

4) In the Old Testament there were Jews and Gentiles; in Christ there is neither Jew nor Gentile. Genesis 18:18; Isaiah 49:5-6; Galatians 3:28; Colossians 3:11

5) Israel's promises are spiritual and earthly. Genesis 15; Deuteronomy 30; 2 Samuel 7; Jeremiah 31

The churches' promises are spiritual and heavenly. Ephesians 2:6; Philippians 3:14; Colossians 3:1-4; 1 Peter 1:4

6) Since the church began on Pentecost in Acts 2, the church is not Israel.

7) Since the body of Christ was a mystery which was not revealed in the Old Testament, the body of Christ can't be Israel.

4. What is the church's future?
1 Corinthians 15:51-58

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

5. Will the church go through the tribulation?

a. Definitions:

1) Pretribulational Rapture

a) Proposition

b) Proponents

c) Problems

2) Midtribulational Rapture

a) Proposition

b) Proponents

c) Problems

3) Posttribulational Rapture

a) Proposition

b) Proponents

c) Problems

4) Partial Rapture

a) Proposition

b) Proponents

c) Problems

5) Prewrath Rapture

a) Proposition

b) Proponents

c) Problems

DANIEL'S SEVENTY WEEKS

Daniel 9:1-27

The Context of Daniel's 70 Weeks Dan 9:1-20

In 539 BC, the last 3 years of the 70 year exile, Daniel is reading God's Word through Jeremiah the prophet 9:1-2
Daniel is confessing his sins & Israel's sins while in exile in Babylon Dan 9:3-20
Israel's 70 year exile was prophesied by Jeremiah Dan 9:1-2; Jer 25:11-12; 29:10
Israel ignored 70 sabbatical years over a 490 year period 2 Chr 36:17-21; Lev 25:4; 26:33-45

The Content of Daniel's 70 weeks Dan 9:21-27

1. **WHAT are the Seventy Sevens?** 9:24; 4:16

a. **Definition**

Israel had a **CALENDAR** from God based on **heptads** - 7 days & 7 years Ex 19:8-11; Lev 25
Israel's 70 year exile was for ignoring 70 sabbatical years during a 490 year period of disobedience
Gabriel prophecies another 490 years against Israel Dt 4:25-31; 28:15, 47-49, 64-67; 30:1-10; Mt 23:37-39

b. **Divisions** - the **490 years** are broken into 3 segments by Gabriel Dan 9:24-27

- 1) Seven 7's = **49 years** - began with a decree to rebuild Jerusalem Neh 2:1-5; Dan 9:25
- 2) Sixty-two 7's = **434 years** - ended before the Messiah died Dan 9:25-26; Zech 9:9; Lk 19:28-48
- 3) One 7 = **7 years** has yet to be fulfilled. How do we know? Dan 9:24, 27

2. **WHO are the 490 years for?**

Israel - "your people" = Daniel's people 9:24
The 490 years impacts the world but is primarily about Israel.
This is Israel's history, not world history or church history.

3. **WHERE are the 490 years centered?**

Jerusalem - "your holy city" 9:24; Zech 12; 13; 14; Mt 23:37-39

4. **WHY are 490 years brought against Israel?** Dan 9:24

To usher in six spiritual and national blessings for Israel

- a. Finish transgression - Israel's disobedience brought to an end - Israel's rebellion ends
- b. Make an end of sins - Israel's full punishment for sin and removal of Israel's sin
- c. Make reconciliation for iniquity, atone for wickedness - Israel reconciled
- d. Bring in everlasting righteousness - an age characterized by righteousness & the Righteous One Jer 23:5-6
- e. Seal up vision and prophecy - to fulfill God's prophecies and covenants for Israel
- f. Anoint the most Holy
 - 1) Dedication of Holy temple - Ezek 41-46
 - 2) Most Holy One - Christ

5. **WHEN will the 490 years be fulfilled?**

First 7 weeks - 49 years began with the decree by Artaxerxes to rebuild Jerusalem - 445 BC - Neh 2:1-5

Next 62 weeks - 434 years ended before the Messiah died Zech 9:9-10; Lk 19:28-48

The final week = 70th week = 7 years = the Tribulation is divided in half Dan 9:27; Mt 24:15-21

This 3-1/2 year period is described 3 different ways in the Bible

Time = 1 year + **times** = 2 years + **1/2 time** = 1/2 year totals 3-1/2 years Dan 7:25; 12:7; Rev 12:13-14

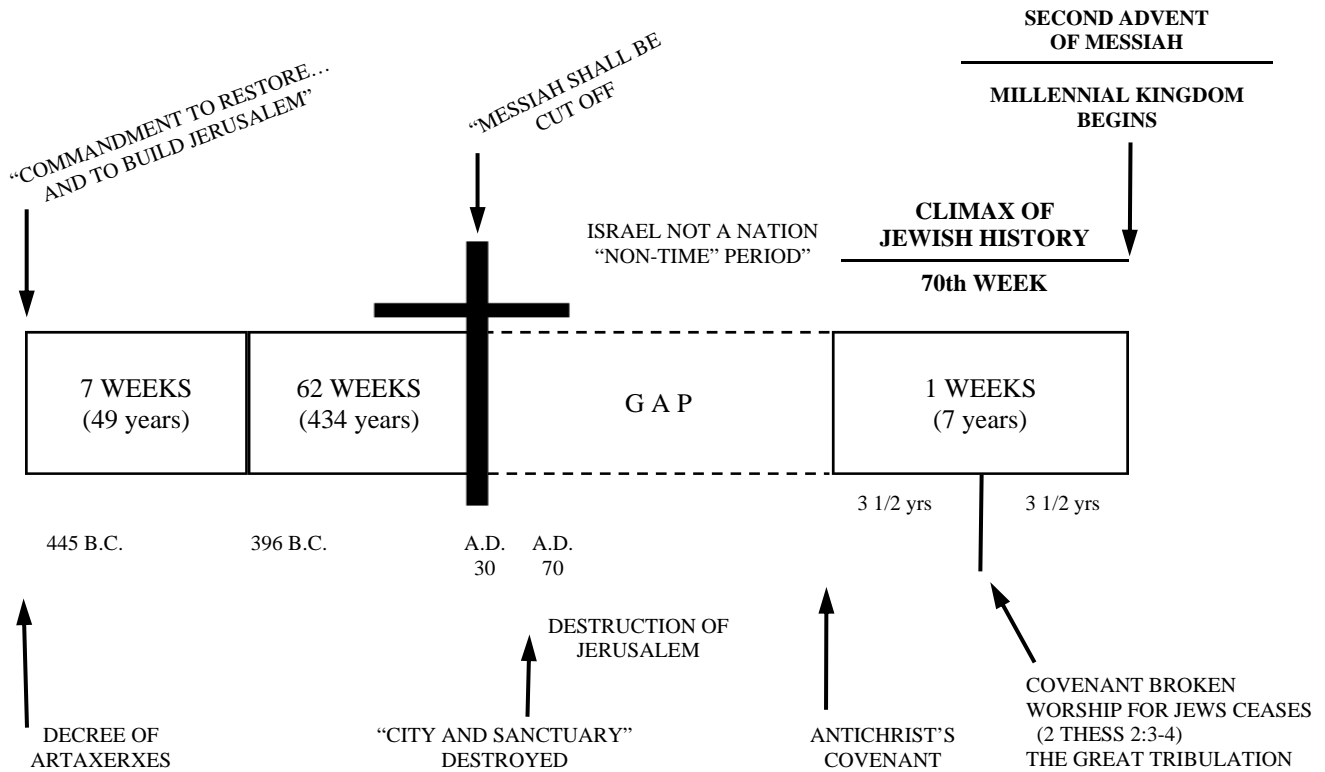
42 months Rev 11:2; 13:5 1 month = 30 days - 5 months = 150 days Gen 7:11, 24; 8:3-4

1260 days Rev 11:3; 12:6; **1290 days** Dan 12:11-12; **1335 days** Dan 12:12

6. **HOW does Daniel's 70th week (the last 7 years, the Tribulation) progress?**

- a. 70th week begins when the Roman prince, the antichrist, makes a covenant with Israel for 7 years Dan 9:27
- b. After 3-1/2 years the antichrist breaks the covenant with Israel by
 - 1) Stopping Levitical sacrifices & offerings Dan 9:27
 - 2) Setting up the abomination of desolation Dan 9:27; 12:11; 11:31, 36-37; Mt 24:15; 2 Thes 2:3-4
- c. At the end of the 7 years
 - 1) The Roman Prince, the antichrist, will be destroyed 27; Rev 19:20
 - 2) The Kingdom blessings will be realized 24; Jer 31:31-40; Rev 20:1-6

SEVENTIETH WEEK OF DANIEL



The 483 Years in the Jewish And Gregorian Calendars

Jewish Calendar (360 days per year*)

$(7 \times 7) + (62 \times 7) \text{ years} = 483 \text{ years}$

483 years
X 360 days
173,880 days

Gregorian Calendar (365 days a year)

$444 \text{ B.C. to A.D. } 33 = 476 \text{ years}$

476 years+
X 365 days
173,740 days
+ 116 days in leap years++
+ 24 days (March 5 - March 30)
173,880 days

*see comments on Daniel 9:27b for confirmation of this 360-day year.

+Since only one year expired between 1 B.C. and A.D. 1, the total is 476, not 477.

++ A total of 476 years divided by four (a leap year every four years) gives 119 additional days. But three days must be subtracted from 119 because centennial years are not leap years, though every 400th year is a leap year.