

Chapter VI

The “Weeks” Fulfilled

Daniel 9:25-27

²⁵ Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times. ²⁶ And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined. ²⁷



Sin Offering of the Congregation - by Melville

And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

In Chronology of a Captive People we spent 9 chapters in developing the context of Daniel 9 and the “command to restore and build”. We know now this “command” was issued by YHWH in the 2nd year of Darius son of Hystaspes. The 2nd year of Darius son of Hystaspes was our modern year of 520 BC. This is the starting point of Daniel 9:25. In the first 5 chapters of Daniel’s 70 “Weeks” Fulfilled we have drawn together various evidence concerning the Scriptural reckoning of time, the messianic symbolism of the Biblical Holy days, the use of numbers in the Scripture, and historical messianic expectancy. All this information has brought us to a momentous point. Now instead of looking backwards and fitting the Messiah to our interpretation we can look forward and see the fulfillment of Daniel 9 as it was intended in all its mathematical precision and symbolic beauty.

The 70 weeks is separated into the several periods of “weeks” or sevens. The 1st is a period of 7 “weeks”. The 2nd is a period of 62 “weeks”. The final is a period of 1 “week”. “Week” literally means “seven” or sevens. So 7 “weeks” is equal to 49 periods or so called “years”, 62 “weeks” is equal to a period of 434 “years”, and 1 “week” is equal to a period of 7 “years”. It is important to note here we have not determined the length of each of these so called “years”. In fact nowhere in the text does it mention “year”. That each “week” is equal to a “year” is assumed. Based on the context of Daniel 9 this is a reasonable assumption albeit yet unproven.

Table 6.1

Divine Command 520 BC	7 “weeks” = 49 “year” periods	62 “weeks” = 434 “year” periods Messiah “cut off” after 62 “weeks” -->	1 “week” = 7 “year” Periods
	69 (7+62) “weeks” = 483 “year” periods		
	70 “weeks” = 490 “year” periods of time		

The 1st period of 7 “weeks” is often overlooked. Most of the time this 7 “weeks” is ignored by adding it to the 62 weeks for a total of 69 “weeks” after which the Messiah is to be “cut off”. Now the prophecy of Daniel 9 does indicate the Messiah was to be “cut off” after the 69th “week” (7+62) but why does the Scripture

specifically mention there are 7 “weeks” unto the Messiah. Notice Daniel 9:25 above.... “*from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks,.....*” No matter how you try to make sense of this 7 “week” statement it does not seem to fit the chronology of any Messianic figure let alone Yashua (Jesus) of Nazareth. Must we be content to ignore this statement?

For the present, we like many before us, will also ignore the 7 “weeks” until the Messiah and instead we will first look at the 7 + 62 or 69th “weeks”. Daniel 9:26 says that after 62 “weeks” the Messiah will be “cut off”. This 62 “weeks” follows the 7 “weeks” which started at the Divine command to “restore and build” in 520 BC. (see **Table 6.2** above)

We have the starting point (520 BC) we have the length of time (69 “weeks” (7+62) or 483 “year” periods) now all we need to finish the equation is the length of each one of these “year” periods of time. We know from the previous chapters that a year from a Biblical perspective can be 12 or 13 lunar cycles in lengths. (i.e. 12 or 13 months of 29.53 days each.) We also have discovered the number 14 throughout the Scripture is symbolic of sacrifice and atonement. Additionally in Matthew the author goes to great lengths to emphasise this point by arranging Yashua’s (Jesus’) lineage to make 3 lists of 14 generations each. Now suppose the reason for all this symbolism concerning the number 14 was in fact to point us to the length of each year or prophetic unit of time in the 70 “weeks” vision. Let’s test this as a working theory.

Table 6.2

1 “week”	=	7 periods of time or “years”
69 “weeks”	=	483 periods of time or “years”
1 lunar cycle	=	29.53 days
14 lunar cycles	=	1 prophetic period or “year”
14 lunar cycles	=	413.42 solar days
483 x 413.42 days	=	199681.86 solar days
199681.86 solar days	=	546.71 solar years
Divine Command	=	520 BC
520 BC + 546.71 yrs.	=	27 - 28 AD



Table 6.3

According to most chronological calculations Yashua (Jesus) was crucified anywhere from 28 - 33 AD. In Chapter IX we will fully investigate the evidence concerning Yashua from both the Scripture and the Historical record. For the present though, the above range of dates are sufficient to show that in fact Yashua the Messiah was “cut off” after the 7 + 62 “weeks” in 27-28 AD according to Daniel 9:25-26. So we see the symbolism of the number 14 was not an accident. Yashua as “intended” was the perfect sacrifice “cut off” after the 69th “week” to make atonement for our sins.

Now let’s turn our attention back to Daniel 9:25 and address the 7 “weeks” until the Messiah we had initially ignored. If as we have shown the Messiah was “cut off” after 69 “weeks” how do we go about reconciling the statement that he was to come after only 7 “weeks”. If Yashua was

	Bullocks	Rams	Lambs	Daily Totals	Product Bullocks x Rams x Lambs
	13	2	14	29	364
	12	2	14	28	336
	11	2	14	27	308
	10	2	14	26	280
	9	2	14	25	252
	8	2	14	24	224
	7	2	14	23	196
	x				
Sum -- >	70	14	98	182	1960
Factors >	14x5	14x1	14x7	14 x 13	49 x 40
Factors - >	7 x 10	7 x 2	7 x 14	7 x 26	10 x 14 x 14
					7 x 7 x 40

“cut off” after 27 AD which was 69 “weeks” or 546 solar years from 520 BC how could he have come after only 7 “weeks”? If we take this statement literally it would mean the Messiah came a little over 50 years after 520 BC. Some try to answer this supposed discrepancy by claiming this is a reference to another messiah.

Thankfully we do not need to ignore this statement nor do I believe this is a reference to another messiah. In fact this statement of 7 “weeks” ... “until the Messiah” is where the truly unique nature of the 70 “weeks” prophecy is seen. Remember where we showed how prophetic time can be measured on multiple time scales. (i.e. 1 day = 1000 yrs. or 1 day = 1 yr.) This is exactly what is taking place here in Daniel 9:25. Daniel 9 is a multidimensional prophecy. When Yashua told His disciples not to forgive just 7 times but 70 x 7 or 490 times could he have been pointing us to Daniel 9? Take a look again at **Table 6.3** from our previous chapter. The Feast of Tabernacles which is closely associated with Yashua’s birth also has its own countdown to

70. (i.e. 13+12+11+10+9+8+7= 70) The sum of 13>7 = 70. Let’s look again at the Daniel 9:25. It states there are 7 “weeks” until the Messiah. Does this “7 weeks” have a hidden meaning? Could this be part of what Matthew 1 is showing us. In Matthew I we see that the Yashua the Messiah was “intended” to represented the 14th generation with all its sacrificial symbolism. We also see that Yashua as “given” was the 13th generation. Let’s

Daniel 9:24

24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression¹, and to make an end of sins², and to make reconciliation for iniquity³, and to bring in everlasting righteousness⁴, and to seal up the vision and prophecy⁵, and to anoint the most Holy⁶. Fitches- Nigella Sativa



look at these 7 “weeks” using the formula that Yashua told his disciples. Yashua came to forgive mankind and make reconciliation not just 7 times. But 70 x 7 or 490 times. I have provided the calculations in the table to the right. In short if 7 not only represents 7 “weeks” but 70 as well and you multiply the 70 “weeks” times 13 lunar cycles per period or “year” then it totals 515.02 years until the Messiah. From the Divine command in 520 BC adding the 70 x 7 “years” you get 4-5 BC. (see **Table 6.4** above for more detail) 4-5 BC is well with the possible historical ranges for the conception and birth of Yashua (Jesus) or Nazareth.

You could look at this another way as well. Daniel 9:24 states there are 6 goals¹⁻⁶ the 70 “weeks” were to accomplish. (see Daniel 9:24 above) Not only do the 70 “weeks” end with the fulfilment of these 6 goals but 70 “weeks” of years also begin this process with the birth of the Messiah! 13x490 = birth of the Yashua. 14x490 = end of the 70 “weeks”.

Table 6.5

Divine Command 520 BC	70 “weeks” Begin the Prophecy (13 x 29.53 x 490 = 515.02 yrs.) Messiah conceived 5 BC -->	Messiah	Messiah “cut off” during this final “week”
	After 7 + 62 “weeks” the Messiah was “cut off” (14 x 29.53 x 483 = 546.71 yrs.) 69th “week” ends 27 AD --->		
	70 “weeks” end the Prophecy (14 x 29.53 x 490) ----->		

John 1:14

14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

Interestingly the Divine commands to “restore and build” given to Haggai and Zechariah were all given between the 6th month and the 11th month of the 2nd year Darius. 512.02 yrs from the 9th month would place the coming of the Messiah (his conception) in December 5 BC. 9 months later He was born at the feast of Tabernacles in 4 BC. Notice the words of John 1:14 it states “the Word (Yashua) became flesh, and dwelt among us.” In 5 BC Yashua “became flesh” (He was conceived) and then 9 months later at the time of the Feast of Tabernacles in 4 BC He “dwelt” (Succoth / Tabernacled) “among us”. How awesome is that! Daniel 9 not only gives the length of time after which the Messiah was “cut off” (69 “weeks”). But encoded in the prophecy itself is evidence of when he was conceived or as John 1 states, “became flesh”. Even if you disregard

Table 6.4

1 lunar cycle	=	29.53 days
1 prophetic “year”	=	13 lunar cycles
13 lunar cycles	=	383.89 days
1 “week”	=	49 periods of time
49 x 383.89 days	=	18810.61 days
18810.61 days	=	51.502 solar years
490 x 383.89 days	=	515.02 yrs.
Divine “command”	=	520 BC
7x70 “weeks” = 515.02 years	=	5 BC

a specific month at a minimum the 7 x 70 “weeks” shows the Messiah came (“*became flesh*”) sometime in the one year period beginning in 5 BC. (The Scriptural and historical evidence supporting this will be given in a subsequent chapter.)

Some of you may still be skeptical and argue the 70 x 7 “weeks” until the Messiah is just a coincidence or overzealous wishful thinking. It will likely surprise you then to learn that the final “week” or 7 of Daniel’s 70 “weeks” has the same peculiarities. In the next chapter Confirmation of the Covenant we will further explore the amazing precision and symbolism of the final “week” of Daniels’ Seventy “Weeks” Vision.

Zechariah 4:6-14

⁶ Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of YHWH unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith YHWH of hosts. ⁷ Who art thou, O great mountain? before Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plain: and he shall bring forth the headstone thereof with shoutings, crying, Grace, grace unto it. ⁸ Moreover the word of YHWH came unto me, saying, ⁹ The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; his hands shall also finish it; and thou shalt know that YHWH of hosts hath sent me unto you. ¹⁰ For who hath despised the day of small things? for they shall rejoice, and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel with those seven; they are the eyes of YHWH, which run to and fro through the whole earth. ¹¹ Then answered I, and said unto him, What are these two olive trees upon the right side of the candlestick and upon the left side thereof? ¹² And I answered again, and said unto him, What be these two olive branches which through the two golden pipes empty the golden oil out of themselves? ¹³ And he answered me and said, Knowest thou not what these be? And I said, No, my lord. ¹⁴ Then said he, These are the two anointed ones, that stand by YHWH of the whole earth.

1 Peter 2:6-8

⁶ Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded. ⁷ Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner, ⁸ And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.

Psalm 118:20-23

²⁰ This gate of YHWH, into which the righteous shall enter. ²¹ I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation. ²² The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner. ²³ This is YHWH’S doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

Isaiah 28:16

¹⁶ Therefore thus saith YHWH GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.



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