

WHEN? THE 70-WEEKS MYSTERY

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ACT ONE: Daniel 9 NIV

24 "Seventy 'sevens' are decreed for your people and your holy city to finish transgression, to put an end to sin, to atone for wickedness, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy.

25 "Know and understand this: From the issuing of the decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One, the ruler, comes, there will be seven 'sevens,' and sixty-two 'sevens.' It will be rebuilt with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble. 26 After the sixty-two 'sevens,' the Anointed One will be cut off and will have nothing.

 $(7 \times 7 = 49; 7 \times 62 = 434; Total = 483)$ When you count 483 solar years from the year 445, you end up with A.D. 29/A.D. 30.

ACT TWO: Luke 2

1 In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. 2 This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. 3 And all went to be registered, each to his own town.

Matthew 2:1-8: The dating of Herod the Great

BIG IDEA: Trust God's timing.

God times events and history to carry out his will.

God knows your timing.

The timing of Christ was for you!



PROPHECIES OF CHRISTMAS PAST

- November 29: When? The 70-Weeks Mystery
- December 6: Where? The Prophetic Intersection
- December 13: What? The Surprising Description
- December 20: Why? The Shocking Purpose
- December 24: Who? The Angelic Revelation

1903



The horse is here to stay, but the automobile is only a novelty, a fad.

The president of the Michigan Savings Bank, advising Henry Ford's lawyer not to invest in the Ford Motor Company

1916



The idea that cavalry will be replaced by these iron coaches is absurd. It is little short of treasonous.

Comment of Aide-de-camp to Field Marshal Haig, at tank demonstration

1916



The cinema is little more than a fad. It's canned drama. What audiences really want to see is flesh and blood on the stage.

Charlie Chaplin, actor, producer, director, and studio founder

1946



Television won't last because people will soon get tired of staring at a plywood box every night.

Darryl Zanuck, movie producer, 20th Century Fox

1977



There is no reason for any individual to have a computer in his home.

Ken Olson, president, chairman and founder of Digital Equipment Corporation

1995



The truth is no online database will replace your daily newspaper...

Clifford Stoll, Newsweek article entitled *The Internet? Bah!*

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While I was speaking and praying, confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel and making my request to the Lord my God for his holy hill—

ACT ONE: Daniel 9:20

while I was still in prayer, Gabriel, the man I had seen in the earlier vision, came to me in swift flight about the time of the evening sacrifice.

Daniel 9:21

He instructed me and said to me, "Daniel, I have now come to give you insight and understanding. As soon as you began to pray, an answer was given, which I have come to tell you, for you are highly esteemed.

Daniel 9:22-23

Therefore, consider the message and understand the vision:

Daniel 9:23

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Daniel 9:24

"Know and understand this: From the issuing of the decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One, the ruler, comes, there will be seven 'sevens,' and sixty-two 'sevens.'

Daniel 9:25

It will be rebuilt with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble. After the sixty-two 'sevens,' the Anointed One will be cut off and will have nothing.

Daniel 9:25-26

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The people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end will come like a flood: War will continue until the end, and desolations have been decreed.

Daniel 9:26

He will confirm a covenant with many for one 'seven.' In the middle of the 'seven' he will put an end to sacrifice and offering.

Daniel 9:27

And on a wing [of the temple] he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him.

Daniel 9:27

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be registered, each to his own town.

ACT TWO: Luke 2:1-3

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David,

Luke 2:4

to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth.

Luke 2:5-6

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