

THE SEVENTIETH WEEK OF DANIEL

End Times Bible Study – Pt. 6

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Daniel 9:27 c/f Matt. 24, Mk. 13, and L 21:5-28

REVIEW FROM PART 5

Daniel 9:20-27
THE SEVENTY SEVENS
 OF DANIEL'S PROPHECY

9:24-25	9:26	9:27
PART #1 = 483 years The 69 Weeks of Daniel 9:24-25	D A G	PART #2 = 7 years The 70th Week of Daniel 9:27
<p>Seven 'sevens' + Sixty-two 'sevens' = Sixty-nine 'sevens'</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> 49 years <small>7 x 7 = 49</small> </div> <div style="font-size: 2em;">+</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> 434 years <small>7 x 62 = 434</small> </div> <div style="font-size: 2em;">=</div> <div style="text-align: center;"> 483 years <small>1. Jerusalem will be rebuilt. 2. The "Anointed One, the ruler comes."</small> </div> </div>		<p>"One 'seven'"</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>7 years</p> <p>The Tribulation 3.5 yrs</p> <p>The Great Tribulation 3.5 yrs</p> </div>
490 YEARS		

²⁴ "Seventy 'sevens' are decreed for your people and your holy city to finish transgression, to put an end to sin, to atone for wickedness, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy.²⁵ "Know and understand this: From the issuing of the decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One, the ruler, comes, there will be seven 'sevens,' and sixty-two 'sevens.' It will be rebuilt with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble. —Daniel 9:22-25

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FOUR QUESTIONS WE NEED TO ANSWER IN LIGHT OF DANIEL 9:27

- Q1. Who is the "he" that Gabriel refers to?
- Q2. Who are the "many" that "he" will make a covenant with?
- Q3. What takes place in the middle of the "seven?"
- Q4. What is the end that is coming for "him?"
- Q5. Why does all this stuff matter?

I. THE PERSON & WORK OF THE ANTICHRIST

The **answer** to Q1 is the **Antichrist**—the “**he**” to which Gabriel refers to in 9:27. The Antichrist is referred to many times in different ways throughout the Bible.

1. The **Antichrist** is referred to as the _____ king.

*“The king will do as he pleases. He will **exalt** and **magnify** himself above every god and will say **unheard-of things** against the God of gods . . . nor will he regard any god, but will **exalt himself** above them all.” Dan. 11:36 & 37*

2. The **Antichrist** is referred to as the man of _____.

*“Don’t let anyone **deceive** you in any way, for that day will not come until the **rebellion** occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, **the man doomed to destruction**. He will **oppose** and will **exalt** himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that **he sets himself up in God’s temple, proclaiming himself to be God**.” 2 Thess. 2:3-4*

3. The **Antichrist** is referred to as the _____.

*“And I saw a **beast** coming out of the sea.” Rev. 13:1*

NOTE: The **sea** is also **symbolic** and is used throughout scripture in a variety of ways, including a symbol for **evil**, **chaos** and **destruction** (see Ezek. 26:3-4; Isa. 57:20 & 5:30; Jer. 5:22; Exodus 15:19 & Luke 21:25).

*“The **dragon** gave the beast his **power** and his **throne** and **great authority**.” Rev. 13:2*

According to Revelation 12:9, the **dragon** is **Satan** and notice here in Revelation 13:2, that John says it is **Satan** who **gives** the antichrist his **power**, his **throne** and **great authority**.

Satan is currently the ruler of this world. Adam and Eve relinquished their authority over this world to Satan at the Fall.

*“The **god of this age** has **blinded** the minds of **unbelievers**, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.” 2 Cor. 4:4*

*“The phrase ‘god of this world’ (or ‘god of this age’) indicates that **Satan** is the **major influence** on the **ideals**, **opinions**, **goals**, **hopes** and **views** of the majority of people. His influence also **encompasses** the world’s **philosophies**, **education**, and **commerce**.*

*The **thoughts**, **ideas**, **speculations** and **false religions** of the world are **under his control** and have sprung from his lies and deceptions.”*

—<https://www.gotquestions.org/Satan-god-world.html>

“As for you, you **were dead** in your **transgressions and sins**, in which you **used to live** when you **followed the ways** of this **world** and of **the ruler of the kingdom of the air**, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.” Eph. 2:1-2

“Now is the **time** for **judgment** on this **world**; now **the prince of this world** will be **driven out**.”
Jn. 12:31

“. . . the **one** who is in you is **greater** than the **one** who is in the **world**.”
1 John 4:4

“The coming of the **lawless one** will be in **accordance** with **the work of Satan** displayed in all kinds of **counterfeit miracles, signs and wonders, and in every sort of evil** that **deceives** those who are **perishing**. They perish **because they refused** to love the **truth** and so be **saved**. For this **reason**, God sends them a powerful **delusion** so that they will **believe** the **lie** and so that all will be **condemned** who have **not believed** the **truth** but have delighted in **wickedness**.” 2 Thess. 2:9-12

4. The **Antichrist** name calculates to the numbers _____.

“If anyone has insight, let him **calculate** the **number** of the **beast**, for it is man’s number. His number is **666**.” Rev. 13:18

“. . . no one could **buy** or **sell** unless he had **the mark**, which is **the name of the beast** or the number of his name.” Rev. 13:17

“Probably the best **interpretation** is that the **number six** is one less than the perfect number seven, and the threefold repetition of the six would indicate that for all their pretensions to deity, Satan and the two beasts were **just creatures** and not the Creator. That six is **man’s number** is illustrated in many instances in the Bible, including the fact that man should work six days and rest the seventh.”

—John F. Walvoord, “**Revelation**,” in *The Bible Knowledge Commentary: An Exposition of the Scriptures*, ed. J. F. Walvoord and R. B. Zuck, vol. 2 (Wheaton, IL: Victor Books, 1985), 963.

The **answer** to Q2, **Who** are the **“many”** that “he” will make a covenant with? are the **Jews**.

“He will confirm a covenant with **many** for one ‘seven.’” Dan. 9:27

I believe that the **“many”** refers to Jewish people because the **context** of verse 27 points to that, especially the phrase **“abomination that causes desolation.”** which takes us to question #3.

The **answer** to Q3, What takes place in the middle of the “seven?”

The ‘seven’ to which Gabriel refers is the seven-year Tribulation period. Gabriel tells Daniel that two things are going to take place at the middle, or after the first 3.5 years:

1. “He will put an **end** to sacrifice and offering.”
2. “And on a wing of the **temple** he will set up an **abomination** that **causes desolation**.”

Let’s look at the first thing that will take place 3.5 years into the Tribulation.

In order to put an “**end to sacrifice and offering**,” sacrifices must resume. Therefore, a **new Temple** must be **rebuilt** at some point in the first 3.5 years of the Tribulation.

An **important side note** is to remember why there **exists** such **animosity** between Jews and Arabs.

THE ANIMOSITY BETWEEN JEWS AND ARABS?

“. . . a **son** coming from your **own** body will be your **heir**. He took him outside and said, ‘Look up at the heavens and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.’ Then he said to him, ‘So shall your offspring be.’” Gen. 15:5-6

“Now Sarai, Abram’s wife, had borne him no children. But she had an Egyptian **maidservant** named **Hagar**; so she said to Abram, ‘The Lord has kept me from having children. Go, sleep with my maidservant; perhaps I can build a family through her.’” Gen. 16:1-2

Abram had Ishmael with Hagar but he also had a son with Sarai named Isaac but it was Isaac, not Ishmael who was the son of God’s promise.

“. . . it is through **Isaac** that your offspring will be reckoned.” Gen. 21:12

“He (Ishmael) will be a wild donkey of a man; his hand will be **against everyone** and everyone’s hand against him, and he will live in **hostility toward all his brothers**.” Gen. 16:12

“**During** the first half of the **tribulation**, Israel will be living in **peace** and **safety** because of the **covenant** they have made with the powerful Western **leader**, who is the **Antichrist**. He is able to guarantee their **security**, and they will live in relative **peace** in spite of many **terrible** things happening **elsewhere** in the world.”

-Dr. Paul Benware: *Understanding End Times Prophecy*, 306.

2. “And on a wing of the **temple** he will set up an **abomination that causes desolation.**”

We discover more details about what happens in Daniel 11:31-32:

“His armed **forces** will rise up to **desecrate** the temple fortress and will **abolish** the daily **sacrifice**. Then they will set up the **abomination that causes desolation**. With **flattery** he will **corrupt** those who have **violated** the covenant, but the people who know their God will firmly resist him.”

Dan. 11:31-32

Paul talks about this event too:

“He will **oppose** and will **exalt** himself over everything that is **called God** or is **worshiped**, so that he **sets himself up in God’s temple**, **proclaiming** himself to be God.” 2 Thess. 2:4

“He was **given power** to make **war** against the **saints** and to **conquer** them. And he was **given authority** over **every** tribe, people, language and nation. All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast—all whose **names** have **not** been **written** in the **book of life** belonging to the **Lamb** that was **slain** from the **creation** of the **world**.” Rev. 13:7-8

This “**abomination that causes desolation**” is the **trigger point** for the last 3.5 years of the Tribulation and is called the **GREAT Tribulation** where all **hell** (quite literally) is **going** to break out against the Jewish people.

And yet, during this great time of distress, many Jews will come to believe in Jesus as the Messiah.

“In **that day** the **remnant** of Israel, the **survivors** of the house of Jacob, will **no longer** rely on him who struck them down but will **truly rely on the Lord**, the Holy One of Israel. A **remnant** will return, a **remnant** of Jacob will **return** to the Mighty God.” Isa. 10:20-21

“And this **gospel** of the **kingdom** will be **preached** in the **whole world** as a **testimony** to all nations, and then the **end** will **come**.”

Matthew 24:14

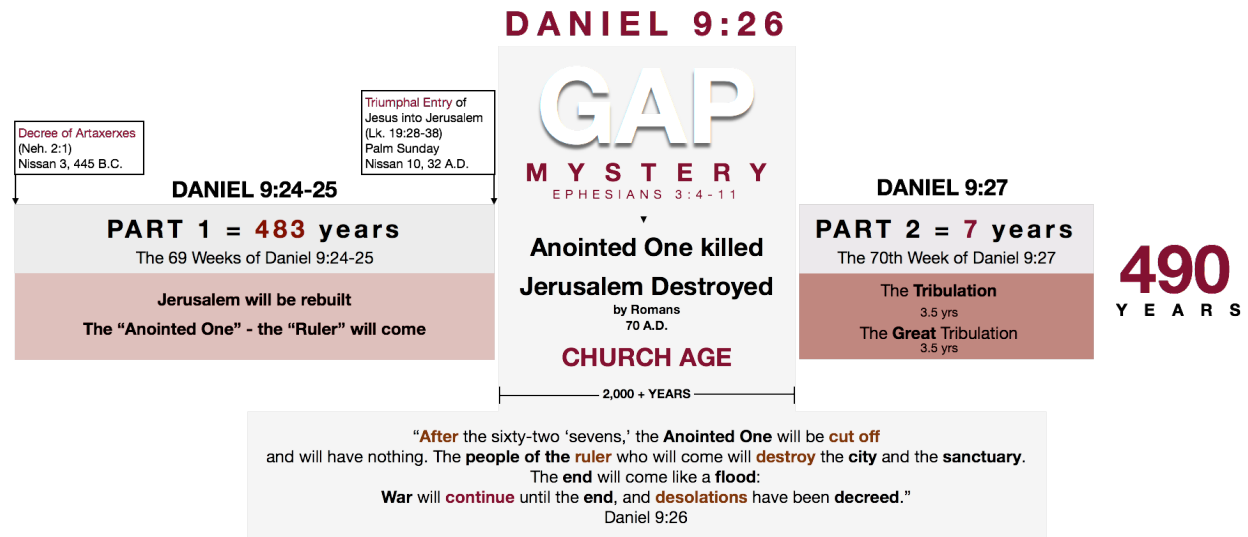
Q4. What is the end that is coming for “him?”

At the **Battle of Armageddon**, Jesus Christ **returns** to earth and **destroys** the Antichrist and his armies, personally!

“**You** came out to **deliver** your people, to **save** your **anointed** one. You **crushed** the leader of the land of **wickedness**, you **stripped** him from head to foot. With his own **spear** you **pierced** his head.” Hab. 3:13-14

“And then the **lawless one** will be **revealed**, whom the Lord Jesus will **overthrow** with the **breath** of his mouth and **destroy** by the splendor of his coming.” 2 Thess. 2:8

II. WHAT IS THE GAP IN DANIEL’S PROPHECY



“For **then** there will be **great** distress, **unequaled** from the **beginning** of the world until now—and **never** to be **equaled** again.” Matt. 24:21

“In **reading** this, then, you will be able to **understand** my insight into the **mystery** of **Christ**,⁵ which was **not made known** to men in **other** generations as it has now been **revealed** by the Spirit to God’s holy **apostles** and **prophets**.⁶ This **mystery** is that through the **gospel** the Gentiles are **heirs** together with Israel, **members** together of one body, and **sharers** together in the promise in Christ Jesus.⁷ I became a **servant** of this gospel by the gift of God’s grace given me through the working of his **power**.⁸ Although I am less than the least of all God’s people, this **grace** was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the **unsearchable** riches of **Christ**,⁹ and to make **plain** to everyone the administration of this **mystery**, which for ages past was **kept hidden** in God, who created all things.¹⁰ His intent was that **now**, **through the church**, the manifold wisdom of God should be made **known** to the rulers and authorities in the **heavenly** realms,¹¹ according to his **eternal** purpose which he **accomplished** in **Christ** Jesus our Lord.” Eph. 3:4-11

“Concerning **this salvation**, the **prophets**, who spoke of the grace that **was to come** to you, **searched** intently and with the greatest care, trying to find out the **time** and **circumstances** to which the Spirit of Christ in them was **pointing** when he **predicted** the **sufferings** of Christ and the glories that would follow. It was **revealed** to them that they were not serving themselves but you, when they spoke of the things that have now been told you by those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. Even angels long to look into these things.”

1 Pet. 1:10-12

So, this **GAP** that we see in Daniel 9:26 **began** with Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday in 32 A.D. and has **continued** throughout these last 2000+ years and will end at the Rapture.

III. GUIDELINES FOR LIVING

Guideline #4: Be _____ to serve.

*"The end of all things is **near**. . . . Each of you should **use** whatever **gift** he has **received** to **serve** others faithfully **administering** God's grace in its **various** forms." 1 Pet. 4:7 & 10*

Guideline #6: Give _____ to God's work.

*"**Do not** store up for yourselves **treasures** on **earth**, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. **But store up** for yourselves **treasures** in **heaven**, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal." Matt. 6:19-20*