<u>Dan14</u> - <u>The 70th Seven</u> - <u>Dan 9:27</u>

- Guys God <u>WANTS</u> us to <u>KNOW</u> (at least the High Points) <u>HOW</u> the <u>FINAL</u> History of this World is going to <u>WORK OUT</u>
- So that we can make a wise choice as to where WE end up when God wraps things up on this Temporary Earth
- & in <u>Dan Ch 7</u> we <u>switched</u> over to the <u>PROPHECY HALF</u> of the Book & we've <u>been in DEEP since</u> then
- In <u>Dan Ch 7</u> we taught a <u>Msg</u> called "<u>Introducing The Antichrist</u>" & <u>that</u> was a <u>Critically Important Msg</u> for today
- Because Daniel's ONE VERSE Summary of this Final set of 7 yrs
 Focuses on the Antichrist
- This **Final Set** of **SEVEN YEARS**Often called "**The 70th Week of Daniel**"
- Is **the SAME** 7 yr period we call "**The TRIBULATION Period**" **just prior** to the **Return** of **Jesus** Christ
- So The <u>70th Week of Daniel</u> &the <u>7 Yr Tribulation Period</u> are talking about **THE SAME 7 YRS**
- & so <u>today</u> we are going to <u>FOCUS</u> on Daniel's "<u>One-Vs Summary</u>" of <u>these 7 Yrs</u> in <u>Dan 9:27</u> ok?

Let's PRAY

- Last Msg we did the Radical OVERVIEW of the "70 Sets of Seven" here in Dan Ch 9
- & it was <u>SO COOL</u> to <u>DO THE MATH</u> & see that <u>God</u>

 <u>REALLY</u> Does <u>WANT</u> us to KN<u>O</u>W what's <u>coming</u> for this <u>world</u>
- **So much** so that He **gave** the **JEWS** the exact **number of days** to **count** so they could **be READY** for the **Messiah's first coming**
- **BTW** speaking of **MATH** I wanted to **clarify** the **smallest little detail** form last week's msg
- Some Scholars RUN the 1st 69 weeks of Dan from 444 BC to 33 AD & some RUN it from 445 BC to 32 AD
- But <u>either way</u> you <u>GET</u> from the <u>Command</u> to <u>rebuild</u> the <u>Temple</u> to the <u>Arrival & Crucifixion</u> of <u>Jesus</u> Christ
- So <u>The ARRIVAL</u> (& <u>Crucifixion</u>) of <u>Jesus</u> Christ <u>Ended 69 sets</u> <u>of Seven Years</u> of Daniel's Prophecy
- & <u>then</u> <u>After those 69 sets</u> of <u>Seven</u> Yrs We hit a <u>PAUSE</u> <u>It came</u> in the <u>last HALF</u> of <u>Dan 9:26</u>

From the ESV - Daniel 9:26(b) (esv)

- 26... And the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood (70 ad after the end of the 69 sets of 7 yrs), and to the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed.
- & **THAT** is **Exactly WHERE** we are at **TODAY**

But then – Because we had gone thru SO MUCH

we **had** to **give** just an **Honorable Mention** to the **most important** of **ALL** the **70 Sets of Seven** – the **LAST set of Seven**

Which Daniel Summarizes in - Daniel 9:27 (NLT)

27 The ruler will make a treaty with the people for a period of one set of seven, but after half this time, he will put an end to the sacrifices and offerings. And as a climax to all his terrible deeds, he will set up a sacrilegious object that causes desecration, until the fate decreed for this defiler is finally poured out on him."

This **Final Set of 7 yrs** – we call **THE TRIBULATION PERIOD**

It's the <u>FINAL 7 yrs before</u>
<u>Jesus Christ</u> Reclaims His <u>RULE</u> of this <u>Earth</u>

It's the <u>FINAL 7 yrs before</u>
<u>WE Return</u> with Jesus – to Rule <u>WITH Him</u>

It's the FINAL 7 yrs before
God brings His Judgment on SATAN

It's the FINAL 7 yrs before

God brings His Glory to this Earth

THAT is a **BIG SUMMARY** - & we just **CAN'T** Leave it **ALONE**

We <u>can't just move on</u> – without saying – "Hey tell me more about that Final set of 7 yrs – cause they seem pretty important"

So – Let's **EXPLAIN & ELABORATE** a Bit

Again - Daniel 9:27 (nlt)

27 The ruler will make a treaty with the people for a period of one set of seven,

Remember in <u>V.26</u> – the ESV correctly <u>TRANSLATES</u> this ruler as "the prince who is to come"

this *prince who is to come* - is the <u>ANTI-CHRIST</u>
Who <u>IS STILL TO COME</u> – <u>at any time</u>

We <u>learned</u> about him in <u>TWO Msgs</u> in <u>Dan Ch 7</u> – "<u>The Future is HERE</u>" And "<u>Introducing the Antichrist</u>"

We <u>also</u> have a <u>Msq</u> in <u>REV</u> called "<u>The Antichrist</u>" (Rev 13)

Those 3 msgs will give you a good overview of the Antichrist

The Antichrist is Satan's ANTI-Messiah

He is brought into this world BY SATAN – to do the Exact Opposite of what Jesus Christ came to this world to do – AS GOD

He is **the ruler** who will "**Come out of**" the people who **destroyed** the **Temple** (ROME)

& more specifically He will come out of a *Revived Roman Empire* almost <u>certainly</u> some <u>form</u> of the current "*European Union*"

& at the <u>very BEGINNING</u> of this <u>Final Seven Yrs</u> in <u>Dan 9:27</u>
<u>The Antichrist</u> will "<u>Make a Treaty</u>" with "<u>The People</u>" for <u>7 Yrs</u>

"The People" (or the Many) is a Reference to ISRAEL

& the Only Treaty that would FIT w/ the Next Statement in this Vs is a TREATY that would Allow Israel to REBUILD the TEMPLE

<u>HOWEVER</u>... There is <u>One LITTLE EVENT</u> we <u>believe</u> occurs <u>BEFORE</u> this <u>Treaty is Made</u>

In fact – it's **very possible** - the **Antichrist** is **CATAPULTED** to **World Prominence**

by **the WAY** he **HANDLES** this **little event JUST PRIOR** to the **beginning** of these **Final 7 yrs**

This "Little" Event – is what we call – THE RAPTURE

The RAPTURE (Snatching Up) of all Christians will throw this world into a PANIC

& could **very easily** give **Satan** the **Perfect Platform** to **bring** in his **FAKE Man of Peace** to **Power**

We did a Msg called – RAPTURE – in the REV series – & you can get that & learn more about the RAPTURE

So PRIOR to (or at the **very beginning**) of these **Final 7 yrs** is **the RAPTURE**

So **let's just read about it** real quick

Turn over to 1 Thessalonians 4:16–18 (NLT)

16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a commanding shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet call of God. First, the believers who have died will rise from their graves.

17 Then, together with them, we who are still alive and remain on the earth will be caught up (Latin – RAPTURO) in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Then we will be with the Lord forever.

18 So encourage each other with these words.

So – **RAPTURE FIRST** . . .

THEN – the <u>70th Week Of Daniel</u> (the Tribulation) gets sta<u>r</u>ted & it <u>STARTS</u> with a <u>TREATY</u> made by the <u>Antichrist</u> with <u>ISRAEL</u>

Now - In **Rev Ch 6** – there are **FOUR HORSEMAN** who **come upon** the **Earth** during the **Tribulation**

& the <u>FIRST HORSEMAN</u> – is on a <u>WHITE HORSE</u> & he <u>looks A LOT LIKE</u> – <u>Jesus Christ</u>

So <u>Turn over to Rev 6:2</u> – John is <u>IN HEAVEN</u> – & <u>He's</u> about to <u>see FOUR Horsemen</u> come upon <u>the Earth</u>

The FIRST Horseman is in Revelation 6:2 (nlt)
2 I looked up and saw a <u>white horse</u> standing there. Its rider carried <u>a bow</u>, and <u>a crown</u> was placed on his head. He rode out to <u>win many battles</u> and <u>gain the victory</u>.

White horse – a <u>Bow</u> (but no arrows) – <u>A CROWN</u> on his head <u>Winning Battles</u> & <u>Gaining Victory</u> . . .

Sounds like <u>Jesus Christ</u> – But it's <u>actually</u> the <u>ANTICHRIST</u>
Who <u>Comes CONQUERING</u> in a <u>FALSE PEACE</u> (white horse)

This is **Most Prob When** the **Antichrist** will make his **7 yr Treaty** w/ **ISRAEL** – most prob **involving** the **REBUILDING** of the **Temple**

Which **Israel is Actively preparing** for **RIGHT NOW**

As I've <u>mentioned</u> – we had the "<u>Privilege</u>" of being on the <u>Temple Mount</u> at the <u>SAME TIME</u> as the <u>RABBI IN CHARGE</u> of the <u>Preparations</u> for the <u>3rd Temple</u>

& the <u>MUSLIMS</u> who began <u>SCREAMING</u> out <u>Death threats</u> – <u>were</u> probably <u>MORE for HIM</u> than us

(but it still messed up our time on the Temple Mount)

<u>Israel</u> is <u>LOOKING today</u> – for a <u>World leader</u> who will <u>orchestrate</u> <u>a Treaty</u> that will <u>allow</u> them to <u>Rebuild their Temple</u>

& that World Leader is COMING

But God's Word makes it clear – Israel WILL BE SORRY

Because the Antichrist will have DUPED THEM Worse than any world leader in History

- So The **NEXT Event** on the Prophetic **Calendar** is **THE RAPTURE THEN Daniel's "70th Week"** begins
- & it <u>begins</u> with the <u>Antichrist</u> bringing <u>FALSE PEACE</u>

 <u>w/ a Treaty</u> Most Prob <u>allowing</u> Israel to <u>Rebuild the Temple</u>

<u>BUT THEN</u> – the <u>2nd thing</u> that <u>happens</u> in <u>Daniel's 70th week</u> <u>Changes everything</u>

Again - Daniel 9:27 (NLT)

27 The ruler will make a treaty with the people for a period of one set of seven, but after half this time, he will put an end to the sacrifices and offerings . . .

Half way thru the 7 yr Tribulation period
The Antichrist will put an END to the sacrifices & offerings

That's **HOW** we know the **Temple** is going to be **Rebuilt**Because there **CAN'T** be sacrifices & offerings without a **Temple**

Now – this "Half-Way" Point is super critical

It <u>separates</u> the <u>7 yr Tribulation</u> period into <u>TWO-HALVES</u> – with the <u>2nd half</u> being <u>Immeasurably WORSE</u> than <u>the 1st</u>

The **2nd Half** of the **Tribulation** (3 ½ yrs) is **called** in the **Bible** "**The GREAT Tribulation**" or the time of "**Jacob's Trouble**"

Because (Literally) ALL HELL is going to be poured out on Israel, & on the World

Jesus spoke about this <u>turn</u> from <u>BAD to WORSE</u> that <u>Daniel</u> is <u>referring</u> to here

<u>It's in Mat 24 – Let's Turn There</u>

In the <u>MIDDLE of the Ch</u> – <u>Jesus Describes</u> the <u>2nd HALF</u> of the <u>Seven Yr Tribulation</u>

Matthew 24:15–22 \rightarrow \rightarrow

Matthew 24:15-22 (NLT)

- 15 "The day is coming when you will see what Daniel the prophet spoke about—the sacrilegious object that causes desecration standing in the Holy Place." (Reader, pay attention!)
- 16 "Then those in Judea must flee to the hills.
- 17 A person out on the deck of a roof must not go down into the house to pack.
- 18 A person out in the field must not return even to get a coat.
- 19 How terrible it will be for pregnant women and for nursing mothers in those days.
- 20 And pray that your flight will not be in winter or on the Sabbath.
- 21 For there will be greater anguish than at any time since the world began. And it will never be so great again.
- 22 In fact, unless that time of calamity is shortened, not a single person will survive. But it will be shortened for the sake of God's chosen ones.
- There is **SO MUCH Terrible Stuff** that occurs **during** the **2nd half** of this **final 70th Set of 7 yrs** that we **can't even begin** to **scratch the surface** here
- A <u>LARGE part</u> of our <u>43 Msg study</u> of the book of Rev<u>e</u>lation <u>has to do</u> with the <u>2nd HALF</u> of this <u>Final 7 yrs</u>
- But <u>Jesus sums it all up</u> in v.21 a time of 'GREATER ANGUISH than has Ever existed since the world began
- So FIRST The Antichrist makes a False 7-Yr Treaty with Israel allowing them to Rebuild the Temple
- **SECOND** AT the **Half Way Point** he **puts an end** to the **Sacrifices** that **he himself** had **originally made a way for**

<u>& I WANT YOU TO UNDERSTAND WHY</u>

WHY does The Antichrist BOTH:

Make a Way for Israel to REBUILD the Temple

AND THEN - STOP the Sacrifices after 3 ½ yrs

Let's **Understand WHY** the **Antichrist** is doing all this

Turn over to Rev Ch 13

Look at the 2nd half of Revelation 13:2 (nlt)

2... And the dragon (Satan) gave the beast (Antichrist) his own (meaning Satan's own) power and throne and great authority.

<u>Satan</u> came to <u>earth</u> – In a <u>MOCKING fashion</u> - Similar to how God came to earth in Jesus Christ

& so - The Antichrist is the "embodiment" of Satan on earth

Now Look down at Revelation 13:5–8 (NLT)

- 5 Then the beast was <u>allowed</u> (God still in control) to speak great blasphemies against God. And he was given authority to do whatever he wanted for <u>forty-two months</u> (3 ½ yrs).
- 6 And he spoke terrible words of blasphemy against God, slandering his name and his dwelling—that is, those who dwell in heaven.
- 7 And the beast was allowed to wage war against God's holy people and to conquer them. And he was given authority to rule over every tribe and people and language and nation.
- 8 And all the people who belong to this world worshiped the beast (there's the reason). They are the ones whose names were not written in the Book of Life that belongs to the Lamb who was slaughtered before the world was made.

V.8 tells us WHY Satan does all this thru the Antichrist Because Satan WANTS to be WORSHIPPED as God

<u>& just for emphasis – Let's Turn Over to 2 Thessalonians</u>

FIRST – See HOW the Antichrist Comes to Power

2 Thessalonians 2:9-10 (NLT)

9 This man (Antichrist) will come to do the work of Satan with counterfeit power and signs and miracles.

10 He will use every kind of evil deception to fool those on their way to destruction, because they refuse to love and accept the truth that would save them.

SECOND – See His **ULTIMATE GOAL**

back up in 2 Thessalonians 2:4 (NLT)

4 He will exalt himself and defy everything that people call god and every object of worship. <u>He will even sit in the temple of God, claiming that he himself is God</u>.

THAT is WHY the Antichrist brokers a deal for the Jews to Rebuild the Temple

Because HE is going to FORCE the world to WORSHIP HIM - AS GOD – IN God's Own Temple

That has ALWAYS been Satan's GOAL (Isa 14:12-15)

<u>That</u> is <u>Satan's GOAL TODAY</u> –
As he <u>EMBODIES</u> the <u>things</u> of this <u>world</u> that <u>people worship</u>

& <u>THAT</u> is his <u>GOAL</u> in the <u>Final 7 yr Tribulation</u> when he is <u>FULLY Embodied</u> - <u>AS the Antichrist</u>

But **In order** to **DO this right** (in his eyes)

He <u>must FIRST</u> – <u>DESECRATE</u> All things <u>Holy unto God</u> – <u>inside</u> the <u>Rebuilt Temple</u> in <u>Jerusalem</u>

This is **Satan's Grand Finale** in his **EPIC Battle** Against **God**

<u>& so - Go BACK to Dan 9:27</u>

We'll read Three-Fourths of Daniel 9:27 (NLT)

27 The ruler will make a treaty with the people for a period of one set of seven (we saw that), but after half this time, he will put an end to the sacrifices and offerings (saw that). And as a climax to all his terrible deeds, he will set up a sacrilegious object that causes desecration . . .

Most commonly called - "The Abomination of Desolation"

This is the Event Jesus was referring to as the Beginning of the 2nd Half of the Tribulation

As Dan 9:27 says – that will be the climax to all his terrible deeds

<u>The Antichrist</u> (as the Embodiment of Satan) <u>Will DEMAND</u> to be <u>worshipped by the world</u> – *INSIDE God's Temple*

& **He will GET** what he **came for** – **FOR A TIME**

But The End of Daniel 9:27 says (NLT)

27 [This will only continue . . .] until the fate decreed for this defiler is finally poured out on him."

Do you think it would be nice to KNOW FOR SURE the Final Score of Today's Superbowl

So you **could call up** your **friend in Vegas**& have him **put everything you've got** on the **winning team**?

FORGET ABOUT IT - That's all worthless kindling for the fire

What if you could KNOW FOR SURE

The Final Score Between God & Satan?
The Final Score Between Heaven & Hell?

<u>WHAT IF you Could</u> - <u>FOR SURE</u> – <u>PICK</u> the <u>Winning Side</u> of this <u>Eternal battle</u> – <u>TODAY</u>?

If you COULD - WOULD YOU ??
Would you Pick the WINNING SIDE?

<u>I HOPE SO</u> – Because the <u>SIDE you PICK</u> <u>is the side</u> where <u>you</u> will <u>Spend ETERNITY</u>

<u>Daniel 9:27</u> says the <u>Antichrist</u> will be <u>allowed</u> to <u>Wreak Havoc</u> – until the fate decreed for him is finally poured out on him

So – Let's **get an IDEA** of **WHAT that Fate IS**

After his time IS UP - 2 Thessalonians 2:8 (NLT)

8... but the Lord Jesus will kill him with the breath of his mouth (a sword, not bad breath) and destroy him by the splendor of his coming.

When the Antichrist GETS what's coming to Him It's going to be the END of this World & the BEGINNING of Eternity

Let's Turn Back to Rev 19 to CLOSE

- Starting in Rev 16 Satan begins gathering the armies of the world to a place called ARMAGEDDON (going in Feb 2016)
- & in Rev 19 the Second Coming of Jesus Christ is described WITH US (as the armies of Heaven) WITH HIM
- & from the MOUTH of Jesus comes a SHARP SWORD

 & He releases the FIERCE WRATH of God

 Like juice flowing from a winepress (Rev 19:15)

& we pick it up in Revelation 19:19-21 (NLT)

- 19 Then I saw the beast and the kings of the world and their armies gathered together to fight against the one sitting on the horse and his army.
- 20 And the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who did mighty miracles on behalf of the beast—miracles that deceived all who had accepted the mark of the beast and who worshiped his statue. Both the beast and his false prophet were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur.
- 21 Their entire army was killed by the sharp sword that came from the mouth of the one riding the white horse. And the vultures all gorged themselves on the dead bodies.

Let me tell you something - <u>Singing</u> "<u>I'm on a Highway to Hell</u>"

<u>Might be Fun . . . Until you actually GET THERE</u>

Listen carefully to me please



Just as Jesus Christ was the FIRST IN of those Who are Resurrected to Eternal Life

In a **similar** (but **opposite**) way

The Antichrist is FIRST IN of those who enter the Eternal Lake of Fire

Look closely at the END of Rev 19:20

... Both the beast and his false prophet were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur

The END – that is **DECREED** by God – For The **Antichrist**

Is to **be FIRST** – to be **THROWN ALIVE** into the **Eternal Lake of Fire**

<u>Daniel 9:27</u> – <u>ONE Vs</u> – & <u>ONE Summary</u> With <u>ONE MESSAGE</u>

Be on the **RIGHT SIDE** of this **Eternal Conflict BEFORE** you **enter Eternity**

& I Promise - You DO NOT KNOW - your appointed time

But there IS a Moment

When you are **going to LEAVE** this Temporary world **& ENTER one** of those **TWO Eternal Worlds**

Let's Pray