

DANIEL
THE RISE AND FALL OF KINGDOMS
DANIELS' THIRD VISION
THE SEVENTY WEEKS OF YEARS

1. TIME

a. Daniel 9:1-27 (NIV) In the first year of Darius son of Xerxes (a Mede by descent), who was made ruler over the Babylonian kingdom-- ²in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, understood from the Scriptures, according to the word of the LORD given to Jeremiah the prophet, that the desolation of Jerusalem would last seventy years.

i. THIS IS ONE YEAR AFTER THE SECOND VISION.

II. UNDERSTOOD FROM THE SCRIPTURES

(1) ACCORDING TO THE WORD OF THE LORD GIVEN TO JEREMIAH THE PROPHET,

(A) THAT THE DESOLATION OF JERUSALEM WOULD LAST SEVENTY YEARS.

(i) **2 Chronicles 36:21 (NIV)** The land enjoyed its sabbath rests; all the time of its desolation it rested, until the seventy years were completed in fulfillment of the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah.

(ii) **Jeremiah 10:1-4 (NIV)** Hear what the LORD says to you, O house of Israel. ²This is what the LORD says: "Do not learn the ways of the nations or be terrified by signs in the sky, though the nations are terrified by them. ³For the customs of the peoples are worthless; they cut a tree out of the forest, and a craftsman shapes it with his chisel. ⁴They adorn it with silver and gold; they fasten it with hammer and nails so it will not totter.

(iii) **Jeremiah 29:1 (NIV)** This is the text of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the surviving elders among the exiles and to the priests, the prophets and all the other people Nebuchadnezzar had carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon.

III. THREE PERIOD OF 70 YEARS

(1) THE SERVITUDE

(A) BEGINS WITH THE 1ST YEAR OF NEBUCHADNEZZAR

(i) JUDEAN KINGDOM FALLS TO THE CHALDEAN RULE FOR 70 YEARS

1) CLOSED WITH THE FALL OF BABYLON THROUGH DARIUS THE MEDE

(b) **2 Kings 24:1-7 (NIV)** During Jehoiakim's reign, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon invaded the land, and Jehoiakim became his vassal for three years. But then he changed his mind and rebelled against Nebuchadnezzar. ²The LORD sent Babylonian, Aramean, Moabite and Ammonite raiders against him. He sent them to destroy Judah, in accordance with the word of the LORD proclaimed by his servants the prophets. ³Surely these things happened to Judah according to the LORD's command, in order to remove them from his presence because of the sins of Manasseh and all he had done, ⁴including the shedding of innocent blood. For he had filled Jerusalem with innocent blood, and the LORD was not willing to forgive. ⁵As for the other events of Jehoiakim's reign, and all he did, are they not written in the book of the annals of the kings of Judah? ⁶Jehoiakim rested with his fathers. And Jehoiachin his son succeeded him as king. ⁷The king of Egypt did not march out from his own country again, because the king of Babylon had taken all his territory, from the Wadi of Egypt to the Euphrates River.

(c) **Jeremiah 25:1 (NIV)** The word came to Jeremiah concerning all the people of Judah in the fourth year of Jehoiakim son of Josiah king of Judah, which was the first year of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon.

(2) THE CAPTIVITY

(A) THIS STARTS IN THE EIGHTH YEAR OF NEBUCHADNEZZAR WHEN JECHONIAH WAS CARRIED AWAY TO BABYLON AND ELEVEN YEARS BEFORE JERUSALEM

WAS DESTROYED.

- (i) **2 Kings 24:8-16 (NIV)** Jehoiachin was eighteen years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem three months. His mother's name was Nehushta daughter of Elnathan; she was from Jerusalem. ⁹He did evil in the eyes of the LORD, just as his father had done. ¹⁰At that time the officers of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon advanced on Jerusalem and laid siege to it, ¹¹and Nebuchadnezzar himself came up to the city while his officers were besieging it. ¹²Jehoiachin king of Judah, his mother, his attendants, his nobles and his officials all surrendered to him. In the eighth year of the reign of the king of Babylon, he took Jehoiachin prisoner. ¹³As the LORD had declared, Nebuchadnezzar removed all the treasures from the temple of the LORD and from the royal palace, and took away all the gold articles that Solomon king of Israel had made for the temple of the LORD. ¹⁴He carried into exile all Jerusalem: all the officers and fighting men, and all the craftsmen and artisans--a total of ten thousand. Only the poorest people of the land were left. ¹⁵Nebuchadnezzar took Jehoiachin captive to Babylon. He also took from Jerusalem to Babylon the king's mother, his wives, his officials and the leading men of the land. ¹⁶The king of Babylon also deported to Babylon the entire force of seven thousand fighting men, strong and fit for war, and a thousand craftsmen and artisans.
- (ii) **Ezekiel 40:1 (NIV)** In the twenty-fifth year of our exile, at the beginning of the year, on the tenth of the month, in the fourteenth year after the fall of the city--on that very day the hand of the LORD was upon me and he took me there.

(3) THE DESOLATION OF JERUSALEM

(A) THE COMPLETE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

(I) 19 YEARS AFTER THE FIRST SIEGE OF JERUSALEM BY NEBUCHADNEZZAR

(II) 11 YEARS AFTER THE SECOND SIEGE

(III) AND AT THE TIME OF THE THIRD AND FINAL SIEGE

1) AT THE TIME OF THE FOLLOWING PRAYER

A) THE SERVITUDE AND ENDED

B) THE CAPTIVITY AND THE DESOLATION WAS SOON TO END

2. PRAYER & CONFESSION

- A. DANIEL 9:³SO I TURNED TO THE LORD GOD AND PLEADED WITH HIM IN PRAYER AND PETITION, IN FASTING, AND IN SACKCLOTH AND ASHES. ⁴I PRAYED TO THE LORD MY GOD AND "O LORD, THE GREAT AND AWESOME GOD, WHO KEEPS HIS COVENANT OF LOVE WITH ALL WHO LOVE HIM AND OBEY HIS COMMANDS, ⁵WE HAVE SINNED AND DONE WRONG. WE HAVE BEEN WICKED AND HAVE REBELLED; WE HAVE TURNED AWAY FROM YOUR COMMANDS AND LAWS. ⁶WE HAVE NOT LISTENED TO YOUR SERVANTS THE PROPHETS, WHO SPOKE IN YOUR NAME TO OUR KINGS, OUR PRINCES AND OUR FATHERS, AND TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE LAND. ⁷ "LORD, YOU ARE RIGHTEOUS, BUT THIS DAY WE ARE COVERED WITH SHAME--THE MEN OF JUDAH AND PEOPLE OF JERUSALEM AND ALL ISRAEL, BOTH NEAR AND FAR, IN ALL THE COUNTRIES WHERE YOU HAVE SCATTERED US BECAUSE OF OUR UNFAITHFULNESS TO YOU. ⁸O LORD, WE AND OUR KINGS, OUR PRINCES AND OUR FATHERS ARE COVERED WITH SHAME BECAUSE WE HAVE SINNED AGAINST YOU. ⁹THE LORD OUR GOD IS MERCIFUL AND FORGIVING, EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE REBELLED AGAINST HIM; ¹⁰WE HAVE NOT OBEYED THE LORD OUR GOD OR KEPT THE LAWS HE GAVE US THROUGH HIS SERVANTS THE PROPHETS. ¹¹ALL ISRAEL HAS TRANSGRESSED YOUR LAW AND TURNED AWAY, REFUSING TO OBEY YOU. "THEREFORE THE CURSES AND SWORN JUDGMENTS WRITTEN IN THE LAW OF MOSES, THE SERVANT OF GOD, HAVE BEEN POURED

OUT ON US, BECAUSE WE HAVE SINNED AGAINST YOU. ¹²YOU HAVE FULFILLED THE WORDS SPOKEN AGAINST US AND AGAINST OUR RULERS BY BRINGING UPON US GREAT DISASTER. UNDER THE WHOLE HEAVEN NOTHING HAS EVER BEEN DONE LIKE WHAT HAS BEEN DONE TO JERUSALEM. ¹³JUST AS IT IS WRITTEN IN THE LAW OF MOSES, ALL THIS DISASTER HAS COME UPON US, YET WE HAVE NOT SOUGHT THE FAVOR OF THE LORD OUR GOD BY TURNING FROM OUR SINS AND GIVING ATTENTION TO YOUR TRUTH. ¹⁴THE LORD DID NOT HESITATE TO BRING THE DISASTER UPON US, FOR THE LORD OUR GOD IS RIGHTEOUS IN EVERYTHING HE DOES; YET WE HAVE NOT OBEYED HIM. ¹⁵ "NOW, O LORD OUR GOD, WHO BROUGHT YOUR PEOPLE OUT OF EGYPT WITH A MIGHTY HAND AND WHO MADE FOR YOURSELF A NAME THAT ENDURES TO THIS DAY, WE HAVE SINNED, WE HAVE DONE WRONG. ¹⁶O LORD, IN KEEPING WITH ALL YOUR RIGHTEOUS ACTS, TURN AWAY YOUR ANGER AND YOUR WRATH FROM JERUSALEM, YOUR CITY, YOUR HOLY HILL. OUR SINS AND THE INIQUITIES OF OUR FATHERS HAVE MADE JERUSALEM AND YOUR PEOPLE AN OBJECT OF SCORN TO ALL THOSE AROUND US. ¹⁷ "NOW, OUR GOD, HEAR THE PRAYERS AND PETITIONS OF YOUR SERVANT. FOR YOUR SAKE, O LORD, LOOK WITH FAVOR ON YOUR DESOLATE SANCTUARY. ¹⁸GIVE EAR, O GOD, AND HEAR; OPEN YOUR EYES AND SEE THE DESOLATION OF THE CITY THAT BEARS YOUR NAME. WE DO NOT MAKE REQUESTS OF YOU BECAUSE WE ARE RIGHTEOUS, BUT BECAUSE OF YOUR GREAT MERCY. ¹⁹O LORD, LISTEN! O LORD, FORGIVE! O LORD, HEAR AND ACT! FOR YOUR SAKE, O MY GOD, DO NOT DELAY, BECAUSE YOUR CITY AND YOUR PEOPLE BEAR YOUR NAME."

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III. THE MEN OF JUDAH AND PEOPLE OF JERUSALEM AND ALL ISRAEL, BOTH NEAR AND FAR, IN ALL THE COUNTRIES WHERE YOU HAVE SCATTERED US

(1) HE PRAYS FOR JUDAH [NATURAL MAN] AND ISRAEL [SPIRITUAL MAN]

(A) THE TEN TRIBES HAD BEEN TAKEN INTO ASSYRAIN CAPTIVITY 133 YEARS BEFORE JUDAH

IV. THE TEACHING OF THIS PRAYER

(1) GOD WILL FULFIL HIS WORD

(A) GOD HAD PROMISED A CURSE IF THEY REBELLED AGAINST HIM

- (i) **Leviticus 26:14-16 (NIV)** " 'But if you will not listen to me and carry out all these commands,¹⁵ and if you reject my decrees and abhor my laws and fail to carry out all my commands and so violate my covenant,¹⁶ then I will do this to you: I will bring upon you sudden terror, wasting diseases and fever that will destroy your sight and drain away your life. You will plant seed in vain, because your enemies will eat it.
- (ii) **Leviticus 26:29-39 (NIV)** You will eat the flesh of your sons and the flesh of your daughters.³⁰ I will destroy your high places, cut down your incense altars and pile your dead bodies on the lifeless forms of your idols, and I will abhor you.³¹ I will turn your cities into ruins and lay waste your sanctuaries, and I will take no delight in the pleasing aroma of your offerings.³² I will lay waste the land, so that your enemies who live there will be appalled.³³ I will scatter you among the nations and will draw out my sword and pursue you. Your land will be laid waste, and your cities will lie in ruins.³⁴ Then the land will enjoy its sabbath years all the time that it lies desolate and you are in the country of your enemies; then the land will rest and enjoy its sabbaths.³⁵ All the time that it lies desolate, the land will have the rest it did not have during the sabbaths you lived in it.³⁶" 'As for those of you who are left, I will make their hearts so fearful in the lands of their enemies that the sound of a windblown leaf will put them to flight. They will run as though fleeing from the sword, and they will fall, even though no one is pursuing them.³⁷ They will stumble over one another as though fleeing from the sword, even though no one is pursuing them. So you will not be able to stand before your enemies.³⁸ You will perish among the nations; the land of your enemies will devour you.³⁹ Those of you who are left will waste away in the lands of their enemies because of their sins; also because of their fathers' sins they will waste away.
- (iii) **Deuteronomy 27:15-26 (NIV)** "Cursed is the man who carves an image or casts an idol--a thing detestable to the LORD, the work of the craftsman's hands--and sets it up in secret." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!"¹⁶ "Cursed is the man who dishonors his father or his mother." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!"¹⁷ "Cursed is the man who moves his neighbor's boundary stone." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!"¹⁸ "Cursed

is the man who leads the blind astray on the road." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!"¹⁹ "Cursed is the man who withholds justice from the alien, the fatherless or the widow." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!"²⁰ "Cursed is the man who sleeps with his father's wife, for he dishonors his father's bed." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!"²¹ "Cursed is the man who has sexual relations with any animal." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!"²² "Cursed is the man who sleeps with his sister, the daughter of his father or the daughter of his mother." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!"²³ "Cursed is the man who sleeps with his mother-in-law." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!"²⁴ "Cursed is the man who kills his neighbor secretly." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!"²⁵ "Cursed is the man who accepts a bribe to kill an innocent person." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!"²⁶ "Cursed is the man who does not uphold the words of this law by carrying them out." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!"

- (iv) **Deuteronomy 28:15-17 (NIV)** However, if you do not obey the LORD your God and do not carefully follow all his commands and decrees I am giving you today, all these curses will come upon you and overtake you:¹⁶ You will be cursed in the city and cursed in the country.¹⁷ Your basket and your kneading trough will be cursed.
- (v) **Deuteronomy 31:17 (NIV)** On that day I will become angry with them and forsake them; I will hide my face from them, and they will be destroyed. Many disasters and difficulties will come upon them, and on that day they will ask, 'Have not these disasters come upon us because our God is not with us?'

(B) GOD WILL ALWAYS CONFIRM HIS WORD AND CURSE THOSE WHO SIN AND BLESS THOSE WHO OBEY

- (i) ¹²YOU HAVE FULFILLED THE WORDS SPOKEN AGAINST US AND AGAINST OUR RULERS BY BRINGING UPON US GREAT DISASTER. UNDER THE WHOLE HEAVEN NOTHING HAS EVER BEEN DONE LIKE WHAT HAS BEEN DONE TO JERUSALEM.
- (ii) **Galatians 6:7-8 (NIV)** Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.⁸The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

(C) GUARANTEE THE BLESSINGS OF GOD

(I) PRAYER & CONFESSION OF SIN

- 1) VERSES 3, 4-6, 17, 20

(II) TURNING FROM INIQUITY

- 1) VERSES 13, AND **Isaiah 55:7 (NIV)** Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will freely pardon.

(III) UNDERSTANDING TRUTH & OBEYING IT

- 1) VERSES 4-10, 13, **John 8:32-36 (NIV)** Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."³³They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?"³⁴Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin."³⁵Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever.³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

- 2) **Romans 1:16 (NIV)** I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile.

(IV) ONE OF THOSE TRUTHS OF GOD - HE HAS A PEOPLE

- 1) "Now, O Lord our God, who brought your people out of Egypt with a mighty hand and who made for yourself a name that endures to this day, we have sinned, we have done wrong

3. THE ANGELIC INTERPRETER

A. DANIEL 9:²⁰WHILE I WAS SPEAKING AND PRAYING, CONFESSING MY SIN AND THE SIN OF MY PEOPLE ISRAEL AND MAKING MY REQUEST TO THE LORD MY GOD FOR HIS HOLY HILL--
²¹WHILE I WAS STILL IN PRAYER, GABRIEL, THE MAN I HAD SEEN IN THE EARLIER VISION, CAME TO ME IN SWIFT FLIGHT ABOUT THE TIME OF THE EVENING SACRIFICE. ²²HE INSTRUCTED ME AND SAID TO ME, "DANIEL, I HAVE NOW COME TO GIVE YOU INSIGHT AND UNDERSTANDING. ²³AS SOON AS YOU BEGAN TO PRAY, AN ANSWER WAS GIVEN, WHICH I HAVE COME TO TELL YOU, FOR YOU ARE HIGHLY ESTEEMED. THEREFORE, CONSIDER THE MESSAGE AND UNDERSTAND THE VISION:

I. GABRIEL, THE MAN I HAD SEEN IN THE EARLIER VISION, CAME TO ME IN SWIFT FLIGHT ABOUT THE TIME OF THE EVENING SACRIFICE.

(1) THIS IS NOT A VISION.

(A) HE CAME TO DANIEL

(B) HE FLEW IN

(C) IT WAS IN THE EVENING

II. HE HAS A CLEAR MESSAGE

(1) I HAVE NOW COME TO GIVE YOU INSIGHT AND UNDERSTANDING

(2) THEREFORE, CONSIDER THE MESSAGE AND UNDERSTAND THE VISION:

(A) HE WANTED DANIEL, YOU AND ME TO HAVE INSIGHT AND UNDERSTANDING ABOUT THE EVENTS THAT WERE GOING TO HAPPEN TO JERUSALEM AND THE END TIMES.

4. SEVENTY WEEKS OF YEARS UPON ISRAEL AND JERUSALEM TO ACCOMPLISH SIX THINGS

A. DANIEL 9:²⁴"SEVENTY 'SEVENS' ARE DECREED FOR YOUR PEOPLE AND YOUR HOLY CITY TO FINISH TRANSGRESSION, TO PUT AN END TO SIN, TO ATONE FOR WICKEDNESS, TO BRING IN EVERLASTING RIGHTEOUSNESS, TO SEAL UP VISION AND PROPHECY AND TO ANOINT THE MOST HOLY.

I. WHO IS THIS FOR?

(1) YOUR PEOPLE AND YOUR HOLY CITY

II. WHAT ARE THEY TO DO?

(1) FINISH TRANSGRESSION

(2) PUT AN END TO SIN

(3) ATONE FOR WICKEDNESS

(4) TO BRING IN EVERLASTING RIGHTEOUSNESS,

(5) SEAL UP VISION AND PROPHECY

(6) ANOINT THE MOST HOLY.

5. BEGINNING OF THE FIRST PERIOD OF SEVEN YEARS - THE REBUILDING OF JERUSALEM

A. DANIEL 9:²⁵"KNOW AND UNDERSTAND THIS: FROM THE ISSUING OF THE DECREE TO RESTORE AND REBUILD JERUSALEM UNTIL THE ANOINTED ONE, THE RULER, COMES, THERE WILL BE SEVEN 'SEVENS,' AND SIXTY-TWO 'SEVENS.' IT WILL BE REBUILT WITH STREETS AND A TRENCH, BUT IN TIMES OF TROUBLE.

- I. WHAT IS THIS ALL ABOUT?
 - (1) THE ANOINTED ONE, THE RULER
 - II. WHAT DOES THE PROPHECY WANT US AND THE JEW TO KNOW?
 - (1) WHEN WILL HE COME?
 - (A) FROM THE ISSUING OF THE DECREE TO RESTORE AND REBUILD JERUSALEM UNTIL THE ANOINTED ONE, THE RULER COMES
 - (2) HOW LONG WILL IT BE?
 - (A) THERE WILL BE SEVEN 'SEVENS,' AND SIXTY-TWO 'SEVENS.'
 - (i) A 'SEVEN' EQUALS SEVEN YEARS.
 - 1) $7+62=69$ 69×7 YEARS = 483 YEARS
 - (3) WHEN WAS THE DECREE GIVEN TO RESTORE AND REBUILD JERUSALEM?
 - (A) 457 BC WHEN EZRA RETURNED AND STARTED REBUILDING THE CITY.
 - (i) **Ezra 4:12-13 (NIV)** The king should know that the Jews who came up to us from you have gone to Jerusalem and are rebuilding that rebellious and wicked city. They are restoring the walls and repairing the foundations. ¹³ Furthermore, the king should know that if this city is built and its walls are restored, no more taxes, tribute or duty will be paid, and the royal revenues will suffer.
 - (ii) **Ezra 4:16 (NIV)** We inform the king that if this city is built and its walls are restored, you will be left with nothing in Trans-Euphrates.
 - (iii) **Ezra 4:23 (NIV)** As soon as the copy of the letter of King Artaxerxes was read to Rehum and Shimshai the secretary and their associates, they went immediately to the Jews in Jerusalem and compelled them by force to stop.
 - 1) THIS ALL MEANS THAT THE 483 YEARS SPOKEN OF HERE WOULD POINT TO THE START OF JESUS MINISTRY ABOUT 27 AD.
 - (4) AND WHAT DID THE MESSENGER SAY?
 - (A) IT WILL BE REBUILT WITH STREETS AND A TRENCH, BUT IN TIMES OF TROUBLE.
 - (i) IN TIME OF TROUBLE. - SEE ABOVE.
 - (5) NOW YOU ARE A JEW. GOD HAS JUST TOLD YOU SOMETHING?
 - (A) WHAT?
 - (B) DID HE TELL YOU THE DAY OR THE "SEASON"?
 - (i) WERE THE PEOPLE READY?
 - (ii) WOULD YOU HAVE BEEN?
6. THE SECOND PERIOD OF SIXTY TWO WEEKS - FROM THE REBUILDING OF JERUSALEM TO THE CRUCIFIXION OF THE MESSIAH -ALL TOGETHER 483 YEARS
- A. DANIEL 9: ²⁶AFTER THE SIXTY-TWO 'SEVENS,' THE ANOINTED ONE WILL BE CUT OFF AND WILL HAVE NOTHING. THE PEOPLE OF THE RULER WHO WILL COME WILL DESTROY THE CITY AND THE SANCTUARY. THE END WILL COME LIKE A FLOOD: WAR WILL CONTINUE UNTIL THE END, AND DESOLATIONS HAVE BEEN DECREED.
- I. YOU MUST READ CLOSE.
 - (1) ²⁶AFTER THE SIXTY-TWO 'SEVENS'
 - (A) THESE 62 SEVENS FOLLOWED THE FIRST SEVEN, THE FIRST SEVEN ARE THE YEARS TO REBUILD JERUSALEM OR WE STILL HAVE $7+62=69$ SEVENS OR 483 YEARS.
 - (i) KEEP IN MIND THAT WE STARTED WITH 70 SEVENS. WE WILL BE TOLD

ABOUT THE DIFFERENCE.

II. WHAT ARE WE TOLD ABOUT THIS TIME?

(1) THE ANOINTED ONE WILL BE CUT OFF

- (A) **Isaiah 53:8 (NIV)** By oppression and judgment he was taken away. And who can speak of his descendants? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was stricken.
- (b) **Matthew 16:21 (NIV)** From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.
- (c) **John 19:30-31 (NIV)** When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "**It is finished.**" With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. ³¹Now it was the day of Preparation, and the next day was to be a special Sabbath. Because the Jews did not want the bodies left on the crosses during the Sabbath, they asked Pilate to have the legs broken and the bodies taken down.

III. TAKE NOTE: TIME STOPS FOR THE JEW.

(1) THE ANOINTED ONE WILL BE CUT OFF AND WILL HAVE NOTHING. THE PEOPLE OF THE RULER WHO WILL COME WILL DESTROY THE CITY AND THE SANCTUARY.

(A) THE DESTRUCTION OF THE CITY DID NOT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THE CUTTING OFF OF THE ANOINTED ONE.

(i) IT HAPPENED SOME 30 TO 40 YEARS LATTER.

(B) THE PEOPLE OF THE RULER

(i) THIS IS ROMANS

IV. AS I DO THIS STUDY I AM REMINDED OF WHAT WAS TAUGHT IN THE LATE 40S AND 50S. EVERY PROTESTANT CHURCH THAT TAUGHT PROPHECY, TAUGHT THAT THE "BEAST" WOULD BE THE OLD ROMAN EMPIRE AND THE ANTI-CHRIST WOULD BE THE POPE.

(1) **HERE IS THE SUB HEAD LINE IN "U.S. TODAY" THE LEADING PAPER IN AMERICA.**

(A) DATED MONDAY MAY 6TH, 2002

(B) VATICAN, EU MEDIATE SIEGE AT BETHLEHEM

(i) EU = EUROPEAN UNION

1) PART OF THE OLD ROMAN EMPIRE

V. HERE STARTS THE NEXT PERIOD OF TIME. BUT WE MUST LOOK CLOSE.

(1) THIS PART OF THE VERSE TIES TO THE NEXT SET OF VERSES!!!!!!

(A) THE RULER WHO WILL COME WILL DESTROY THE CITY AND THE SANCTUARY.

THE END WILL COME LIKE A FLOOD: WAR WILL CONTINUE UNTIL THE END, AND DESOLATIONS HAVE BEEN DECREED.

(i) THE RULER IS THE ANTI-CHRIST.

(ii) HERE WE SEE WHAT WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE THIRD PERIOD OF ONE WEEK.

7. THE THIRD PERIOD OF ONE WEEK IN WHICH ANTICHRIST WILL MAKE AND BREAK A COVENANT WITH ISRAEL ENDING WITH THE SECOND ADVENT OF THE MESSIAH

A. DANIEL 9:²⁷HE WILL CONFIRM A COVENANT WITH MANY FOR ONE 'SEVEN.' IN THE MIDDLE OF THE 'SEVEN' HE WILL PUT AN END TO SACRIFICE AND OFFERING. AND ON A WING OF THE TEMPLE HE WILL SET UP AN ABOMINATION THAT CAUSES DESOLATION, UNTIL THE END THAT IS DECREED IS POURED OUT ON HIM."

I. 9:²⁷HE WILL CONFIRM A COVENANT WITH MANY FOR ONE 'SEVEN.'

(1) THIS STARTS THE LAST WEEK OR LAST SEVEN YEARS.

(A) WHO WILL KNOW HIM?

(i) **2 Thessalonians 2:3-10 (NIV)** Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. ⁴He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God. ⁵Don't you remember that when I was with you I used to tell you these things? ⁶And now you know what is holding him back, so that he may be revealed at the proper time. ⁷For the secret power of lawlessness is already at work; but the one who now holds it back will continue to do so till he is taken out of the way. ⁸And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming. ⁹The coming of the lawless one will be in accordance with the work of Satan displayed in all kinds of counterfeit miracles, signs and wonders, ¹⁰and in every sort of evil that deceives those who are perishing. They perish because they refused to love the truth and so be saved.

(ii) **1 John 2:18 (NIV)** Dear children, this is the last hour; and as you have heard that the antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come. This is how we know it is the last hour.

(iii) THE ANTICHRIST WILL COME TO POWER BY NEGOTIATING A LAND DISPUTE BETWEEN ISRAEL AND ITS ENEMIES.

(B) AT THE 3 ½ YEAR MARK THE ANTICHRIST WILL BREAK HIS COVENANT WITH ISRAEL, DECLARE HIMSELF TO BE GOD.

(i) TAKE OVER THE TEMPLE IN JERUSALEM, FORBID THE WORSHIP OF THE LORD

1) SEE 2 THESSALONIANS 2:4 ABOVE

2) SEE THE STUDY IN THE 8TH CHAPTER.

3) THE ABOMINATION THAT CAUSES DESOLATION IS THE UNMISTAKABLE SIGN THAT THE GREAT TRIBULATION HAS BEGUN.

A) **Deuteronomy 4:30-31 (NIV)** When you are in distress and all these things have happened to you, then in later days you will return to the LORD your God and obey him. ³¹For the LORD your God is a merciful God; he will not abandon or destroy you or forget the covenant with your forefathers, which he confirmed to them by oath.

b) **Jeremiah 30:5-7 (NIV)** "This is what the LORD says: " 'Cries of fear are heard—terror, not peace. ⁶Ask and see: Can a man bear children? Then why do I see every strong man with his hands on his stomach like a woman in labor, every face turned deathly pale? ⁷How awful that day will be! None will be like it. It will be a time of trouble for Jacob, but he will be saved out of it.

c) **Zechariah 13:8-9 (NIV)** In the whole land," declares the LORD, "two-thirds will be struck down and perish; yet one-third will be left in it. ⁹This third I will bring into the fire; I will refine them like silver and test them like gold. They will call on my name and I will answer them; I will say, 'They are my people,' and they will say, 'The LORD is our God.' "

d) **Matthew 24:15-21 (NIV)** "So when you see standing in the holy place 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel--let

the reader understand-- ¹⁶then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.
¹⁷Let no one on the roof of his house go down to take anything out of the house.
¹⁸Let no one in the field go back to get his cloak. ¹⁹How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! ²⁰Pray that your flight will not take place in winter or on the Sabbath. ²¹For then there will be great distress, unequalled from the beginning of the world until now--and never to be equaled again.

THE SEVENTY WEEK FACTS.

1. 70 WEEKS MEANS 70 SEVENS
 - A. DANIEL PRAYED ABOUT YEARS NOT WEEKS.
 - B. THE LAST SEVEN IS DIVIDED IN HALF OR 3 ½ YEARS EACH.
2. DIVIDED INTO THREE DIVISIONS
 - A. 1ST - 7 SEVENS OR THE 49 YEARS TO REBUILD JERUSALEM
 - B. 2ND - 62 SEVENS - 434 YEARS FROM THE COMPLETION OF THE CITY AT THE END OF THE 49 YEARS TO THE TIME OF THE MESSIAH BEING CUT OFF - THE CRUCIFIED FOR MEN.
 - C. 3RD - ONE SEVEN - 7 YEARS - THE LAST YEARS OF THIS AGE, ENDING WITH THE 2ND ADVENT OF JESUS
- D. THIS WILL ALL COME TO PASS AND ISRAEL WILL KNOW CHRIST
 - I.