

What is the “70th Week of Daniel” in Eschatology?

It's a 7 year long period (2,520 days) using the Jewish 360 day a year calendar.

See the story in Genesis 29:18-30. Jacob, Laban, Rachel and Leah.

The 70th week of Daniel has within it not only Gods judgment, but a 30-day reclamation period and a 45-day restoration period after the 1260 days. This then is all followed by the 1000-year millennium reign of Christ over the earth.

Here's how it works: The Hebrew calendar has 360 days per year.

Daniel 9:27 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.

$$(3\frac{1}{2} \text{ years}) \times (360 \text{ days}) = 1260 \text{ days}$$

Matthew 24:15 Therefore when you see the ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand),

2nd Thessalonians 2:3-4 Let no one in any way deceive you, for it will not come unless the apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God.

Daniel Chapter 12:11-12

And from the time that the daily sacrifice is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, there shall be **one thousand two hundred and ninety days**. Blessed is he who waits and comes to the **one thousand three hundred and thirty-five days**.

Hebrew prophetic week is 7 years.

360 days a year in the Hebrew calendar.

$(360 \text{ days}) \times (7 \text{ years}) = 2,520 \text{ days}$. • $(360 \text{ days}) \times (3\frac{1}{2} \text{ years}) = 1,260 \text{ days}$.

1,260 days is the exact middle of the 70th week of Daniel.

1,290 days $(1,290 - 1,260) = 30\text{-day period}$ where Christ reclaims the earth back to Himself.

1,335 days $(1,335 - 1,290) = 45\text{-day period}$ where Christ restores the earth back to its former (Garden of Eden) glory prior to the millennium.

Are we held accountable for not knowing end time events, "Eschatology"?

The 70th week of Daniel.

No other epoch (time period) is covered in more detail, in the Bible, than end time (second coming) events. [aka Eschatology.]

The Septuagint was translated into Koine Greek around 250 BC or somewhere between 200-300 years prior to Christ's 1st coming. (*Jews should have known the prophecy.*)

The Septuagint is the earliest extant Koine Greek translation of the Hebrew Bible from the original Hebrew. It is traditionally believed to have been written by 72 Jewish scholars sometime during the third century BC.

Daniel prophesied the exact day that the messiah would come to be cut off (Daniel 9:24-27), 434 Years or 62 Weeks (Hebrew prophetic week is 7 years) after the decree to rebuild Jerusalem was issued around 457 BC (Ezra 5:2) during the reign of King Artaxerxes I.

In Matthew 24:15 Jesus points to the prophesy of Daniel.

In Matthew chapter 24 Jesus foretells of the destruction of the temple, which occurs 38 years later in 70AD.

Luke 19:41-44

Where the children of Israel held accountable for not knowing prophecy?

Did they suffer because of their lack of knowledge of Christ's coming?

So...why the long gap between the 69th and the 70th weeks of Daniel?

The first 69 weeks of Daniel ran consecutively. 483 years.

But the 70th week has been put on hold. Why?

Jesus explains in Luke 21:24

Paul explains in Romans 11:25

Daniel has the seventy weeks divided into 3 sections.

1. 7 weeks (49 years) • 1st week of Daniel • Jerusalem is rebuilt in 49 years.
2. 62 weeks (434 years) • 1st week and the 62 weeks run consecutively – 483 years.
3. 1 week (7 years) • 70th week of Daniel. Long gap between 69th and 70th week.

Daniel says 7 weeks plus 62 weeks and finally the 70th week. (Daniel 9:24-27)

In other words, the first 7 weeks (49 years) Jerusalem is rebuilt. Finished in 408 BC.

The second period, 62 weeks (434 years) is the period leading up to the messiah being cut off.

2,000+ year gap between the 69th and 70th week are due to the age of grace aka the new covenant church age.

The third period, the final 70th week does not happen until the fullness of the gentiles comes in.

2nd Peter 3:9 (In Context 3:3-9)

Let's calculate the date 483 years from 457 BC.

Daniel's prophecy in the Bible (Daniel 9:25) mentions a period of 70 weeks, which is often interpreted as 70 "sevens" of years. (aka 490 years)

The 70 weeks are divided into three segments:

1. **7 weeks (49 years):** The time from the decree to rebuild Jerusalem until the city's completion.
2. **62 weeks (434 years):** The period from the completion of rebuilding Jerusalem (*the old city of David*) until the coming of the Messiah.
3. **1 week (7 years):** The final week during which significant events would occur. aka the 70th week of Daniel

Given that the starting point is 457 BC, which is when the decree went forth to rebuild Jerusalem from Artaxerxes I, let's calculate the date for the Messiah's coming:

(based on the Jewish 360-day calendar)

1. **7 weeks (49 years):** The decree to rebuild Jerusalem was issued during the reign of King Artaxerxes I (around 457 BC). Adding 49 years brings us to approximately 408 BC.
2. **62 weeks (434 years):** Adding 434 years to 408 BC takes us to AD 26 (*there is no year 0*). Add the 7 lost Gregorian calendar years because of the 360-day Jewish calendar and this brings you to **33 AD** (on our current *Gregorian Calendar*).

This is the time when Jesus was likely crucified and fulfilled the role of the Messiah.

Therefore, the Messiah's coming (Triumphal Entry) was on Sunday, March 29th AD 33. This event is currently celebrated as Palm Sunday.

Jesus was crucified on Friday, April 3rd AD 33 at approximately 3:00pm.

Please read [Dr. Chuck Missler's book called Daniel's 70 Weeks](#) for a proper breakdown of the exact dates to follow between the Hebrew calendar and the Gregorian calendar. Chuck does a masterful job with far more detail than I have presented here.