

Background

- Daniel has now seen the transition of the first world kingdom
- He has read the prophecies concerning the duration of the punishment of Israel – 70 years (Jer 25, 29:10)
- It has now been 68 years since the captivity began
- Daniel knows that there are yet two more kingdoms
- He is perplexed about God's timing
- Daniel is expectant wrt God's promises (Mic 7:7; 2 Pet 3:10-12; 1 Pet 4:7; Heb 10:37; 1 John 2:18)



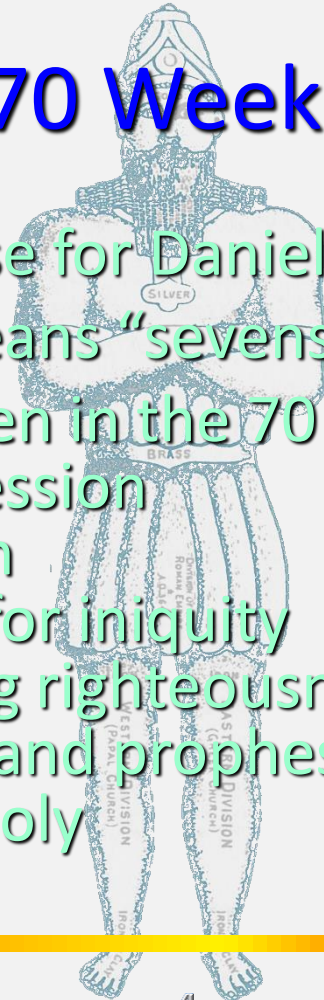
Daniel's Prayer of Contrition (9:1-19)

- Prayer of humility and contrition
- Daniel identifies with Israel even though he has not been guilty of their sin
- Daniel is distressed that 68 years have passed and prophesy is for only 70
- God shows Daniel that captivity of 70 years is a “type” or shadow of a period 7 times 70 yrs
- God honors Daniel by sending Gabriel



70 Weeks

- Gabriel has high praise for Daniel
- Word for “weeks” means “sevens”
- Things that will happen in the 70 weeks:
 - Finish the transgression
 - Make an end of sin
 - Make atonement for iniquity
 - Bring in everlasting righteousness
 - Seal up the vision and prophesy
 - Anoint the Most Holy



7 and 62 Weeks

- Gabriel breaks the 70 weeks into 2 (or 3) intervals.
- 69 weeks from decree to rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah
- 69 weeks is described as 7 and 62 weeks indicating 2 distinct intervals



Which Decree?

- 4 decrees to return:
 - 1st: by Cyrus in 536 BC to rebuild the temple (Ezra 1:1-4)
 - 2nd: by Darius in 519 BC restating Cyrus decree (Ezra 6:1-12)
 - 3rd: by Artaxerxes in 458 BC to collect gold for sacrifices
 - 4th: by Artaxerxes Longimanus in 445 BC to finish the wall (Neh 2:1-8)
- 4th is the only decree dealing with Jerusalem the city



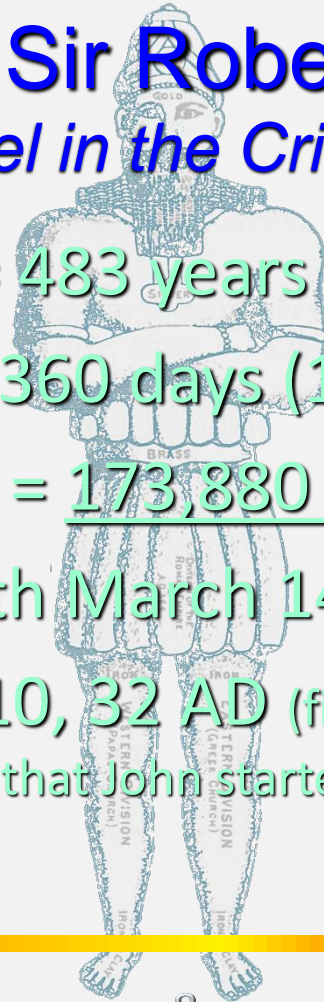
What Event is “Messiah the Prince”?

- Birth of Jesus?
- Dedication of Jesus?
- Baptism of Jesus?
- Crucifixion of Jesus?
- Resurrection of Jesus?



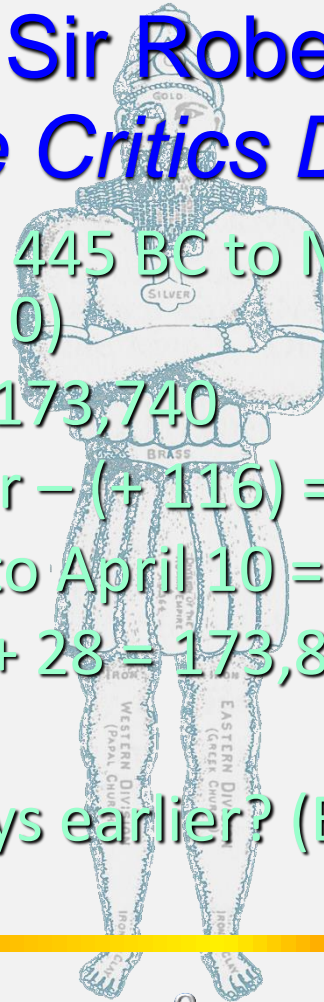
Analysis of Sir Robert Anderson in *Daniel in the Critics Den*

- 69 weeks is $69 \times 7 = 483$ years
- Prophetic years are 360 days (12×30)
- Therefore 69 weeks = 173,880 days
- 4th Decree went forth March 14, 445 BC
- Passover was April 10, 32 AD (fixed as full moon in 32 AD based on Luke 3 which says that John started his ministry in 15th yr of Tiberius Caesar)



Analysis of Sir Robert Anderson in *Daniel in the Critics Den* (continued)

- Years from March 14, 445 BC to March 14, 32 AD = 445 +32 -1 = 476 (no year 0)
- # Days = 476 X 365 = 173,740
- Add days for leap year – (+ 116) = 173,856
- Days from March 14 to April 10 = 28
- Total days – 173,856 + 28 = 173,884 days
- 4 Days too long!
- What happened 4 days earlier? (Exo 12:2-3)



Daniel's 70th Week

- Things that must happen after the 69th week:
 - Messiah must be “cut off”
 - Jerusalem and temple to be destroyed
 - Period of wars
 - Someone will make a covenant with Israel for “1 week” (7 years)
 - Halfway through the 7 years he will break the covenant
 - Abomination of desolation



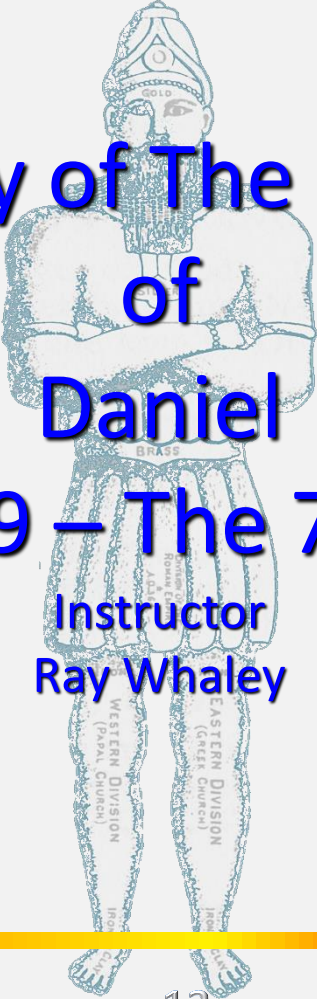
Daniel's 70th Week vs Jesus vs Revelation

- DANIEL'S 70th WEEK – Dan 9:27
- First Half (3 ½ yrs) – The “prince that shall come (antichrist) makes a 7 yr covenant with the Jews
- Middle – The covenant is broken, Sacrifices and oblations cease
- Last Half (3 ½ yrs) – A period of desolations
- Finally – The Second Advent

- JESUS' OLIVET DISCOURSE – Matt 24:1-31
- First Half – Wars, famines, pestilences, earthquakes, false Christs, the beginning of sorrows
- Middle – Appearance of the Abomination of Desolation spoken of by Daniel
- Last Half – A period of tribulation such as there has never been before
- Finally – The Second Advent

- BOOK OF REVELATION – Rev 5:1-19:21
- First Half (3 ½ yrs) – The seals and trumpets
- Middle – The dragon cast out on to the earth and incarnates himself in the antichrist
- Last Half (3 ½ yrs) – The vials, the Great Tribulation
- Finally – The Second Advent





Study of The Book of Daniel

Chapter 9 – The 70 Weeks

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DANIEL'S "SEVENTY WEEKS"

DAN.9:24-27

24 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.

25 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 seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks:

26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself:

27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

DANIEL'S "SIXTY NINE" WEEKS

THE PRESENT DISPENSATION OF "THE CHURCH" WAS NOT REVEALED TO DANIEL

DANIEL'S "SEVENTIETH" WEEK

B.C. 445

7-WEEKS

62-WEEKS

A.D. 30

DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM A.D. 70

MIDDLE OF THE WEEK

ZECH.14:4

49-YEARS TO THE REBUILDING OF JERUSALEM NEH.3-6.

434-YEARS TO "MESSIAH THE PRINCE" DAN.9:25-26, ZECH.9:9, MATT.21:1-11

and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

3 1/2-YEARS

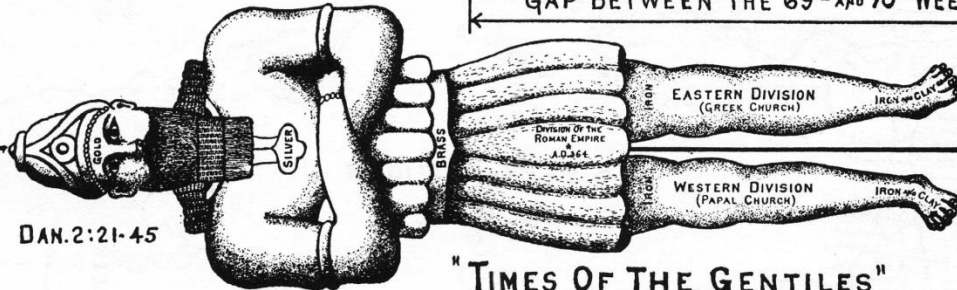
TIME-TIMES + A HALF 42-MONTHS 1260 DAYS

the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

GAP BETWEEN THE 69TH AND 70TH WEEK

B.C. 606

DAN.2:21-45



"TIMES OF THE GENTILES" LUKE 21:24

THE REVELATION

I. THESS. 1:7-10. REV. 19:11-21

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