



Part II

- Understanding God's Timeline
 - Ages & Last Days
- The Age of the Gentiles
 - The Statue & Beasts
 - Seventy Sevens

The Structure of Revelation

Revelation 1:19

1. Things John saw

Chapter 1

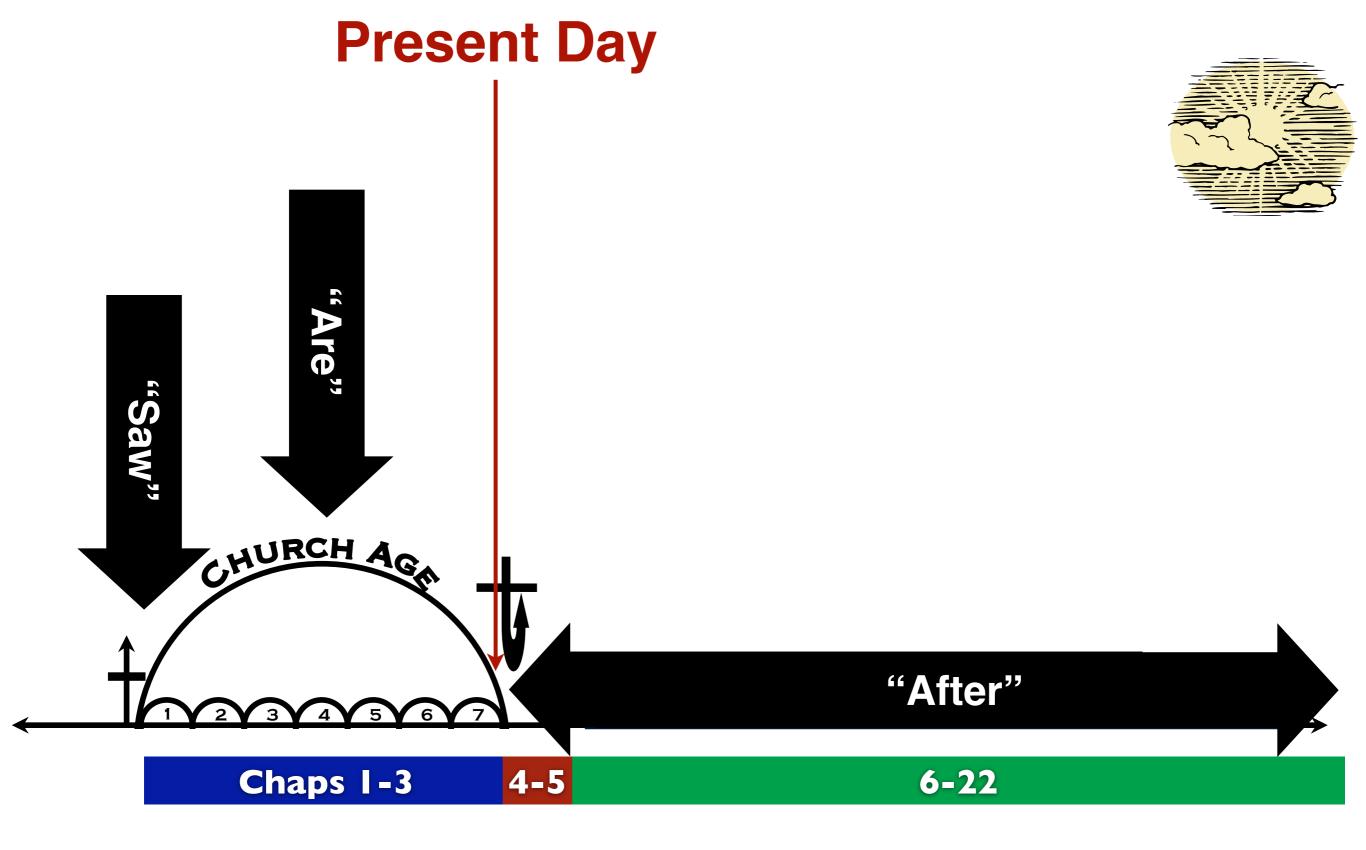
2. Things that are

Chapters 2-3

3. Things after these things

Chapters 4-22

Church Age The Things That Are





Age: "a long but finite time in God's program of history"

Mark 10:29 Jesus said, "Truly I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or farms, for My sake and for the gospel's sake,

Mark 10:30 but that he will receive a hundred times as much now in the present age, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and farms, along with persecutions; and in the age to come, eternal life.

Present Age

Age to Come

Last "a final period of the current age, which ushers in the next age"

2Tim. 3:1 But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come.

2Pet. 3:3 Know this first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with their mocking, following after their own lusts,

Present Age





Last Days:

"a final period of the current age, which ushers in the next age"

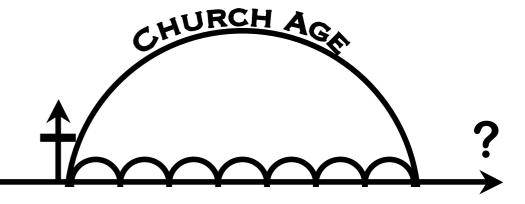
Heb. 1:1 God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways,

Heb. 1:2 in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.

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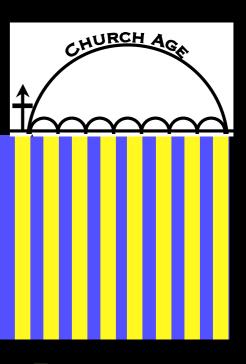
James 5:3 Your gold and your silver have rusted; and their rust will be a witness against you and will consume your flesh like fire. It is in the last days that you have stored up your treasure!

Present Age



Present Age

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Last Days

Times (or Age) of the Gentiles

Luke 21:24

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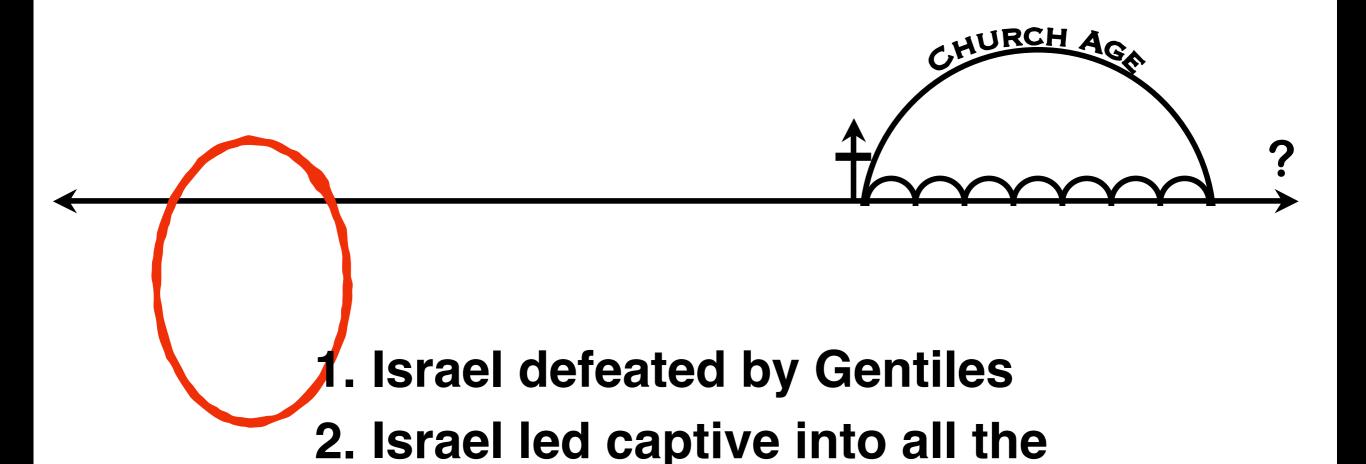
Age of the Gentiles 1. Israel defeated by Gentiles

- powers
- 2. Israel dispersed into all the nations
- 3. Jerusalem trampled by the Gentiles ...until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

PRESENT AGE



Beginning of the Age?



3. Jerusalem trampled by the Gentiles

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Daniel's Age of the Gentiles

Daniel 2





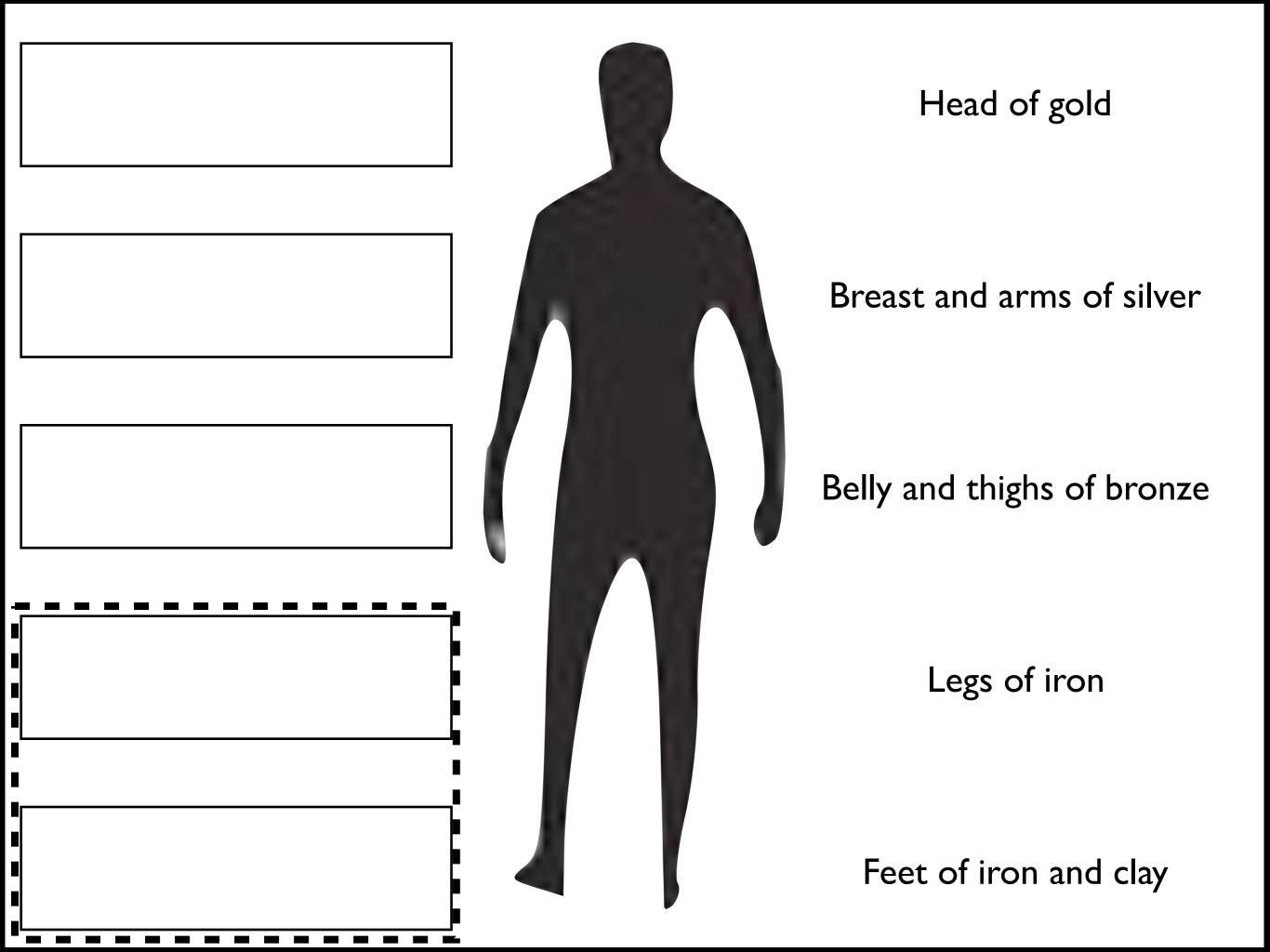
Daniel 7











Dan. 2:36 "This was the dream; now we will tell its interpretation before the king.

Dan. 2:37 "You, O king, are the king of kings, to whom the God of heaven has given the kingdom, the power, the strength and the glory;

Dan. 2:38 and wherever the sons of men dwell, or the beasts of the field, or the birds of the sky, He has given them into your hand and has caused you to rule over them all. You are the head of gold.

Babylonian Empire



Dan. 2:39 "After you there will arise another kingdom inferior to you, then another third kingdom of bronze, which will rule over all the earth.



Statue

"Timeline"

Age of the Gentiles

Criteria for Daniel's Kingdoms

Must be:

- 1.A Gentile kingdom
- 2. The dominant power in the world
- 3. In possession of Babylon
- 4. Occupying Jerusalem

Medo-Persian Empire



Greek Empire





Babylon

Medo-Persian

Greek Empire (East-West Division)

Dan. 2:40 "Then there will be a fourth kingdom as strong as iron; inasmuch as iron crushes and shatters all things, so, like iron that breaks in pieces, it will crush and break all these in pieces.

Dan. 2:41 "In that you saw the feet and toes, partly of potter's clay and partly of iron, it will be a divided kingdom; but it will have in it the toughness of iron, inasmuch as you saw the iron mixed with common clay.

Dan. 2:42 "As the toes of the feet were partly of iron and partly of pottery, so some of the kingdom will be strong and part of it will be brittle.

Dan. 2:43 "And in that you saw the iron mixed with common clay, they will combine with one another in the seed of men; but they will not adhere to one another, even as iron does not combine with pottery.



Babylon

Medo-Persian

Greek Empire

Imperialistic Democratic Alliances

Dan. 2:34 "You continued looking until a stone was cut out without hands, and it struck the statue on its feet of iron and clay and crushed them.

Dan. 2:35 "Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver and the gold were crushed all at the same time and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away so that not a trace of them was found. But the stone that struck the statue became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.



Deut. 27:6 "You shall build the altar of the Lord your God of uncut stones, and you shall offer on it burnt offerings to the Lord your God;





Dan. 2:44 "In the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed, and that kingdom will not be left for another people; it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself endure forever.

Dan. 2:45 "Inasmuch as you saw that a stone was cut out of the mountain without hands and that it crushed the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver and the gold, the great God has made known to the king what will take place in the future; so the dream is true and its interpretation is trustworthy."



= Christ



= End of Age



= Kingdom



Daniel 7 Beasts

"Nature"

Dan. 7:3 "And four great beasts were coming up from the sea, different from one another.

Dan. 7:4 "The first was like a lion and had the wings of an eagle. I kept looking until its wings were plucked, and it was lifted up from the ground and made to stand on two feet like a man; a human mind also was given to it.

Dan. 7:5 "And behold, another beast, a second one, resembling a bear. And it was raised up on one side, and three ribs were in its mouth between its teeth; and thus they said to it, 'Arise, devour much meat!'

Dan. 7:6 "After this I kept looking, and behold, another one, like a leopard, which had on its back four wings of a bird; the beast also had four heads, and dominion was given to it.









Dan. 7:7 "After this I kept looking in the night visions, and behold, a fourth beast, dreadful and terrifying and extremely strong; and it had large iron teeth. It devoured and crushed and trampled down the remainder with its feet; and it was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns.

Dan. 7:8 "While I was contemplating the horns, behold, another horn, a little one, came up among them, and three of the first horns were pulled out by the roots before it; and behold, this horn possessed eyes like the eyes of a man and a mouth uttering great boasts.



Dan. 7:19 "Then I desired to know the exact meaning of the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, exceedingly dreadful, with its teeth of iron and its claws of bronze, and which devoured, crushed and trampled down the remainder with its feet,

Dan. 7:20 and the meaning of the ten horns that were on its head and the other horn which came up, and before which three of them fell, namely, that horn which had eyes and a mouth uttering great boasts and which was larger in appearance than its associates.

Dan. 7:21 "I kept looking, and that horn was waging war with the saints and overpowering them

Dan. 7:22 until the Ancient of Days came and judgment was passed in favor of the saints of the Highest One, and the time arrived when the saints took possession of the kingdom.

Dan. 7:23 "Thus he said: 'The fourth beast will be a fourth kingdom on the earth, which will be different from all the other kingdoms and will devour the whole earth and tread it down and crush it.

Dan. 7:24 'As for the ten horns, out of this kingdom ten kings will arise; and another will arise after them, and he will be different from the previous ones and will subdue three kings.

Dan. 7:25 'He will speak out against the Most High and wear down the saints of the Highest One, and he will intend to make alterations in times and in law; and they will be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time.

Dan. 7:26 'But the court will sit for judgment, and his dominion will be taken away, annihilated and destroyed forever.

Dan. 7:27 'Then the sovereignty, the dominion and the greatness of all the kingdoms under the whole heaven will be given to the people of the saints of the Highest One; His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all the dominions will serve and obey Him.'

The Fourth Gentile Kingdom

East

Rome

Imperialistic/Democratic Rule

West

10 Kings

The Fourth Gentile Kingdom

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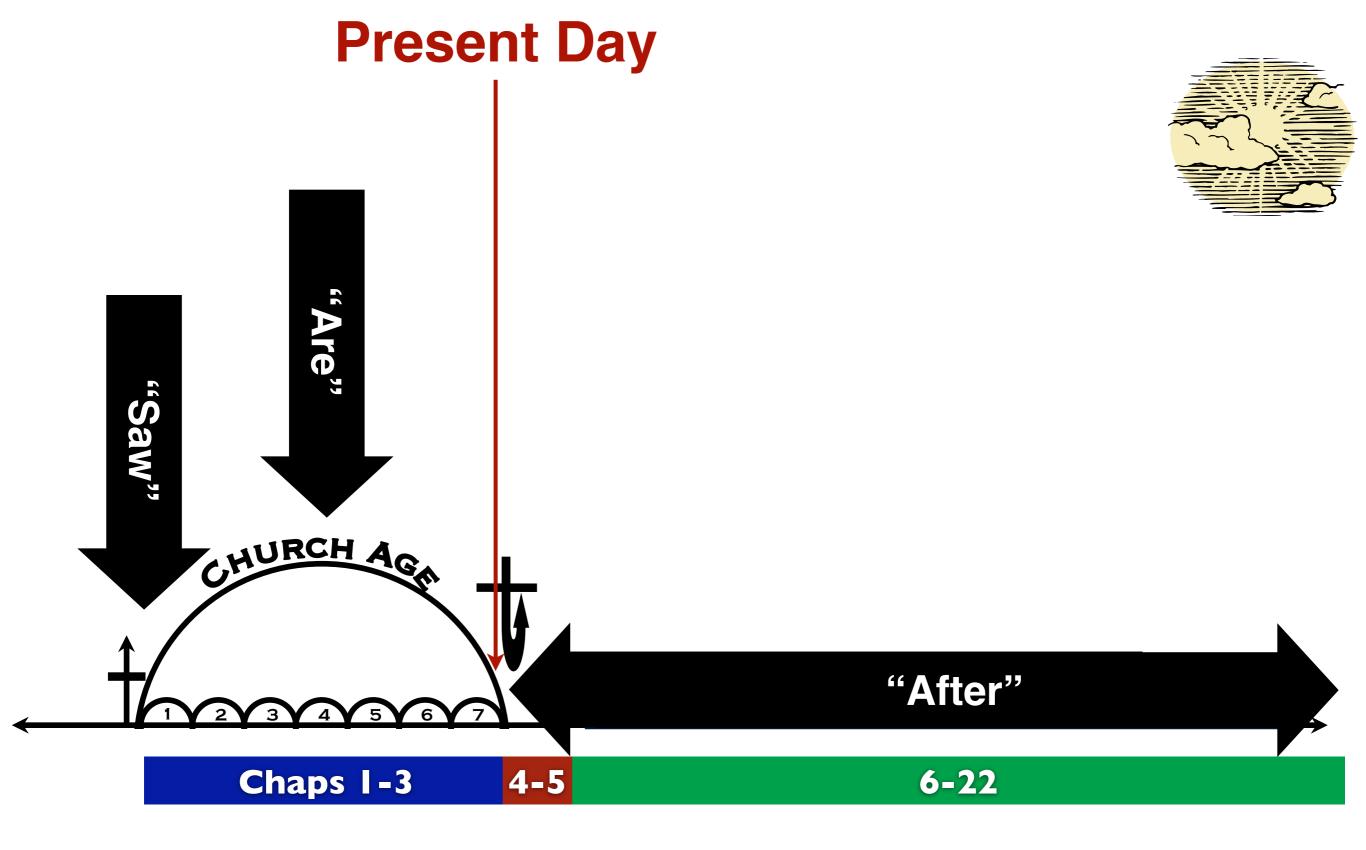
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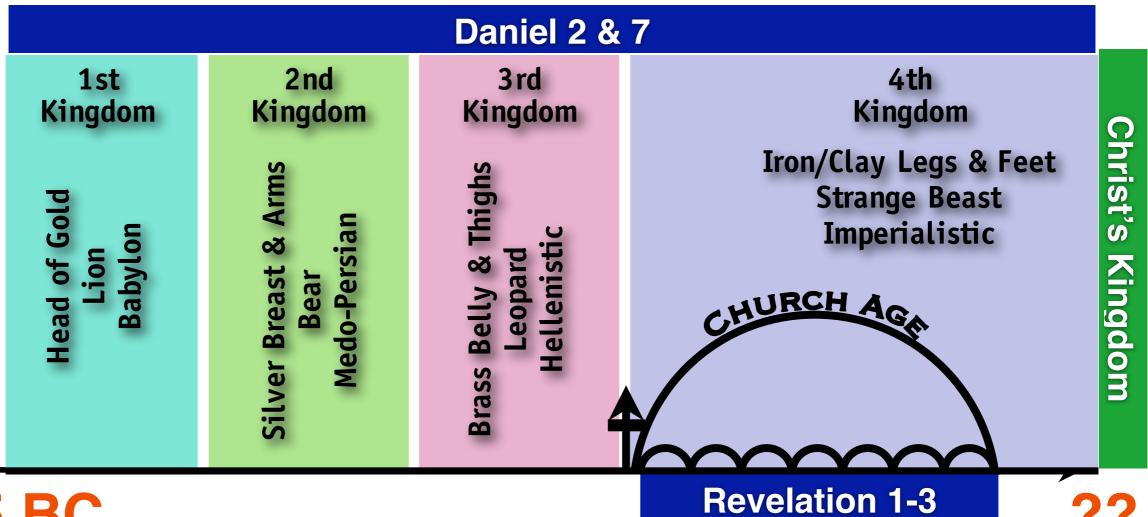
3 Kings Removed



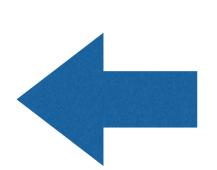
Daniel 2 Daniel 7 (Timeline) (Nature) 605 BC Babylonian Kingdom "Trampling" of Israel & Jerusalem by Gentile Kingdoms 539 BC Medo-Persian Kingdom Increasing Strength Decreasing Majesty 331 BC Greek/Hellenistic Kingdom 63 BC "Imperialistic" Kingdom

Summary

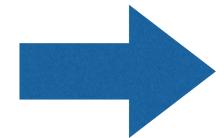




605 BC



Age of Gentiles





Daniel's Ninth Chapter

Daniel 9

Daniel 9:1-3

Daniel 9:4-19

Daniel 9:20-23

Daniel 9:24-27

Daniel's

Mistake Daniel's

Confession Gabriel's

Rebuke Gabriel's

Correction

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Dan. 9:2 in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, observed in the books the number of the years which was revealed as the word of the Lord to Jeremiah the prophet for the completion of the desolations of Jerusalem, namely, seventy years.

Jer. 25:11 'This whole land will be a desolation and a horror, and these nations will serve the king of Babylon seventy years.

Jer. 25:12 'Then it will be when seventy years are completed I will punish the king of Babylon and that nation,' declares the Lord, 'for their iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans; and I will make it an everlasting desolation.

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Lev. 26:33 'You, however, I will scatter among the nations and will draw out a sword after you, as your land becomes desolate and your cities become waste.

Lev. 26:34 'Then the land will enjoy its sabbaths all the days of the desolation, while you are in your enemies' land; then the land will rest and enjoy its sabbaths.

Lev. 26:35 'All the days of its desolation it will observe the rest which it did not observe on your sabbaths, while you were living on it.

Lev. 26:40 'If they confess their iniquity and the iniquity of their forefathers, in their unfaithfulness which they committed against Me, and also in their acting with hostility against Me —

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Daniel's Confession

Dan. 9:3 So I gave my attention to the Lord God to seek Him by prayer and supplications, with fasting, sackcloth and ashes.

Dan. 9:4 I prayed to the Lord my God and confessed and said, "Alas, O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and lovingkindness for those who love Him and keep His commandments,

Dan. 9:5 we have sinned, committed iniquity, acted wickedly and rebelled, even turning aside from Your commandments and ordinances.

Gabriel's Rebuke

Dan. 9:20 Now while I was speaking and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the Lord my God in behalf of the holy mountain of my God,

Dan. 9:21 while I was still speaking in prayer, then the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision previously, came to me in my extreme weariness about the time of the evening offering.

Dan. 9:22 He gave me instruction and talked with me and said, "O Daniel, I have now come forth to give you insight with understanding.

Dan. 9:23 "At the beginning of your supplications the command was issued, and I have come to tell you, for you are highly esteemed; so give heed to the message and gain understanding of the vision.

Gabriel's Correction

Dan. 9:24 "Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy place.

Seventy "Weeks"

"Weeks" = shavat = sevens

Days Weeks Months Years????

Paniel thought 70 years

Gabriel says 70x7 years

490 years

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The Purpose of Seventy Sevens

For Israel & Jerusalem:

- 1. To finish "the" transgression
- 2. To make an end of sin
- 3. To atone for Israel's sin
- 4. To bring everlasting righteousness
- 5. To seal up prophecy
- 6. To anoint the Temple

Daniel's Seventy Sevens is the length of the Age of the Gentiles

Dan. 9:25 "So you are to know and discern that from the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; it will be built again, with plaza and moat, even in times of distress.

Dan. 9:26 "Then after the sixty-two weeks the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. And its end will come with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined.



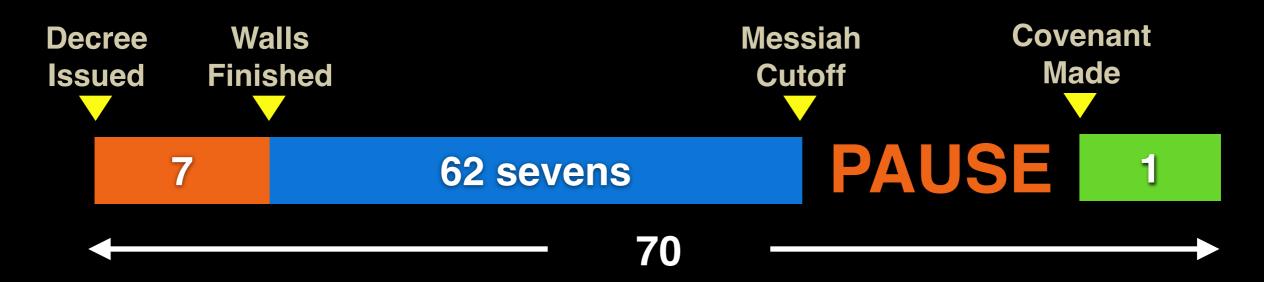
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69 "Sevens"

7 Years
1 "Seven"

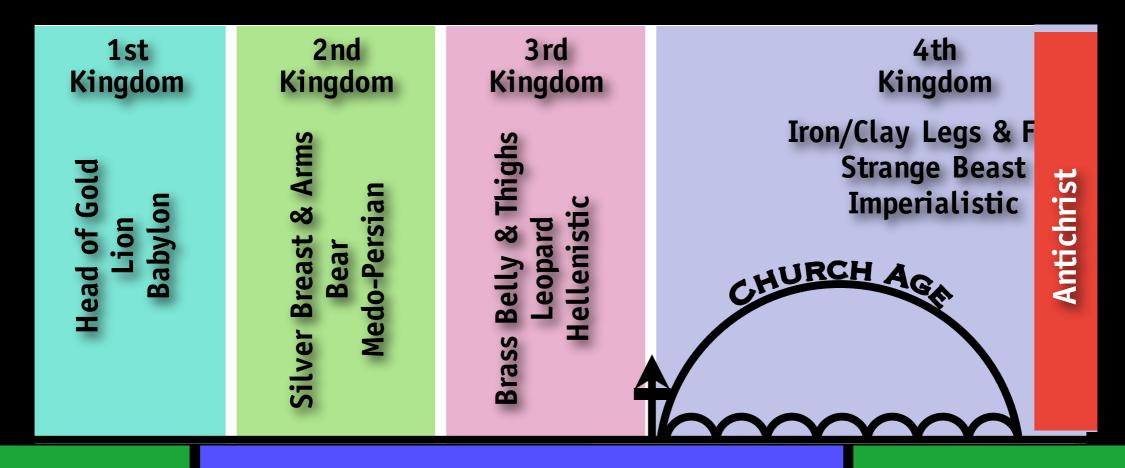
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Dan. 9:27 "And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate."



Kingdom Ages



Solomoni c Age of Gentiles (Current Age)

Millennial Kingdom

70 SEVENS





Why Did God Institute The Age of Gentiles?

Deut. 29:10 "You stand today, all of you, before the Lord your God: your chiefs, your tribes, your elders and your officers, even all the men of Israel,

Deut. 29:11 your little ones, your wives, and the alien who is within your camps, from the one who chops your wood to the one who draws your water,

Deut. 29:12 that you may enter into the covenant with the Lord your God, and into His oath which the Lord your God is making with you today,

Deut. 29:13 in order that He may establish you today as His people and that He may be your God, just as He spoke to you and as He swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

Deut. 29:14 "Now not with you alone am I making this covenant and this oath,

Deut. 29:15 but both with those who stand here with us today in the presence of the Lord our God and with those who are not with us here today

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Lev. 26:3 'If you walk in My statutes and keep My commandments so as to carry them out,

Lev. 26:4 then I shall give you rains in their season, so that the land will yield its produce and the trees of the field will bear their fruit...

Lev. 26:14 'But if you do not obey Me and do not carry out all these commandments,

Lev. 26:15 if, instead, you reject My statutes, and if your soul abhors My ordinances so as not to carry out all My commandments, and so break My covenant,

Lev. 26:16 I, in turn, will do this to you: I will appoint over you a sudden terror, consumption and fever that will waste away the eyes and cause the soul to pine away; also, you will sow your seed uselessly, for your enemies will eat it up...

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Leviticus 26:1-13; 14-39

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Nation Keeps the Nation gets blessings Law Perfectly in the Kingdom
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Nation breaks the Covenant

- Nation receives curses of the Law

The Age of the Gentiles is the fulfillment of the curses of the Old Covenant on Israel

Deut. 30:6 "Moreover the Lord your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your descendants, to love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, so that you may live.

Deut. 30:7 "The Lord your God will inflict all these curses on your enemies and on those who hate you, who persecuted you.

Deut. 30:8 "And you shall again obey the Lord, and observe all His commandments which I command you today.

Deut. 30:9 "Then the Lord your God will prosper you abundantly in all the work of your hand, in the offspring of your body and in the offspring of your cattle and in the produce of your ground, for the Lord will again rejoice over you for good, just as He rejoiced over your fathers;

Deut. 30:10 if you obey the Lord your God to keep His commandments and His statutes which are written in this book of the law, if you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

Why does the Age of Gentiles exist? Deuteronomy 30:1-14

- Moses says Israel will be regathered to her land
- Their hearts will circumcised and they will live in perfect obedience to the Law
- Then they will receive the blessings of the Old Covenant while prospering in their land
- When all Israel can keep the Law perfectly, then the nation will receive the Kingdom

How can Israel ever keep the Law perfectly and satisfy the terms of the Old Covenant ?????

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Why does the Age of Gentiles exist? Leviticus 26:40-45

- A "loophole" in the Old Covenant permits the nation to receive the blessings another way
- The nation must confess their sin and their forefathers' sin in rejecting Christ
- A national confession of faith is required
- Then God sets aside the Old Covenant to bless Israel on the basis of the Abrahamic Covenant

Summary

- The Old Covenant requires perfect obedience to the Law by all generations of Israel
- Failure to keep the Law perfectly results in the curses of the Law
- The Age of Gentiles is the fulfillment of the curses against Israel
- One day Israel will confess Christ and receive the blessings of the Kingdom on the basis of the Abrahamic Covenant

Israel entered into a national covenant they couldn't keep...

The consequence for failing to keep the Old Covenant is the Age of Gentiles when Israel is oppressed by Gentile kingdoms...

The age began before the first coming of Christ and continues until the return of Christ when He sets up the Jewish Kingdom...

It will last a total of 490 years but there is a pause in the clock...

The pause began at the cutting off (death) of Christ and it remains paused today...

When the clock restarts, only seven years remain until Israel confesses Christ and receives their Messiah and the Kingdom.

Gen. 22:16 and said, "By Myself I have sworn, declares the Lord, because you have done this thing and have not withheld your son, your only son,

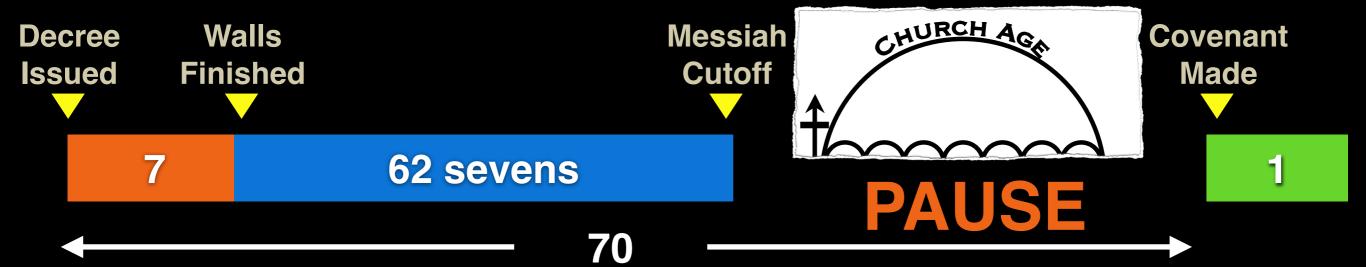
Gen. 22:17 indeed I will greatly bless you, and I will greatly multiply your seed as the stars of the heavens and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your seed shall possess the gate of their enemies.

Gen. 22:18 "In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice."

Why was the Age of Gentiles necessary?

Why did God need to set Israel aside for 490 years?

Why is there a pause in the clock?



Rom. 11:25 For I do not want you, brethren, to be uninformed of this mystery — so that you will not be wise in your own estimation — that a partial hardening has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in;

Rom. 11:26 and so all Israel will be saved; just as it is written, "The Deliverer will come from Zion, He will remove ungodliness from Jacob."

Rom. 11:27 "This is My covenant with them, when I take away their sins."

Rom. 11:28 From the standpoint of the gospel they are enemies for your sake, but from the standpoint of God's choice they are beloved for the sake of the fathers;

Rom. 11:29 for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.

