

Daniel; Seventy Weeks

Sunday Message

3-7-15

Daniel 9:24 (ESV)

Seventy weeks are decreed about your people and **your holy city**, to finish the transgression, to put an end to sin, and to atone for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal both vision and prophet, and to anoint a most holy place.

We must look at all End Time Prophecies together to build a block-by-block foundation to have a basis for understanding what God is revealing.

Foundation for understanding End Times Prophecy: Daniel 2; The Statue – Prophecy of Dirt.



The unknown in this prophecy is the Ten Toes that Jesus destroys.

Additional information from Dan.7: The Beast, Ten Horns and the Little Horn (anti-Christ) that Jesus destroys; THE TERRIBLE TIMES OF THE END!



**Foundation for End Times Interpretation:
Prophecy of Dirt – Statue – Daniel 2
Prophecy of Attributes – Beasts – Daniel 7
Prophecy of Time – Weeks of Years – Daniel 9**

God takes **the clear literal seventy years** (Dan.9:2) for the return of the Jews to Israel in Daniel's day as a **basis for the prophecy for the end of time. God shows His immediate sovereignty and power (in a way showing credibility) to affirm the prophecy He is about to give Daniel.** The seventy "weeks" are **seventy weeks of years or 490 years** for the fulfillment of God's purposes to establish HIS Kingdom on Earth. The 490 years are tied very closely to Israel, Jerusalem, and Jews. This is the time frame connected with the Statue of Daniel 2 and the Beasts of Daniel 7. The first clear event of the seventy weeks is the first advent of Jesus Christ. After sixty-nine weeks or 483 years, the ministry of Anointed One, the Messiah, Daniel 9:25, and then the Anointed One, the Christ being cut off, crucified.

Daniel 9:26a (ESV)

And "after" the sixty-two weeks* (after 483 years), an anointed one (Jesus Christ) shall be cut off (crucified) and shall have nothing.

*(7 weeks in v.25 plus 62 weeks in v.26 = 69 weeks)

In 457 B.C. (the date of Ezra's return to Jerusalem, Ezra 7:12-26), we compute seven weeks plus sixty-two weeks or sixty-nine weeks or 483 years to come out to A.D. 27 (the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar in Luke 3:1 identifying the beginning of Jesus' earthly ministry). This is a remarkably exact fulfillment of Dan.9:26.

To this point, everything has been a picture of things very clear and very literal. Therefore, we should apply the same principle to the things unknown and yet to be fulfilled “unless clearly shown to do otherwise”.

Before we look at the Seventh week or Seven years, we will look at the events, the valley, between the mountaintops of the 69th week and 70th week.

- 1) Dan.26a – Jesus’ Crucifixion**
- 2) Dan.26b – Destruction of Jerusalem in 70AD**
- 3) Dan.26c – To the end there shall be war**
- 4) This is the Time of the Holy Spirit**

There is definably a gap between the 69th and 70th week. NEXT WEEK WE WILL LOOK AT WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT THIS VALLEY BETWEEN THE MOUNTAIN TOPS OF THE 69TH AND 70TH WEEK; THE TIME OF THE HOLY SPIRIT!

Now look at the Seventh week or Seven Years. This is also the time frame of Ten Toes and Ten Horns.

Daniel 9:27a (ESV)
And “**he**” shall make a strong covenant with many for **one week (7 years)**,

A very prominent figure comes on the scene to make a covenant for seven years.

“He” – Although there is a gap in time between the 69th and 70th week, grammatically the last eligible antecedent in the Hebrew text is of the construct phrase “the people of a [the] ruler” in v.26. It would be reasonable to suppose that this will be a ruler of the Roman Empire—in its final phase, the ten-toes phase of chapter 2 and the ten-horned phase of chapter 7—in **the final seven years before Christ’s return.**

#4 Speculation: They will need a very strong leader to unite these nations; probably the anti-Christ.

➤ **Dan.7:20-21 – Little Horn**

- **DOMINATING, EVIL, BRUTAL, TERRIFYING**
- **GOD HATER**
- **CHRISTIAN HATER**
- **PROCLAIMS HIMSELF TO BE GOD**
- **THE LORD JESUS WILL KILL HIM**

This individual makes a covenant for one week then breaks it and becomes the great persecutor:

Daniel 9:27b (ESV)

and for **half of the week** he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. **(OT prophecy and OT language)**

Daniel 7:25 (ESV) He shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High, and shall think to change the times and the law; and **they shall be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time.**

Revelation 13:5 (ESV) And the beast was given a mouth uttering haughty and blasphemous words, and it was **allowed to exercise authority for forty-two months.**

A brief description of the Little Horn's reign of terror and destruction is presented:

Daniel 9:27c (ESV)

And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator (anti-Christ).”

Here in Daniel 9 as in Daniel 2 and 7, Christ strikes down the Kingdoms and Little Horn personally. This is the time of Christ's Return to eradicate evil establishing His earthly kingdom.

Many godly people take different views of the 70th week, Ten Toes, Ten Horns, and Little Horn. Many say this is all historical. Although I respect the scholarship of the different views, there are many details left unfulfilled specifically Jesus' return to eradicate evil and personally destroy the anti-Christ. Therefore, my personal opinion is that these things are future. We have built a block-by-block prophetic foundation for End Time interpretation from Daniel 2, The Statue, Prophecy of Dirt, plus Daniel 7, The Beasts, Prophecy of Attributes. Now we add information from the Prophecy of Seventy Weeks in Daniel 9 noted in bold print below.

#1 First mention principle: Go to where the subject is first mentioned and build from that information.

Therefore, The Statue in Daniel 2 is foundational to understanding End Times prophecy:

#2 Ten Toes (Daniel Chapter 2); Ten Crowns; Ten Kings; Ten nations; Ten horns (Daniel Chapter 7); all these typically reflect an end time view **specifically the final seven years of Daniel 9:27.**

#3 Ten Toes (Daniel Chapter 2) - The last Kingdom will be a coalition of nations more clearly defined as Ten Horns in Daniel Chapter 7 **reigning during the final seven years of Daniel 9:27.**

➤ Dan.7:24 - Ten Horns are Ten Kings

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➤ **Daniel 9:27a - HE shall make a strong covenant with many for one week (7 years),**

➤ **Daniel 9:27b – For half a week he will break that covenant.**

➤ **Dan.7:25 - they shall be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time;**

➤ **Rev.13:5 - he was allowed to exercise authority for forty-two months.**

#5 Speculation: This coalition of nations may include Europe and North Africa, but not Iran **during the final seven years of Daniel 9:27.**

- DAN.7:7 The Ten Horns came directly from the fourth Beast or Roman Empire. However the Statue of Daniel Chapter 2 identifies these kingdoms as related but separate from the Roman Empire.
- **Clear reference to the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans under Titus in A.D 70 (before the 70th week).**
- **To the end there shall be war. (War after the destruction of Jerusalem until the coming of the anti-Christ and his reign during the 70th week.)**

#6 Christ, the Rock in Daniel Chapter 2, personally will judge these nations at His second coming and establish His Kingdom

- **Jesus' first advent and crucifixion occur after the 69 weeks or 483 years but before the final seven years (v.26-after the sixty-two weeks (7+62), an anointed one shall be cut off and shall have nothing.).**
- REV.19:11-16 Jesus will strike down the nations **at the end of the final seven years.**
- 2Thes.2:8 Jesus will kill the Little Horn **at the end of the final seven years.**
- **Daniel 9:27c - Decreed end poured out on the desolator.**
- Dan.7:13-14 Christ' never ending kingdom will be established

Memory points:

- 70 weeks or 490 years
- 69 weeks or 483 years – first advent of Jesus
- There is a valley between 69th mountain top and 70th mountain top: **The Time of the Holy Spirit!**
- Last week 7 years – Anti- Christ – This is the time of the Ten Toes of Daniel 2 and the Ten Horns of Daniel 7. Jesus returns to destroy Anti-Christ and set up His earthly Kingdom.

Kingdom dirt is not yet realized but the spiritual invasion has already begun. In the Time of the Holy Spirit, we are taking territory until Jesus comes to eradicate evil.

Matthew 28:18–20 (ESV)

¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

John 3:16 (ESV)

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.