

**“The Book of Daniel”**  
**Daniel 2:44, 5:21, 7:13-14**

Introduction: The Word of God describes three categories of people in I Corinthians 10:32- “Give none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the Gentiles, nor to the church of God”. These are the Jews, the Gentiles, and the church of God. The Jews began with Abraham and is traced through his genealogy (Acts 7:8- “And he gave him the covenant of circumcision: and so Abraham begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat the twelve patriarchs.”). They are known as God’s chosen people. Secondly, the church of God consists of both Jews and Gentiles (John 10:16- “And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.”). Lastly, the Gentiles are a group of people that is not Jewish in descent. Scriptures tell of a time when the Jews will be trodden down of the Gentiles because of their idolatry (Luke 21:24- “And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.”). This is a form of judgment from God upon His chosen people (Romans 11:2- “God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. Wot ye not what the scripture saith of Elias? how he maketh intercession to God against Israel, saying,”; Romans 11:11- “I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy.”; Romans 11:25-26- “For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:”). It is only temporary, for the Lord will revive the Jewish nation again (Ezekiel 37). The Bible describes this period as the times of the Gentiles. This is the emphasis of Daniel as the times of the Gentiles is mentioned historically (Daniel 1-6) and prophetically (Daniel 7-12).

1. The Times and Fullness of the Gentiles
  - a. The times of the Gentiles began with the complete domination of Nebuchadnezzar in 606 B.C. (Jeremiah 27:5-7). It will continue until the battle of Armageddon in Revelation 19.
  - b. The fullness of the Gentiles (Romans 11:25) is different than the times of the Gentiles. It began on the day of Pentecost and will continue until the rapture of the church just before the tribulation period. It is a period when God is gathering both Jew and Gentile into the church of God.
2. The Captivities – (The Times of the Gentiles)
  - a. The Northern Kingdom
    - 1) The Northern Kingdom was known as Israel (Ephraim)
    - 2) Capitol: Samaria II Kings 17:1, 24
    - 3) Amount of Rulers: 19 kings (not one was saved)
    - 4) Time Period: 931-722 B.C.
    - 5) Samaria fell in 722 B.C. (The ten northern tribes went into the Assyrian Captivity)
    - 6) Assyrian Captivity: II Kings 15:29, 17:3-6, 18-23, 18:9-12
  - b. The Southern Kingdom

- 1) The Southern Kingdom was known as Judah (Judea, Jerusalem)
- 2) Capitol: Jerusalem
- 3) Amount of Rulers: 20 kings (eight were saved)
- 4) Time Period: 931-586 B.C.
- 5) Jerusalem fell in 586 B.C. (The Southern Kingdom went into Babylonian Captivity)
- 6) Babylonian (Chaldean- Habakkuk 1:6-11) Captivity: II Kings 23:27, 24:1-4, 7, 10-16, 25:1-30, II Chronicles 36:14-23
- c. Daniel 1:1-2
3. The Kingdom Daniel 2:44, 7:14
  - a. The word “kingdom” is found 56 times in 43 verses in Daniel.
  - b. The word “kingdoms” is found 3 times in 3 verses in Daniel.
  - c. The word “king” is found 174 times in 124 verses in Daniel.
  - d. The word “kings” is found 14 times in 12 verses in Daniel.
  - e. The word “king’s” is found 20 times in 20 verses in Daniel.
  - f. It seems obvious that with 267 references to king or kingdom that the emphasis of Daniel is on the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ conquering the kingdoms of this world.
4. The Church is not the Kingdom
  - a. Point Number One
    - 1) The Kingdom—It was presented in the past and it will take place in the future.
    - 2) The Church—It is taking place in the present.
  - b. Point Number Two
    - 1) The Kingdom will be “Set Up” Daniel 2:44- *“And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.”*
    - 2) The Church will be “Caught Up” I Thessalonians 4:16-17- *“For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.”*
  - c. Point Number Three
    - 1) The Kingdom is From the Foundation Matthew 25:34- *“Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world”*
    - 2) The Church is Before the Foundation Ephesians 1:4- *“According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love”*
  - d. Point Number Four
    - 1) The kingdom will be restored to Israel, not the church.
    - 2) Acts 1:6- *“When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?”*
5. The Purpose of Daniel
  - a. The whole purpose of Daniel is to reveal that the kingdoms of this world will one day be crushed by the Kingdom of God.
  - b. Daniel 2:44-45

- c. Daniel 5:21
  - d. Revelation 11:15- *“And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.”*
6. Daniel has 12 chapters, 357 verses, and 11,606 words. (Robert Boyd)
  7. “During Nebuchadnezzar’s first raid on Jerusalem in 605 BC, he took several of its foremost citizens captive to Babylon. Among these was a teenager named Daniel.” (Willmington)
    - a. Daniel 1:1-6
    - b. 2 Kings 24:1- *“In his days Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up, and Jehoiakim became his servant three years: then he turned and rebelled against him.”*
    - c. The Babylonians would take captives back from 606 BC to 586 BC.
  8. “Daniel’s early ministry overlapped that of the older Ezekiel, who was taken captive to Babylon in 597 BC and lived about 50 miles south of Babylon. Though there is no record of the two men ever having met, Ezekiel had apparently heard of this famous young Hebrew.” (Willmington)
    - a. Ezekiel 14:14- *“Though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they should deliver but their own souls by their righteousness, saith the Lord GOD.”*
    - b. Ezekiel 14:20- *“Though Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither son nor daughter; they shall but deliver their own souls by their righteousness.”*
    - c. Ezekiel 28:3- *“Behold, thou art wiser than Daniel; there is no secret that they can hide from thee:”*
    - d. Jesus quoted from Daniel in Matthew 24:15
  9. Daniel was aware of the writings of Jeremiah. Daniel 9:1-2
    - a. Daniel 9:1 is the same year as the fall of Babylon in 538 BC.
    - b. The Babylonian captivity began in 606 BC. 68 Years had elapsed.
    - c. Jeremiah 25:11- *“And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.”*
  10. There is several unique features of Daniel (Harold L. Willmington)
    - a. Daniel has more to say about the Tribulation and the Antichrist than any other OT book.
    - b. Daniel is the only OT book to mention angels by name.
      - 1) Gabriel Daniel 8:16, 9:21, Luke 1:19, 26
      - 2) Michael Daniel 10:13, 10:21, 12:1, Jude 1:9, Revelation 12:7-9
  11. There are many comparisons between Daniel and the Revelation
    - a. Both mention an earthly kingdom becoming God’s everlasting kingdom
      - 1) Daniel 2:44
      - 2) Revelation 11:15- *“And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.”*
    - b. Both use the word times for units of years
      - 1) Daniel 7:25
      - 2) Daniel 12:7
      - 3) Revelation 12:14- *“And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.”*
    - c. Both mention the ministry of the angel Michael

- 1) Daniel 10:13
- 2) Daniel 10:21
- 3) Daniel 12:1
- 4) Revelation 12:7- *“And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,”*
- d. Both speak of a book containing the name of the righteous
  - 1) Daniel 12:1
  - 2) Revelation 20:12- *“And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.”*
- e. Both speak of 10 kingdoms
  - 1) Daniel 2:41
  - 2) Daniel 7:24
  - 3) Revelation 17:12- *“And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.”*
12. Daniel’s book records events from his life during the reigns of the Babylonian kings Nebuchadnezzar (605-562 BC) (Daniel 1:1, 2:48) and Belshazzar (553-539 BC) (Daniel 5:1), and during the first years of Persian rule under Darius and Cyrus (Daniel 5:31, 6:1-3, 28).
13. The Kingdoms in Daniel – There are four main kingdoms mentioned in Daniel. The visions in chapters two and seven build upon each other.
  - a. The Four Parts to the Image Daniel 2:32-33, 38-40
  - b. The Four Beasts Daniel 7:3, 17
14. The Kingdoms in Daniel – There is a total of six different kingdoms mentioned in the book of Daniel. They are:
  - a. Babylon
    - 1) The Image’s Head of Fine Gold Daniel 2:32, 36-38
    - 2) A Lion Daniel 7:4
  - b. Media-Persia
    - 1) The Image’s Breast and His Arms Daniel 2:32, 39
    - 2) Peres Daniel 5:25-31
    - 3) The Bear Daniel 7:5
    - 4) The Ram Daniel 8:3, 20
  - c. Greece
    - 1) The Image’s Belly and His Thighs Daniel 2:32, 39
    - 2) The Leopard Daniel 7:6
    - 3) The He Goat/Rough Goat Daniel 8:5, 21
  - d. Rome
    - 1) The Image’s Legs of Iron and His Feet Daniel 2:33, 40-42
    - 2) The Beast Daniel 7:7-8
  - e. Anti-Christ’s Kingdom
    - 1) Ten Toes Daniel 2:40-43
    - 2) Ten Horns Daniel 7:7, 24
    - 3) Little Horn Daniel 7:8
    - 4) Little Horn Daniel 8:9
    - 5) The King of the North Daniel 11:36

- f. God's Kingdom Daniel 5:21
  - 1) The Stone Daniel 2:34-35, 44-45
  - 2) An Everlasting Dominion Daniel 7:9-14

Body: The times of the Gentiles (Luke 21:24) is outlined in the book of Daniel by a series of dreams and visions. Nebuchadnezzar had one dream while Daniel had four visions. Each of these gives greater detail as to Gentile rule. Let us study each of these and rightly divide their meaning.

- I. The Great Image Daniel 2:31-45
  - A. The Dream of Nebuchadnezzar Daniel 2:1 (Why Nebuchadnezzar? Jeremiah 27:4-8)
    - 1. His Dream Daniel 2:1
    - 2. His Desire Daniel 2:2-3
    - 3. His Decree Daniel 2:5-6, 12-13
    - 4. His Disclosure Daniel 2:19-22, 36
      - a. This is a disclosure of the "latter days". Daniel 2:28
      - b. Hebrews 1:2- *"Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;"*
      - c. Hereafter Daniel 2:29, 45
  - B. The Image's Head—Babylon Daniel 2:32, 36-38
    - 1. It represents the Babylonian Empire from 606-539 B.C. Daniel 2:38
    - 2. It parallels with the lion of Daniel 7:4
  - C. The Image's Breast and Arms—Media/Persia Daniel 2:32, 39
    - 1. It represents the Persian Empire from 539-331 B.C.
    - 2. It parallels with Peres of Daniel 5:25-31
    - 3. It parallels with the Bear of Daniel 7:5
    - 4. It parallels with the Ram of Daniel 8:3, 20
  - D. The Image's Belly and Thighs—Greece Daniel 2:32, 39
    - 1. It represents the Grecian Empire from 331-323 B.C.
    - 2. It parallels with the Leopard of Daniel 7:6
    - 3. It parallels with the Rough Goat/He Goat of Daniel 8:5, 21
  - E. The Image's Legs and Feet—Rome Daniel 2:33, 40-42
    - 1. It represents the Roman Empire from 322 B.C. through 476 A.D.
    - 2. Notice the iron of v. 33. Daniel 7:7
    - 3. Notice the ten nations
      - a. Ten Toes Daniel 2:41
      - b. Ten Horns Daniel 7:7, 24
      - c. Revelation 17:3- *"So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns."*
      - d. Revelation 17:12- *"And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast."*
    - 4. It parallels with the Beast of Daniel 7:7-8
  - F. The Statue and the Stone
    - 1. The statue degenerates and then deteriorates. Daniel 2:31-33
      - a. Gold – Theocracy

- b. Silver – Monarchy – Government is in the hands of a single person
- c. Brass – Aristocracy – Government is in the hands of a person representing a state
- d. Iron/Part of Iron Part of Clay – Democracy (Iron reveals strength while clay represents weakness)
- e. It seems as if God is humbling Nebuchadnezzar. Daniel 4:28-30
- 2. The stone will crush the world kingdoms. Daniel 2:34-35, 44-45, 2 Thessalonians 2:8
- 3. Matthew 21:44- *“And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.”*
- 4. Then, Jesus will set up His kingdom.
- 5. Matthew 4:23- *“And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.”*
- 6. Matthew 9:35- *“And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.”*
- 7. Mark 1:14- *“Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God,”*
- 8. Matthew 24:14- *“And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.”*
- 9. Revelation 14:6- *“And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,”*

## II. Four Great Beasts Daniel 7:1-8

- A. Daniel was grieved, troubled, and his countenance was changed by the visions upon his bed in Daniel 7:1-2, 15, 28.
- B. The Four Great Beasts of Daniel 7:3 parallel with the four beasts of Revelation 13:2. The four beasts represents four kings as seen in Daniel 7:17.
  - 1. Daniel 7:2 – The Great Sea is the Mediterranean (“Just as the waves and currents of the ocean are unpredictable, so the course of world history is beyond man’s ability to chart or predict.” Wiersbe Daniel 4:32, 5:21)
  - 2. Compare Daniel 7:3 with Daniel 7:17. The four beasts parallel with the four parts of the great image of Daniel 2:38-40.
  - 3. “The king saw a great and impressive image, made of valuable metals, while Daniel saw dangerous beasts that ruthlessly devoured peoples and nations. To human eyes, the nations of the world are like Nebuchadnezzar’s great image, impressive and important; but from God’s viewpoint, the nations are only ferocious beasts that attack and seek to devour one another.” Wiersbe
  - 4. Compare Daniel 7:3-7 with Revelation 13:2.
- C. The Lion Daniel 7:4 (It represents Babylonian rule under Nebuchadnezzar)
  - 1. Daniel 7:4 – The lion is the king of beasts while the eagle is the king of birds.
  - 2. This represents the royalty of the head in Daniel 2:32, 38.
  - 3. Daniel 7:4 – Plucked refers to Nebuchadnezzar’s humility in Daniel 4:30-33.
  - 4. Daniel 7:4 – Stand refers to Nebuchadnezzar’s restoration in Daniel 4:34-37.

- D. The Bear Daniel 7:5 (It represents Persian rule under Cyrus)
1. Daniel 7:5 – A bear is slow but strong.
  2. Daniel 7:5 – The bear raising up on one side refers to the Medo-Persian Empire of Daniel 5:28.
    - a. Persia was the greatest military strength, therefore it represents one side of the bear raising up.
    - b. This is also seen in the ram's two horns; one was higher than the other in Daniel 8:3. It represented the kings of Media and Persia in Daniel 8:20.
  3. Daniel 7:5 – The three ribs represents Egypt, Lydia, and Babylon. They formed an alliance against the Medo-Persian power.
- E. The Leopard Daniel 7:6 (It represents Grecian rule under Alexander the Great)
1. A leopard is swift like the Grecian Empire under Alexander the Great.
  2. Daniel 7:6 – Fowls do not fly high which represents how the Grecians were low land fighters.
  3. Daniel 7:6 – The beast having four heads represents the four divisions of the Grecian Empire: Egypt, Syria, Thrace, and Macedonia. “Alexander’s untimely death in 323 left him without a successor and his kingdom was divided into four parts and assigned to his leaders.” Wiersbe
  4. In Daniel 8:5, the he goat had one notable horn between his eyes. This horn was divided into four notable ones in Daniel 8:8. This represented the four divisions of Alexander the Great’s kingdom as seen in Daniel 8:22. They were Egypt, Syria, Thrace, and Macedonia.
- F. The Beast Daniel 7:7-8 (It represents Roman rule under the Caesars and ending with the Anti-Christ.)
1. Daniel 7:7 – The iron teeth parallel with the legs of iron in Daniel 2:33.
  2. Daniel 7:7 – The beast’s ten horns parallel with the ten toes of Daniel 2:41-42. The ten horns represented ten kings that shall arise as seen in Daniel 7:24. See also Revelation 13:1, 17:3, 7, 12, and 16.
  3. Notice the little horn of Daniel 7:8 and Daniel 8:9.
  4. Three of the first horns were plucked up by the roots as seen in Revelation 13:2.
  5. Daniel 7:8 – The little horn had eyes like the eyes of man and a mouth speaking great things.
  6. Daniel 7:8 – Notice the mouth speaking great things.
    - a. Daniel 7:20-21
    - b. Daniel 11:36
    - c. Revelation 13:5- *“And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.”*
  7. The mouth speaking great things will only have a short time to do this as seen in Daniel 7:25, 2 Thessalonians 2:4, and Revelation 13:5.
  8. Daniel 7:21 – The mouth that spoke great things made war with the saints.
    - a. Revelation 11:7- *“And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.”*

- b. Revelation 12:17- *“And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.”*
  - c. Revelation 13:7- *“And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.”*
  - d. Revelation 19:19- *“And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.”*
9. The kingdom of Anti-Christ will be destroyed by the kingdom of Christ as seen in Daniel 7:22 and Daniel 7:26. Also, look in Daniel 7:9-14. Then, the saints of God shall take the kingdom as seen in Daniel 7:18, 21-22, 25, and 27.
  10. Luke 22:29- *“And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me;”*
  11. 2 Timothy 2:12- *“If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us:”*
  12. Revelation 20:6- *“Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.”*
  13. Matthew 26:29- *“But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.”*
  14. Matthew 25:34- *“Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:”*

### III. The Ram and the He Goat Daniel 8:1-27

#### A. The Vision

1. Daniel 8:2 – Shushan was the capital of Persia
  - a. Nehemiah 1:1- *“The words of Nehemiah the son of Hachaliah. And it came to pass in the month Chisleu, in the twentieth year, as I was in Shushan the palace,”*
  - b. Esther 1:2- *“That in those days, when the king Ahasuerus sat on the throne of his kingdom, which was in Shushan the palace,”*
2. Daniel was grieved, troubled, and his countenance was changed by the visions upon his bed in Daniel 7:1-2, 15, 28.
3. Daniel fainted, was sick, and was astonished at the vision in Daniel 8:1-2, 26-27.
4. Daniel needed help to understand the vision. Daniel 8:15-19

#### B. The Ram Daniel 8:1-4

1. The two-horned ram represents the Medes and the Persians Daniel 8:20
2. The leader of the Medes was Darius (Daniel 5:31, 6:6) while the leader of the Persians was Cyrus (Daniel 6:28).
3. It was Cyrus that allowed the rebuilding of Jerusalem after the Babylonian captivity. 2 Chronicles 36:22-23, Ezra 1:1-3, 6:2-5
4. Isaiah 44:28- *“That saith of Cyrus, He is my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid.”*

5. Notice how the Bible portrayed Cyrus
    - a. Isaiah 41:2- *“Who raised up the righteous man from the east, called him to his foot, gave the nations before him, and made him rule over kings? he gave them as the dust to his sword, and as driven stubble to his bow.”*
    - b. Isaiah 41:25- *“I have raised up one from the north, and he shall come: from the rising of the sun shall he call upon my name: and he shall come upon princes as upon mortar, and as the potter treadeth clay.”*
    - c. Isaiah 45:1- *“Thus saith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut;”*
  6. Compare Daniel 8:3 with Daniel 7:5. The one horn being higher than the other represents the mighty military power of the Persians over that of the Medes.
- C. The He Goat Daniel 8:5-8
1. The one horned goat represents Greece Daniel 8:21
  2. Their leader is Alexander the Great
  3. The four horns represents the four divisions of Alexander the Great’s kingdom: Thrace, Macedonia, Syria, and Egypt. Compare Daniel 8:8 with Daniel 8:21-22.
  4. The little horn of the fourth beast (Daniel 7:8), little horn (Daniel 8:9), and the willful king (Daniel 11:36-45) are all the same: It reveals that the Anti-Christ will come out of Syria (A part of the old Roman Empire).
  5. Daniel 8:23-25 – The Anti-Christ will be empowered by Satan. Revelation 13:2
  6. Daniel 8:24 – The Anti-Christ shall prosper. Revelation 13:16-17
  7. Daniel 8:25 – The Anti-Christ will magnify himself in his heart. 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4
  8. Daniel 8:25 – The Anti-Christ will stand up against the Prince of princes.
  9. Daniel 8:25 – Who is the Prince of princes? Revelation 1:5
  10. Daniel 8:25 – The Anti-Christ will be broken without hand. Daniel 2:34-35, 44-45, 2 Thessalonians 2:8

#### IV. Seventy Weeks Daniel 9:24-27

##### A. Introductory Remarks

1. Daniel 9:1 – This was the same year as the fall of Babylon in 538 BC.
2. According to Jeremiah 25:11, the captivity was coming to an end.
3. Jeremiah 25:11- *“And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.”*
4. The captivity began in 606 BC, so 68 years had elapsed.
5. Daniel 9:3-19 – Daniel Prays
6. Daniel 9:20-23 – Daniel is Visited
7. The prophecy of the seventy weeks does not pertain to the church or the Gentiles
  - a. Daniel 9:20- *“...my people Israel...”*
  - b. Daniel 9:24- *“Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city...”*

##### B. Seventy Weeks Daniel 9:24

1. The seventy weeks represents 490 years
2. One day equals one year

- a. Numbers 14:34- *“After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, even forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, even forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise.”*
  - b. Ezekiel 4:6- *“And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee each day for a year.”*
3. One week equals seven years
- C. Seven Weeks Daniel 9:25
1. Seven weeks equals 49 years
  2. This period is from 445-396 B.C.
  3. The going forth of the commandment was on March 14, 445 BC. It marked the rebuilding of Jerusalem’s walls. Nehemiah 2:1-8
  4. The Messiah the Prince was around April 2, 30 AD. Luke 19:28-38
  5. The walls of Jerusalem was rebuilt in troublous times Nehemiah 3-6
- D. Threescore and Two Weeks Daniel 9:26
1. Threescore and two weeks equals 434 years
  2. This period is from 396 B.C. to 32 A.D.
  3. It ends when Messiah is crucified
  4. The people of the prince is making reference to the Romans in 70 AD and the prince is the Anti-Christ.
  5. The end of the war is making reference to the Armageddon.
- E. One Week Daniel 9:27
1. One week equals seven years
  2. It is the time of the tribulation period
  3. He is making reference to the Anti-Christ.
- V. The King of the South and the King of the North Daniel 11
- A. The north and the south refer to their geographic relation to Palestine.
  - B. The King of the South Daniel 11:5 (It represents the King of Egypt)
  - C. The King of the North Daniel 11:6 (It represents the King of Syria)
  - D. Note the typology Daniel 10:14
    1. The Type of the Anti-Christ Daniel 11:1-35
    2. The True Anti-Christ Daniel 11:36-45
  - E. Daniel 11:36 – This is making reference to the king of the north. The Anti-Christ will come from the Syrian division of Alexander’s kingdom.
    1. The Little Horn Daniel 7:7-8
    2. The Little Horn Daniel 8:8-9

Conclusion: We must be reminded that the times of the Gentiles will not last forever. It is just a brief period when the Gentiles will be the world power. God promised Israel that He would not make a full end of them. They will not be pulled up out of their land forever. The Lord will gather the scattered remnant of Israel and restore them nationally and spiritually.