

Israel: Apostasy, Exiles & Conditional Restoration

Roman Exile & Restoration

Apostasy and Exile

House of Israel: Assyrian Captivity: 712:

Restoration: No Specific time for restoration, given; but they received an invitation in 536 to return with Judah. See Ezekiel 37: 19: I will make one nation of the house of Ephraim, Joseph and Israel and the House of Judah. God had other plans for making them the leaders of the Persian, Greek, and Roman empires, and the leaders of the divided European nations

Prophets: Isaiah (760-688); Nahum (713);

House of Judah: Babylon: 605; 597; 587

Restoration: Jeremiah 25:12: Obey Nebuchadnezzar and after 70 years of captivity restoration. Further rebellion led to a second deportation in 597 and then the destruction of their city and sanctuary in 587.
Prophets: Zephaniah (630); Habakkuk (626); Jeremiah (629)

The Captivity

House of Israel: Exiled to the north of Assyria near the Caspian Sea.

Israel grew into a mighty band of ten nations, giving kings to the Medes, Persians, Greeks, Romans and the ten nations of divided Europe, including Scandinavia, Britain, Scotland, and Ireland

House of Judah:

- A. Rogue priests create the sect of Pharisees: They Amalgamated Judaism with Babylonian and Greek philosophy and mystic religions.
- B. Ezekiel: God removed the scepter from Judah and gave world sovereignty to 4 nations, overturning each in turn, until Christ comes to claim the scepter. Ezekiel 21 Assures the captives that if they accept the Son of David as their Messiah, their city and sanctuary would last forever, with Christ ruling as the king of their earthly kingdom
- C. Daniel: God will give the new nation 490 years of probation to put away iniquity and accept their Messiah as their anointed priest and king. If they rejected and murdered their Messiah their nation would be disbanded by the Romans and led into captivity until papal Rome is destroyed at The Time of the End. The prophecies of doom would be sealed up if they accepted their Messiah; if not, they would experience another exile and loss of status as God's chosen people. If they accepted their Messiah as the sacrificial Lamb of God and Redeemer at the close of the 490 years probation, Christ would return after his voluntary death and resurrection and rule from Jerusalem.

The Return Invitation

House of Judah: Only 42,360 from the House of Judah responded to Cyrus's Decree to return to Palestine;

House of Israel: Very few, if any, of the House of Israel responded to the invitation

Rogue Priests: The sect of Pharisees return, bringing with them the Cabala - an oral tradition claiming a secret oral gnosis from Moses superior to the written scriptures given by Moses.

They amalgamated Babylonian and Greek philosophy with Judaism. Matter is evil, therefore the Messiah will not be God in evil human flesh. The nation was set up for the rejection and crucifixion of the Messiah, Christ.

Prophets: Haggai (620); Zechariah (520-497); Malachi (397)



Re-founding the Nation: Ezra

A. Political Institutions

Ezra 7: 1-25: Authority given to Ezra to re-establish the state of Israel: Appoint Magistrates and Judges and execute the penalty of death when necessary.

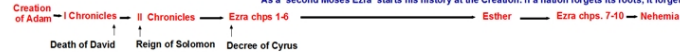
B. Consolidating Scripture

Ezra consolidates the multitude of sacred historical and prophetic books of the Hebrew Scriptures into five books:

- I Chronicles: Creation of Adam to the death of David
- II Chronicles: Reign of Solomon to the decree of Cyrus ending the exile
- The Book of Ester: God's active intervention in the affairs of Israel
- The Book of Nehemiah: Rebuilding Jerusalem
- Book of Ezra: Establishes the decree to restore and establish the city-state of Jerusalem

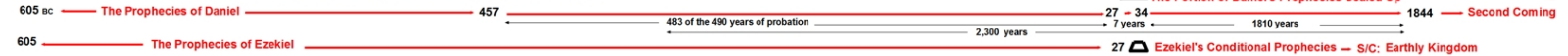
C. Creationist Worldview

Ezra reconstructs biblical history, founding the nation on Creationist principles and on the active interaction of God with world affairs. As a second Moses Ezra starts his history at the Creation: If a nation forgets its roots, it forgets who it is, and its purpose for existence, and self-destructs.



A. Prophetic Foundation

To combat the false teachings and philosophy of the Cabala and Gnosticism God re-established the nation upon a prophetic foundation. Whereas Ezra rehearsed and condensed their past history, Daniel and Ezekiel predicted their future history



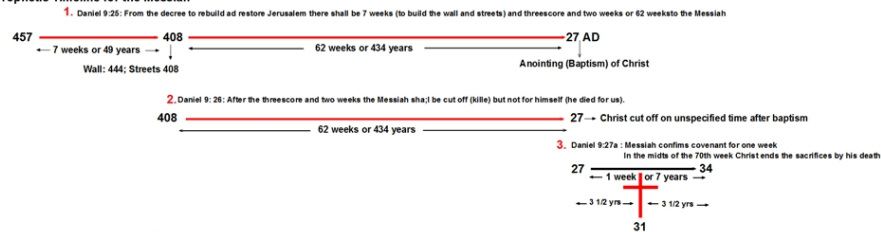
A Nation on Probation

Daniel 9:24 Seventy weeks of years are determined upon your people to:

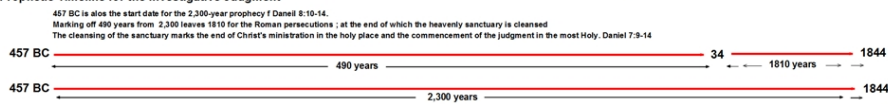
- Finish transgression
- Make an end of sins
- Make reconciliation for iniquity
- Bring in everlasting righteousness
- Seal up the vision and prophecy (The Jews had the choice of sealing up Daniel's vision of the destruction of their city and sanctuary and the 1810 remaining years of Roman history)
- Anoint the most Holy

490 years of Probation Commences at the going forth of the commandment to restore and rebuild Jerusalem. Daniel 9: 25.

Prophetic Timeline for the Messiah



Prophetic Timeline for the Investigative Judgment



Christ Found His Church

Christ Found His Church as Sovereign Creator
Prophets: New Testament writers etc
27 31 34 1844 Second Coming
Begins to unseal Daniel Honors Covenant Parable of the Wedding Garments

Luke's Genealogy of Christ takes us to the Creation of Adam
Paul's Book of Romans: Christ a Second Adam
Book of John: In the Beginning was the Word
Book of Revelation: There was War in Heaven