

The 2300 Days Prophecy and the Sanctuary

Part 4 - Daniel 9.



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Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus

Philippians Chapter 2 verse 5

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In our previous lessons, we looked at the views concerning the vision of the 2300 day prophecy, the symbols in the prophecy and how they pointed to various empires through time. We looked at how the prophet saw the rise and fall of Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece and Rome. He also saw the "little horn" power that would rise. In chapter 8 we see the timing of the cleansing of the sanctuary becomes very specific to the Bible student and only true wisdom from God can give us the understanding of these important events in time. We now come to Daniel chapter 9, and the key to understanding the time frame of Daniel 8:14 is to recognize that Daniel 8 and 9 are part of one vision and prophecy. In the original Scripture manuscripts there was never a division made between the chapters. Daniel chapter 9 provides the starting date for the 2,300 day prophecy."

1. Who was now reigning at this point of Daniel's life? **Daniel 9:1** -

Note: Daniel had now lived to see **3 successive kings: Nebuchadnezzar** (Babylon), **Belshazzar** (Babylon) and **Darius** (Assyria).

2. What prophetic book was Daniel reading? **Daniel 9:2** -

3. What specific prophetic statement caught Daniel's attention?

Jeremiah 25:10-13 and 29:10 –

Note: As Daniel reads the book of **Jeremiah 25:10-13 and 29:10**, he realizes that the prophecy found in Jeremiah refers to the "70 years" of Babylonian captivity and that this time period was nearly over...

This leads Daniel to seek the Lord in heartfelt prayer.

Let's now read the whole of Daniel's prayer in **Daniel 9:3-19**...

4. What three points does Daniel focus on in his prayer?

Daniel 9:4 - a. _____

Daniel 9:5 and 8 - b. _____

Daniel 9:18-20 - c. _____

Note: Daniel realized the time of captivity was nearly over and began praying. Daniel's prayer is a model for God's people near the end of time who address these three points in their prayer life.

- a. Personal repentance.
 - b. Corporate Sin regarding God's people.
 - c. God's mercy and willingness in redeeming mankind.
5. Who was sent, again, to give Daniel understanding of the vision and why?

Daniel 9:21-23 - _____

Note: 1. Gabriel is sent at the evening offering which was also performed in the morning which were a reflection of the sanctuary service. 2. Gabriel is the same angel that is sent to Daniel in chapter 8. At the command of God, angels can access our realm. (**Hebrews 1:14**) 3. Daniel is greatly beloved by God, so much so, that He wants to reveal the vision to him.

The angel Gabriel came to Daniel while he was praying to give him understanding, indicating that while the 70-year captivity was over, a new prophetic timeline of 70 weeks (490 years) was beginning, starting with a decree to rebuild Jerusalem. While the first 70 years focused on returning from Babylon, the 70-week prophecy looks forward to the coming of the Messiah and future events (**Dan 9:24-27**).

6a. Who did the vision apply to and what were they required to do?

Daniel 9:24a - _____

6b. What was the time length applied to the Jewish nation? **Daniel 9:24** -

Note: The Jews were given 70 weeks or 490 days to repent. 70 weeks or 490 days represents 490 literal years, that started at 457 BC and finished at 34AD. It's no coincidence that in **Matthew 18:21-22**, Jesus responds to Peter's question "How long will you forgive sin?" saying "70 x 7" which = 490. Jesus was referring to the time given to the Jewish nation to repent.

7. How does Gabriel present the three elements of the 70 week prophecy?

Daniel 9:25-27 - _____ , _____ & _____

Note: We are told that “70 weeks are determined” upon God’s people – but what does the word “determined” mean?

Daniel 9:24 – *Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.*

The Strong’s concordance says “Determined” means to be “cut off”. But the question is cut off from what? The only other vision with a time element is **Daniel 8:14** and the 2300 day prophecy.


The only explanation can be that the 490 years is separated from 2300 years, which will take us past Daniel’s time, past the death of Christ to the time of the end.

Gabriel is sent to explain a portion of the 2300 day prophecy which is the 70 weeks. This deals with the decree to restore Jerusalem to the coming of the Messiah and His death.

In our next study we will look at these three time periods in more detail.



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