



70 Weeks or 490 days

From 605 to 603

or

444 to 442



70 Weeks are figurative

No terminus ad quem



70 Weeks of years

490 years

From 444 to AD 33

Jews familiar with sabbatical year

Crucifixion of Christ

Jubilee Year



Leviticus:25

Goals of the 70th Week

1. Finish Transgression
2. Bring an End to Sin
3. Make Reconciliation
4. Bring in Everlasting Righteousness
5. Seal up Prophecy
6. Anoint the Most Holy

Monarchial Decrees

terminus a quo

1. Cyrus for return of
Jews (Ezra 1:1-4)

538 B.C.

2. Artaxerxes to
establish worship
(Ezra 7:12-26)

457 B.C.

3. Artaxerxes to
rebuild Jerusalem
(Neh. 2:1-8)

444 B.C.

terminus ad quem

55 B.C

A.D. 26

A.D. 39

(Gregorian Solar Calendar)

A.D. 33

(Jewish Lunar Calendar)

483 Years

or

69 x 7

* Jesus born in 6 B.C. (Herod died in 4 B.C.)

1. Cyrus for return of Jews 538 B.C.

¹ Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the Lord by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the Lord stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and also put it in writing, saying,

² Thus says Cyrus king of Persia:

All the kingdoms of the earth the Lord God of heaven has given me. And He has commanded me to build Him a house at Jerusalem which is in Judah.

Ezra 1:1-2

2. Artaxerxes to establish worship **457 B.C.**

¹² Artaxerxes, king of kings,
To Ezra the priest, a scribe of the Law of the God of heaven:
Perfect peace, and so forth.

¹³ I issue a decree that all those of the people of Israel and the priests
and Levites in my realm, who volunteer to go up to Jerusalem, may go
with you.

Ezra 7:12-13

3. Artaxerxes to rebuild Jerusalem 444 B.C.

¹ And it came to pass in the month of Nisan, in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was before him, that I took the wine and gave it to the king. Now I had never been sad in his presence before. ² Therefore the king said to me, “Why is your face sad, since you are not sick? This is nothing but sorrow of heart.” So I became dreadfully afraid,

³ and said to the king, “May the king live forever! Why should my face not be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers’ tombs, lies waste, and its gates are burned with fire?”

⁴ Then the king said to me, “What do you request?” So I prayed to the God of heaven. ⁵ And I said to the king, “If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favor in your sight, I ask that you send me to Judah, to the city of my fathers’ tombs, that I may rebuild it.”

⁶ Then the king said to me (the queen also sitting beside him), “How long will your journey be? And when will you return?” So it pleased the king to send me; and I set him a time.

The Prophecy of Seventy Weeks (490 years)

**Decree of Artaxerxes
to Nehemiah**

March 14, 444 B.C.
(Neh. 2:1-8)

Covenant of

Antichrist
(the prince who is to come)

with Israel

**Return of Messiah
Establish kingdom**

A.D. 33

Messiah cut off

483 years

(7 x 69 shabua)

**Times of the
Gentiles**

(Rom. 11:25)

3 ½ years
**Covenant
Established**
(Dan.9: 27)

3 ½ years
**Covenant
Broken**



**Gap of undisclosed
period of time.
The era of the church.**

The Prophecy of Seventy Weeks

²⁵ For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in.

Rom. 11:25

The Prophecy of Seventy Weeks (490 years)

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to establish worship**
457 B.C.
(Ezra 7:12-26)

**Covenant of
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(the prince who is to come)
with Israel**

**Return of Messiah
Establish kingdom**



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The age of the church.**

¹³ Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child. ¹⁴ But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent. ¹⁵ So the serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood. ¹⁶ But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the flood which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth. ¹⁷ And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

Revelation 12:13-17