

## **God's Timetable for Israel Daniel 9:24-27**

### **I. 70 "Weeks" 9:24**

1. Daniel prays for restoration – 9:1-19  
Confessing Israel's sin and guilt – 3-16  
Asking God to restore for His name sake – 17-19
2. God responds to Daniel's prayer – 20-23  
Sends Gabriel with a message for Israel  
Return in 70 yrs, but restoration would come later
3. Restoration not until 70 sevens - 24  
"weeks" (heptad) - group of seven - like our dozen  
We measure time in units of 10 (decades)  
Jews measured time in units of seven (heptads)  
Seven days in one week  
Seventh year is a Sabbath year  
Seven Sabbath years ushered in Year of Jubilee  
Seventy sevens would equal 490  
Is it a week of 7 days, 7 months, 7 years?  
Time for rebuilding (seven sevens) fits years  
Dividing of week in v. 27 points to years  
70 x 7 years would be 490 years

### **II. The Objectives – 9:24**

1. God plans full restoration  
This plan is for Daniel's people – Israel  
And for Daniel's holy city – Jerusalem
2. Full restoration includes the following:  
Finish the transgression - Israel's rebellion  
When Israel recognizes their Messiah  
Zechariah 12:10  
Make an end of sins  
Messiah will put away all sins  
Make reconciliation for iniquity  
A sacrifice that will reconcile humans to God  
Bring in everlasting righteousness  
Righteousness will prevail forever  
Seal up vision and prophecy  
All of God's promises fulfilled in Christ  
Anoint the Most Holy  
Most Holy Place in Temple – Ezekiel 41-46  
Or Most Holy One – Messiah the King  
Establishment of Messiah's kingdom
3. All provided for in Christ's sacrifice  
But final restoration must await His return  
Israel will acknowledge their Messiah  
Zechariah 12:10; Romans 11:25-27  
Messiah will establish His kingdom  
Revelation 20:1-6  
God reigns in New Heaven & New Earth  
Rev. 21-22

### **III. The Outline – 9:25-27**

1. Begins with decree to rebuild - 25  
7 sevens = 49 yrs - rebuild Jerusalem, Temple  
Street and the wall rebuilt in troublous times  
Fulfilled in time of Ezra and Nehemiah
2. 62 sevens (434 years) – until Messiah – 25  
Until Messiah is declared – Luke 19:28-40  
Initiated by Jesus (His time had come)  
Must happen (stones would cry out – v. 40)  
Jews did not recognize their day – Lk. 19:41-44
3. Messiah is cut off, rejected, crucified - 26  
"Not for Himself" Not for any wrong in Him  
Offers Himself as Lamb of God – Exodus 12:3
4. Interval of time - indefinite length - 26  
Begins with cutting off of Messiah, sacrifice for us  
Destruction of city and Temple - 70 A.D.  
By people related to the prince who is to come  
Wars & desolations determined until last period  
Compare Matthew 24:4-8  
What was a definite time now is indefinite  
Matthew 24:36
5. 1 seven = 7 years - Time of tribulation - 27  
Prince makes a covenant with Israel for 7 years  
This prince is yet to come (verse 26)  
Related to people who destroyed city & temple  
Part of same beast-like system  
Prince to come is the Antichrist  
May appear to resolve Mid-east crisis  
May allow Israel to rebuild their Temple  
Continue life under Mosaic Covenant, rejecting  
New Covenant
6. He will break his covenant after 3 1/2 yrs.  
He will stop all sacrifices in the Temple  
He will bring in an abomination causing desolation  
Jesus spoke of this in Matthew 24:15  
Sign of beginning of Great Tribulation (3½ years)  
May be establishing his throne in the Temple  
2 Thessalonians 2:3-4; Revelation 13:3-8  
This awful condition will continue until end of the  
period  
This prince, the desolator, will be destroyed  
Revelation 19:20

# The 483 Years in the Jewish and Gregorian Calendars

**Jewish Calendar**  
(360 days per year)

**Gregorian Calendar**  
(365 days a year)

$(7 \times 7) + (62 \times 7)$  years = 483 years

444 BC to AD 33 = 476 years

483 years  
x 360 days  
173,880 days

476 years  
x 365 days  
173,740 days  
+ 116 days in leap years  
+ 24 days (March 5-March 30)  
173,880 days

## The Seventy Weeks of Daniel

“decreed upon thy (Daniel’s) people and upon thy holy city”

