

1 Peter Series

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GIVING AN ANSWER – PART 14

THE BIBLE AND MESSIANIC PROPHECY

1 PETER 3:15

A church steeple is silhouetted against a vibrant sunset sky with orange and yellow clouds. The steeple is the central focus, rising above a dark silhouette of trees and a building. The overall scene is peaceful and evocative of a church at dusk.

1ST PETER

**LIVING IN LIGHT
OF ETERNITY**

**Developing a base set of answers to
common questions:**

CAN WE TRUST THE BIBLE?

WHO WAS JESUS?

DID JESUS REALLY RISE FROM THE DEAD?

Isaiah 46:9, “Remember the former things of old, for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me,

Isaiah 46:10, “Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things that are not yet done, saying, ‘My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure,’ ”

1. Daniel's Seventieth Week

Overview of the 70 Weeks

Daniel 9:24	The entire 70 weeks (490 years)
Daniel 9:25	The first 69 weeks (483 years)
Daniel 9:26	The gap between the 69th and 70th weeks (? years)
Daniel 9:27	The 70th week (7 years)

2 Chron. 36:20, “And those who escaped from the sword he carried away to Babylon, where they became servants to him and his sons until the rule of the kingdom of Persia,

2 Chron. 36:21, “to fulfill the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed her Sabbaths. As long as she lay desolate she kept Sabbath, to fulfill seventy years.”

Lev. 26:34, “Then the land shall enjoy its sabbaths as long as it lies desolate and you are in your enemies’ land; then the land shall rest and enjoy its sabbaths.”

Lev. 26:35, “As long as it lies desolate it shall rest—for the time it did not rest on your sabbaths when you dwelt in it.”

Jer. 25:11, “ ‘And this whole land shall be a desolation and an astonishment, and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.

Jer. 25:12, “ ‘Then it will come to pass, when seventy years are completed, that I will punish the king of Babylon and that nation, the land of the Chaldeans, for their iniquity,’ says the LORD; ‘and I will make it a perpetual desolation.’ ”

Dan. 9:16, “O Lord, in accordance with all Thy righteous acts, let now Thine anger and Thy wrath turn away from Thy city Jerusalem, Thy holy mountain; for because of our sins and the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and Thy people have become a reproach to all those around us.”



Dan. 9:17, “So now, our God, listen to the prayer of Thy servant and to his supplications, and for Thy sake, O Lord, let Thy face shine on Thy desolate sanctuary.”

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The Entire 70 Weeks (Dan. 9:24)

The Chronology

What are the 70 “weeks”?

Seventy units of seven “weeks” = *shabu'im*

$70 \times 7 = 70$ weeks of years (= 490 years)

The Cause

Why 490 years?

UNITS OF SEVENTY

70 × 7

**Sabbatical years
violated**

Lev. 26:34–35, 43

70-year

captivity

Jer. 25:11; 29:10

70 × 7

**Sabbatical years
remaining**

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6 Things That Will be Accomplished (Dan. 9:24)

- 1. “to finish the transgression” (rebellion of Israel)**
- 2. “to make an end of sin” (Israel’s idolatry)**
- 3. “to atone for iniquity” (sin will be totally dealt with)**
- 4. “to bring in everlasting righteousness” (Kingdom)**
- 5. “to seal up vision and prophecy” (terminate/fulfill all prophecy)**
- 6. “to anoint the most holy place” (Mill. Temple)**

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The First 69 Weeks (Dan. 9:25)

The Commencement

If the 70 weeks refer to 490 years, all we have to do is find the starting point.

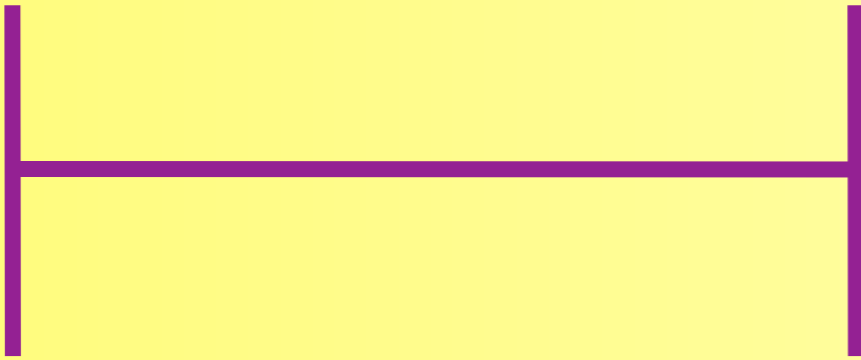
4 Decrees:

1. Decree of Cyrus (Oct. 29, 539 B.C.–Ezra 1:1–4; 5:13)
2. Decree of Darius (519/18 B.C.–Ezra 6:1–12)
3. Decree of Artaxerxes Longimanus to Ezra (457 B.C.)
4. Decree of Artaxerxes Longimanus to Nehemiah (March 5, 444 B.C. Nehemiah 2:1–8) Direct reference to restore the city, walls, and gates

Daniel's Seventy "Weeks" Seventy Periods of Sevens

Dan. 9:24–27

**The Decree
to Restore**



**March 5,
444 B.C.
Artaxerxes'
Decree
Neh. 2:1–3**

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The Completion the 69 Weeks

When did it end?

March 30, A.D. 33

(4 days before the death of Jesus)

Luke 21:38–44



The Gap Between the 69th and 70th Weeks (Dan. 9:26)

There is a gap of at least 37 years between the end of the 69th week and beginning of the 70th week. In this gap two specific events occurred.

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1. The Death of the Messiah (Dan. 9:26a)

“after”

“the Messiah will be cut off” (this occurred 4 days after the 69 weeks ended – April 3, A.D. 33)

“and have nothing”

JESUS CHRIST
JUDGED INSTEAD
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2. The Destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple in August A.D. 70 (Dan. 9:26b)



IV. The 70th Week (Dan. 9:27)

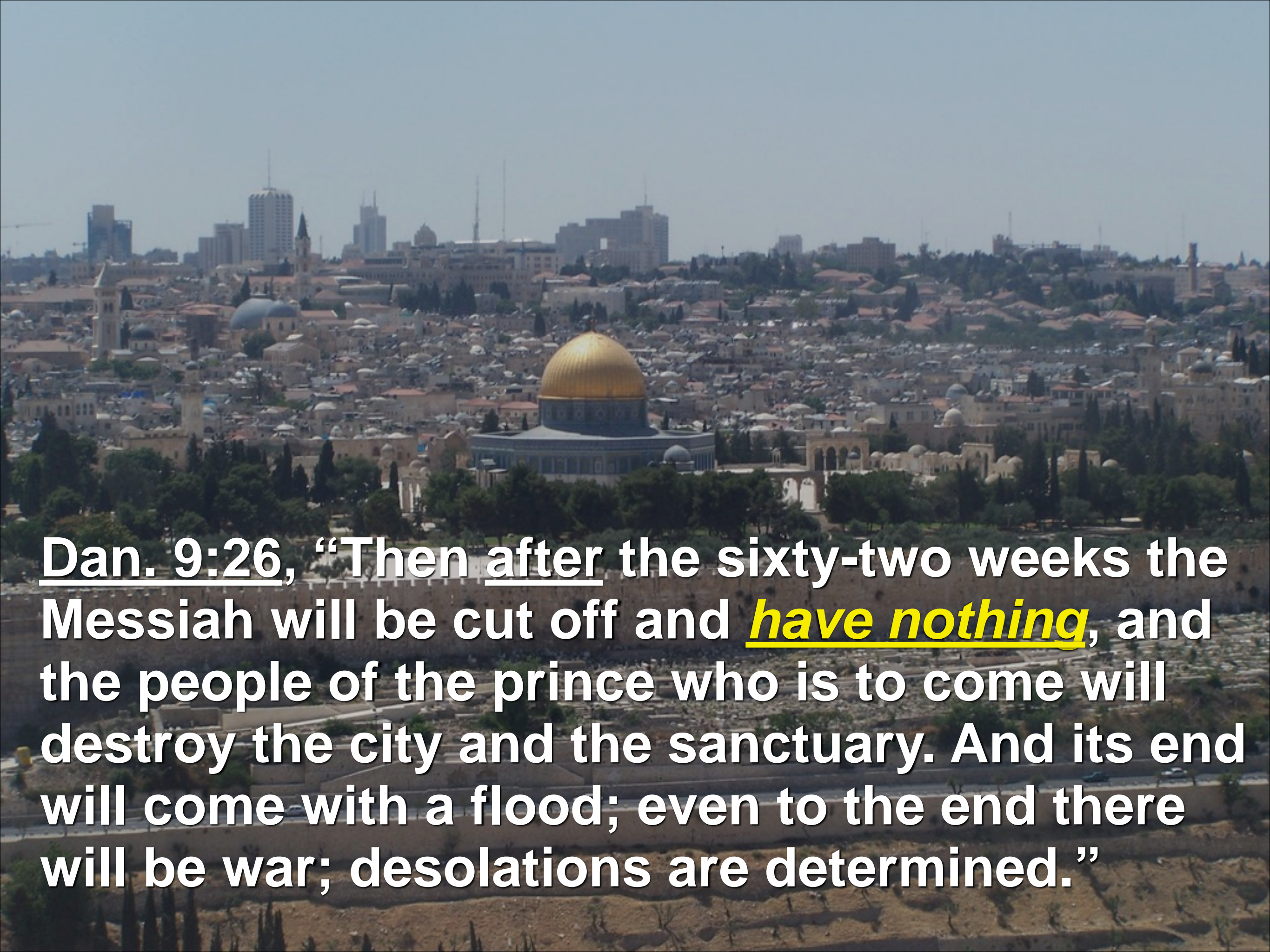
One week of years remains

Is it past or future?

1. The “No Gap” View

2. The Gap View



An aerial photograph of Jerusalem, Israel, showing the city's dense urban landscape. The central focus is the Dome of the Rock, a large Islamic shrine with a prominent golden dome. The city is built on a hillside, with numerous smaller domes and buildings visible. In the background, modern skyscrapers and a clear sky are visible. The text is overlaid on the lower half of the image.

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Rationale for 360-Day Years

Half week—Daniel 9:27

Time, times, half a time—

Daniel 7:25, 12:7; Rev. 12:14

1,260 days—Revelation 12:6, 11:3

42 months—Revelation 11:2, 13:5

Thus: 42 months = 1,260 days =

time, times, half time + half week

Therefore: month = 30 days; year = 360 days

Explanation of Daniel's 70 Weeks of Years

- $69 \times 7 \times 360 = 173,880$ days
- March 5, 444 B.C. + 173,880 = March 30, A.D. 33

Verification

- 444 B.C. to A.D. 33 – 1 (no year 0) = 476 years
- 476 years \times 365.2421989 days = 173,855 days
+ days between March 5 and March 30 = 25 days

Totals = 173,880 days

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**What happened to the
other seven years???**

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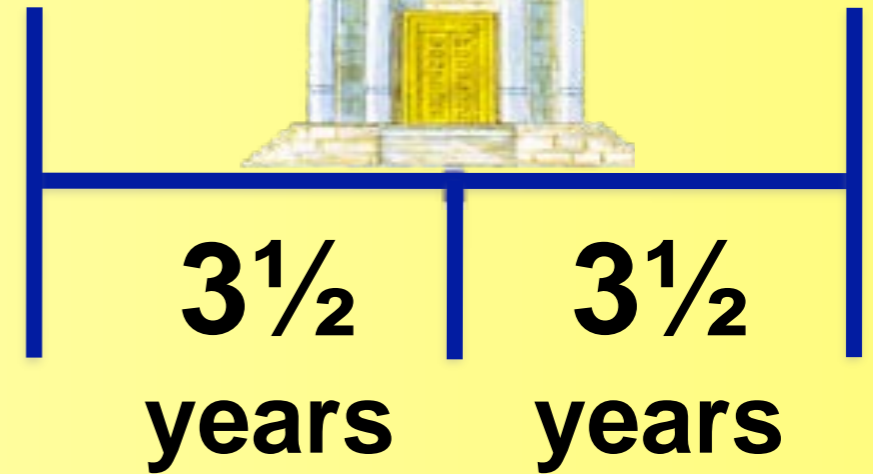
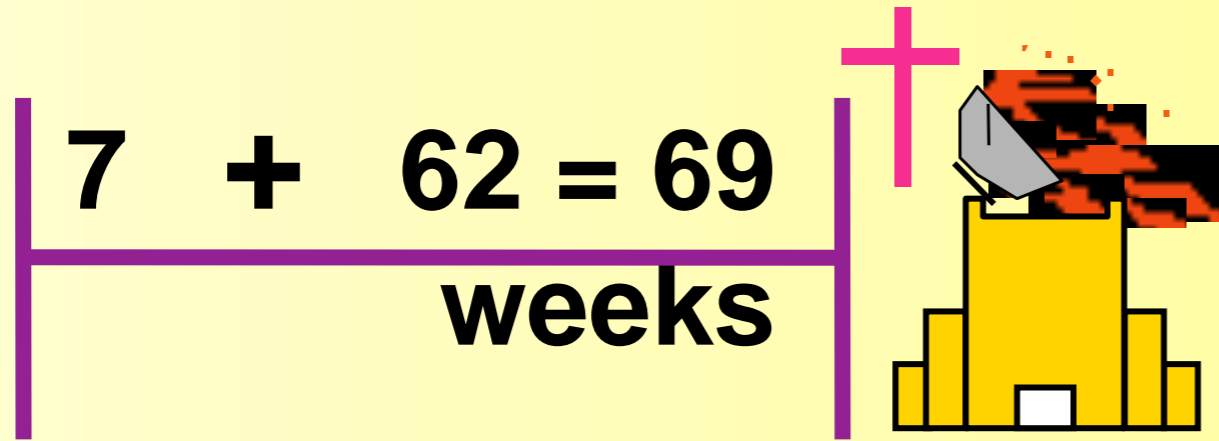
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**Messiah
the Prince**

**The Coming
Prince**



**Messiah
Returns**



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**70th Week
Unfulfilled**

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2. Virgin birth

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Isa. 7:1, “Now it came to pass in the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, king of Judah, that Rezin king of Syria and Pekah the son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up to Jerusalem to make war against it, but could not prevail against it. (cf., 2 Kings 16:5)

Isa. 7:2, “And it was told to the house of David, saying, ‘Syria’s forces are deployed in Ephraim.’ So his heart and the heart of his people were moved as the trees of the woods are moved with the wind.”





Mediterranean Sea

PHOENICIA

ARAM

ISRAEL

AMMON

PHILISTIA

JUDAH

MOAB

THE SYRO-EPHRAIMITIC WAR

Rezin, king of Aram, sets forth from Damascus.

Pekah, son of Remaliah, king of Israel, sets forth from Samaria.

The Philistines raid Judah.

Jerusalem is under siege; Ahaz remains steadfast.

The Edomites attack Judah from the south.



Isa. 7:3, “Then the LORD said to Isaiah, ‘Go out now to meet Ahaz, you and Shear-jashub your son, at the end of the aqueduct from the upper pool, on the highway to the Fuller’s Field,

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**זָנָב (*zānāb*) “tail,” that is the end of
the firebrand**

Isa. 7:5, “Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah have plotted evil against you (2 m.s.), saying,

Isa. 7:6, “ ‘Let us go up against Judah and trouble it, and let us make a gap in its wall for ourselves, and set a king over them, the son of Tabel’—

Isa. 7:7, “thus says the Lord GOD: ‘It shall not stand, nor shall it come to pass.’ ”

Isa. 7:8, “ ‘For the head of Syria is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is Rezin. Within sixty-five years Ephraim will be broken, so that it will not be a people.

Isa. 7:9, “ ‘The head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is Remaliah’s son. If you will not believe, surely you shall not be established.’ ”

Isa. 7:10, “Moreover the LORD spoke again to Ahaz, saying,

Isa. 7:11, “ ‘Ask a sign for yourself from the LORD your God; ask it either in the depth or in the height above.’ ”

Isa. 7:12, “But Ahaz said, ‘I will not ask, nor will I test the LORD!’

Isa. 7:13, “Then he said, ‘Hear now, O house of David! Is it a small thing for you [pl] to weary men, but will you [pl] weary my God also?’ ”

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Gen. 3:15, “And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel.”

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***almah* a young unmarried woman of marriageable age**

3. Born in Bethlehem

**Mic. 5:2, “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,
Though you are little among the
thousands of Judah, *Yet* out of you shall
come forth to Me the One to be Ruler in
Israel, whose goings forth *are* from of
old, from everlasting.”**

מִקְדָּם מִיָּמֵי עוֹלָם :

‘olam + qedem = eternity past

4. Tribe of Judah

Genesis 49:10, “The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh comes; And to Him shall be the obedience of the people.”



5. Enters Jerusalem on a donkey

Zechariah 9:9, “Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, lowly and riding on a donkey, a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

6. Silent during the torture before the crucifixion.

Isaiah 53:7, “He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so He opened not His mouth.”

7. Buried in a rich man's tomb

Isaiah 53:9, “And they made His grave with the wicked—But with the rich at His death, because He had done no violence, nor was any deceit in His mouth.”

8. Betrayed by one of his friends.

Psalm 41:9, “Even my own familiar friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted up his heel against me.”

Zechariah 11:12, “Then I said to them, ‘If it is agreeable to you, give me my wages; and if not, refrain.’ So they weighed out for my wages thirty pieces of silver.”