

1. Types of the Messiah

Symbols = representations (example: symbols of the Spirit)

Types = extended illustrations that teach a lesson

Antitype = the thing represented by the type

Types of Christ: Joseph; the Passover; the Tabernacle; Jonah

2. Times of Messiah's Coming

A. The Scepter Departs From Judah - 6 A.D.

- The right of capital punishment was taken from the Sanhedrin around 6 A.D.
- Herod's son, Archelaus, was dethroned because of his unpopularity.
- The Romans installed a procurator, and took away "the right of the sword"
- *"Woe unto us for the scepter has departed from Judah and the Messiah has not come!"* (Source: Jerusalem Talmud)

B. Daniel's Prophecy of the 70 Weeks - Messiah will come around 32

A.D. and definitely before 70 A.D. (Daniel 9:1-3, 20-27)

(1) In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, who was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans, (2) in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, understood the number of the years by books, which came of the Word of the LORD to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. (3) And I set my face toward the Lord God, to seek by prayer and holy desires, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes...

(20) And while I was speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin, and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my cry before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God; (21) yes, while I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, touched me in my severe exhaustion, about the time of the evening sacrifice.

(22) And he enlightened me, and talked with me, and said, "O Daniel, I have now come out to give you skill and understanding. (23) At the beginning of your prayers the commandment came out, and I have come to explain. For you are greatly beloved; therefore understand the matter, and attend to the vision:

(24) "Seventy weeks are decreed as to your people and as to your holy city, to finish the transgression and to make an end of sins, and to make atonement for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy.

(25) "Know therefore and understand, that from the going out of the command to restore and to build Jerusalem, to Messiah the Prince, shall be seven weeks, and sixty-two weeks. The street shall be built again, and the wall, even in times of affliction.

(26) "And after sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself. And the people of the ruler who shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. And the end of it shall be with the flood, and ruins are determined, until the end shall be war.

(27) "And he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week. And in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the offering to cease, and on a corner of the altar desolating abominations, even until the end. And that which was decreed shall be poured on the desolator. (MKJV)

- The term "week" here is really the word "seven," so in Hebrew it's 70 sevens.
- The Jewish calendar has sevens of weeks, months, years, and weeks of years
- The land did not get its Sabbaths for a period of 490 years
- Israel was in Babylon for 70 years because they owed the land 70 sabbaths.

And they burned the house of God, and broke down the wall of Jerusalem, and burned all its palaces with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof. And

those who had escaped from the sword he [King Nebuchadnezzar] carried away to Babylon, where they were servants to him and his sons until the reign of the kingdom of Persia; to fulfill the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed her sabbaths: for as long as she lay desolate she kept sabbath, to fulfill seventy years. (2 Chron. 36:19-21)

490 Years Are Given

The angel said that 490 years were determined upon the city to do certain things. Note what they are in Daniel 9:24. This explains the mystery of the number 490 or 70×7 and its connection to forgiveness. As Israel failed in its first 490 years, so it was given another chance to obey, but this time with the assistance of God - an obedience that would be achieved by the Messiah Himself.

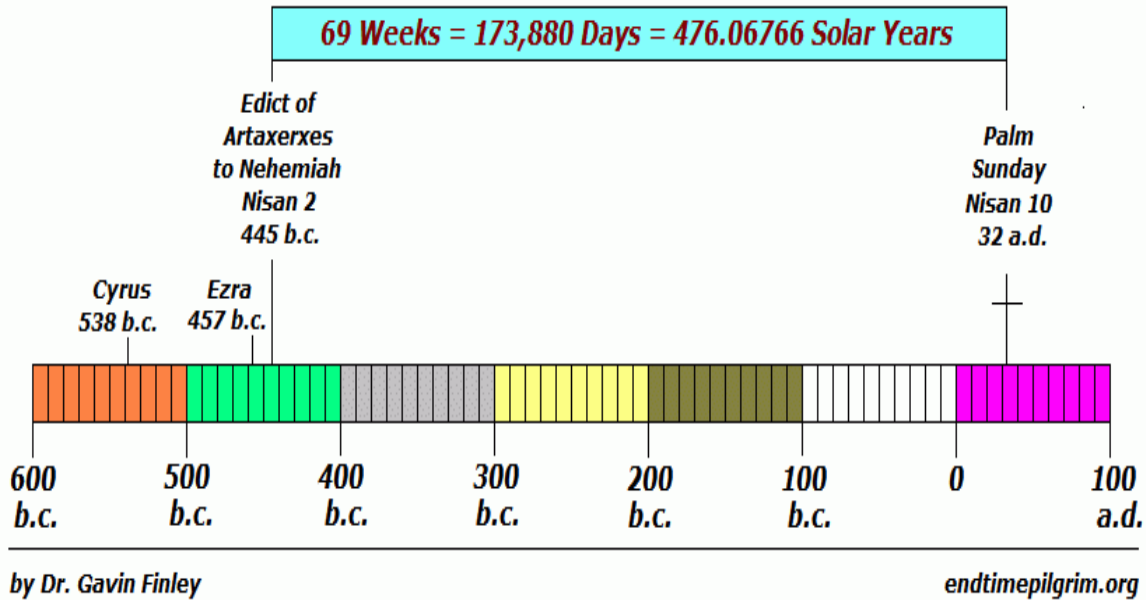
When do the 490 years begin?

From a decree to do certain things (verse 25). There is only one decree that matches this: a decree from Artaxerxes to Nehemiah, recorded in the Book of Nehemiah. This took place in 445 B.C.

When do the 490 years end?

The first 483 years ended on April 6, 32 A.D. (Palm Sunday). Jesus referred to this day as "their day."

The Edict of Artaxerxes Longinus given to Nehemiah in 445 b.c. is the only edict that takes the 69 weeks or 'sevens' of Biblical (360 day) years, (173,880 days) to find 'Messiah the Prince'. The 69 weeks terminate precisely on Palm Sunday, 32 A.D.



What about the remaining seven years?

The last week of 7 years begins when Israel makes or confirms a covenant with the Antichrist and many nations for one “week,” and it ends with the return of Jesus.

That period of 7 years is divided into two halves. The first half is called the beginning of sorrows. During the second half the Antichrist is given authority.

This prophecy accurately records: Messiah’s coming; Messiah’s death; Messiah’s dying for others; the city and sanctuary being destroyed by the

people of the coming prince (Antichrist); desolations continuing to the end; the coming prince making a covenant with many for one seven; that prince breaking it in the middle of the seven and ultimately being ruined.

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