



Understanding the 70 Weeks of Daniel

Dan 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.

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.

The starting point of Daniel's "70 Weeks" is seen in Daniel 9:25 as the "going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem." This happens in

Neh 2:18 Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me; as also the king's words that he had spoken unto me. And they said, Let us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for this good work.

which is known to have happened in 444 B.C.

The tribulation in Daniel lasts one "week" and in Revelation lasts seven years. In both cases the tribulation lasts seven "times". This means

$$1 \text{ "week"} = 7 \text{ Times}$$

Using this, we can say that

$$69 \text{ weeks} = 483 \text{ Times} = 173,880 \text{ days} = 476.38 \text{ years}$$

According to Daniel, the death of Jesus is to happen after the end of week 69. If one begins counting when Daniel commands, which we have uncovered as 444 B.C., we can count forward 476.38 years (69 weeks) to 32.38 A.D. This is proven accurate because Jesus was in fact crucified in 33 A.D.

and using our definition of "time",

- Seven "times" = 2520 days long.



- Seven years = 2555 days long.
- The difference is 35 days, or 5 days per year.

This means that the Tribulation is actually 6.9 years as we recognize them.

There is an interruption after week 69 in Daniel's 70 Weeks.

Dan 9:26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

Daniel is referring to the prophecy in

Zec 9:9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

and its fulfillment in

*Mat 21:4 All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying,
Mat 21:5 Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass.*

The interruption between the 69th and 70th weeks is The Church Age.

How long is The Church Age? We have to look at types and shadows in the Bible.

Num 35:5 And ye shall measure from without the city on the east side two thousand cubits, and on the south side two thousand cubits, and on the west side two thousand cubits, and on the north side two thousand cubits; and the city shall be in the midst: this shall be to them the suburbs of the cities.

The Levites were only allowed to walk 2000 cubits on the Sabbath. This defines the legal Sabbath Day's journey.



Jos 3:4 Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go: for ye have not passed this way heretofore.

God commanded that the people remain 2000 cubits behind Joshua, the Levites, and the Ark. The Promised Land is a type of Heaven. Joshua is a type of Christ. Therefore, after Joshua crosses the Jordan River, the people remained 2000 cubits behind, a type of years and define the dispensation of grace. 2000 cubits is a Sabbath Day's journey and that's the distance the people had to cover to cross over.

Act 1:12 Then returned they unto Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is from Jerusalem a sabbath day's journey.

The Apostles, by walking to Jerusalem, a Sabbath Day's journey, after Jesus' ascension, made the transition into a new role as priesthood.

1Pe 2:9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

We are the church, following 2000 years behind Jesus. We must count 2000 cubits from the Crucifixion (33 AD), where formerly we counted from the birth of Christ. Counting from the Crucifixion, we count in "Times," which is the scriptural interpretation.

2000 Times = 720,000 days = 1972.60 years

1972.60 years from the Crucifixion puts us at 2005.60, seven months into 2006.