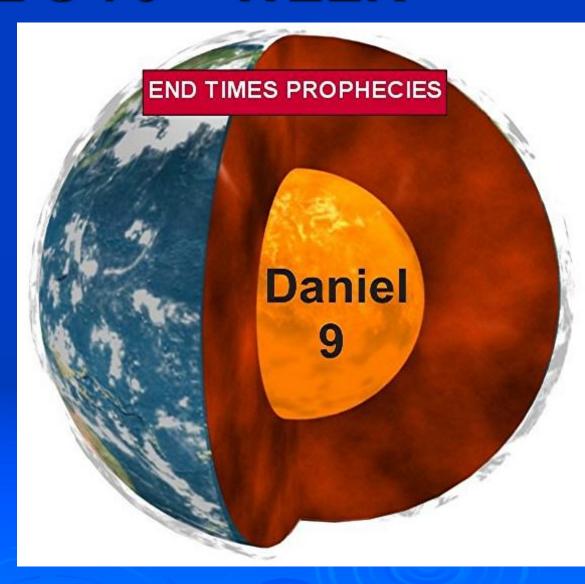
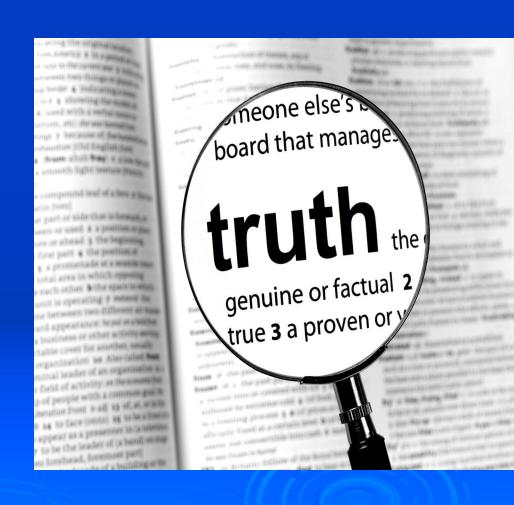
DANIEL'S 70TH WEEK

- It is NOT Daniel, but rather the Angel Gabriel who gives this prophecy
- Daniel 9 is highly controversial, but it is the molten core of all End Times prophecies
- Many built-in stumbling blocks



DO WE REALLY WANT THE TRUTH?

- Most want a doctrine that validates their preferred lifestyle and an easy path forward
- Only renewal by the Holy Spirit changes our minds to want something else
- Can we self-define sin?
- Can we make a Bible passage mean what we personally want it to mean?
- We don't like gray areas so firm doctrines and simple answers are comforting



SCRIPTURE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE WORLD AS WE SEE IT

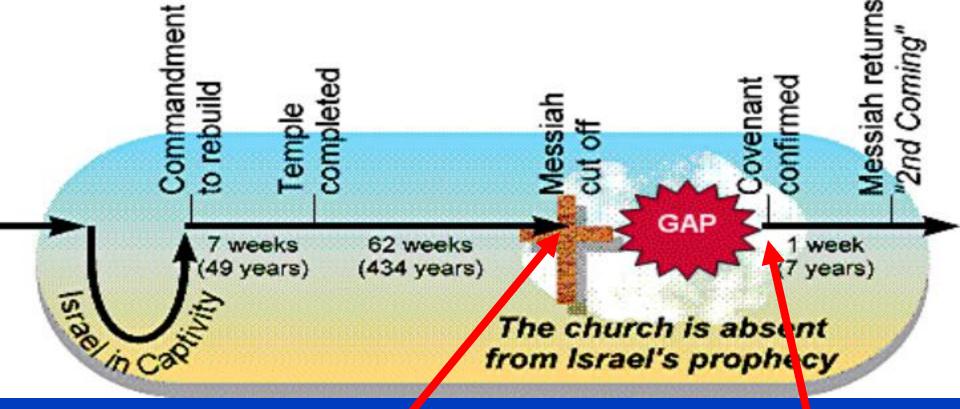


- Can cause us to think that God's commandments are outdated, and that prophecy can't happen as stated
- So we'll reshape God's Word to fit what we see
- > The truth:
- Isn't always easy or plain
- Doesn't always give us our way
- Can be restricting
- Makes us live within boundaries we didn't create

TWO BASIC QUESTIONS

7 weeks of years 49 years 62 weeks of years 483 years total 1 week = 7 years

- Daniel 9:27 "He will make a strong covenant with leaders for 1 week..."
- This "1 week" is the final 7 year segment
- Question 1: What are beginning and ending dates of the 70 weeks (490 years)?
- Question 2: Are the 70 weeks consecutive, overlapping, with gaps and pauses, or purely symbolic?



- > A gap between the 69th week and beginning of 70th
- Today called the 7 year Tribulation, Great Tribulation
- Rapture occurs, Anti-Christ appears, War of Armageddon, Christ returns
- Pre-Millennial
- NOT the same as Pre-Trib, Post-Trib, Mid-Trib, which is ONLY about the Rapture

EARLIEST THOUGHTS ABOUT DANIEL AND THE 70 WEEKS



- Earliest are found in the Dead Sea Scrolls
- Testament of Levi & Pseudo-Ezekiel
- Created about 146 BC
- This refutes Liberal scholars claiming Daniel was written about 164 BC
- A) 70 weeks was about the Jewish people
- B) Anointed prince is Messiah
- C) 70 weeks ends in 2 or 3 AD

HELLENIST JEWISH VIEW DID NOT INVOLVE A MESSIAH

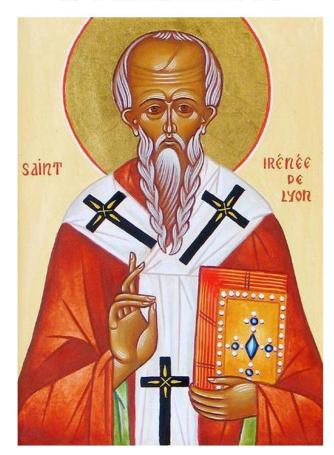


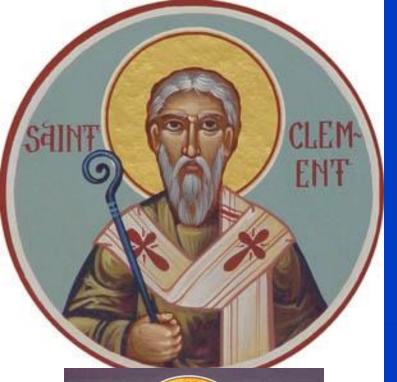
- Demetrius, view of Daniel before birth of Christ
- 70 weeks ends with death of Onias III at the time of Epiphanies
- Using Old Greek Bible, said that it was 139 years (not 490 years)
- Pharisees had 3 views all based on the timing of the appearance of the Messiah
- When Temple was destroyed in 70 AD and no Messiah, they adapted and said the 70 weeks is the 70 years of Babylonian captivity

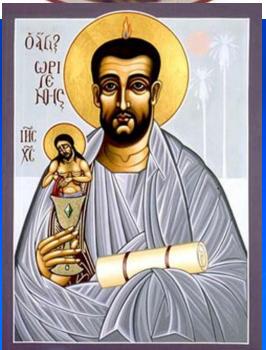
EARLIEST CHRISTIAN VIEW

- Irenaeus 180 AD
- Links little horn of Daniel to the Anti-Christ that will be in power for 3 ½ years
- > A) Daniel real and valid
- B) 70th week about the coming of Messiah
- C) 69th week ended during Christ's lifetime
- D) A gap between the 69th and 70th weeks
- E) 70th week was future to Irenaeus
- 6,000 years from Adam to Anti-Christ
- World ends at 500 AD

Irenaeus of Lyons
AGAINST HERESIES
& FRAGMENTS

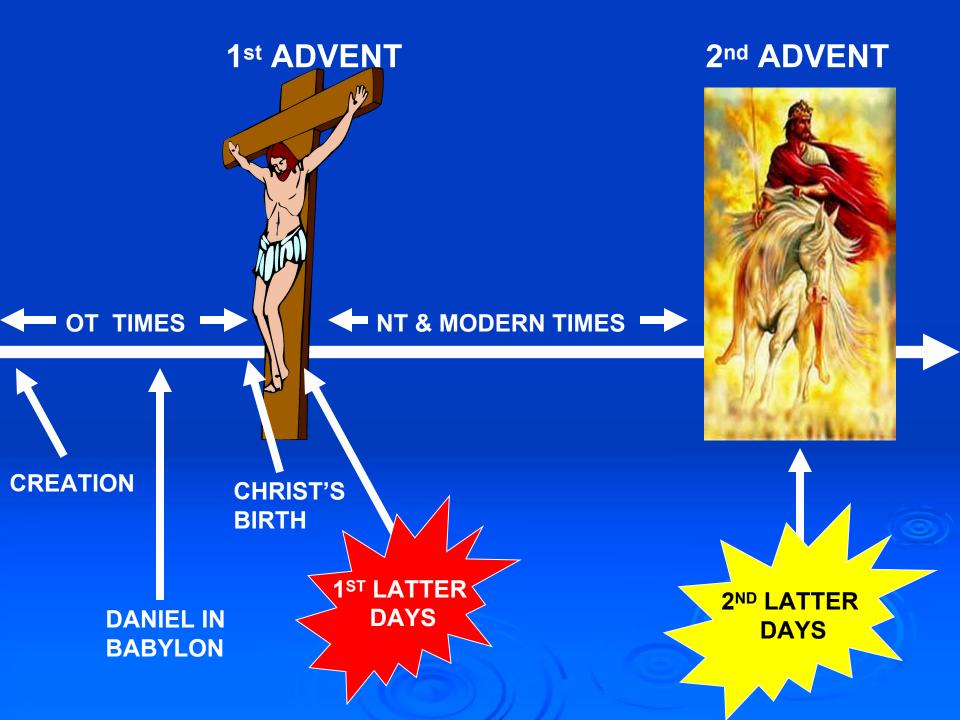






MORE TESTIMONIES ON DANIEL

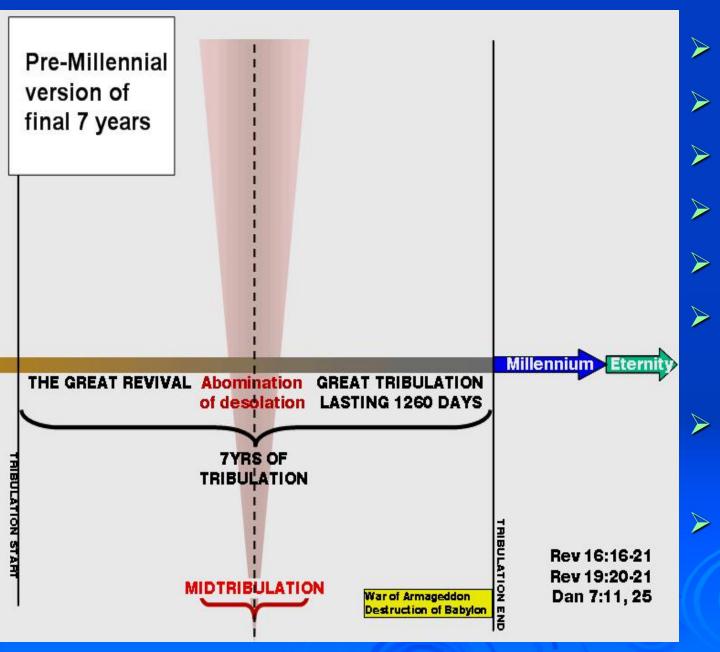
- Clement 200 AD says there is a gap between 69th and 70th week, and says that this prophecy does NOT include the Church
- Hippolytus Africanus 220 AD saw a future 70th week in 500 AD
- Julius Africanus 235 AD said 70 weeks fulfilled at time of Christ
- Origen 220 AD says 70 weeks fulfilled at time of Christ, Messiah didn't mean Jesus it meant the High Priests in general, the covenant of 9:27 as the New Covenant
- Book of Revelation was available





TERMS AND TIMING

- Final happenings of the 70th week MUST come after Yeshua
- Matthew 24:15 25
- Matthew 24:1
- Epiphanies did not destroy the Temple or Jerusalem
- > The Romans did
- 2 instances that each partially fulfills the prophecy, but occurring 200 years apart
- Revelation 11 and 13 show Anti-Christ yet to come



- > Dan. 7:25
- Dan. 12:7
- > Rev. 11:2
- > Rev. 12:6
- Rev. 12:14
- > Rev. 13:5

- Chetsiy = half
- Tavek = midst