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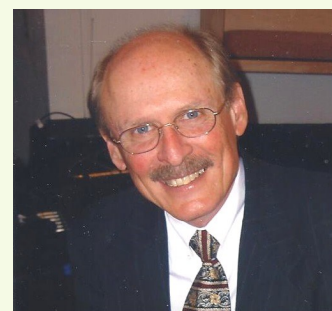
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***"We are living in the season of Christ's return."***

***The mission of West Valley Ministries is to help Christ's followers recognize the signs of His approaching return and be prepared for that Great Day.***



# WVM Bible Class

## Acts 8

### **Saul Persecutes the Church**

1Now Saul was consenting to his death. At that time a great persecution arose against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles. 2And devout men carried Stephen to his burial, and made great lamentation over him. 3As for Saul, he made havoc of the church, entering every house, and dragging off men and women, committing them to prison.

### **Christ Is Preached in Samaria**

4Therefore those who were scattered went everywhere preaching the word. 5Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ to them. 6And the multitudes with one accord heeded the things spoken by Philip, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. 7For unclean spirits, crying with a loud voice, came out of many who were possessed; and many who were paralyzed and lame were healed. 8And there was great joy in that city.

### **The Sorcerer's Profession of Faith**

9But there was a certain man called Simon, who previously practiced sorcery in the city and astonished the people of Samaria, claiming that he was someone great, 10 to whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, "This man is the great power of God." 11And they heeded him because he had astonished them with his sorceries for a long time. 12But when they believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized. 13Then Simon himself also believed; and when he was baptized he continued with Philip, and was amazed, seeing the miracles and signs which were done.

### **The Sorcerer's Sin**

14Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, 15who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. 16For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. 17Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. 18And when Simon saw that through the laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Spirit was given, he offered them money, 19saying, "Give me this power also, that anyone on whom I lay hands may receive the Holy Spirit." 20But Peter said to him, "Your money perish with you, because you thought that the gift of God could be purchased with money! 21"You have neither part nor portion in this matter, for your heart is not right in the sight of God. 22"Repent therefore of this your wickedness, and pray God if perhaps the thought of your heart may be forgiven you. 23"For I see that you are poisoned by bitterness and bound by iniquity."



## WYM Bible Class

24 Then Simon answered and said, "Pray to the Lord for me, that none of the things which you have spoken may come upon me." 25 So when they had testified and preached the word of the Lord, they returned to Jerusalem, preaching the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans.

(cf. Is. 53:7, 8)

### **Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch**

26 Now an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, "Arise and go toward the south along the road which goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is desert.

27 So he arose and went. And behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candace the queen of the Ethiopians, who had charge of all her treasury, and had come to Jerusalem to worship, 28 was returning. And sitting in his chariot, he was reading Isaiah the prophet.

29 Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go near and overtake this chariot."

30 ¶ So Philip ran to him, and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah, and said, "Do you understand what you are reading?"

31 And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he asked Philip to come up and sit with him. 32 The place in the Scripture which he read was this: "He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; And as a lamb before its shearer is silent, So He opened not His mouth. 33 In His humiliation His justice was taken away, And who will declare His generation? For His life is taken from the earth."fn 34 So the eunuch answered Philip and said, "I ask you, of whom does the prophet say this, of himself or of some other man?"

35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, preached Jesus to him. 36 Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, "See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?" 37 Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."fn 38 So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him. 39 Now when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing. 40 But Philip was found at Azotus. And passing through, he preached in all the cities till he came to Caesarea.



## *Daniel's Prophecies — Daniel 9*

### **Introduction to the Prophecy of Daniel 9**

Daniel 9 contains another one of Daniel's very important prophecies, one extremely relevant, not only to us today, but also to the Church prior to the birth of Jesus. This prophecy indicated to those who were waiting for Christ to come as their Messiah exactly when He would come. Daniel's prophecy is the only time prophecy in the Bible which specifically provided the time of Jesus' first advent – the year of His baptism and the very day of His death. It was no doubt a prophecy that people like Simeon, the priest who dedicated the baby Jesus, and Anna, the 80-year-old prophetess who spent her time in the temple with Simeon, were studying that they might know when Jesus was to come. You might remember the words of Simeon after he dedicated the baby Jesus, "Lord, now let Your servant die in peace, according to Your word, for my eyes have seen Your salvation...." Luke 2:29, 30.

And just as those watching for the coming of Christ in Bethlehem were studying the prophecy of Daniel 9, Daniel was studying a prophecy of Jeremiah which told when Israel would end their seventy-year captivity in Babylon. The first two-thirds of the chapter of Daniel 9 records a very long prayer offered by Daniel to God, in recognition of Jeremiah's prophecy, which indicated that the captives of Israel were about to fulfill their time of captivity. God's people always have their future laid out before them in Scripture, for God promises to "never do anything until He reveals His plans to His servants the prophets" (Amos 3:7).

Thus, Daniel's prayer reflects his knowledge of God's plans for Israel, and his prayer is filled with confession for the sins of Israel which had been the cause of their captivity. God had actually called Nebuchadnezzar, "My servant" – he is the one God used to punish Israel for their sins and rebellion. But God indicated that their captivity would be only seventy years, and Daniel, in realization of the coming end of those seventy years was pleading with God to forgive the sins of Israel and fulfill His promise to allow them to return their land and rebuild Jerusalem and the temple which had been destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar. It's a beautiful prayer which caused God to send Gabriel to the side of Daniel to comfort him and give him understanding of the prophecy contained in the last four verses of the chapter.

### **The Seventy Week Prophecy**

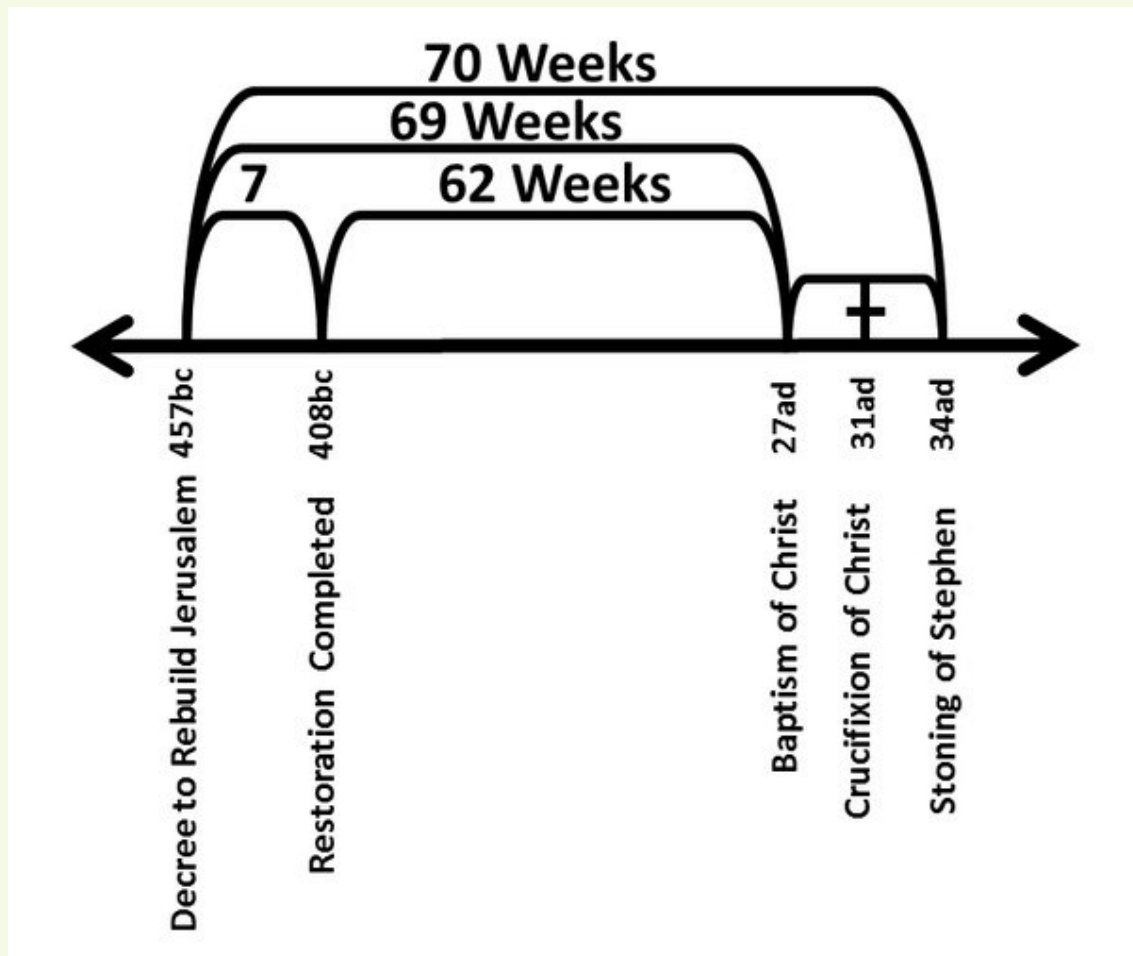
Following are the words of the prophecy:

24 "Seventy weeks [of years] are determined for your people and for your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sins, to make reconciliation for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy. 25 Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the command to restore and build Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince, there shall be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublesome times. 26 And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; and the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, and till the end of the war desolations are determined. 27 Then He shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; but in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to




sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, even until the consummation, which is determined, is poured out on the desolate." Daniel 9:24-27.

Following is a graphic to illustrate the prophecy of these three verses:



### The Interpretation of This Prophecy

- 1) This prophecy spans a total of 490 years – “70 weeks of years”
- 2) The entire time period of the prophecy represents 490 **contiguous** years – **the 70<sup>th</sup> week of years is not separated from the other 69 weeks of years, as the majority of Christians believe today! – an interpretation necessary to support their erroneous theory of “the rapture.”**
- 3) The decree of Artaxerxes to rebuild Jerusalem was issued in 457 B.C., and the restoration of the city and the temple was accomplished in seven weeks of years, or 49 years. Remember when Jesus said, “Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.” The response of the Jewish leaders was, “It took 46 years to build it, how can He say He can build it up in three days?”!! (John 2:19, 20).

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- 4) Jesus was baptized in the Fall of 27 A.D. – exactly 69 weeks of years, or 483 years after Artaxerxes’ decree to rebuild Jerusalem!
  - 5) The “covenant” of verse 27 is the “new covenant” Jesus made with His followers – the covenant of grace, sealed by His blood and represented by the emblems of His sacrifice, the bread and the wine, which He shared with His disciples the night before His death when He said, “This is My blood of **the new covenant**, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.” Matthew 26:26.
  - 6) “In the middle of the week of years, **on the very Day of Passover in 31 A.D., He brought an end to sacrifice and offering as He offer His life as the “Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.”** The dramatic events associated with Jesus death – the three hours of eerie darkness, the great earthquake which opened the tombs of some of the saints, and the end of sacrificial system demonstrated by the rending of the heavy curtain in the temple **from top to bottom**, separating the Holy Place from the Most Holy Place by an unseen hand – all these events made it clear that God’s offering for our sin had been received and our salvation was secured! When Jesus said, “It is finished,” our salvation was secured!
  - 7) In the Fall of 34 A.D., exactly seven years from the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River, Stephen gave his life as the first martyr of the Christian Church. This event marks the end of the portion of Daniel’s prophecy, “**He shall confirm a covenant with many for one week.**” Saul, who was instrumental in Stephen’s death, was soon personally called by Jesus Christ on the road to Damascus to be His Apostle to the Gentiles, and the time of God’s favor upon the Israel who had rejected and crucified His Son was ended. Less than 40 years later, Jerusalem was destroyed by the Romans and “the temple was left with not one stone left upon another.” One million Jews, living in Jerusalem, were killed by the Roman armies. Israel as a nation had rejected their Savior, and God rejected them as His people.

Just days before Jesus gave His life for Israel (and the world), he wept over Jerusalem as He said:

“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! See! Your house is left to you desolate; for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!’ “ Matthew 23:37-39.

#### AND

But as he came closer to Jerusalem and saw the city ahead, he began to weep. "How I wish today that you of all people would understand the way to peace. But now it is too late, and peace is hidden from your eyes. Before long your enemies will build ramparts against your walls and encircle you and close in on you from every side. They will crush you into the ground, and your children with you. Your enemies will not leave a single stone in place, because you did not accept your opportunity for salvation." Luke 19:41-44.

The reality of God's rejection of Israel as a nation is critical to understand in the midst of all the talk today among Christians of Israel being the favored people of God. Today, all **people are saved, not by their nationality but by their faith in Jesus Christ alone!** We will study this again soon, as we discover the errors of dispensationalism – a heresy within the community of Christians, and one created by a Catholic Jesuit scholar during the counter-Reformation and adopted by many serious but misinformed Christians of today.

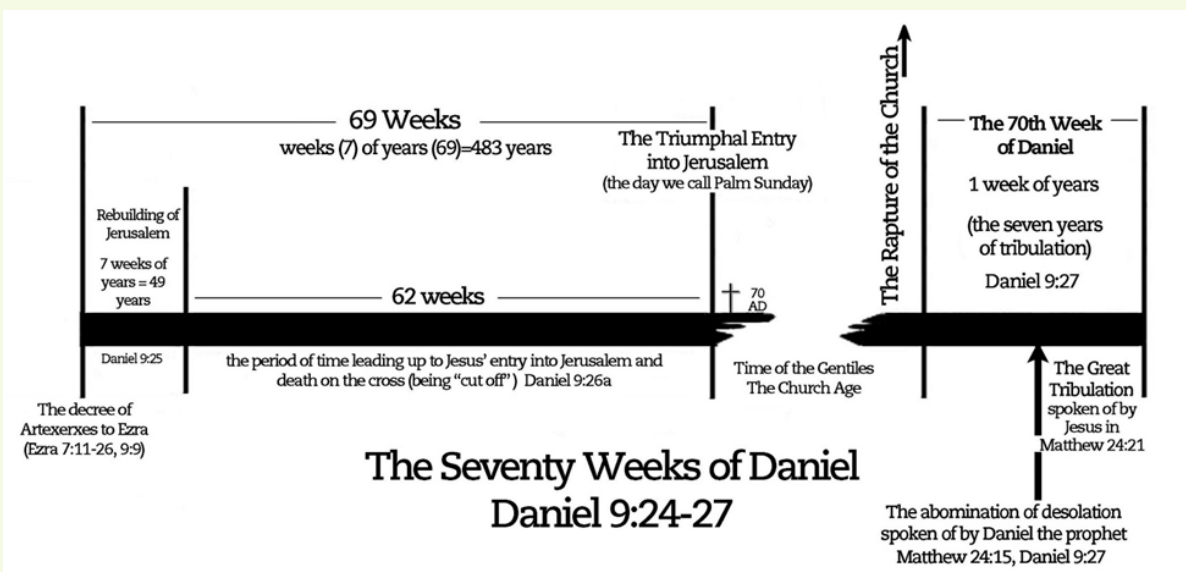
- 8) Finally, the One who “**in the middle of the week brought an end to sacrifice and offering**” is **NOT the antichrist, but the Christ – “Messiah the Prince!”**


## Conclusion

This important prophecy is a must for Christians to understand today, or they will be looking for the wrong Antichrist! **Dispensationalism says that Antichrist will bring an end to sacrifice** and offering in the middle of the last 7 years of Daniel's prophecy, **after the church has been raptured!** Dispensationalism detaches the last week of years from Daniel's prophecy and moves it on a timeline two thousand years to the very end of time. **(See the graphic of the Dispensationalist's version of Daniel's prophecy below).** And because, they say, it is the Antichrist who **ends** sacrifice, sacrifice must be reinstituted by the Jews. And in order for there to be sacrifice again, there must be a new temple. Therefore, the 70<sup>th</sup> week of Daniel's prophecy must be separated from the other 69 weeks in order for Antichrist to cause sacrifice to “end”! That's what Christian churches are teaching today, a lie from a Jesuit scholar of the 18<sup>th</sup> Century, who was creating a decoy for the true Antichrist of his day/our day – the Church of Rome! And Protestants and Evangelicals have bought the lie and now consider the Church of Rome to be another Christian faith instead of the Antichrist of prophecy! **AMAZING DECEPTION OF THE ENEMY OF OUR SOULS, SATAN DISTORTING SCRIPTURE TO DECEIVE THE SAINTS!**

**Next Week:** Daniel's vision of Jesus and Daniel's summary of all that transpires until the “grand finale” of Daniel 12 – a chapter which tells us when Jesus is going to come!

## The Seventy Weeks According to Dispensationalism!





## *Prophecy In the News*

On February 6, 2025, President Donald Trump signed Executive Order 14202 — “Eradicating Anti-Christian Bias.” Then on May 1, the president signed another Executive Order 14291 — “Establishment of the Religious Liberty Commission.” The president and his administrative team are seeking to bring back an unprecedented level of protection of the rights of our citizens to worship, believe, and practice their faith without the intervention of government. In the past recent years, Catholics, particularly, have been denied their religious rights and government has arrested, harassed, surveilled those who are protected by the First Amendment to our Constitution and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. In his speech to a large crowd of government officials and religious leaders on the Rose Lawn of the White House on May 1, the National Day of Prayer, President Trump said, “We’re bringing religion back to our country, and it’s a big deal.”

**The links to the two executive orders are below**, and the implications of the efforts of our president to protect the free expression of religion will be analyzed in our next issue. Suffice it to say, a review of these documents would be advantageous to fully benefit of our follow-up article next week. Nothing could be more ominous to the future of our freedoms as Christians than the apparently good intentions of government to guarantee religious freedom to a citizenry already protected by our Constitution and Bill of Rights. **“Things are not always as they seem”** — a saying you have no doubt heard before. And nothing could be truer in the events developing in our nation today!

**Executive Order 14202 of February 6, 2025 Eradicating Anti-Christian Bias:**

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**Executive Order 14291 of May 1, 2025 Establishment of the Religious Liberty Commission:**

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Stay Tuned!