The Week of Millenniums

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Lesson Nine: The 70th Week

Daniel 9:24-27

1) The 70 "Weeks"

2) The first 69 "weeks"

3) The last "week"

In the previous lesson, we looked at the first sixty-nine weeks or 483 years of Gabriel's prophecy.

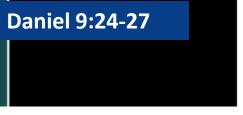
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These 483 years (69 weeks of years) span the time from the king's decree to rebuild Jerusalem to the crucifixion of Christ and the destruction of "the city and the sanctuary."





3) The last "week"

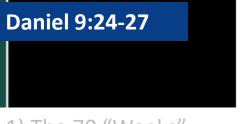
Daniel 9:25-26a (with interpretation)

- Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be [49 years] and [434 years]: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.
- And after [434 years] shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary...

THE CHURCH AGE



The 69th and 70th week are separated by the Church Age, the era of "the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began" (Romans 16:25).





2) The first 69 "weeks"



The 70th and final week of this prophecy begins **after** the Rapture and **seven years before** the Second Coming of Christ to earth. This is the time of the antichrist's reign.

The antichrist is "that man of sin," the "son of perdition" who will come into power after the Church has been raptured away.

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4

- ³ Let no man deceive you by any means: for *that day shall not come*, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;
- ⁴ Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

"That day" – the day of Christ's Second Coming – occurs after "that man of sin" is revealed. Jesus returns to earth to defeat the antichrist and begin his 1,000-year reign.

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The antichrist's reign over Israel is represented by the feet and toes of the statue in Nebuchadnezzar's dream:



Daniel 2:41-42

- ⁴¹ And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.
- ⁴² And *as* the toes of the feet *were* part of iron, and part of clay, *so* the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.



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In review, the *first* part of Daniel 9:26 speaks of Christ's crucifixion and the destruction of city and temple of Jerusalem by the Romans.

Daniel 9:26a

²⁶ And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary;





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The *last* part of verse 26 speaks of the *end* of this 70-week prophecy and what happens during it.

Daniel 9:26c

26 ... and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

The Great Tribulation

SEVEN SCROLLS
SEVEN TRUMPETS
SEVEN BOWLS OF WRATH

The Apostle John recorded his vision of these desolations in Revelation chapters 6-20.





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We must remember that these terrible things are all part of God's predetermined plan for the restoration of his people.

Daniel 9:26c

26 ... and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined. The antichrist has no right of inheritance to the throne – he does not belong to the House of David. He will come into power through deceit and trickery.

Daniel 11:21

21 And in his estate shall stand up a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom: but he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries.



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The antichrist will rule over Israel for 7 years – a week of years.

Daniel 9:27a

^{27a} And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week:





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3) The last "week"

Either at the end of the Church Age or during the first half of the antichrist's reign, a new temple will be built in Jerusalem. Towards the middle of his seven-year reign ("in the midst of the week") the antichrist will put an end to the temple service.

Daniel 9:27b

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3) The last "week"

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"In the midst" does not mean the *exact* center. Nebuchadnezzar said, "I see four men loose, walking **in the midst** of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God (Dan. 3:25).

Daniel 12:11 is more precise.

1,290 days before the 70th week is complete,
30 days before the tribulation period begins,
the antichrist will forbid the daily ministry in
the temple and sets up a demonic idol in its
place. This abomination – this hated thing –
will cause desolation or despair.

Daniel 12:11

sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days.

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30 days before the tribulation begins, 1,290 days before it ends, the Jews are given a sign to leave Jerusalem. This is the event that Jesus said was a signal for the Jews to flee Jerusalem.

Matthew 24:15-21

- When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)
- ¹⁶ Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:
- ¹⁷ Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:
- ¹⁸ Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.
- ¹⁹ And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!
- ²⁰ But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:
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Here, the passage has been edited to show only the main parts:

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New International Version:

"And at the temple he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him."

In 2018, a group of Satanists set up this horrific statue at the Arkansas State Capital in the USA. Thankfully, it was quickly removed. You can easily imagine the despair the Jews would feel seeing an abomination like this being worshipped in the sanctuary of God.



His mask of benevolence removed, the antichrist now moves forward with his evil agenda.

Daniel 7:25

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a time: 1 year

a times: 2 years

the dividing of time: ½ year

3 ½ years

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Revelation 13:5

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3 years: 36 months

½ year: + <u>6 months</u>

42 months

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continue forty and two months.



The reign of the antichrist ends with the coming of "the stone that was cut out of the mountain without hands" – the eternal King of kings.



Daniel 2:44-45

- 44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed:
 - and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.
- ⁴⁵ Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream *is* certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

Daniel 9:24-27

As we near the conclusion of this lesson, let us not forget that all we have read is part of God's plan for the restoration of Israel.

1) The 70 "Weeks"

Daniel 9:24:

The first 69 "weeks"

The 70th "week"

Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

Jeremiah 30:10-11

- Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, Io, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid.
- 11 For I am with thee, saith the LORD, to save thee:
 though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee,
 yet will I not make a full end of thee:
 but I will correct thee in measure,
 and will not leave thee altogether unpunished.

Zechariah 13:8-9

- And it shall come to pass, that in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left therein.
- And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried:

they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God.

Questions to Test Your Understanding of this Lesson

- What were Paul's two names for the antichrist in 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4?
 (20 points)
- 2. In total, how long will the antichrist rule on earth? (20 points)
- 3. How long will the terrible part of his rule last? Give two scriptures that prove your answer. (20 points)
- 4. What did Jesus say was the signal for the Jews to flee Jerusalem? (20 points)
- 5. In Daniel 2:45, who is "the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands"? (20 points)

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