

## **THE DAYS OF DANIEL 12 POINT TO THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST**

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Dan 12:11 From the time that the Daily Sacrifice shall be taken away and the Abomination that Makes Desolate shall be set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days.

Dan 12:12 Blessed is he that waiteth and cometh to the thousand three hundred and thirty five days.

Dan 12:13 But go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shalt rest and stand in thy lot at the end of the days."

Many ministers object to setting dates for the first resurrection and return of Jesus Christ. But there are two sets of scriptures in the Bible that seem to exist for no other reason than to count days toward that event, the Days of Daniel 12 and the days that the two witnesses prophesy in Rev 11:3.

The Days of Daniel 12 point directly to the First Resurrection because Dan 12:13 says that Daniel shall "rest" (in his grave) and "stand" (in the Resurrection) at the end of these days.

As I see it the 1290 days and 1335 days could be interpreted two ways:

### **The 1290 days of Dan 12:11 could be counted as years pointing to the year of the first resurrection:**

Daniel 11:31 tells us that the original Abomination of Desolation was placed by the first King of the North, Antiochus Epiphanes in 168 BC. However, this is not the Abomination that the days should be counted from because Dan 11:35 tells us, "it is yet for a time appointed, the time of the end". Thus, we should count the days from the time that the last King of the North, Abd al Malik placed HIS abomination, the tabernacle of his palace in the holy mountain. (Dan 11:45)

If you add 1290 days or years to 689 AD when the Abomination of the Dome of the Rock was being built, you arrive at 1979 AD.

What does 1979 AD have to do with the daily sacrifice?

Daniel 8 tells us that a "Little Horn" takes away the "Daily Sacrifice" after "2300 Days" and thus the "Sanctuary is Cleansed".

This "Little Horn" comes from one of the Four Divisions of Alexander's empire according to verse 8-9. Therefore he is the Little Horn of the THIRD BEAST. (Notice that the Fourth and final Beast also has a "Little Horn" - Dan 7:7-8. This will be the False Prophet of Rev 13:11-18)

What does the Little Horn of the Third Beast do? He takes away the "Daily Sacrifice" (verse 11) Most people have assumed that the Daily Sacrifice is sacrifices performed at the temple which are made to cease. However Dan 8:11 tells us that the Daily Sacrifice is a PERSON because the place of HIS (the Daily Sacrifice's) Sanctuary is cast down. Also notice that the Daily Sacrifice is "taken away". There is only one Daily (or Yearly) sacrifice that is "taken away" rather than killed and that is the Scapegoat of the Day of Atonement. (Lev 16:5-10) So the Daily Sacrifice of Daniel 8 has to do with a PERSON who is TAKEN AWAY on the DAY OF ATONEMENT.

When does the Little Horn do this? After 2300 days (verse 14) The beginning of the 2300 days or years is the beginning of the Four Divisions of Alexander's Kingdom.

\* Dan 8:9 And out of one of them (the four divisions) came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant [land].

Historical research gives us the following information: After the death of Alexander the Great in 323 BC, Ptolemy Lagus killed Perdicas, chief contender to Alexander's throne, secured the government of Egypt and became the first "King of the South". He took Jerusalem in 321 BC, it is said on a Sabbath day. If you add 2300 days or years to 321 BC, you arrive at 1979 AD. The 2300 days is the key that points to the "Little Horn" of the Third Beast who takes away the "Daily Sacrifice" on the Day of Atonement in 1979 AD.

The Theory of the 2300 Days of Daniel 8				
321 BC Beginning of the 4 Divisions Dan 8:9	+ 2300 Days (Years) Dan 8:14	= 1979 AD Daily Sacrifice taken away		

Where is the Sanctuary in 1979 AD? There is no temple in Jerusalem, but God's people are spiritually called the temple of God in 2Cor 6:16.

On the Day of Atonement, 1979 AD, Mr Fred Coulter, a minister in the Worldwide Church of God was "taken away" or "cast out" of that church for righteousness sake thereby fulfilling the role of the Scapegoat and this prophecy of Daniel 8.

Lev 16:30-33 tells us that the sacrifice of the Day of Atonement is for "Cleansing of the Sanctuary". Notice in Dan 8:12 that the Little Horn gathered a host against the Daily Sacrifice and cast the truth down to the ground. Because the truth was cast down in the church, those who wished to preserve the truth and be "cleansed" from the corruption had to depart. Many brethren besides Mr. Coulter were either cast out or left Worldwide. Thus the Sanctuary was cleansed.

If you add 45 more 'waiting' years to 1979 AD, you arrive at the total 1335 years ending in 2024 AD, the year of the first resurrection and return of Christ.

The Theory of the Days of Daniel 12				
689 AD Dome of Rock Abomination being built Dan 11:45	+ 1290 Days (Years) Dan 12:11	= 1979 AD Daily Sacrifice taken away	+ 45 more Days (Years) = 1335 Waiting Period	= 2024 AD First Resurrection

The duration of the Fourth Beast also points to the year of the first resurrection.

Rev 13:5 tells us that the final Beast continues for 42 months.

\* Rev 13:5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty [and] two months.

This 42 months could be interpreted as literal months in the end time or as prophetic years. 42 months times 30 days in a month equals 1260 prophetic years.

Knowing when the Third Beast ends and the Fourth Beast begins gives us the starting point of this time period. Daniel 11 begins with the reign of Alexander the Great in the Greek kingdom, the Third Beast. The King of the North, Antiochus Epiphanes (Dan 11:31) who placed the first abomination in 668 BC is still part of the Third Beast. Abd al Malik, the Last King of the North (Dan 11:45) who placed the abomination of the Dome of the Rock on the site of the temple in 689 AD is also still part of the Third Beast.

When does the Fourth Beast begin?

Abd al Malik was part of a dynasty called the Umayyad Dynasty of Kings of the North ruling from Damascus. After this dynasty ended, a new dynasty took over the Moslem Empire called the Abbysid Dynasty. When this dynasty took over the capital city was changed. The new Caliph, Mansur, built a brand new capital city called BAGHDAD which remains capital of Iraq to this day. This I think was the REAL beginning of the Fourth Beast. Baghdad was founded in 764 AD. If you add 42 prophetic months to the founding of Baghdad, the beginning of the Fourth Beast, you end also in 2024 AD.

The Theory of the length of time the Fourth Beast is allowed to continue				
764 AD Baghdad - 4th Beast begins	+ 42 Months or 1260 Years Rev 13:5			= 2024 AD First Resurrection

**The 1290 days of Dan 12:11 could be counted as literal days pointing to the day of the first resurrection:**

Now that we know the first resurrection will take place in the year 2024 AD, we can estimate the day of Christ’s return in this year. The key to knowing where to begin counting the 1335 days is found in these words from Dan 12:11 “From the time that the Daily Sacrifice shall be taken away and the Abomination that Makes Desolate shall be set up.” There is only one daily (yearly) sacrifice that is taken away rather than killed and that is the scapegoat of the Day of Atonement.

This is telling us that the Abomination of Desolation will be set up very close to the Day of Atonement. In order to end the 1335 days in the year 2024, we have to begin counting them near the Day of Atonement in the year 2020. Remember that Jesus told us in Mat 24:15 to flee immediately when we see the Abomination of Desolation set up and also to pray that our flight be not in the winter nor on the Sabbath day. (Mat 24:20) If the Lord is answering this prayer, then it is safe to assume that the Abomination will not be set up on the Day of Atonement, (an annual Sabbath) but very close to it. In 2020 the Day of Atonement falls on Monday Sept 27. So we estimate that the Abomination will be set up on the Sunday in between the weekly Sabbath of Saturday, Sept 25 and the Day of Atonement on Monday Sept 27. Then we count 1335 days forward.

If you begin the count of 1335 days close to the Day of Atonement in 2020 AD, notice where the days end. Many have assumed that the return of Christ will take place on Pentecost. But the

days do not end on Pentecost. Many have assumed that the return of Christ will take place on the Day of Trumpets. But the days do not end on the Day of Trumpets. They end on Thursday, May 23, 2024. What is significant about this day?

YEAR		NUMBER OF DAYS
2020 AD	Abomination of Desolation set up on Sunday, Sept 27 the day before the Day of Atonement and after the Sabbath day.(between two Sabbaths) to the end of the secular year	96 days
2021 AD		365 days
2022 AD		365 days
2023 AD		365 days
2024 AD	From the beginning of the secular year to Thursday, May 23, The day after the Second Passover. Estimated day of the return of Christ and the First Resurrection.	144 days
	TOTAL DAYS	1335 days

In 2024 AD May 22 is the Second Passover. The Passover is so important, God commanded that if anyone could not keep it in the first month, he must keep it in the second month. (Num 9:9-11) So it is reasonable to assume that the Lord would time his coming after everyone has had a chance to keep the Passover, both the first and second Passovers.

The end of the 1335 days is May 23, 2024. This is the First day of Unleavened Bread for the Second Passover. The First Day of Unleavened Bread pictures the exodus of Israel from Egypt. If Jesus Christ returns on this day, it would picture our exodus from this world.

The night in between May 22 and May 23 is the Night to be Much Observed for the Second Passover.

\* Exd 12:42 It [is] a night to be much observed unto the Lord for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this [is] that night of the Lord to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations.

The Hebrew word for ‘much observed’ is ‘shimmur’ and means to watch or keep vigil. It is significant that we are commanded to watch and keep vigil only on this one night every year. And it is reasonable to think this may be so because this is the very time Christ shall return.

Jesus told us to watch for his coming in the context of the watches during a single night.

\* Mar 13:34 [For the Son of man is] as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch.

Mar 13:35 Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning:

Mar 13:36 Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.

The Night to be Much Observed after the Second Passover would also be an unexpected time for the return of Christ since the second Passover is largely ignored.

Finally, notice how all these theories fit perfectly together!

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