70 years captivity, 70 weeks



Introduction:

This lesson is to help us to understand, biblical terms, or language that will be used as we move into the two books, the one being the last part of the Old Testament and the other the last part of the New Testament.

Note:

These terms will tie the book of Daniel and the Book of Revelation together: Eschatology, the study of last things...

1. Daniel captivity in Babylon which ends when Belshazzar the son fo Nebuchadnezzar Daniel 5:1-2 sees the writing on the wall...

Jeremiah 25:12

And it shall come to pass, when seventy years are accomplished, that I will punish the king of Babylon, and that nation, saith the Lord, for their iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans, and will make it perpetual desolations.

2. It is prophesied in Jeremiah 27:8ff, 29:1-14, that God will restore after the 70 year captivity and this also coincides with Daniels prayer Daniel 9:1-23, when

Gabriel turns up in v22-24 and gives the proclamation of the 70 weeks, where the first 69 weeks ends at the first advent, and as we will see, the time before the second advent.

3. The number seven is important in this study, Seven sabbaths, Seventy yeas, Seventy weeks. (Jerusalem was destroyed by Titus 70ad) The sabbaths 2 Chronicles 36:21-22, on a seven year cycle Leviticus 25: 1-4, which are called Sabbatic year, a year of rest.

Lesson

The Sabbatic year, is the sabbath that comes around every seven years ,Leviticus 25:3-4

Six years thou shalt sow thy field, and six years thou shalt prune thy vineyard, and gather in the fruit thereof; But in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of rest unto the land, a sabbath for the Lord: thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard.

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2 Chronicles 36:20ff And them that had escaped from the sword carried he away to Babylon; where they were servants to him and his sons until the reign of the kingdom of Persia: To fulfil 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 fulfil threescore and ten years. (Read on) The Sabbatic year also fell on the 50th year of Jubilee, Leviticus 25:8-16, a seven by seven which is 49.

Note:

The Jewish months all began with the new moon: the feast of Trumpets were held on the seventh month Numbers 29:1, this is important when considering Daniels seventieth week, is a seven years, that is divided...Daniel 9:27

And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: 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. When we tie this with the book of Revelation, the seven years are divided by 42 months Revelation 11:2, which is three and half years according to the Jewish calendar and in Revelation 11:3 we have a thousand two hundred and threescore days...1260 days, (Our calendar works out 1277 days.) The Book of Job has 42 chapters.

Lesson:

It is important to note that the seventy year captivity in Babylon (which also gives the multiplication of 70 Sabbatic years that come around every seven years which is 490. This figure 490, is also the same number dealing with 70 weeks, which was told to Daniel while he was praying in the first year of King Darius Daniel 9:1-24, Daniel 1:21. Daniel was praying for the sins of his people, and God then reveals that Jerusalem will be restored as prophesied by Jeremiah: Jeremiah 12:25, Jeremiah 27:8ff, Jeremiah 29:1-10. In Daniel 9:24-26 the 70 week will begin with the commandment going forth, begins King Cyrus:

Ezra 6:3

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In the first year of Cyrus the king the same Cyrus the king made a decree concerning the house of God at Jerusalem, Let the house be builded, the place where they offered sacrifices, and let the foundations thereof be strongly laid; the height thereof threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof threescore cubits; **Note**:

We see before the Messiah is cut off seven weeks + threescore and two weeks, which is 69 weeks. This the first seven weeks is 49 years and the 62 week is 434 years which is = 483 years. The final week or seven years is mentioned after the Messiah being cut off which was at the first advent Daniel 9:27.

Note

In the Lords three and half year ministry, ending at the cross v24 points to Daniel 9:27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: 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.

In Matthew 24:15

When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

Note:

Some say that he was talking about Jerusalem being destroyed by **Titus in 70** ad, but Jesus made it clear it was in a time that has never been seen, before, as Remember both Nineveh and Babylon besieged Jerusalem, with King Nebuchadnezzar destroying it on the second invasion

Matthew 24:21

For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

Statement:

This period hasn't happened, but will be fulfilled at the second advent when the King of Kings returns and sets up the Kingdom made without hands. (which we will study in Daniel 2) This is the end of the time of the gentiles which began with King Nebuchadnezzar and Israels captivity;

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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.

Sevens:

Leviticus 25:8

And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years; and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years.

The Sabbatic sabbath is one year, which come around in a cycle of seven years.

There were 70 Sabbatic years, which were the 70 year captivity 2 Chronicles 36:20-21

The Jubilee Sabbatic sabbath Leviticus 25:1-8

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Summary

Weeks Daniel 9:24-26.

One week is seven years.

Score is 20 years.

The total number of years for the 70 weeks are 490 years

The total of the 69 weeks before the Messiah is cut off is 483 years.

The time when the temple is rebuilt and that walls: the book of Ezra and Nehemiah are seven weeks, or 49 years.

Daniel seventy weeks begin after the fall of Babylon. Daniel chapter 5 and Jeremiah 12:25 and chapter 29.

The seventieth week is seven years as found in Daniel 9:27 and what the Lord talked about in Matthew 25:15ff.

The chart:

Shows the four sections: See image

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