

CHAPTER I

THE KEY TO THE KNOWLEDGE OF TIME

The key to the knowledge of the starting points of this time is mentioned in verse 13, in the words “daily sacrifice” and again in the words “transgression that maketh desolation” and the “trodding down of both the sanctuary and the host of God’s people”. Now the “daily sacrifice” and “oblation” is the service rendered by the priest in the earthly sanctuary under the Levitical system. Now at the beginning of the 2300 days, this service will give way to the Gospel.

Your attention is called to Daniel 9:26-27 **[see appendix]**. Here is set before you the great event, which starts off the 2300 days, at the cross of Christ, mentioned in verse 26. The words “*cut off*” in reference to him, is his dying upon the cross; by this very fact the “daily sacrifice” and “oblation” done in the Levitical system ENDED. Thus, the “Daily Sacrifice” was taken away and the “Gospel” was set in.

The “abominations”, which maketh “desolation”, this is the event that marks the starting point of this time. What is this? This is the destruction of the sanctuary or the great synagogue built by the Jews in which Christ taught. Notice the fall and destruction of it is mentioned in connection with the 2300 days. Christ also mentioned it in his prophecy against Jerusalem (**Matthew 24:1-2 and 15 [see appendix]**).

We have on record that Christ went to the cross 1,959 years ago. This was the event, which brought the end of the “daily sacrifice” and “oblation” done under the Levitical system, and also marks the start of this time. But the trodding down of the sanctuary was done by Rome under the leadership of Titus in the year A.D. 70. The great abomination, which made the city desolate, was the armies of Rome having the city surrounded and later the Gentiles completely destroying it. Please notice history on this.

Now back to the question of one angel to the other in Daniel 8:13-14 **[see appendix]**. He asked, HOW LONG SHALL BE THE VISION CONCERNING THE DAILY SACRIFICE, THE SANCTUARY AND THE HOST TO BE TRODDEN DOWN UNDER THE FOOT OF THE GENTILES? **ANSWER:** 2300 years from the cross.

What we see today is that Jerusalem is still in the hands of the Gentiles for Jews are powerless. The U.N. has them in charge this very day. History shows that the city indeed was destroyed and the Jews under the foot of the Gentiles even to this day. “Trodden down of the host” is the great persecution of the Church by both Pagan and Papal Rome with the “Cross of Christ” as the starting point of the 2300 years, which covers the full mysteries of God. But all of these things were not made clear to the prophet (Daniel), therefore, he approached the angel directly (**Daniel 12:8-12 [see appendix]**). Notice closely verse 11 and compare with chapter 8:13-14 **[see appendix]**. Now we see that verse 11 of chapter 12 makes clear verse 13 of chapter 8. Already we have noticed the events, which started the 2300 days of time of the mysteries of God.

After having shown the prophet many things of the advanced history of the mysteries of God as it was fulfilled in regard to the Church and the coming of Christ to the cross, other things were shown, such as the great persecution; even to the time when the beast’s body would be given to the burning flame at Armageddon, at which time the Man of Sin would lead two hundred million men against Christ; and the “time of eternity” in the new earth. The prophet

wanted to know when all of these things would be finished, again he heard the angels discussing the time of them. In chapter 12:5-7 of Daniel, the angel, in answering the question on the time of the mysteries, raised up his hand to heaven saying, **“TIME, TIME AND A HALF” (Daniel 12:5-7 [see appendix])**. This event of course is the full length of the 2300 days of time; which is the 2300 years of time from the cross to the destruction of all things in this life.

Please notice closely the words, “TIME” and “TIMES”. “Time” and “Times” means more years than 1260 because it said “times = year and years and a half. The same question, which was mentioned in chapter eight of Daniel in regards to the wonders or mysteries of God and the great persecution – both in the Beast and that which is to come under the “Man of Sin” – even to the time of the plagues is set at 2300 years from the cross to the time when the full wrath of God will be dosed to the world (at what time the mysteries of God shall be finished).

Now notice an event marking the closing of the 2300 days and the starting of the full wrath of God upon earth. Your attention is to Daniel 8:14 **“...2300 years until the sanctuary be cleansed.”** This of course is the heavenly sanctuary where all records of sin will be destroyed. Your attention to Revelation 8:3-5 is solicited **[see appendix]**. This is the great judgment or the court in session in heaven when the records of all with the prayers of the living is processed in the smoke of the censer before the golden altar in heaven covering all of their records of sin; then will the heavenly sanctuary be cleansed from all trace of sin, and all records of sin. Then all of it will be confessed upon the head of the Devil, who at this point, becomes the scapegoat.

Now here is what will take place in the earth when the heavenly sanctuary is cleansed at that time **(Revelation 8:5 [see appendix])**. This is the event at the closing of the 2300 days, which will mark it according to divine prophecy: a great earthquake with great lightning and the voice of God walking through the length and breadth of the earth. All the mysteries of God as discussed by the angels will be fulfilled between the events marking the starting and the closing of the 2300 days. Then will all mysteries of God be fulfilled!

To understand the cleansing of the heavenly sanctuary is to understand the earthly sanctuary work of the atonement. The heavenly work is of the same nature of the earthly. Already we know that Christ is our High Priest in heaven and that he was offered as a lamb for the slaughter in the earth, which is the outer court. Inasmuch as it was needful to cleanse the instruments of the earthly sanctuary, it is also needful to cleanse the heavenly sanctuary of sin; for it is defiled with the records of the sin of man. Thus, the smoke of the censer will cleanse the temple in heaven, as well as make acceptable unto God our prayers for salvation. Then this will shut off all service of the heavenly sanctuary in reference to sin forever, and fill it with smoke.