

The start of Daniel's Seventy Weeks:

"The commandment to restore and build Jerusalem."

POSSIBILITIES:

(1) The Decree of Cyrus. 536BC Ezra1:2-4 This concerns the Temple alone-it does not mention Jerusalem as such. Now Isaiah44:28,45:13 seems to include Jerusalem in his decree but actually it is God who speaks his purposes to Cyrus, Jerusalem & the Temple and all four of these decrees are manifestations of this. However the part of it that came through Cyrus clearly concerned the Temple alone.

or (2) The Decree of Darius. 518 BC. Ezra 6:1-3. Just a renewal of the Cyrus Decree for the Temple.

or (3) Artaxerxes. 458 BC in his 7th year. Ezra7:11-26. This clearly had a Divine origin (v6,27)

Moreover it is emphasised by

(1) having a chapter devoted to it with a detailed copy given which will prove necessary.

(2) it is central to the book of Ezra-Nehemiah for all its events originate from it.

(3) it is dated strongly (v7-9)

(4) It is the only bit of Ezra in Aramaic not Hebrew. Now on the surface it seems to emphasise the Temple and thus not qualify but a closer reading shows clearly that this decree included the rebuilding of city & its administration. It empowered him to ordain laws, set magistrates & judges with authority to punish. So Ezra was authorised to restore the commonwealth & the means were placed at his disposal to enable him to do so.

This must be the decree to rebuild & restore Jerusalem and this is seen to be Ezra's understanding of it.

Ezra 1-6 describes the rebuilding of the Temple before Ezra, except for a parenthesis in Ezra4:6-23 where in describing resistance to this work Ezra then also describes the resistance he faced in his time. This section shows that the group that returned with Ezra attempted to restore the walls but this attempt was thwarted by the Samaritans (Ezra4:11,12,23) This attempt must have been under Ezra in 458 because the decree granted him just such extended powers (7:18, 25; 9:9)

or (4) Artaxerxes. 445 BC in his 20th year-Nehemiah2- Many believe this to be the decree because it emphasises the walls but as we have seen a previous attempt had been made on the basis of the earlier decree. It was the failure to implement that decree that upset Nehemiah and he gained permission to assist in accomplishing the work undertaken by Ezra which had been retarded. So this was not the originating decree but a renewal of the earlier one.

Therefore Daniel's 70 Weeks start in 458BC.

THE MYSTERY CHURCH CALENDAR

Although the Divine lunar chronology operating by the nations completed its 6000 years in 1933 and the nations cut off are in unreckoned time,- the church has not been cut off and is not in unreckoned time. Could it be that just as the church is a mystery, so God introduced a new 'mystery' calendar that the church would operate under? (The church is a mystery. Even though she is in the Feast of Weeks & in various O.T types,she was a mystery because it was not explicitly revealed, but hidden until God brought her forth. Only then was it possible to see her in the O.T typology. Of course the extended Pentecostal time period is part of the mystery.) Now it would have to be SOLAR as confirmed by the anniversaries indicated in the Book of Acts.

It would probably be for 2000 years (Hosea5:15-6:3).

The key starting points for the 2000 years in Hosea

are the ASCENSION OF CHRIST ("I will go and return to My place until.."-June AD33)

& the CUTTING OFF OF ISRAEL ("He has torn us"-October AD33)

These relate to 2 Calendars in which the time period of 2 DAYS (2000 years) must pass after which Israel is restored (in an interval between the 2nd & 3rd DAY). Then she is resurrected to live in His sight for the 3rd DAY (the Millennium of 1000 years)

From Israel's viewpoint ("2 Days after He has torn He will revive"):

Measuring 2000 lunar years from Israel's cutting off (on the Divine Chronology) brings us to June12th AD1933 when the Gentiles were cut off. Since then we are in an interval between the 2nd and 3rd DAY when Israel's restoration as a nation gathers pace in preparation for the 3rd Day (Millennium) After this interval she is raised for the Millennium.

From Christ's Viewpoint. ("I will ascend into heaven until Israel acknowledge their rejection of Me.")

From the Day after His Ascension a Calendar begins based on His body, the church, who represent Him on earth in place of Israel for this time-period. In fact this calendar reached exactly 1900 years on the day in 1933 when the other calendar reached 2000 years & the Gentiles were cut off! If the 2 DAYS leading to Israel's reviving applies to this solar calendar also- then this gives the length of the church age as 2000 years. Thus by this calendar, after 2 DAYS the church will be removed & time on earth will be measured again by Israel (anointed again as God's witness-the 144,000) There is a 7 year interval (pertaining to Israel) after the 2 DAYS of the church & before the 3RD DAY of the Millennium. This 7 years of Tribulation is designed to complete the reviving of Israel in preparation for the Millennium. To fulfil the Feast of Pentecost Christ will return for the church on the solar anniversary of the Day after the Ascension (June12th) completing an exact number of years on this Calendar to the day! He will then personally complete the remaining 10 days (inclusive) of the 50 leading up to Pentecost (having been present for the first 40 in AD33) at the end of which the rapture will be complete. (The last 10 days will complete the earlier 40 which were broken off by the Ascension. These are the 50 days of Pentecost. In this way Jesus will bring this Feast to fulfillment at the rapture. The

whole church-age of course is part of Pentecostal 50 days, but this climax will see the gathering of the Harvest of the church from the earth, starting with the dead in Christ. On the 50th Day the whole church is lifted up to the Lord in the rapture & removed from the earth.)

SPECULATION only!: Now 1960 solar years (+40 Jubilees) from 33 ends in 1993 ending in a 7 year type of the Tribulation (the peace-treaty) However the Church is constantly in JUBILEE (2Cor6:2) and so I think the Jubilee effect is not relevant here. This would indicate the 2000 Solar Years terminating in June 12th 2033 & the rapture completed on June 21st. This is about 120 years from WW1 (c.f Noah's 120 year warning) Moreover this put the 2nd Coming at 2040-92 years after 1948 which is still within a lifetime of those alive then (Matt24:34) October 2000 being 2000 years from the Lord's birth at Tabernacles could mean we are entering a final phase of 33 years of 2000 year anniversaries of events in His life leading up to Pentecost 2033. However this is only a speculation based upon what would make the chronology pleasing. For us, the rapture is imminent ('any time') so we cannot know if the Lord has chosen to use this countdown.

See [chronology2](#)

THE CHRONOLOGY OF THE TRIBULATION

- An Hypothesis based upon the Denney-Ware Bible Chronology

by Derek Walker (2/11/00)

In constructing a chronology for the future Tribulation we are of course on uncertain ground.

However there are a number of strict requirements that must be satisfied.

If we can do this it may indicate we are onto something.

ASSUMPTIONS & REQUIREMENTS.

Assumption/Requirement 1-The total length of the time of grace in AD 33 which was cancelled = 7 Solar Years, 170 days = **2727 days**

The exact same length of time must run again after the rapture of the Church.

According to [Daniel9:24-27](#) the Millennium must be set up at the end of this time.

Assumption/Requirement 2-the Divine Calendar will return to being Luni-Solar.

This is because The Tribulation is a re-run of the last 7 (cancelled) years of ISRAEL TIME

(thus completing that dispensation) which since the Exodus has been Luni-Solar.

In particular the 490 Years of Daniel 9 were all Luni-Solar.

The return to Israel Time is a dispensational change marked by a calendar change

from the Lunar Years of the Gentile Chronology since October AD 33.

The Tribulation must be exactly 7 LUNI-SOLAR YEARS.

Assumption/Requirement 3- the Feasts of the 7th month on the Divine Calendar must be fulfilled by the Lord Jesus at the Second Coming. In particular:

1. TRUMPETS (1st of the 7th month)-The Day of the Second Coming & the Regathering of Israel.
2. ATONEMENT (10th of the 7th month)-The Repentance & Cleansing of Israel for the Millennium.
3. TABERNACLES (15th-22nd of the 7th month)-The start of the 1000 Years.

Assumption/Requirement 4.

The chronology must agree with time-periods in Daniel & Revelation of 1260, 1290, and 1335 days.

Assumption/Requirement 5.

The chronology should have interesting parallels to the corresponding 7 years of grace (AD26-33) since it is a re-run of that time (with anti-christ instead of Christ)

Assumption/Requirement 6. God will measure time in the Tribulation according to His ways which He has revealed in history & scripture which have been brought to light by the Denney-Ware chronology.

Assumption/Requirement 7.

ISRAEL TIME must restart immediately after the RAPTURE which must fulfil the Feast of PENTECOST.

(ISRAEL TIME operated until October 11th when Israel was cut-off (Rom11) for rejecting Christ, then her last 7 years 170 days were cancelled to be re-run after the Church-Age.

Oct 11th was the last day of grace for Israel because the next Day was TRUMPETS

which was the start of the final Feasts which have to be fulfilled in the year the Kingdom is established.

So having not repented by this time, there was no way God could establish the Kingdom that year.

Meanwhile the Gentiles were grafted in and from Oct 12th 33AD we were on GENTILE TIME for 2000 years of Lunar years (354 days)

These ended on 12th June 1933 when the Gentiles were cut off (Rom11) (9 days before Pentecost)

Presently the nations (Israel & Gentiles) are on unreckoned time,

but there is a third group-the CHURCH whose MYSTERY CALENDAR is still operating.

Members of believing Israel were not cut off in AD33 because they were also in the church.

Likewise believing Gentiles were not cut of in 1933 being part of the church.

Thus the church calendar is the key one now. The church is a mystery hidden in Christ in the Feast of Pentecost.

Instead of personally fulfilling all the Feasts of the Lord in AD 33 Jesus ascended to heaven 10 days before Pentecost.

At this point the CHURCH Age (operating on a Solar Calendar of about 2000 years) is inserted (Hosea5:15-6:3) It seems likely He will return from heaven on the solar anniversary of the day after the ascension (a June the12th) and personally fulfill the remaining Feasts in that year (including Pentecost)

The Church Calendar may be like this:

Day after Ascension -Pentecost AD33 =10 days inclusive.

Day after Ascension- Solar Anniversary of Day after Ascension (a June12th) when the dead in Christ are raised at Christ's Return. (2000 years?)

Solar Anniversary of Day after Ascension- Pentecost (a June21st) =10 days of Jesus Christ personally bringing Feast to fulfillment, completing the 40 days in AD33 which were interrupted. On the 50th Day (Pentecost) is the rapture of the living.

Thus the church-age will be an exact number of solar years from Pentecost AD33 to a Pentecost soon, so that by His personal Coming Jesus will personally fulfill the remaining 10 days of the Pentecostal Harvest Feast. This means also that the Lord's return will be the solar anniversary of the cutting off of the Gentiles.

In any case the Ware chronology dates the Removal of the Church at Pentecost.

The remaining apostate church will be immediately spewed out of Jesus mouth (Rev3)

At this point there is no anointed people of God by which time can be measured.

This necessitates an immediate return to ISRAEL TIME & the re-running of Daniel's 70th Week.

I have tried for a long time to find a solution that satisfies all these requirements without success but at last here it is!

The start of ISRAEL TIME after the RAPTURE is not necessarily the start of the 70th Week Tribulation (the covenant with antichrist) In fact in AD33 there was a space of months between the end of the 70th Week & the end of Israel Time (a mirror-image effect) I am proceeding tentatively with the assumption that the 70th week begins on a notable day after Pentecost, namely the Feast of Trumpets-the anniversary of the day Gentile Time began in AD33 after Israel rejected Christ and his covenant of life. Now Israel submits to antichrist's covenant of death which plunges her into the judgements of the Tribulation. It is appropriate these corresponding events are related.

There are two variations possible depending on your interpretation of Dan12:11,12.

I will mention the first before developing the 2nd more fully.

Possibility 1

RAPTURE at Pentecost to end of 6th month= **111** days

7 lunar years = 84 lunations = **2,481** days

2 intercalated months = **60** days

2,652days

This 2652th day is the last day of antichrist's dominion (his 1260th day)-the end of the Tribulation.

The next day is the first day of the 7th month (TRUMPETS = The Lord's Return)

and is the first of the 75 days of Daniel 12:11,12 that takes us to the 1335th day.

Now **2652 days + 75 days = 2727 days** thus completing the required re-run of cancelled time.

The 1335th day is the last day of the 75 day interval,

and the next day would be the official start of the Millennium

-hence the blessing upon those who make it to this day.

Possibility 2

Another understanding of Dan12:11,12 would place the first 30 days mid-tribulation as another intercalated month, making 2682 days followed by a 45 day interval. In this interpretation antichrist puts up the Abomination & it stands 1290 days. Since he only has world dominion for 1260 days, that means there would be a 30 day interval after the Abomination in which he rises to total power. This time allows the remnant to escape to Bozrah. Thus the 1290 days end at the same time as the 1260 days (the second-coming) This leaves a 45 day interval.

RAPTURE at Pentecost to end of 6th month=**111** days

7 lunar years = 84 lunations= = **2,481** days.

3 intercalated months = **90** days

2,682days

This 2682th day is the last day of antichrist's dominion (his 1260th day)

The next day is the first day of the 7th month (TRUMPETS = The Lord's Return)

and is the first of the 45 days of Daniel12:11,12 that takes us to the 1335th day.

Now **2682 days + 45 days = 2727 days** thus completing the required rerun of cancelled time.

The 1335th day is the last day of the 45 day interval,

and the next day would be the official start of the Millennium

-hence the blessing upon those who make it to this day.

This 2nd possibility has some advantages (Sorry Arnie !):

(1) It is difficult to see why Christ would leave the Abomination on the Temple for 30 days after His return.

(2) It would seem impossible since He immediately starts making major geographic changes to Jerusalem & the temple area. (Zech14)

(3) It allows a chronology of the Tribulation that closely matches AD26-33 :

111 days from Pentecost till the covenant with antichrist (corresponding to Israel's rejection of Christ)
+1,260 days (the first half of Tribulation-corresponding to John the Baptist's ministry)
+ 51 day interval (corresponds to Jesus 7 +40 of Temptation +4 days from baptism to public ministry)
+1,260 days (the second half of Tribulation-corresponding to Jesus ministry-but cut short)
2,682 days !

The Lord cuts the days of the Tribulation short (Matt24:22) by having the final 45 days after His return.
Thus He does not require the full 7 years 49 days of Tribulation from Israel to match the 7 years 49 days He was among them in grace.

This chronology raises the interesting possibility of a parallel mid-tribulational encounter between anti-christ & satan to the one that Jesus had in his 40 days.

Antichrist of course will worship satan & will accept:

- (1) miraculous powers from satan
 - (2) dominion of the kingdoms of this world.
 - (3) a miraculous escape from certain death as a sign miracle to confirm his godhood or even a death/resurrection (Rev13:3)-perhaps in those last 4 days of the interval (corresponding to the 4 day type of the Lamb slain-see 'The Restored Vision')
- He rises in satan's power & starts proclaiming himself the Messiah/god/ world-ruler with confirming signs & the world follows after him (corresponding to the start of Jesus ministry).

This leaves the necessary fulfilment of the Feasts, which require a functioning Temple.

I think we would have to have a suspension of the Divine Calendar for the first 30 days of the Interval, just like the 147 days of Noah's Flood.

The Second Coming is compared to the Flood and the removal of all the wicked Gentiles from the earth.

For this special time of Judgement the Divine Calendar stopped.

Likewise in this 30 days there is the Great & Terrible Day of the Lord (Armageddon) & the Judgement of all nations (Joel3, Matt25)

If God stopped the Divine Calendar for the Flood would He do less for these 30 days of cleansing the earth?

In this time-period the geography of Jerusalem & the new Temple would be also prepared for the Millennium.

Then the Divine Calendar would start again at the FEAST OF TRUMPETS on the 1st Tishri

-where the scattered of Israel are called & brought back to the land (but only believers are allowed to enter)

These are days of preparation for the Kingdom culminating in the DAY OF ATONEMENT on the 10th day, a great day of national repentance & cleansing. Israel as a nation now enters into the New Covenant?

Then the 15th day (the blessed 1335th of Daniel) would mark the start of the Feast of Tabernacles/Ingathering -celebrating the ingathering of the Harvest & the possession of the promised land.

It is also the 7 day Marriage-Feast of the Lamb.

The Millennium begins with this Feast & it is the dominant Feast for the 1000 years. (Zech14)

A problem (an error of one day?): This 45th day should be the last day of the interval, but the 15th day of Tishri should be the first day of the Millennium.

Solution. The moon is turned to BLOOD again when Jesus returns.

(its motion is retarded one day, as it was in the 2 days & nights between the death & resurrection)

for the one day BLACKOUT attending the Great Day of the Lord when the earth will be lit by the Shekinah alone.

(Joel2:30-32, Matt24:29,30; Joel3:14-16, Zech14:6,7; Is13:9-11, 24:23; Joel2:10,11)

So as the 2 DAYS in AD33 were a TYPE of the coming 2000 YEARS,

this ONE DAY will be a Type of the coming 1000 YEARS (c.f. the unreckoned 4 days and 4000 years)

If this is the case, when 45 days have passed

on human reckoning we should be at the end of the interval & the 46th day starts the Millennium.

But because the moon is retarded by one day the new month starts a day later.

Thus instead of 30+15 we have 1+30+14.

Thus the 45th day (the last of the interval) is actually the 14th of Tishri, and the next day which starts the Millennium is the 15th-TABERNACLES !

We would expect just this kind of CALENDAR CHANGE at the Second Coming

because God always seems to do this at key DISPENSATIONAL CHANGES

(indicating His Sovereignty over the coming dispensation).

Thus God marks the start of this new dispensation

with an astronomical 'day-change' and a suspended month in the Divine Calendar.

No doubt God will also realign Israel's calendar with His (being 2 days out) for the Millennial worship,

now that there is a true Theocracy & initiate a Millennial Calendar for the earth.

It will by now be apparent how this article strongly verifies the Denney-Ware Chronology.

See www.biblechronology.com for more details.

And www.cctapes.org for Roger Price's introductory tapes to the subject.