

Date of Israel's Becoming a Nation Prophecied in the Bible!

There is a prophecy in the Old Testament which tells us when Israel would become a nation again after being scattered throughout the world. The prophecy is a simple math problem (Part one written by Moses, Part two by Ezekiel). When the simple "7th" grade math problem is worked out, our answer is **May 14th, 1948**.

In **LEV 25**, God told His people to plant crops 6 years, let the land rest 1 year, a Sabbath for the land.

In **LEV 26**, God promises blessings for obedience, but He also warns them for disobedience. When you get to the 18th verse, He said He would punish them 7-fold if they do not hearken unto Him. Let me explain this part.

If a judge gives John Doe 4 years in jail, but allows him to come out on probation after 2 years because he hearkened unto the judge's word. John's time would be fulfilled in 2 years. But if he did not hearken unto the judge's word, when the first 2 years are complete, he would not be granted probation. The judge would take the remaining 2 years & multiply that by 7. Now John has 14 years left to finish his sentence.

When the nation of Israel had a chance to hearken unto God, they didn't. He took the remainder of the sentence & multiplied it by 7.

In **606 BC**, the nation of Babylon was appointed by God to conquer and overthrow the Israelites. This is where their sentence begins. They would be in bondage for 70 years before their probationary time would begin. (2CH 36:21, DAN 9:2, JER 29:10)

They did not let the land rest every 7th year for a total of 490 years. A total of 70 Sabbaths for the land to rest. (LEV 25:1-4)

The total length of time was revealed to Ezekiel in the 4th chapter, verses 4-6. He was instructed to lie on his left side 390 days for the house of Israel then on his right side 40 days for the house of Judah. The end of verse 6 tells us that one day equals one year.....

$$390 + 40 = 430 \text{ days}$$

$$\text{one day} = \text{one year}$$

430 total years of bondage to Gentile nations (Jail Sentence).

We begin our calculations in the year 606 BC

606 BC - 70 = 536 BC.. In 536 BC their probationary period would begin and would end in the year 176 BC if they would have hearkened unto the Lord. Only 4% to 7% did (Ezra lists the families who hearkened unto the Lord & went home, the rest stayed in Babylon). They did not hearken unto God, and in 536 BC, God multiplied the remainder by 7.

$$430 - 70 = 360 \text{ yrs } 360 \text{ yrs} \times 7 = 2,520 \text{ yrs}$$

Now the nation of Israel would have to wait another 2,520 yrs before they be free...one problem, we have to convert from Biblical yrs to calendar years.

The calendar God uses only has 360 days to a year (Lunar years, from new moon to new moon). The calendar we use today has 365 days, 1 extra day every 4 years, Leap year (this is commonly known as the Julian calendar).

THE CONVERSION :

$$2,520 \text{ yrs} \times 360 \text{ days} = 907,200 \text{ days}$$

Now divide 907,200 days by 365.25 yrs

$$\text{Total calendar yrs} = 2,483.77$$

$$2,483.77 - 536 \text{ BC} = 1947.77$$

Note: The years 1 BC - 1 AD were counted as 1 year instead of 2 yrs, therefore; we need to add 1 year to our calculations.

$$1947.77 + 1 = 1948.77$$

The Jewish New Year is Rosh Hashanna and falls in September or early October (it depends on the moon).

0.77 months brings you to May of 1948

Israel became a nation on the 14th day of May in 1948.

Their sentence was complete, and according to their "Prophets" of the Old Testament, will never be plucked out of their land. Israel is here to stay!!!!

Jeremiah 24:1-7.... the two baskets of figs represent the two nations, Israel and Judah

Ezekiel 37:15-28... verse 22 informs us that there will be one nation, no longer split into two kingdoms...

Hosea 3:4-5..... the word latter means the hinder most end of time, in Hebrew
Amos 9:14-15.....God promises His people that He will never pull them out of their land again...
Zechariah 12:6-8....a strong military