

## BRIEF ORDER of EVENTS in the LAST DAYS

God has purposed 70 weeks to Israel and Jerusalem ....

to bring about 6 important promises to them.

*The 70 weeks of Daniel's prophecy are understood by the fact that each week represents a period of 7 years.*

*Thus, 70 weeks are seventy sevens (70 x 7) .... that total 490 years:*

Dan 9:24 **Seventy weeks are determined**

- upon thy people (Israel)
- and upon thy holy city, (Jerusalem)

The 1st 3 objectives, are about negative issues, like sin and guilt:

- to finish the transgression,
- and to make an end of sins,
- and to make reconciliation for iniquity,

The last 3 purposes are in the positive, about blessings:

- and to bring in everlasting righteousness,
- and to seal up the vision and prophecy,
- and to anoint the most Holy.

*As we read through the verses, notice that*

*7 weeks are counted ....*

*and then 62 more weeks are counted ....*

*finally, the last 1 week is counted.*

*I believe Daniel's 70 weeks are purposely divided in sections ....*

*because they are 3 separate periods of time ....*

*with 'gaps' of 'unspecified time' .... between them.*

**FROM** the issuing of God's word to Jeremiah to redo the city (**Jer chap 32**)

**UNTO** an anointed one, a prince.

History provides the dates as .... 587 B.C. + 49 years (7 x 7) = 538 B.C.

To make the count of 7 weeks, the verse shows a place to start and finish:

**Dan 9:25-a** Know therefore and understand, that

- **from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem** (the beginning)
- **unto the Messiah <mashiyach> the Prince <nagiyd>** (the ending) **shall be seven weeks,**

I believe the Messiah the Prince, here, is Cyrus .... not Jesus ....

when God used Cyrus, a king who did not even know the Lord,

to end the Jewish captivity. Let's see that it:

**Isa 45:1-6** Thus saith the LORD

**to his anointed,** (the Hebrew word <mashiyach> which is the same word for 'Messiah' in Dan 9:25 and 26)

**to Cyrus,** whose right hand I have holden,

to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut;

2 I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron:

3 And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the LORD, which call thee by thy name, am the God of Israel.

4 **For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me.**

5 I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: **I girded thee, though thou hast not known me:**

6 That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else.

In Dan 9:25, the Messiah the Prince cannot be Jesus Christ .... because the 7 weeks (49 years) will not allow it.

Now, let's go back and read the entire verse:

**Dan 9:25** Know therefore and understand, that

- from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build 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.**

*After the 7 weeks .... there is a separation ....*

*indicated by the separation of the weeks into different categories.*

There is a gap of time. A score is 20, so 3 score is  $3 \times 20 = 60 + 2 = 62$ .

*After the 7 sevens .... next come the 62 sevens:*

**BEGINNING** with actually **doing the work** of rebuilding during Nehemiah's troublesome times (**Neh 2:1** and following)

**ENDING** with (I believe) the birth of Christ in 6 B.C. King Herod, who died in 4 B.C., had issued the death of infants that were 2 years old and younger in an effort to kill baby Jesus which would date the year of His birth back to 6 B.C. (**Matt 2:16**).

History provides the dates as .... 440 B.C. + 434 years ( $62 \times 7$ ) = 6 B.C.

*Although the Bible does not **specify an event to end the 62 weeks,***

*it does **force a limit on the 62 weeks,***

*because **Dan 9:26 places the death of Christ 'AFTER' the 62 weeks.***

So we know that the 62 weeks had to end .... before Christ was crucified.

By separating the 7 weeks .... from the 62 weeks .... in **Dan 9:25** ....

the next verse **Dan 9:26**, then makes sense - not to include the 1st 7,

and thus, **recognize** the separation.

**AFTER** the 62 weeks .... in a gap of time (an unspecified number of years)

it is obvious that **JESUS was the Messiah** that was killed:

**Dan 9:26-a** And **after threescore and two weeks** (after the 62 weeks)  
shall **Messiah be cut off**,  
but not for himself:

Hold your place in Dan 9, as we look at a reference where we know clearly,

it was .... **Jesus the Messiah**, who was put to death:

**\_Isa 53:8** He was taken from prison and from judgment:  
and who shall declare his generation?  
for **he was cut off out of the land of the living:**  
**for the transgression of my people was he stricken.**

The word 'Messiah' from the Hebrew .... is the word 'Christ' from the Greek.  
It means an 'annointed one' and used of .... a prince .... a king .... a priest.

*In summary, there were 7 weeks .... then a gap of time ....*

*then there were 62 weeks .... then a gap of time ....*

*Jesus the Messiah was crucified during this gap ....  
This gap has lasted more than 2,000 years.  
We are living in this gap today.*

*We do not know how long this gap will last,  
but we **do know when the last week will BEGIN.***

**There have been 69 weeks so far, and there is 1 week yet to come.**

**It is the 70th week of Daniel's prophecy.**

*The last 1 week .... will begin*

*when the man of sin makes a covenant with Israel (for 7 years).*

*Half way through that week, the man of sin will forsake the covenant  
and turn on Israel to persecute and kill them.*

*Remember **Dan 9:24**, that God determined the 70 weeks upon Israel and Jerusalem. Whoever was, or is, alive on earth during any of those 70 weeks .... is 'just along for the ride' .... so to speak. None of the saints ever were, nor will be, **removed from Planet Earth**, because of any of the 70 weeks. There is **nothing** in the scriptures that says anything about a **resurrection** (commonly called 'the rapture') before the 70th week. In fact, there is a verse (and passage) that **SPECIFICALLY SAYS 'WHEN' the 1st resurrection will take place .... and it is clearly 'AFTER' the 70th week when the mark of the beast will be issued:***

**Rev 20:4-5** And I saw thrones, and **they** sat upon them, and judgment was given unto **them**: and I saw **the souls of them** that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and **they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.**

5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. **This is the first resurrection.**

6 Blessed and holy is he that hath part in **the first resurrection**: on such the second death hath no power, but **they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.**

Now, let's go back to **Dan 9** to see the rest of the 70 weeks:

**Dan 9:26** And after threescore and two weeks (**after 62 weeks**) shall Messiah be cut off, (**Jesus was killed**) but not for himself:

and the people **of the prince** (<**nagiyd**> same word used of Cyrus in **Dan 9:25**, but here the prince represents the evil one)

**that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary;** (That happened once in 70 A.D. and will again in **Rev 11:1-2**, but notice 2 points here: #1) This prince is not Jesus. #2) It is the prince's **people** (unbelievers), not the prince himself, who destroy Jerusalem and the temple)

and the end thereof shall be with a flood, (as overwhelming destruction of God's judgment, as Nah 1:8, context Nah 1:1-10) and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

Without question, Israel and Jerusalem have had wars and desolations throughout all of history. This trouble will continue .... until after **the end** of the 70th week. But let's go back now .... to the gap, after the 62 weeks.

**Daniel chapter 11** describes **many events** that will happen over several years time (during the gap of time we are presently living in) .... just prior to the emergence of the man of sin. We will read 3 verses there, just to see the movement and arrangement of different kings:

**Dan 11:6** And **in the end of years** they shall join themselves together; for the king's daughter of the south shall come to the king of the north to make an agreement: but she shall not retain the power of the arm; neither shall he stand, nor his arm: but she shall be given up, and they that brought her, and he that begat her, and he that strengthened her **in these times**.

**Dan 11:13** For the king of the north shall return, and shall set forth a multitude greater than the former, and shall certainly come **after certain years** with a great army and with much riches.

**Dan 11:20** Then shall stand up (another king) in his estate (another king) a raiser of taxes in the glory of the kingdom: but within few days he shall be destroyed, neither in anger, nor in battle.

*Up to this point, we've studied 7 weeks,*

*then 62 weeks (which total 69 weeks thus far).*

*Now let's read about the final '1' week of Daniel's prophecy ....*

*which will be 7 years long (making the total 490 years).*

The **covenant** that unbelieving Israel will make with the man of sin, is

**THE EVENT .... that BEGINS .... the 70 th WEEK .... OF DANIEL:**

**Dan 9:27-a** And **he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week:** (that will be the final 7 years, that make up the total 490 years)

Israel's covenant will really be with death .... but God will rescue them:

**Isa 28:15-18** Because ye have said, **We have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement;** when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves:

16 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.

17 Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place. (... but God will deliver them .... in the end):

18 And **your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand;** when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden down by it.

**ACTIVITIES DURING the 70th week .... of the 'man of sin' ....**

**are also detailed in Daniel 11.**

He will **masquerade** as a man of peace .... for awhile:

**Dan 11:21-24** And in his estate shall stand up **a vile person,** to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom: but **he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries.**

22 And with the arms of a flood shall they be overflowed from before him, and shall be broken; **yea, also the prince <nagiyd> of the covenant.**

23 And **after the league** (being joined by 'spells' in union, being united by **fascination in a compact**) **made with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up, and shall become strong with a small people.**

24 **He shall enter peaceably** even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: yea, and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds, **even for a time.**

Back to **Dan 9:27**, notice what will occur half way through the 70th week:

**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.

Again Daniel described happenings from the midst - to the end of the week:

**Dan 11:31-36** And arms shall stand on his part,  
 and they shall **pollute the sanctuary of strength,**  
 and shall **take away the daily sacrifice,**  
 and they shall **place the abomination that maketh desolate.**

32 And such as **do wickedly against the covenant**  
**shall he corrupt by flatteries:**

but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.

33 And they that understand among the people shall instruct many:  
 yet they shall fall by the sword,  
 and by flame,  
 by captivity,  
 and by spoil, many days.

34 Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help:  
 but many shall cleave to them **with flatteries.**

35 And some of them of understanding shall fall,  
 to try them,  
 and to purge,  
 and to make them white,  
 even **to the time of the end:** because it is yet for a time appointed.

36 And the king shall do according to his will;  
 and he shall **exalt himself,**  
 and **magnify himself above every god,**  
 and shall speak marvellous things **against** the God of gods,  
 and shall **prosper till the indignation be accomplished:**  
 for that that is determined shall be done.

It will be a horrible time for Israel, but at the end, God will deliver them:

**Jer 30:7** Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it:  
 it is even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it.

After the time of great tribulation .... at the end .... will be resurrection:

**Dan 12:1-13** And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people (also **Rev 12:7-9**): and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: (that great tribulation will go on during the last 3-1/2 years of the 70th week .... after the end of the 70th week, God will deliver them) and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. (**Rev 3:5, 20:12-15, 21:27**)

2 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

3 And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

4 But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

God revealed to Daniel .... that after the 3-1/2 years of Israel's trouble .... will be at the end of the 70th week .... (which will be the end of the world):

5 Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.

6 And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, **How long shall it be to the end of these wonders?**

7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swore by him that liveth for ever that it shall be for a time, (1 year) times, (2 years) and an half; (1/2 year .... totaling 3-1/2 years) and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, **all these things shall be finished.**

10 Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.

11 And from the time that **the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days.** (1,290 days, if divided into 'prophetic' months with 30 days each, would be 3-1/2 years + 1 month of 30 days)

12 **Blessed** is he that waiteth, and cometh to the **thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.** (1,335 days = 3-1/2 years + 75 more days, is the length of time allowed from the midst of the week .... until after the end of the 70th week ....

for the deliverance of the saints at the 1st resurrection of the dead, and for the wrath of God to be poured out on the unbelievers in the 7 vials, and for the destruction of Babylon .... and for the battle of Armageddon ....  
**until the time of blessing ....**

**when God's kingdom will be established on earth.**

(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.

Scoffers in the last days know that **the world that now is, will continue like it is .... until Christ comes at the end:**

**2 Pet 3:3-7** Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,

4 And saying, **Where is the promise of his coming?** for since the fathers fell asleep, **all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.**

5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

7 But the heavens and the earth, **which are now**, by the same word **are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.**

Jesus' disciples questioned Him about when the end would come.

'The end' .... 'the consummation' .... is connected with His coming.

**When He comes, it will be at the end of the world:**

**Matt 24:3-22** And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, **when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end** of the world?

4 And Jesus answered and said unto them,

**Take heed that no man deceive you.**

Jesus warned them .... not to be tricked about the end times:

5 For **many** shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ;

and **shall deceive many.**

Jesus told them what things would come to pass in the 1st part of the week:

6 And ye shall hear of **wars and rumours of wars:** see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but **the end is not yet.**

7 For **nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom:** and there shall be **famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes,** in divers places.

8 **All these are the beginning of sorrows.**

Things will continue to worsen .... on through the 70th week ....  
especially from **midst of the week .... on ....**

**UNTIL • the END .... of the 70th week ....**

(which is the **same time** as):

• **the END .... of the world**

(which was the original question from Jesus' disciples in vs. 3)

(Matt 24: )9 Then shall they **deliver you up to be afflicted,**  
and shall **kill you:**

and **ye shall be hated of all nations** for my name's sake.

10 And then shall **many be offended,**  
and shall **betray one another,**  
and shall **hate one another.**

11 And **many false prophets shall rise,**  
and shall **deceive many.**

12 And because **iniquity shall abound,**  
**the love of many shall wax cold.**

13 But **he that shall endure unto the end,**  
**the same shall be saved.**

14 And **this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations;** (Paul also preached the **kingdom of God** in Acts 14:22, 19:8, 20:25, 28:23, 28:31; Rom 14:17; 1 Cor 4:20, 6:9-10, 15:24,50; Gal 5:21; Eph 5:5; Col 4:11; 1 Thes 2:12; 2 Thes 1:5; 2 Tim 4:1) and **then shall the end come.** (The next verse goes back to events that start in the midst of Daniel's 70th week):

15 When ye therefore shall see **the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet,** stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:

18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days! (also **Rev 12:6,14,** where Israel is fed in the wilderness)

20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: (Notice 'great tribulation' **begins ... in the middle** of the 70th week):

21 **For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.**

(Notice 'great tribulation' **ends .... before the end** of the 70th week):

22 And except **those days should be shortened,** there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake **those days shall be shortened.**

*Here are more ACTIVITIES of the man of sin ....*

*from the MIDST of the 70th week .... on till the END.*

The man of sin .... is described as 'the beast' in Rev 13:1-2.

**He will be killed .... and be resurrected:**

Rev 13:3-8 And I saw one of his heads as it were **wounded to death;**  
**and his deadly wound was healed:**

and all the world wondered after the beast.

4 And they worshipped **the dragon** which gave power unto **the beast:**  
 and they worshipped the beast, saying,

Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?

**He will be in power 42 months (which is 3-1/2 years):**

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.**

6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.

**He will make war with the SAINTS .... and kill them:**

7 And it was given unto him to **make war with the saints,**  
**and to overcome them:**

and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

**Daniel also testified that he will make war with the saints and overcome them .... UNTIL God returns to the rescue and stops him:**

Dan 7:21-22 I beheld, and **the same horn made war with the saints,**  
**and prevailed against them;**

22 Until the Ancient of days came,  
 and judgment was given to the saints of the most High;  
 and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

**The method of death .... for the man of sin .... will be by a sword:**

Rev 13:9-10 If any man have an ear, let him hear.

10 He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity:

**he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword.**

Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

## Zechariah prophesied the LOCATION of his sword-wound:

**Zec 11:17** Woe to **the idol shepherd** that leaveth the flock!  
**the sword shall be upon his arm, and upon his right eye:**  
 his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened.

In the Revelation, God gave John information about the 70th week time:

**Rev 13:11-18** And I beheld **another beast** coming up out of the earth;  
 and he had two horns like **a lamb**,  
 and he spake as **a dragon**.

12 And he exerciseth **all the power** of **the first beast** before him,  
 and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship  
**the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.**

13 And he **doeth great wonders**,  
 so that he **maketh fire** come down from heaven on the earth  
 in the sight of men,

**A false prophet will mislead people with miracles:**

14 And **deceiveth them** that dwell on the earth  
 by the means of those miracles which he had power to do  
 in the sight of the beast;  
 saying to them that dwell on the earth,  
 that they should **make an image to the beast**,

**The weapon is again identified as a sword that will kill him:**  
**which had the wound by a sword, and did live.**

**A talking statue will be set up .... that people must worship or die:**

15 And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast,  
 that the image of the beast should both speak,  
 and cause that as many as would not worship the image  
 of the beast should be killed.

**Everyone who dwells on earth will have to accept the mark (such as a stamp, an imprint, like a brand on a horse) to do any business:**

16 And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond,  
 to **receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:**

17 And that **no man might buy or sell**, save he that had the mark,  
 or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of  
 the beast: for it is the number of a man;

and his number is **Six hundred threescore and six.** (600, 60, and 6)

Not coincidentally, but surely intentionally, this number is already being  
 used in many ways and forms, by many companies and businesses.

When Israel recognizes the abomination of desolation, they will flee from **the Devil's wrath** by running to the wilderness, for protection and food:

**Rev 12:6-9, 12-14** And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there **a thousand two hundred and threescore days**. (1,260 days = 3-1/2 years)

7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, (Remember **Dan 12:1**)

8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

**Rev 12:12-14** Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for **the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath**, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, **he persecuted the woman** which brought forth the man child.

14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for **a time, (1 year) and times, (2 years) and half a time, (1/2 a year .... which totals 3-1/2 years)** from the face of the serpent.

**Paul consoled worried saints at Thessalonica .... with understanding so they would know the SIGNS .... near the time Christ will return:**

**2 Thess 2:1-4** Now we beseech you, brethren, **by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him,**

2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that **the day of Christ** is at hand.

3 **Let no man deceive you by any means:**

for **that day** (What day? the day of Christ) shall not come, (The day of Christ will not come **until 2 things happen**):

**except there come a falling away <apostasia> first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;**

(The next verse describes how and when the man of sin will be recognized .... by the abomination of desolation. That's Israel's cue to run for safety.):

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that **he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God**. (Remember **Matt 24:15-22**, see **Dan 11:36**)

Now let's look at those issues Paul addressed. We'll begin by backing up to read an entire sentence and notice what things will take place in the same day .... the day of Christ, the day of the Lord, the day of the Lord Jesus Christ, the day of Jesus Christ, the day of God .... the day when He comes .... to punish His enemies .... and to glorify His saints.

**Saints will be persecuted. They will be enduring tribulation:**

**2 Thess 1:4-10** So that we ourselves glory in you  
in the churches of God for your patience and faith  
**in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure:**

(These are an **obvious sign** that God will avenge them):

**5** Which is a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God,  
that ye may be **counted worthy of the kingdom of God,**  
for which ye also suffer:

**6** Seeing it is a righteous thing with God  
to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you;

**7** And to you who are troubled rest with us,

(WHEN will they have relief from their persecution?)

**when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven**  
with his mighty angels,

**God will avenge His saints:**

**8** In flaming fire taking vengeance  
on them that know not God,  
and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

**9** Who shall be **punished with everlasting destruction**  
from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

(What else will happen .... in that day .... when He comes from heaven?)

**God will deliver His saints:**

**10** **When he shall come to be glorified in his saints,**  
and to be admired in **all them that believe**

(because our testimony among you was believed)

**in that day.** (What day? the day of Christ .... when Christ comes.)

Paul told them to wait patiently for the day when Christ comes:

**2 Thess 3:5** And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God,  
and **into the patient waiting for Christ.**

As Paul did, James also encouraged the saints to patiently wait for the coming of Christ .... through their sufferings .... that they endured:

**James 5:7-11** **Be patient** therefore, brethren, **unto the coming of the Lord**. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath **long patience** for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.

8 **Be ye also patient**; stablish your hearts:

**for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.**

9 Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, **the judge standeth before the door.**

10 Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for **an example of suffering affliction, and of patience.**

11 Behold, **we count them happy which endure.**

Ye have heard of **the patience** of Job, and have seen **the end of the Lord**; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.

The day when Christ comes .... is the day (just as Paul taught)

- unbelievers will be frightened (**2 Thess 1:7-9**)

and • believers will be gathered together unto Him (**2 Thess 2:1**) ....

as Jesus also taught His disciples:

**Matt 24:30-34** And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall **all the tribes of the earth mourn,** **and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.**

31 And **he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet,** (Whose trumpet would that be? God's! They're His angels, too!) **and they shall gather together his elect** from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. (Believers can know when the time is near. Paul taught that to the saints at Thessalonica in **2 Thes 2:2** and here it is also):

32 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer **is nigh**:

33 So likewise ye, **when ye shall see all these things,** **know that it is near, even at the doors.**

34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled. (The generation of people that witness the beginning of the 70th week (just 7 years long) .... will see the end of it, when Christ comes.)

**When Christ returns .... it will not be in secret.** Page 17  
**Everyone will see Him. Saints will rejoice. Unbelievers will fear:**

**Rev 1:7** Behold, **he cometh with clouds;**  
**and every eye shall see him,** and they also which pierced him: and  
**all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him.** Even so, Amen.

**Again, unbelievers will be afraid .... and believers will be delivered:**

**Luke 21:25-28** And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and  
in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea  
and the waves roaring;

**26 Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those  
things which are coming on the earth:** for the powers of heaven shall  
be shaken.

**27** And then shall **they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with  
power and great glory.**

**28** And **when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and  
lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.**

**Caiaphas, the high priest, prophesied that Jesus would gather together  
all of God's children .... in one .... not just those of Israel only:**

**John 11:51-52** And this spake he not of himself: but being high priest  
that year, **he prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation;**

**52** **And not for that nation only, but that also he should gather to-  
gether in one the children of God that were scattered abroad.**  
**(Remember 2 Thes 2:1, Rom 8:16, Rom 9:8, Gal 3:26-29)**

**The saints will be gathered together at the great sound of a trumpet:**

**1 Cor 15:51-54** Behold, I shew you a mystery; **(What is that mystery,  
Paul?)** We shall not all sleep, **(believers will not all be dead - some will still  
be alive)** but we shall all be changed, **(dead or alive saints will be changed)**

**52** In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, **at the last trump:** **(We must  
find a series of trumps to identify the last.)** **for the trumpet shall sound,  
and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.**

**53** For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put  
on immortality.

**54** So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal  
shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass **the saying  
that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.** **(Paul was mixing  
Isaiah's prophecy with his information about the resurrection, Isa 25:8)**

Let's back up and catch up to the last trump. Before the last trump, 7 seals will be opened by the Lamb (**Rev 5:1 - Rev 8:6**). Days of great tribulation

will begin when the abomination of desolation is set up (**Matt 24:15-22**)

.... but God will cut the days of great tribulation short, before the 6th seal:

**Mark 13:19-20** For **in those days shall be affliction**, such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created unto this time, neither shall be.

20 And except that **the Lord had shortened those days**, no flesh should be saved: but for the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen, **he hath shortened the days**.

The information Jesus gave His disciples about the happenings directly after the tribulation match up with the events in the 6th seal and people on earth realize God's judgment is coming .... surely and swiftly .... upon them:

**Matt 24:29** **Immediately after the tribulation** of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:

Now let's compare that with the 6th seal. There will be no doubt that **GOD is Who is doing and directing all these things toward them:**

**Rev 6:12-17** And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;

13 And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

14 And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

15 And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains;

16 And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

17 For the great day of his wrath **is come**; **<erchomai>** (meaning 'is coming, shall come, will come, cometh') and who shall be able to stand?

Out of the 7th seal .... come the 7 angels with 7 trumpets to sound (Rev 8:7 - Rev 11:19). They basically destroy 1/3 of the earth, water, and sky. Locusts with tails like scorpions will sting men for 5 months. Angels will kill 1/2 of man for 1 year, 1 month, 1 day, and 1 hour. After the 6th trumpet .... the 70th week of Daniel will be over .... because the last trump (1 Cor 15:52) will begin the day of Christ (2 Thess 2:1-17), the day of the Lord (1 Thess 5:1-10).... when He comes (not a 24 hour day):

**1 Thess 4:16-18** For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and **with the trump of God:** and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. (The saints will finally have rest and comfort):

18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

Paul taught that the day of Christ would not come (2 Thes 2:3) ....

until after **a falling away** occurred:

**1 Tim 4:1** Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that **in the latter times** some **shall depart from <aphistemi>** (same Greek word as in **Luke 18:13**) **the faith**, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

Great persecution and death to any who will not worship the beast or take his mark will cause people who claim to be believers, to recant and **fall away**. They will fear for their physical life -- but may damn their soul:

**Luke 8:13** They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and **these have no root**, which **for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away**. **<aphistemi>** (same as **1 Tim 4:1**)

**Luke 17:33** Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it.

Every person who worships the beast and takes the mark  
will get God's **wrath** and be tormented eternally:

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**Rev 14:9-11** And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice,  
**If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark  
in his forehead, or in his hand,**

**10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is  
poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he  
shall be tormented with fire and brimstone** in the presence of the holy  
angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

**11** And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up **for ever and ever:** and  
they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and  
whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

It is clear that God's wrath will come on His enemies .... not on His saints:

**1 Thess 5:1-4, 9** But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no  
need that I write unto you. **(They already knew the signs to watch for):**

**2** For yourselves know perfectly that **the day of the Lord** so cometh as a  
thief in the night. **(also see 2 Pet 3:10, Matt 24:43-44, Rev 3:3, 16:15)**

**3** For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then **sudden destruction  
cometh upon them, (2 Thess 1:7-9)** as travail upon a woman with child;  
and they shall not escape.

**4** But **ye, brethren,** are **not** in darkness, that **that day** **(What day? the  
day of the Lord, the day of Christ, (Jesus Christ the Lord is the same person  
- 1 Cor 1:9-10) when He comes .... to punish His enemies and be glorified  
in His saints - 2 Thess 1:7-10)** should overtake **you** as a thief.

**1 Thess 5:9** For **God hath not appointed us to wrath,**  
but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,

**Rom 5:9** Much more then, being now justified by his blood,  
**we shall be saved from wrath** through him.

**Saints (Rom 6:17) will get glorified when Christ returns .... but those  
who do not obey the gospel (2 Thes 1:8, 1 Pet 4:17) will get God's wrath:**

**Col 3:4-6** **When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye  
also appear with him in glory.**

**5** Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication,  
uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness,  
which is idolatry:

**6** For which things' sake **the wrath of God cometh on the children of  
disobedience:**

but glory, immortality, and eternal life await His saints:

**Rom 2:5-8** But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against **the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God;**  
6 Who will render to every man according to his deeds:  
7 To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for **glory and honour and immortality, eternal life:**  
8 But unto them that are contentious, and **do not obey the truth,** but obey unrighteousness, **indignation and wrath,**

When the Lord returns in His wrath .... He will kill His enemies:

**Isa 13:9-11, 15** Behold, **the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath** and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and **he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it.**

10 For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine.

11 And **I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity;** and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

15 Every one that is found shall be **thrust through;** and every one that is joined unto them shall **fall by the sword.** (**Isa 66:15-16, Psa 110:5-6**)

After the resurrection that will happen at the last trump .... an angel will preach to the people left on earth ... to give them opportunity to repent:

**Rev 14:6-7** And I saw **another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,**

7 Saying with a loud voice, **Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: <erchomai>** (**Rev 6:17**) and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

After that will come the 7 vials .... full of God's wrath:

**Rev 16:1** And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and **pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.**

I believe the order of events are as follows:

After the vials of the wrath of God are poured out (**Rev 16:1-12,17-21**), will come the destruction of Babylon (**Rev 17:1-6,18; 18:1-24**).

Then will come the Battle of Armageddon (**Rev 14:14-20; 16:13-16**), when Christ will come to earth with saints and the armies of heaven (**Rev 19:8-16**).

Then He will set up God's kingdom on earth for 1,000 years (**Rev 20:4-6**).

For many years, grace preachers have **incorrectly** taught that

- Daniel's entire 70th week .... is 7 years of tribulation
- that **tribulation and wrath** are the same.

But I do not find that, nor where we are saved from tribulation.

In fact, **just the opposite is true** .... as Paul said:

**Acts 14:22** Confirming the souls of the disciples, and **exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.**

**Rom 8:35-37** Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall **tribulation, or distress, or persecution**, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

36 As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

**Rom 12:12** Rejoicing in hope; **(the blessed hope is the redemption of our body to be purified and glorified when Jesus Christ appears Titus 2:13-14)** **patient in tribulation**; continuing instant in prayer;

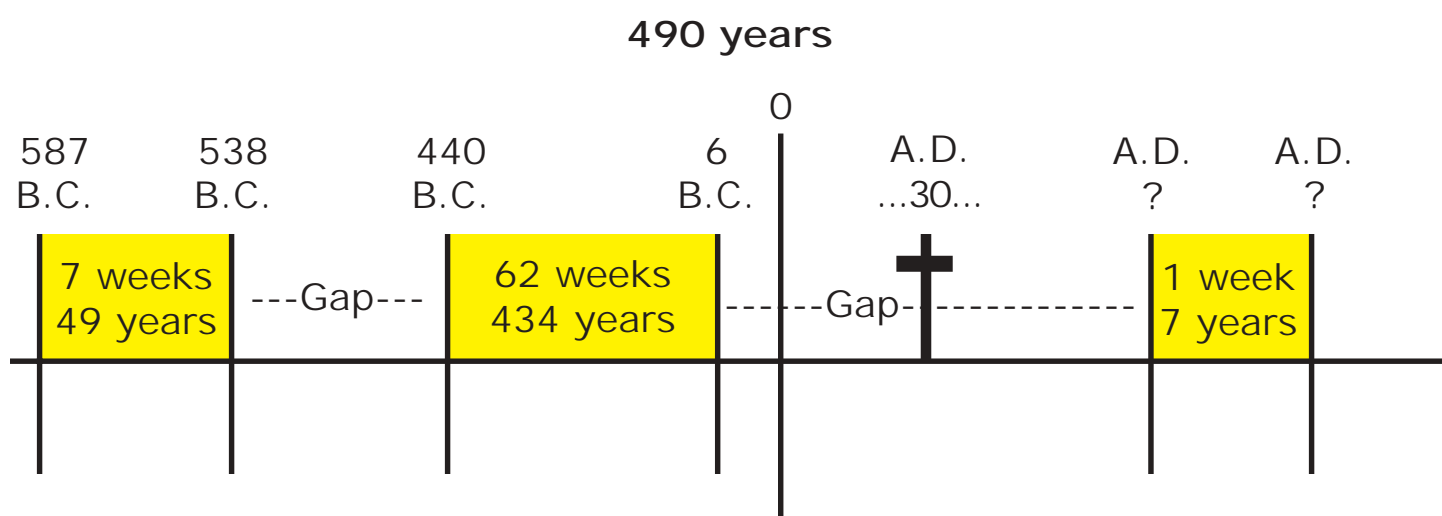
**2 Cor 1:3-5** Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and **the God of all comfort**;

4 **Who comforteth us in all our tribulation**, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God. **(see 1 Thes 4:18, 1 Thes 5:11)**

5 For as **the sufferings of Christ abound in us**, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ.

In summary, this illustration may be helpful. It is how I understand the 70 weeks of Daniel .... which includes 3 sections .... separated by gaps of time .... but combine to be a total of 490 years .... after which the Lord will catch up His saints in glory .... pour out His wrath on His enemies .... and establish His kingdom on the earth.

### 7 + 62 + 1 = 70 Weeks of Daniel's Prophecy



*This illustration is not inspired by God, but simply a summary of how I understand the verses that are the inspired authority.*

*Galatians 1:10, Romans 4:3*

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*This is David Dowell, saying, "Think about it!"*