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A Comprehensive Study Outline On...



Understanding Tribulation Judgements

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Daniel's 70th Week Prophecy (Daniel 9)

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- I. The Vision of the Sevens (Daniel 9:13-27).
 - 1. First year of Darius the Mede-539 B.C.
 - 2. Daniel realizes that the 70 year captivity predicted by Jeremiah (Jeremiah 25:11) was almost over (605 B.C.-539 B.C.=66 years).
 - **3.** Prayer of Daniel (*Daniel 9:13-14*).
 - **a.** Confession, petition (supplication) and fasting (*Daniel 9:15-17*).
 - **b.** Prayed for the restoration of Israel (Deuteronomy 30:1-3).
 - **c.** Blessing depends on obedience to God. God always keeps His covenants, therefore God still has a place for the Jews (i.e. Tribulation then Millennium).
 - **d.** Daniel petitions God to restore Israel based upon God's mercy and not by anything that Israel deserved or merits (*Daniel 9:18-19*)
- II. The Response of the Lord (Daniel 9: 20-27).
 - 1. Gabriel pays Daniel a compliment, "highly esteemed" (Daniel 9: 23)
 - **2.** The 70 "Sevens", $70 \times 7 = 490$ years. After 490 years God will have completed 6 things for Israel (verse 24).
 - a. The first 3 have to do with sin and were taken care of on the cross.
 - **b.** The second 3 have to do with the Kingdom (Millennium).
 - c. All six will be realized by Israel at the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.
 - -1. At the end of 490 years God will finish the transgression (apostasy) of Israel.
 - **-2.** God will put an end to sin, in the sense of judging it finally.
 - -3. God will atone for wickedness (iniquity). Propitiation = God is satisfied-propitiated (paid for) by Christ's blood, means that God can atone or expiate sin.
 - **-4.** God will bring in everlasting righteousness (*Millennial Kingdom*).
 - -5. God will seal up vision and prophecy. His covenant with Israel will be fulfilled.
 - -6. God will anoint the most Holy Place (Holy of Holies in the millennial Temple).
 - *The above six accomplishments summarize God's whole program to bring the nation Israel the blessings He promised through His covenants (Genesis 15:18-21, 2 Samuel 7:16, Jeremiah 31:31-34).

- III. The 70 Sevens (Daniel 9: 24).
 - **a.** $70 \times 7 = 490$ years to complete the 6 things God promised
 - **b.** The starting point (*Daniel 9:* 25).
 - 1. The issue of the 4 decrees to restore and rebuild Jerusalem.
 - 2. 1st decree -Cyrus-(538 B.C., 2 Chronicles 36:22-23, Ezra 1:1-4).
 - 3. 2nd decree-Darius I (522 -486 B.C.) in 512 B.C. (Ezra 6:1, 6-12).

Confirmation of the 1st decree, 2nd decree confirms the 1st decree.

- 4. 3rd decree-Artaxerxes (465-423 B.C.) in 457 B.C.
- 5. The first 2 decrees were the rebuilding of the Temple
- 6. The 3rd decree was to finance animal sacrifices in the Temple.
- 7. These 3 say nothing of rebuilding the city itself, therefore an unwalled city in that time was no threat to military powers.
- 8. The 4th decree was the one that formed the beginning of the 70 "Sevens".
- c. Artaxerxes issued the 4th decree in March 445 B.C.
- **d.** Nehemiah was the cup bearer to Artaxerxes-the cupbearer certified that the wine the King drank was not poisoned, therefore, Nehemiah was a trusted servant and had an influential rule.
- e. Granted the Jews permission to build Jerusalem's city walls.
- **f.** Nehemiah received permission from Artaxerxes to go to Jerusalem to rebuild the walls (Nehemiah 1:1-5).
- g. This is the decree referred to in (Daniel 9: 25) -"it will be built with plaza and moat.
- **1.** Plaza or street: large open space inside the gates where business was conducted.
- 2. Moat: deep trench outside the wall to protect the city.
- **h.** The end goal of the prophecy is the appearance of the Anointed one (Lord Jesus Christ, (*Daniel 9:* 24).
- **1.** The anointing in Daniel 9:24 refers to the anointing of Christ as the ruler of His Kingdom (Millennium).
- 2. Daniel 9:24 anointing prophecy does not end with the 1st advent but with the 2nd advent and the establishing of the Millennial Kingdom.
- i. Until the Messiah, the Prince, there will be 7 weeks and 62 weeks (Daniel 9: 25).

IV. The Seventy Weeks of Daniel as Understood by: *Sir Robert Anderson* (1841-1918) who wrote **The Coming Prince** in 1895. - He was a lay preacher and Chief of the Criminal Investigation Department in Scotland Yard in 1888. Authored 17 Christian Books.

Dan. 9:24-25 says...

that the decree to rebuild Jerusalem to the coming of the Messiah there will be 483 years. 7 weeks + 62 weeks = 69 groups of seven years. 7 x 69 = 483 years. Anderson sees a prophetic year as 360 days. This is based on the Jewish Lunar Calendar (Exodus 12: 2; Rev.11:2-3; Rev. 12:6; Rev. 13:5 which indicate that 42 months 3 1/2 years are equal to 1,260 days. Therefore, 483 years x 360 days = 173,880 days.

Artaxerxes started his reign in 465 B.C. The decree to rebuild Jerusalem was given on the first day of Nisan, in the 20th year of Artaxerxes. In our calendar system (the Julian calendar) that date is March 14,445 B.C. (Neb. 2:1).

Jesus started His ministry...

in the 15th year of Tiberius (see Luke 3:1). Tiberius 1 started his reign in 14 A.D., so Jesus' ministry started in 29 A.D. Anderson believes that Jesus celebrated four Passovers during His ministry, one each in 29, 30, 31 and His final Passover in 32. With the help of lunar charts, we can calculate the exact date of ancient Passovers, so it is possible to calculate the exact day of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem as April 6, 32 A.D.

From 445 B.C. to 32 A.D.

there are 476 years on the Julian calendar (not 477 years, because there is no year zero). 476 years x 365 days= 173,740 days. Adjusting for the difference between March 14 and April 6 adds 24 days. Adjusting for leap years over a period of 476 years adds 116 days. The total number of days from March 14, 445 B.C. to April 6, 32 A.D. 173,740 + 24 + 116 = 173,880 days According to his calendar, Daniel told us there would be 173, 880 days between the decree and the arrival of Messiah, the Prince.

Jesus said to the Jews of this day: "If you had known, even you, the things which make for peace! But now they have been hidden from your eyes" (Luke 19:42).

V. The Anointed One was Cut Off (Daniel 9: 26).

- 1. Our Lord Jesus Christ was not cut off in the 70th Seven, but after the 69th Seven.
- **2.** He was cut off after the 7 Sevens + 62 Sevens had run their course. $(7 \times 7) + (62 \times 7) = 483$ years.
- **3.** Therefore, there is an interval between the 69th Seven and the 70th Seven. Christ's crucifixion was in that interval right after His Triumphal Entry which concluded on the 69th Seven.
 - **a.** The Lord Jesus Christ anticipated the interval when He prophesied the establishing of the Church (Matthew 16:18).
 - **b.** Setting aside the nation of Israel for a season in order that the Church might be instituted (Matthew 21:42-44).
 - **c.** The Church Age is the interval between the 69th week and the 70th week.

- **4.** Ministry of John the Baptist; "in the 15th year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar "(Luke 3:1-3).
- **a.** Tiberius reigned from 14 A.D. to 37 A.D. 14 A.D. + 15 years= 29-1 (in the Spring of the 15th, year was not completed) = 28 A.D. Spring of 28 A.D. -exact year when John the Baptist started his ministry.
- **5.** Church Bishop Epiphanes writings that were found on the Island of Cyprus 300-400 A.D. states that John the Baptist baptized the *Lord Jesus Christ* in the summer of 28 A.D.

Jesus' ministry was over 4 Passovers:

- a. 1st Passover-Spring 29 A.D. 3. 3rd Passover-31 A.D.
- b. 2nd Passover-Spring 30 A.D. 4. 4th Passover-32 A.D.-crucified
- **6.** Lines up with the 69th week prophecy in Daniel written 500 years before Jesus was crucified.
- Church Bishop Epiphanes writings state that the Lord Jesus Christ died in the Spring of 32 A.D.

VI. Jerusalem and the Sanctuary, Second Temple (verse 26).

- **1.** 538 B.C. Cyrus ended captivity of the .Jews and Artaxerxes. Carried out the decree March 445 B.C. (Ezra, Nehemiah).
- 2. Jesus said the Temple would be destroyed again on His Triumphal Entry (Luke 19:37-44).
 - a. Jesus wept as He saw the city.
 - **b**. Jesus said: "If you had known in this day, even you, the things which make for peace But now they have been hidden from your eyes."
- **3.** "the people (Romans) of the prince (Antichrist)" (*verse* 26).
 - **a.** 66 A.D. Jewish revolt against the Romans and in 67 A.D. the Romans surrounded Jerusalem and in the Summer of 70 A.D. they broke through the wall and leveled the Temple and the city to the ground.
 - 1. "The 4th Beast-Roman Empire (Daniel 7).
 - a. Western ½ of Roman Empire, pt 1,000 years lasted until 476 A.D.barbarians broke it up.
 - **b**. Eastern½ of Roman Empire (Byzantine), 2nd 1,000 years, lasted until 1453 A.D.-conquered by the Muslim Empire.
 - **c.** The invasion by the Roman Empire did not end the Nation of Israel's sufferings.
- **4.** The Leaders rejected the Lord by saying He was of Beelzebub (*of the devil*), the prince of demons (Matthew 12:24).
- **5.** Jesus warned them that if they persisted in that view they would be guilty of sin which there would be no forgiveness (Matthew 12:31).

- **6.** Jesus warned the nation that Jerusalem would be destroyed by Gentiles (*Daniel 9:*26, Luke 21:24), and that it would be made desolate (Matthew 23:38) and that destruction would be so complete that not one stone would be left on another (Matthew 24:2).
- 7. Gabriel said; "even to the end there will be war" (verse 26). Israel will continue to suffer until the end of the 70th week even though she has been set aside.
 - **a.** When its end will come with a flood (outpouring of God's Devine wrath will destroy the antichrist).
 - **b.** Therefore, there is a space between the 69th week and the 70th week, The Church Age.
 - **1.** Revelation 19:11 Jesus comes back on a horse called Faithful and Truth and in His Righteousness.
 - 2. Revelation 19:19-20 -Antichrist
 - **3.** Revelation 16:12-16 -6th Bowl Judgment -the Battle of Armageddon and the 2nd Advent of Christ (after the Tribulation).
 - **c.** Israel's worst days are still ahead of it before they will come to Him and accept Him as Lord and Savior.

VII. The 70th Week (7 years) Tribulation (Daniel 9:27).

- 1. Time of Great Distress (Tribulation, Matthew 24:21).
- **2.** And he (the Antichrist), the ruler will come (*Daniel 9:*27)-shall confirm a covenant with the many (Jews) for 1 week (7 years).
- **3.** The Antichrist, covenant maker, yet final ruler, will be the final head of the 4th Empire, the little horn (Antichrist) of the 4th Beast (Daniel 7:8).
- 4. What type of covenant will it be?
 - **a.** A peace covenant-he (Antichrist) will guarantee Israel's safety in the land. This suggests that Israel will be in her land unable to defend herself for she will have lost any previous support (i.e. USA).
 - **b.** Israel will welcome the peacemaking role of this head of the Confederation of 10 European (Roman) nations, 10 toes (Daniel 2:41).
 - **c.** This ruler (Antichrist) will pose as a prince of peace and Israel will accept his authority.

VIII. In the Middle of the Week (after 3 ½ years) Times, Times, and½ Time (Daniel 7:25).

- **1.** He (antichrist) will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offerings.
- 2. The ruler (antichrist) after gaining world-wide political power, he will assume power in the religious realm also and cause the world to worship him (antichrist).
 - a. i.e. the mark of the beast-666 (Revelation 13:16-18).

- 3. He (antichrist) will terminate all organized religions and pose as the world's rightful king and god and as Israel's prince of peace.
- 4. He (antichrist) will then turn against Israel and become her destroyer and defiler.
- **5.** The ruler (antichrist) will come-"one who makes desolate will place abominations on a wing of the temple" (verse 27).
 - **a.** Jesus referred to this incident (Matthew 24:1-15): "Therefore when you see the Abomination of Desolation which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place."
 - **b.** In (Revelation 13:14-15) John wrote that the false prophet will set up an image to this ruler (Antichrist) and that the world will be compelled to worship it.
 - **c.** Mark of the beast for those who worship him (Antichrist), with the mark "666" (Revelation 13:16-18).
- IX. The End of the Antichrist (Daniel 9:27).
 - **1.** The end that is decreed is poured out on him (Antichrist).
 - 2. The Antichrist with his false prophet will be cast into the Lake of Fire (Hell) when Christ returns at the 2nd Advent (Revelation 19:20).
 - **a.** It's end (Antichrist) will come with a flood (Daniel 7:11, Daniel 9: 26). Flood-God's Devine wrath will be poured out.

Summary:

All this to break Israel's stubborn rebellion to bring them into Spiritual unity with God. After the Jews realize that no one in the world is going to help them then they will look to God (Matthew 23:39), "For I say to you, from now on you shall not see Me until you say, "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!" (2nd coming). Not until after the times of Great Distress (Tribulation) the 70th week of Daniel has been fulfilled!



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Read: Matthew 24:1-31

A Companion Study to: Daniel's 70th Week Prophecy

A Comprehensive Study Lesson On Understanding Tribulation Judgements

- Read/Study Matthew 24:1-31
 (Apply Your Answers to the Following Questions):
- Define any unknown words.
- Explain the context of the passage.
- Who is Jesus talking to?
- In verse 3 they ask Jesus about the end of the age. What are they talking about?
- In verse 14 Jesus said the gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world. What is the gospel of the kingdom?
- How would you explain the gospel to someone?

Editor's Note: Applying you own answers to the above outline's questions from Matthew 24 will help you to further embed the significance of just how important it is to understand the irrefutable evidence that the 70th week is indeed reserved just for Israel.

Daniel's 70th Week Prophecy

The Purpose of this Study Outline is to reveal just how precisely detailed Daniel's old testament prophecy was and still is. How it pertains to Israel alone and in the last days or "end of the age" as the 4 disciples referred to it when asking Jesus when it will be.

Matthew 24:3

That while **69** of the **70** weeks given to Daniel for Israel have already been fulfilled, the **70th week** has clearly been reserved to be completed with the great tribulation judgment that God will use to reveal Jesus as Israel's Messiah. After the Church has been removed.

(Rapturos, Hapazo)

It is our prayer that you will found this Study Outline To be edifying and noteworthy of your time spent in studying it and/or reviewing it often enough to be able to help others know the debt and scope of this Prophecy and how it can bless all our lives today.

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