#### THE TIMELINE AND NUMBERICAL SYMBOLS OF THE LAST SEVEN YEARS OF DANIEL'S PROPHECY

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#### THE TIMELINE OF EVENTS

Dan 9:24 "A period of seventy sets of seven has been decreed for your people (OT faithful) and your holy city (the Elect) to finish their rebellion, to put an end to their sin, to atone for their guilt, to bring in age-during righteousness, to confirm the prophetic vision, and to anoint the Most Holy Place (NLT).

Daniel's Seventy Weeks prophecy is Christ's <u>timeline</u> to build a "great and mighty nation" (**Gen 18:17-18**). In the final age, Christ will use this nation (the Kingdom of Heaven) to bless all the nations of the earth and save all mankind.

The prophecy of Daniel gives 70 weeks of years (490 years) for Christ to accomplish His great work. From the decree to rebuild the physical Temple in Jerusalem until the start of Christ's ministry to save mankind was 483 literal years (69 weeks of years).

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.

Halfway through the 69<sup>th</sup> week (483 years), Christ went to the cross and was "cut off":

#### 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.

The first 7 weeks of years had already passed when the additional 62 (threescore and two) weeks of years expired. This takes the number of weeks which have passed up to 69 weeks. Then sometime <u>after</u> the  $69^{th}$  week, the Messiah will be cut off at the cross. A specific amount of time after the  $69^{th}$  week is not given in verse 26, but as you will see, it will be given in the next verse.

Dan 9:27 And <u>he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week</u>: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

The covenant mentioned in verse 27 is the covenant God made with Abraham. This covenant is God's <u>Promise</u> to Abraham to multiply his offspring to be as numerous as the stars of heaven and to give them an inheritance of the Promised Land (salvation). The Promise made to Abraham is

an unconditional promise made by God and doesn't require anything from Abraham or his offspring for them to receive the inheritance. It is 100% the work of Christ to fulfill the Promise.

At the start of the final seven years of Daniel's prophecy, Christ began His earthly ministry by coming to John the Baptist for baptism. At that time, Christ confirmed the covenant and began His work of fulfilling the Promise.

Half way through the final week, Christ was "cut off" at the cross. This event marked the change from the Old Covenant to the New Covenant and caused the "sacrifice and the oblation to cease". When Christ was crucified "in the midst of the week", it left Christ with only 3 ½ years to complete Daniel's prophecy.

Under the Old Covenant, Christ's work was <u>physical and outward</u>. In this manner, Christ fulfilled the first 3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> years of the final week.

Under the New Covenant, Christ's work is <u>spiritual and within</u>. In this manner, Christ is presently fulfilling the remaining 3 ½ years of the prophecy. And since God's Promise to Abraham is unconditional, the work of Christ under the New Covenant is likewise unconditional.

Because the work of Christ is now spiritual, the literal countdown for the 70 weeks prophecy has ended. The last 3 ½ years will be accomplished spiritually <u>within a person</u>. The spiritual clock starts when Christ comes to a person and gives them the <u>Early Rain of the Spirit</u>. This is the point in time when an unbeliever is called out from the world and they receive a measured amount of the of the Holy Spirit. It is at this time they enter the church. The 3 ½ years will end for the new believer when they receive the <u>Latter Rain of the Spirit</u> and are converted. Daniel's 70 weeks prophecy for that person will then be fulfilled. By the beginning of the final age, after the last heir is converted, Daniel's prophecy will be completely fulfilled. Abraham and his heirs will be as numerous as the stars (**Gen 15:5-6**) and they will have their inheritance of the Promised Land (salvation).

The last seven years of Daniel's prophecy, along with the work which Christ does during that time, is greatly discussed and expounded upon in scripture. But since scripture is written in the spiritual language of Christ, the truth of what is presented is concealed. To understand it, Christ must give a person "eyes that can see". With those eyes, scripture will open up and reveal its hidden truth.

Two of the ways Christ conceals His truth in scripture is by teaching in <u>analogies and spiritual</u> <u>symbols</u>. In this paper, I will be presenting the spiritual symbols Christ uses to break down the timeline of His work. The timeline presents a sequence of events that Christ has performed or will perform during the final seven years of the prophecy. This timeline is given to us in <u>numerical symbols</u>.

Below is the timeline which presents the sequence of events which occur during the last seven years along with their numerical symbols:

#### TIMELINE OF DANIEL'S LAST SEVEN YEARS & NUMERICAL SYMBOLS

#### **OLD COVENANT**

#### **NEW COVENANT**

| Confirmation of     |             | Early   | Abomination            | Latter Rain         |
|---------------------|-------------|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| the Covenant        | Crucifixion | Rain  | of Desolation          | 1335 Days           |
|                     |             | ←129  | <br>  3<br>0 Days→ ←23 | ½ Days<br>800 Days→ |
| ←LITERAL 3 ½ YEARS→ |             | ←SPIRITUAL 3 ½ YEARS→<br>Time, Times and a Half<br>1260 Days, 42 Months |                        |                     |
| I←LAST SEVEN YEARS  |             |   |                        |                     |

#### MEANINGS OF THE NUMERICAL SYMBOLS

NOTE: I will give an example of each symbol as it is used in scripture but please be aware that some of the symbols are used <u>multiple times</u> in scripture.

#### <u>3 ½ YEARS</u>

James 5:17 Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of <u>three years and six months</u>.

#### TIME, TIMES AND A HALF

Dan 7:25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a <u>time and times and the dividing of time</u>.

#### **1260 DAYS**

Rev 11:3 And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a <u>thousand two hundred and threescore days</u>, clothed in sackcloth.

#### 42 MONTHS

Rev 13:5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue <u>forty and two months</u>.

<u>These FOUR numerical symbols ALL have the same meaning</u>. They represent the remaining second half of the last SEVEN years of Daniel's prophecy. The last 3 ½ years <u>start</u> when an unbeliever receives the **Early Rain of the Spirit** and is called out from the world. The 3 ½ years <u>end</u> when Christ returns to the believer with the **Latter Rain of the Spirit**. The literal time a believer spends between the two events can vary greatly and is decided by Christ. The believer has no say in the matter because they cannot contribute to the works that must be performed for their salvation. Only Christ does these works and He decides when He will perform them. This is the patience of the saints (**Rev 14:12**).

Some believers will receive the Early Rain of the Spirit in their lifetimes but will not receive the Latter Rain of the Spirit until after they physically die and are resurrected to life in the next & final age. These believers are called but <u>not</u> chosen. They simply were not chosen from the foundation of the world to be included in Christ's harvest of First Fruits and be a heir to the promise. They will have to wait until the final age for salvation.

For the heirs, they will receive both the Early and Latter Rains of the Spirit. They are blessed and will reign with Christ in the final age to bring in the remaining harvest of mankind.

#### **1290 DAYS**

## Dan 12:11 And from the time that the continual sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate is set up, there shall be a <u>thousand two hundred and</u> <u>ninety days</u>.

The 1290 days symbol represents the spiritual <u>process</u> that <u>starts</u> when the daily sacrifice is taken away and <u>ends</u> when the Abomination of Desolation is set up <u>within a believer</u>. This spiritual process happens to all called out believers and is a part of the Pathway to Salvation.

I will now restate this spiritual process in terms which are more commonly used.

The event that causes the "daily sacrifice shall be taken away" is the <u>Early Rain of the Spirit</u> under the New Covenant of Grace through Faith. Once a person receives the Early Rain of the Spirit, the daily sacrifices are no longer necessary to cover their sins. Under the New Covenant, the sacrifice of Christ is all that is now necessary. Once a person receives the Early Rain of the Spirit, the spiritual process of the 1290 days will begin. That process will continue up to the time when the new believer commits the Abomination of Desolation and becomes a Man of Sin, the son of Perdition.

The Abomination of Desolation occurs as a result of the believer being made spiritually <u>worse</u> than the first by Satan's deceptions. In other words, the believer has committed adultery with Satan and is following his ways instead of the ways of Christ. The believer has now lost their salvation.

So why does scripture use the symbol of 1290 days to represent this spiritual process?

The spiritual symbol of 1260 days is representative of the full time a believer spends between the Early and Latter Rains of the Spirit. This time period is also symbolized by Elijah's 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  years of drought.

The new symbol of 1290 days adds 30 days to the symbol of 1260 days. The new symbol is understood as 1260 + 30 = 1290 days.

The number 30 is understood as  $10 \times 3$ . The number 10 represents completeness and the number 3 represents a spiritual process. In this case, the complete spiritual process is one of devolution in which a new believer is made "worse than the first" by the spirit of anti-Christ. The process ends once the believer experiences the Abomination of Desolation and is made into a Man of Sin, the son of Perdition.

Since the spiritual process of 30 occurs during the 1260 days, a new symbol of 1290 days is formed.

Please consider these three verses:

Mat 26:15 And said unto them, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for <u>thirty</u> pieces of silver.

John 17:12 While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, <u>but the son of perdition</u>; that the scripture might be fulfilled.

2Thes 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a <u>falling away first, and that Man of Sin be revealed, the son of perdition</u>; 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

Judas is a type of the Man of Sin, the son of perdition. Included in this <u>type</u> is the payment of 30 pieces of silver which Judas received to betray the Lord. The number 30 (3x10) is the symbol for the <u>spiritual process</u> that led Judas to betray Christ and accept Satan as his new master.

#### <u>3 ½ DAYS</u>

Rev 11:8 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our\_Lord was crucified. 9 And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies <u>three days and a half</u>, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves.

#### 2300 DAYS

Dan 8:13 Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the continual sacrifice, and the

# transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be <u>trodden under</u> <u>foot</u>? 14 And he said unto me, unto <u>two thousand and three hundred days</u>; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

These numerical symbols "3 ½ Days" and "2300 Days" have the same meaning. They represent the time each believer will spend as a Man of Sin, the son of Perdition. This time period starts when the Abomination of Desolation occurs within the believer. It will end when Christ gives the Elect believer the Latter Rain of the Spirit.

The symbol of  $3 \frac{1}{2}$  Days is associated with the symbol  $3 \frac{1}{2}$  Years which is the full time a believer will spend between the Early and Latter Rains. However, since this symbol is changed from "years" to "days" we know that it represents a shorter period of time. In this case, the symbol of 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  Days is related to the Elect who have their days as a Man of Sin shortened:

## Mat 24:22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the <u>elect's sake those days shall be shortened</u>.

Also, from the context of the verse where the 3 ½ Days is used, it is easy to understand that the 3 ½ Days represents the Elect believer's time as a Man of Sin, the son of Perdition. It is the time that they lay dead in the streets of the Great City, Old Jerusalem.

The symbol of 2300 Days is a little more difficult to understand. It is understood as 23x10x10. The number 23 represents the time a believer commits adultery (**1Cor 10:8**) with Satan and when we do evil in the sight of the Lord (**2Kin 23:31-32**). The number 10 means completeness and the number 2 represents the witness of God. The symbol 2300 Days therefore represents the complete witness of the time a believer is deceived by Satan and commits the Abomination of Desolation. When we apply that meaning to the 2300 Days symbol used in the verse, it fits nicely with the message the verse is conveying.

#### **1335 DAYS**

### Dan 12:12 Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the <u>thousand three hundred and five</u> and thirty days.

The verse states that whoever "waiteth and cometh to the 1335 days" is blessed. A blessed believer is one of the Elect/First Fruits. They are blessed because they will receive life in the Kingdom of Heaven during the ages and will have the honor of reigning with Christ over the Earth (those who remain lost) in the final age.

The symbol <u>1335 days</u> (like 1290 days) represents a spiritual process. This is the process of <u>conversion</u> which happens to a believer when the Latter Rain of the Spirit and judgment arrives for them.

The spiritual term of 1335 days is a product of 1260 days + 30 days + 45 days. The number 45 is understood as 15 x 3. The number 15 means salvation; to be born as a child of God. The number 3 means a spiritual process. The product of 15 x 3 (45) represents the spiritual process of conversion. Since the symbol of 1260 days and 30 days still remain in the symbol, we know that the 45 days symbol represents the conversion of the Man of Sin into a child of God and that it will occur at the end of the 1260 days.

In this age, all persons who are blessed to be chosen as one of Christ's First Fruits of His harvest of mankind <u>will make it to the 1335 days</u>.

If a believer is not blessed, they will die in their sins in a worsened spiritual state as a Man of Sin.

#### **SUMMATION**

Christ's work of building His "great and mighty nation" of heirs (the Elect, the Bride) started when He confirmed the covenant that God made with Abraham. Christ confirmed the covenant when He was baptized by John the Baptist. From that starting point, Christ began the last SEVEN years remaining of Daniel's Seventy Weeks Prophecy. At the mid-point of that last seven years, Christ willingly went to the Cross. With His work at the cross, Christ fulfilled the Old Covenant and began the New Covenant. The New Covenant is similar to the Promise God made to Abraham – it does not require any work from mankind for God to bless us with salvation. Salvation is a free GIFT from God and He will give this gift to all mankind because of His Grace. This is in sharp contrast to the Old Covenant where God had ridged requirements placed upon the Nation of Israel before they would receive God's blessings.

Under the New Covenant, Christ has a great deal of work to do. To convert His heirs, Christ established a <u>PROCESS</u> to accomplish this work. This process is taught in scripture in many analogies and symbols. The meanings of the numerical symbols presented in this paper are one of the primary ways Christ reveals His plan to us.

Though the pathway to become a heir/child of God is difficult and full of tribulation, Christ will see to it that no one is lost and that they will all someday stand before the throne of God and give Him praise:

Rev 7:9 After this I beheld, and, lo, <u>a great multitude, which no man could number</u>, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; 10 And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. 11 And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, 12 Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honor, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen. 13 And one the elders answered, saying unto me, Who are these

which are arrayed in white robes? 14 And whence came they? And I said unto him, Sir, you know. And he said to me, These are they which came out of GREAT TRIBULATION, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 15 Therefore, they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. 16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; neither shall the sun light on them, nor heat. 17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

Christ's "great and mighty nation" is now ready to reign with Him to bring in his full harvest of mankind.

Rev 5:10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

Phi 2:10 That at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; 11 and that every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.