BRIEFING

- Four Disciples ask about His Return
 - Peter, James, John, Andrew
- Private Briefing in 3 Gospels
 - Matthew 24, 25
 - Mark 13
 - Luke 21
- Points them to Daniel 9 as the key to End-time Prophecy



THE OLIVET DISCOURSE

- ³ Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be? And what *will* be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?”
- ⁴ And Jesus answered and said to them: “Take heed that no one **deceives** you. ⁵ For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and will deceive many. ⁶ And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all^[a] *these things* must come to pass, but the end is not yet. ⁷ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences,^[b] and earthquakes in various places. ⁸ All *these are* the beginning of sorrows.
- ¹⁵ “Therefore when you see the ‘abomination of desolation,’^[c] spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place” (whoever reads, let him understand), ¹⁶ “then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.
- ¹⁷ Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house. ¹⁸ And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes. ¹⁹ But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! ²⁰ And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath.



THE GREAT TRIBULATION

- ²¹ For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. ²² And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.



OLD TESTAMENT (TENACH) TEXTS

- Original Hebrew (“Vorlage”)
 - In the days of Ezra and Nehemiah
- Septuagint Translation (LXX)
 - 285-270 B.C. Ptolemy Philadelphus II commissioned 70 top scholars at Alexandria to translate the Hebrew Tenach (Old Testament) into the common Greek of that day
 - Primary quoted text in the New Testament
- Masoretic Text (MT)
 - Derived from the Council of Jamnia, 90 AD



DANIEL 9 – THE INTERRUPTED PRAYER

- Ezra 9, Nehemiah 9 and Daniel 9
- Daniel's Prayer 1-19
- Gabriel's Visit 20-23
- The Seventy Weeks 24-27



DANIEL 9

- 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—² 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.



JEREMIAH 25:11-12, 29:10

■ Jeremiah 25:11-12

- ¹¹ And this whole land shall be a desolation *and* an astonishment, and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.
- ¹² ‘Then it will come to pass, when seventy years are completed, *that* I will punish the king of Babylon and that nation, the land of the Chaldeans, for their iniquity,’ says the LORD; ‘and I will make it a perpetual desolation.

■ Jeremiah 29:10

- ¹⁰ For thus says the LORD: After seventy years are completed at Babylon, I will visit you and perform My good word toward you, and cause you to return to this place.



DANIEL 9

- ³ Then I set my face toward the Lord God to make request by prayer and supplications, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes. ⁴ And I prayed to the LORD my God, and made confession, and said, “O Lord, great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and mercy with those who love Him, and with those who keep His commandments, ⁵ we have sinned and committed iniquity, we have done wickedly and rebelled, even by departing from Your precepts and Your judgments. ⁶ Neither have we heeded Your servants the prophets, who spoke in Your name to our kings and our princes, to our fathers and all the people of the land. ⁷ O Lord, righteousness *belongs* to You, but to us shame of face, as *it is* this day—to the men of Judah, to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and all Israel, those near and those far off in all the countries to which You have driven them, because of the unfaithfulness which they have committed against You.
- Are we suppose to pray for the second coming?
- In the Lord’s Prayer – “Thy Kingdom Come”



BOLDNESS IN PRAYER – DANIEL 9

- **¹⁷ Now therefore, our God, hear the prayer of Your servant, and his supplications, and for the Lord's sake cause Your face to shine on Your sanctuary, which is desolate. ¹⁸ O my God, incline Your ear and hear; open Your eyes and see our desolations, and the city which is called by Your name; for we do not present our supplications before You because of our righteous deeds, but because of Your great mercies. ¹⁹ O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and act! Do not delay for Your own sake, my God, for Your city and Your people are called by Your name."**



NOW THE INTERRUPTION

- ²⁰ Now while I *was* speaking, praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God, ²¹ 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. ²² And he informed *me*, and talked with me, and said, “O Daniel, I have now come forth to give you skill to understand. ²³ At the beginning of your supplications the command went out, and I have come to tell *you*, for you *are* greatly beloved; therefore consider the matter, and understand the vision:



THE “70 WEEKS” OF DANIEL

- The scope 9:24
- The 69 Weeks 9:25
 - (The Interval) 9:26
- The 70th Week 9:27



THE SCOPE 9:24

- “Seventy weeks^[a] are determined
For your people and for your holy city,
To finish the transgression,
To make an end of^[b] sins,
To make reconciliation for iniquity,
To bring in everlasting righteousness,
To seal up vision and prophecy,
And to anoint the Most Holy



“WEEKS” = ?

- Days: Sabbath on the 7th Day
 - Genesis 2:2; Exodus 20:11
- Weeks: Feast of Weeks
 - Leviticus 23:15-16
- Months: Nisan to Tishri
 - Ex. 12:2; Lev. 23:24
- Years: Sabbatical Years for the Land
 - Lev. 25:1-22; 26:33-35, Deut. 15; Ex. 23:10-11; 2 Chr. 36:19-21



THE 69 WEEKS

- “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^[c] shall be built again, and
the wall,^[d] Even in troublesome times. ●

THE 69 WEEKS

Commandment
to restore
Jerusalem

The Messiah
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$69 \times 7 = 483$ years?



THE DECREES TO “REBUILD JERUSALEM”?

- 1. Cyrus, 537 B.C. Ezra 1:2-4
 - 2. Darius Ezra 6:1-5, 8, 12
 - 3. Artaxerxes, 458 B.C. Ezra 7:11-26
 - 4. Artaxerxes, 445 B.C. Nehemiah 2:5-8, 17, 18
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- Rechob = “street”
 - Charuts = “wall, moat”



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NOMINAL 360-DAY YEAR

- Biblical Usage
 - Genesis Gen. 7:24; 8:3,4
 - Daniel Dan. 9:27; 12:6
 - Revelation Rev. 11:2,3; 13:5
- Ancient calendars based on 360-day year
 - Assyrians, Chaldean, Egyptians, Hebrews, Persians, Greeks, Phoenicians, Chinese, Mayans, Hindus, Carthaginians, Etruscans, Teutons, et al
- Orbital Changes? (just conjectures)
 - Long day of Joshua Joshua 10:12, 13
 - (Due to Mars Pass-bys?)
 - Resonant Orbit (Earth: 360 days, Mars 720 days)
 - From 701 B.C. 365 and quarter days



THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY – ZECHARIAH 9:9

- ⁹ “Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Behold, your King is coming to you;
He *is* just and having salvation,
Lowly and riding on a donkey,
A colt, the foal of a donkey.



CHRONOLOGY OF HIS MINISTRY

- Christ's ministry began in fall 28 AD
 - Tiberius appointed: 14 AD
 - Augustus died August 19, 14 AD
 - (Within the) 15th year of Tiberius **Luke 3:1**
- 4th Passover: April 6, 32 AD
 - Sir Robert Anderson, 1894
- (Other chronologies presume a Friday crucifixion)



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$$69 \times 7 \times 360 = 173,880 \text{ days}$$

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445 BC -32 AD	173,740
March 14 -April 6	24
Leap years	116
Total	173,880

The Triumphal
Entry
April 6, 32 AD



THE INTERVAL

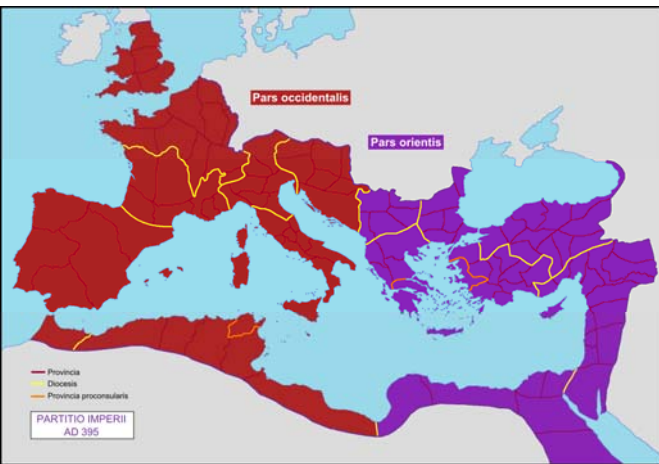
- “And after the sixty-two weeks
Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself;
And the people of the prince who is to come
Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary.
The end of it *shall be* with a flood,
And till the end of the war desolations are
determined.
- Karat: to cut off, eliminate, kill execute



THE PRINCE

- the people of the prince who is to come
Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary
- 38 years after Christ died, Roman legion
under Titus Vespasian destroy the city
and the temple





BYZANTINE EMPIRE

- The Byzantine Empire was the predominantly Greek-speaking continuation of the eastern half of the Roman Empire during Late Antiquity and the Middle Ages. Its capital city was Constantinople, originally known as Byzantium.



DIVISION OF THEOLOGY

- Bibliology The Bible
- Theology Proper Attributes of God
- Christology Lord Jesus Christ
- Pneumatology Holy Spirit
- Angelology Angels, fallen and unfallen
- Anthropology Man
- Soteriology Salvation
- Ecclesiology The Church
- Eschatology End-Times; Last Things
- **Israelology** **Israel as God's instrument**



ISRAEL AND THE CHURCH

- Distinctions
 - Different Origins, Missions, Destinies
- “Replacement” views deny Israel its place in God’s program
Romans 9,10,11
 - Make God a Liar
 - Laid the base for Christian Anti-Semitism
- The “70 Weeks” deal specifically with Israel
- Paul’s : Jew, Gentiles, Church 1 Cor. 10:32
- Distinctive reappear after Revelation 4



THE INTERVAL

- Interval also implied
 - Isa. 61:1,2 (re Lk. 4:18-20); Rev. 12:5-6; Also Isa. 54:7; Hos. 3:4-5; Amos 9:10-11; (Acts 15:13-18); Micah 5:2-3, Zech. 9:9-10, Luke 1:31,32; 21:24
- Interval defined: Luke 19:42 until Rom. 11:25
 - This interval is the period of the Church, an era kept secret in OT: Matt. 13:34-35, Eph.3:5,9
 - Born at Pentecost: Col. 1:18; 1 Cor. 12:13; Acts 1:5, 11,15-16
 - Prerequisites:
 - Atonement: Matt. 16:18, 21
 - Resurrection: Eph. 1:20-23
 - Ascension: Eph. 4:7-11
 - (Spiritual gifts only after ascension)



WHICH “PRINCE”?

- Antecedent: “The Prince that shall come...”
- Imperial Succession after Nero
 - General Galba – Assassinated
 - Ortho – Unfit and committed suicide
 - General Vespasian (father of Titus, Captain in charge of the siege)
 - (Titus may have been a descendant of Antiochus IV)



THE 70TH WEEK

- 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 9:27



“TIME, TIMES, AND 1/2 TIME”

- **“Times” = dual, later lost in Aramaic**
- **1 + 2 + 1/2 = 3 1/2 Dan. 7:25, Dan. 12:7, Rev. 12:14**
- **3 1/2 years Dan. 9:27; 12:7**
- **42 months Rev. 11:2; 13:5**
- **1260 Days Rev. 11:3; Dan. 12:6**
- **1/2 “week” Dan. 9:27**



THE “ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION”

- ²² Now it was the Feast of Dedication in Jerusalem, and it was winter. John 10:22

- Which “Feast of Dedication?”
- Solomon’s Temple? Autumn 1 Kings 8:2
- Zerubbable’s Temple? Spring Ezra 6:15-16
- The Rededication Winter 25th of Kislev
(Hanukah “Festival of Lights”)



ANTIOCHUS IV (“EPIPHANES”) 175-164 BC

- Made Torah reading punishable by death
- Slaughtered a sow on the Alter
- Erected an idol to Zeus in the Holy of Holies
 - “The Abomination of Desolation” Matt. 25:15
- The Macabbean Revolt
 - 3 years: threw off the yoke of Seleucid Empire
 - Rededicated the Temple: 25th of Kislev. 165 BC
 - Celebrated as Channukah John 10:22



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THE “TIME OF JACOB’S TROUBLE” JEREMIAH 30:7

- “At that time Michael shall stand up, The great prince who stands *watch* over the sons of your people; And there shall be a time of trouble, Such as never was since there was a nation, *Even* to that time. And at that time your people shall be delivered, Every one who is found written in the book. (Dan. 12:1)
- I will return again to My place, Till they acknowledge their offense. Then they will seek My face; In their affliction they will earnestly seek Me.” (Hosea 5:15)



THE PRINCE THAT SHALL COME...

■ Old Testament Allusions

- Seed of the Serpent Gen. 3:15
- Idol Shepherd Zech. 11:16-17
- Little Horn Dan. 7:8-11, 21-26,
Dan. 9:9-12, 23-25
- Prince that shall come Dan. 9:26
- Willful King Dan. 11:36



THE PRINCE THAT SHALL COME...

▪ New Testament Allusions

- Beast Rev. 11:7; 13
- False Prophet Rev. 13
- Antichrist (Pseudo-Christ) 1 John 2:22
- Lawless One 2 Thess. 2:8
- Man of Sin 2 Thess. 2:3
- One come in his own name John 5:43
- Son of Perdition 2 Thess. 2:3
- An intellectual genius Dan. 7:20; 8:23; Eze. 28:3
- An persuasive orator Dan. 7:20; Rev. 13:2
- A shrewd Politician Dan. 11:21; Dan. 8:25
- A financial genius Rev. 13:17; Eze. 28:4,5 Psa. 52:7; Dan. 11:38,43
- A forceful military leader Dan. 8:24; Rev. 6:2; Rev. 13:4; Isa. 4:16
- A powerful organizer Rev. 13:1-2; 17:17
- A unifying religious guru 2 Thess. 2:4; Rev. 13:3, 14, 15
- Cf. Psa. 10, 52, 55; Isa. 10,11,13,14; Jer. 49-51; Zech 5; Rev. 18



JEW OR GENTILE?

- The Leader will be the Son of Satan
 - Gen. 3:15; Isa. 27:1; Eze. 28:12-19; Rev. 13
- Some believe this leader will be a Jew:
 - Eze. 21:25-27; Eze. 28:2-10 (of the circumcision)
 - Dan. 11:36,37; John 5:43 (Allos, not heteros: thus, a Jew, not a Gentile.)
 - Received by Israel John 5:43; Ps 55
- Some believe he will be a Gentile
 - Roman Prince, etc.
- There are two players Rev. 13



THERE ARE TWO PLAYERS

REV. 13

- **1st Beast:** Then I^[a] stood on the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns,^[b] and on his horns ten crowns, and on his heads a blasphemous name.² Now the beast which I saw was like a leopard, his feet were like *the feet* of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. The dragon gave him his power, his throne, and great authority. ³ And I saw one of his heads as if it had been mortally wounded, and his deadly wound was healed. And all the world marveled and followed the beast.
- His Physical Description: Zechariah 11:17
- **2nd Beast:** ¹¹ Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth, and he had two horns like a lamb and spoke like a dragon. ¹² And he exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence, and causes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. ¹³ He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men. ¹⁴ And he deceives those^[e] who dwell on the earth by those signs which he was granted to do in the sight of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who was wounded by the sword and lived. ¹⁵ He was granted *power* to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed. ¹⁶ He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads,¹⁷ and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or^[f] the name of the beast, or the number of his name. ¹⁸ Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man: His number is 666.



WHOSE NUMBER

- Many point to bar codes, insertable chips, etc. for implementation technology and controls;
- The overlook that is it His number and name that is critical identity issue



POST-TRIBULATION PROBLEMS

- Denies NT teaching of Imminency
 - We are to expect Him at any moment
- Requires the Church during 70th Week
 - Israel and the Church mutually exclusive Dan. 9:26
- Church experiences God's Wrath
 - Promised not experience 1 Thess. 5:9; Rev. 3:10
- How can the Bride Come with Him?
- Who will populate the Millennium?
- Who are the "Sheep and Goat" Judgment of Matthew 25?



RAPTURE PRECEDES THE TRIBULATION

- 70th Week is defined by covenant enforced by the Coming World Leader – Dan. 9:27
- “Great Tribulation” = last ½ of 70th Week - Matt 24:15,21
- The Leader cannot be revealed until after the Rapture – 2 Thess. 2:6-9
- ⁶ And now you know what is restraining, that he may be revealed in his own time. ⁷ For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He^[d] who now restrains *will do so* until He^[e] is taken out of the way. ⁸ And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming. ⁹ The coming of the *lawless one* is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, (2 Thess. 2:6-9)



REVELATION ARCHITECTURE

- The Lampstands
 - Identified as the Church Rev. 1:20
 - In heaven when John arrives Rev. 4:5
- 24 Elders
 - Identified as the Redeemed Rev. 5:9,10
 - Worship before Lamb receives the receives the Scroll
 - Tribulation begins when Scroll unsealed
- 70th Week Detailed Rev. 6-19



BE READY – MATTHEW 24:44

- **44 Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.**

