

Daniel 9 - Study Guide

70-Weeks

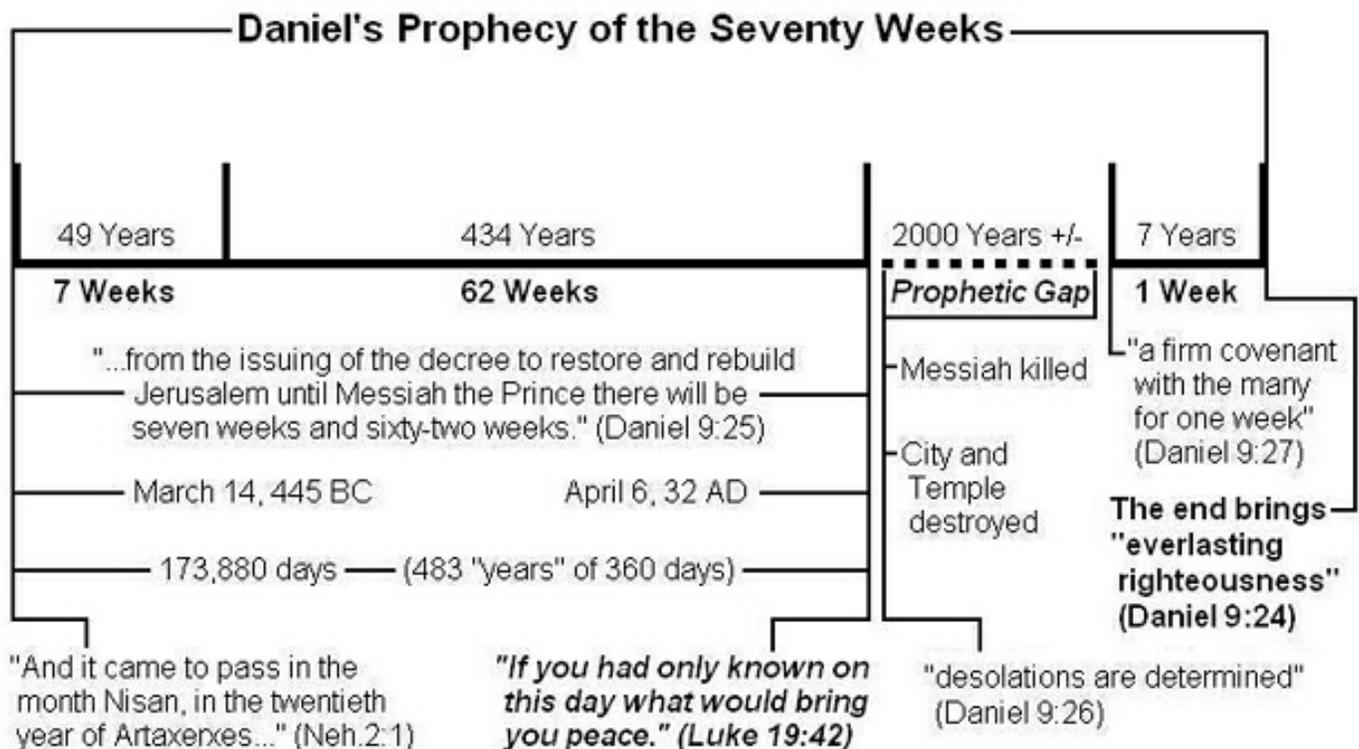
Scripture Summary

Daniel chapter 9 takes place in the 1st year of the reign of Darius. This is during the time period of the Medo-Perisan empire. This is all taking place around the year 538 B.C. This chapter begins with Daniel understanding the prophecy spoken through Jeremiah concerning the 70-year captivity in Babylon. And the chapter ends with a far greater 70-week prophecy concerning God's plan for Israel until the end of the age.

Basic Outline

1. The Word of the Lord through Jeremiah (1-2)
2. Prayerful intercession (3-15)
3. The request and its basis for being asked (16-19)
4. Skill to understand (20-23)
5. 70-weeks are determined (24-27)

Something Helpful:



Discussion Questions

1. What captured your attention most from Daniel chapter 9?
2. Daniel's Prayer: (3-19)
 - How does Daniel prepare himself for prayer?
 - How does Daniel address God?
 - What does Daniel want to convey about himself to the Lord?
 - What is the basis for Daniel's request?
 - What is Daniel asking for?
3. 70 weeks prophecy: (24-27)
 - How long is 70 weeks?
 - Who are these weeks determined for?
 - When does this prophecy begin?
 - What is the final outcome once all the years have been completed?

Reference Verses:

Jeremiah the prophet

Jeremiah 1:1-2 The words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests who were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, to whom the word of the Lord came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign.

Jeremiah 25:11-12 And this whole land shall be a desolation *and* an astonishment, and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years. 'Then it will come to pass, when seventy years are completed, *that* I will punish the king of Babylon and that nation, the land of the Chaldeans, for their iniquity,' says the Lord; 'and I will make it a perpetual desolation.

Jeremiah 29:10 For thus says the Lord: After seventy years are completed at Babylon, I will visit you and perform My good word toward you, and cause you to return to this place.

Sabbatic Years

2 Chronicles 36:20-21 And those who escaped from the sword he carried away to Babylon, where they became servants to him and his sons until the rule of the kingdom of Persia, to fulfill the word of the Lord by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed her Sabbaths. As long as she lay desolate she kept Sabbath, to fulfill seventy years.

Command goes out

Nehemiah 2:4-5 Then the king said to me, "What do you request?" So I prayed to the God of heaven. And I said to the king, "If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favor in your sight, I ask that you send me to Judah, to the city of my fathers' tombs, that I may rebuild it."

Jesus is the Messiah and Prince

Zechariah 9:9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.

Luke 19:41-42 Now as He drew near, He saw the city and wept over it, saying, "If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes.

All things new

Revelation 21:1-2 Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband

Times of the Gentiles

Luke 21:24 And they will fall by the edge of the sword, and be led away captive into all nations. And Jerusalem will be trampled by Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

Romans 11:25 For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in.