

## **THE SEVENTY WEEKS PROPHECY POINTS TO THE YEAR OF THE DEATH OF CHRIST**

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\* Dan 9:24 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.  
Dan 9:25 Know therefore and understand that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to rebuild Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks and threescore and two weeks; the street shall be built again and the wall even in troublous times.  
Dan 9:26 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; and the end thereof [shall be] with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.  
Dan 9:27 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.

Dan 9:25 tells us that there are seven weeks and sixty two weeks unto Messiah the Prince. This is a total of sixty-nine weeks. Notice that the sixty-nine weeks ends in 26 AD. The fall of 26 AD was the time when Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist. (Luk 3:1,21-23) Then he attended the first Passover of his ministry in the spring of 27 AD. (Jhn 2:13-25)

Dan 9:25 also says that these weeks begin from the decree to 'restore and rebuild Jerusalem'. One such decree was given by Cyrus in 539 BC. But the count did not start with his decree because it was not a decree to 'restore and rebuild Jerusalem'. His decree had to do only with rebuilding the temple. (2Ch 36:22-23, Ezr 1:1-4) The seventy weeks are counted from the decree of Artaxerxes to Ezra in 457 BC because this was the decree that gave Ezra authority to begin to 'restore' the government of God in Jerusalem. (Ezr 7:11-26) After this followed another decree of Artaxerxes to Nehemiah in 444 BC giving him permission to follow Ezra's lead and begin to 'rebuild Jerusalem' (Neh 2:1-9).

Dan 9:26 tells us that the Messiah would be 'cut off' sometime AFTER the seven weeks and sixty two weeks. So he would be 'cut off' sometime during the 70<sup>th</sup> week. Dan 9:27 explains in detail the 70<sup>th</sup> week. The Messiah would 'confirm the (New) Covenant' for the whole of the 70<sup>th</sup> week. And in the 'midst of the week' (30 AD) he would 'cause the sacrifice and oblation to cease'. Jesus accomplished this by replacing the Old Testament physical sacrifices and oblations with the New Testament sacrifice of himself.

\* Hbr 10:6 In burnt offerings and [sacrifices] for sin thou hast had no pleasure.

Hbr 10:7 Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.

Hbr 10:8 Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and [offering] for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure [therein]; which are offered by the law;

Hbr 10:9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.

Hbr 10:10 By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once [for all].

The remaining three and a half years of the seventy weeks is explained in Dan 9:26. “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.” This desolation of the remaining three and a half years will take place in the future just before the return of Christ.

<b>SEVENTY WEEKS PROPHECY</b>							
DAN 9:24-27							
70 weeks	Weeks of Years from the decree of Artaxerxes to Ezra in 457 BC						
1	457	456	455	454	453	452	451
2	450	449	448	447	446	445	444
3	443	442	441	440	439	438	437
4	436	435	434	433	432	431	430
5	429	428	427	426	425	424	423
6	422	421	420	419	418	417	416
7	415	414	413	412	411	410	409
8	408	407	406	405	404	403	402
9	401	400	399	398	397	396	395
10	394	393	392	391	390	389	388
11	387	386	385	384	383	382	381
12	380	379	378	377	376	375	374
13	373	372	371	370	369	368	367
14	366	365	364	363	362	361	360
15	359	358	357	356	355	354	353
16	352	351	350	349	348	347	346
17	345	344	343	342	341	340	339
18	338	337	336	335	334	333	332
19	331	330	329	328	327	326	325
20	324	323	322	321	320	319	318
21	317	316	315	314	313	312	311
22	310	309	308	307	306	305	304
23	303	302	301	300	299	298	297
24	296	295	294	293	292	291	290
25	289	288	287	286	285	284	283
26	282	281	280	279	278	277	276
27	275	274	273	272	271	270	269
28	268	267	266	265	264	263	262
29	261	260	259	258	257	256	255
30	254	253	252	251	250	249	248
31	247	246	245	244	243	242	241

32	240	239	238	237	236	235	234
33	233	232	231	230	229	228	227
34	226	225	224	223	222	221	220
35	219	218	217	216	215	214	213
36	212	211	210	209	208	207	206
37	205	204	203	202	201	200	199
38	198	197	196	195	194	193	192
39	191	190	189	188	187	186	185
40	184	183	182	181	180	179	178
41	177	176	175	174	173	172	171
42	170	169	168	167	166	165	164
43	163	162	161	160	159	158	157
44	156	155	154	153	152	151	150
45	149	148	147	146	145	144	143
46	142	141	140	139	138	137	136
47	135	134	133	132	131	130	129
48	128	127	126	125	124	123	122
49	121	120	119	118	117	116	115
50	114	113	112	111	110	109	108
51	107	106	105	104	103	102	101
52	100	99	98	97	96	95	94
53	93	92	91	90	89	88	87
54	86	85	84	83	82	81	80
55	79	78	77	76	75	74	73
56	72	71	70	69	68	67	66
57	65	64	63	62	61	60	59
58	58	57	56	55	54	53	52
59	51	50	49	48	47	46	45
60	44	43	42	41	40	39	38
61	37	36	35	34	33	32	31
62	30	29	28	27	26	25	24
63	23	22	21	20	19	18	17
64	16	15	14	13	12	11	10
65	9	8	7	6	5	4	3
66	2	1	1	2	3	4	5
67	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
68	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
69	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
70	27	28	29	30			