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LAST

DAYS

RETURN



ISRAEL: BLESSING & CURSES

Deuteronomy 28:1-68

Blessings Section
(Du.28:1-14)

Based on
Obedience

“Blessed shall thou be”

Curses Section
(Du.28:15-68)

Based on
Disobedience

“Cursed shall thou be”

STAGES OF DISCIPLINE



“if you do not obey Me” (Lv.26:14)



“after all this, if you do not obey Me” (Lv.26:18)



“Then, if you walk contrary to Me” (Lv.26:21)



“If by these things you are not reformed by Me” (Lv.26:23)



“And after all this, if you do not obey Me” (Lv.26:27)

LEVITICUS 26



ISRAEL: STAGES OF DISCIPLINE

Leviticus 26:14-39

“If you will not”

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| STAGE
1 | — Physical & Mental Diseases (Lv.26:14-17) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Distress from illness, famine, and defeat |
| STAGE
2 | — Drought & Bad Harvest (Lv.26:18-20) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “seven times” principle of intensification |
| STAGE
3 | — Dread of Wild Animals (Lv.26:21-22) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Desolation of the land, animals running rampant |
| STAGE
4 | — Desolation by Enemies Bringing Disease <ul style="list-style-type: none">• God will send sword of vengeance (Lv.26:23-26) |
| STAGE
5 | — Deportation From the Land (Lv.26:27-39) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Destruction of cities; horrors of cannibalism• Land will enjoy its Sabbath years |

ISRAEL: 5TH STAGE EXAMPLE

Jeremiah 25:11-12

Daniel 9:2, 24-27

- › **Babylon, under Nebuchadnezzar, invaded Jerusalem in 605BC**
- › **Jeremiah predicted Israel's captivity would last 70 years (Je.25:11-12)**
- › **The Medo-Persians, under Darius, overthrew Babylon (539BC). This was 66 years since Daniel had been exiled.**
- › **Daniel understood, from studying Jeremiah, that Israel's captivity was coming to an end (Da.9:2)**



Leads to Daniel's 70 Week Prophecy

DANIEL: 70 WEEKS PROPHECY (Da.9:24-27)

DANIEL 9:24

Seventy weeks are determined For your people and for your holy city, To...

- 1 "Finish the transgression"
- 2 "Make an end of sins"
- 3 "Make reconciliation for iniquity"
- 4 "Bring in everlasting righteousness"
- 5 "Seal up vision and prophecy"
- 6 "Anoint the Most Holy"

These 6 goals will be achieved by the end of the 70 Week Period

DANIEL 9:25 (FIRST 69 WEEKS)

"Know therefore and understand, That from the going forth of the command To restore and build Jerusalem Until **Messiah the Prince**, There shall be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; The street shall be built again, and the wall, Even in troublesome times"

7 WEEKS
(49 YEARS)

62 WEEKS
(434 YEARS)

(7 WEEKS) + (62 WEEKS) = 69 WEEKS

Decree of
Artaxerxes
(March 14,
445 BC)

Rebuild
Jerusalem Walls
(396 BC)

Triumphal
Entry
(April 6, 32AD)



Crucifixion
(April 9,
32AD)

Destruction
of Jerusalem
(70AD)

DIASPORA

(Lv.26:33-45; Du.28:63-65)

DANIEL 9:27 (70th WEEK)

"Then **he shall** confirm a covenant with many for one week; But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be **one** who makes desolate, Even until the consummation, which is determined, Is poured out on the desolate "

1 WEEK
(7 YEARS)

Antichrist's
Covenant

Abomination
of the Temple

End of Daniel's
70th Week

FINISH THE TRANSGRESSION

**Seventy weeks are determined For your people
and for your holy city, To finish the transgression,
To make an end of sins, To make reconciliation
for iniquity, To bring in everlasting righteousness,
To seal up vision and prophecy, And to anoint the
Most Holy.**

❖ Israel's national sin of rejecting Jesus as their promised Messiah

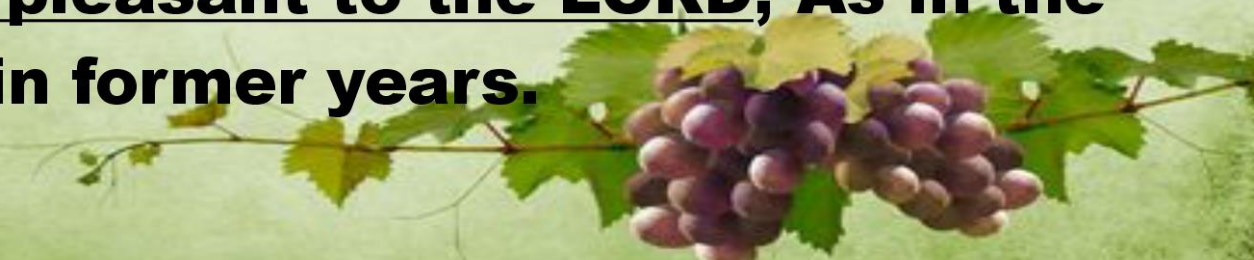
DANIEL 9:24



I SEND MY MESSENGER

¹"Behold, I send My messenger, And he will prepare the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, Will suddenly come to His temple, Even the Messenger of the covenant, In whom you delight. Behold, He is coming," Says the LORD of hosts. ²"But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He is like a refiner's fire And like launderers' soap. ³He will sit as a refiner and a purifier of silver; He will purify the sons of Levi, And purge them as gold and silver, That they may offer to the LORD An offering in righteousness. ⁴"Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem Will be pleasant to the LORD, As in the days of old, As in former years.

MALACHI 3:1-4



I SEND MY MESSENGER

- ❖ **Were the things mentioned in Malachi 3:1-4 fulfilled during the first coming of Jesus?**
- ❖ **Mal.3:1, “And the Lord, whom you seek”. They gave lip service to the Messianic promises.**
- ❖ **Mal.3:1, “Messenger of the covenant”. This refers to the Messiah as the mediator of the New Covenant of salvation from sin.**
- ❖ **“Seek the LORD while He may be found” (Is.55:6-7)**

HE WILL TURN THE HEARTS

⁵Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet
Before the coming of the great and dreadful
day of the LORD. ⁶And he will turn The
hearts of the fathers to the children, And
the hearts of the children to their fathers,
Lest I come and strike the earth with a curse.

MALACHI 4:5-6



HE WILL TURN THE HEARTS

- ❖ **The ministry of Elijah will begin the process of restoration. It will bring about a change of attitude.**
- ❖ **This change of attitude will be when they once again look for the Messiah to come.**
- ❖ **During the Passover (Pesah) dinner one place setting is left untouched in honor of Elijah who will come as a guest to herald the coming of the Messiah.**
- ❖ **Mal.4:6, “he will turn The hearts of the fathers to the children”. This refers ultimately to the restoration of the nation who will go alive into the millennial kingdom.**
- ❖ **The ministry of the two witnesses will give Jews spiritual life. That is, salvation from sin.**

MINISTRY OF THE TWO WITNESSES — 1260 DAYS

**START
OF 70TH
WEEK**

**ABOMINATION
OF DESOLATION**



RAPTURE

**END
OF 70TH
WEEK**

First Half of Daniel's 70th Week

Great Tribulation
(Unknown Duration)

Day of the Lord
(Unknown Duration)

BOWLS

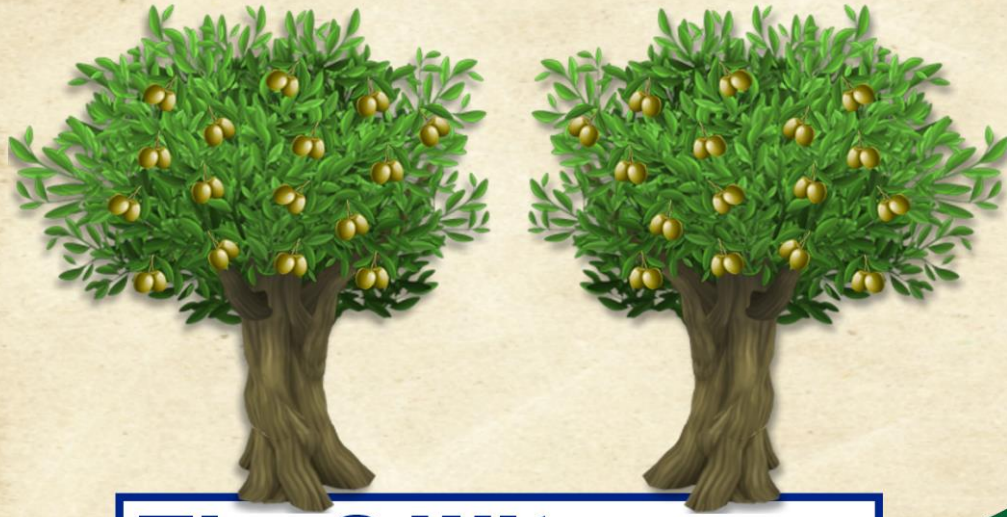
3½ Years

THE 2 WITNESSES
1260 Days (Rv.11:3)

+3½
Days

- Prophesied in sackcloth (Rv.11:3)
- Pictured as 2 Olive Trees & 2 Lampstands (Rv.11:4)
- Fire proceeds from their mouths (Rv.11:5)
- Power to prevent rain (Rv.11:6)
- Power to turn water into blood (Rv.11:6)
- Power to smite the earth w/ plagues (Rv.11:6)

144,000 BECOMES NATIONAL ISRAEL



The 2 Witnesses

THE 144,000
(Rv.7:1-8; 14:1-5)
The Firstfruits

Believers Believers Believers
GROW GROW GROW

**FUTURE BELIEVING
NATION ISRAEL**

“All Israel Shall Be Saved”

THE 2 WITNESSES

Revelation 11:1-14

Zechariah 4:2-14

2 Witnesses Are Compared to Two Olive Trees and Two Lamp Stands

MEASURING THE TEMPLE

¹Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, "Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there. ²But leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the Gentiles. And they will tread the holy city underfoot for forty-two months."

REVELATION 11:1-2



MEASURING THE TEMPLE

- ❖ **What is being measured and the people who are measured are already there before the measuring begins.**
- ❖ **This measurement is an indictment on the Jewish people.**
- ❖ **This measurement is the basis for the ministry of the two witnesses who exhort the people to trust their true Messiah.**
- ❖ **When the tribulation begins under the Beast, the two witnesses will come on the scene and proclaim the message that Jesus is the Messiah (Ml.4:6).**
- ❖ **Israel will not accept Him as Savior until He comes back. This is why the measuring is an evaluation with a negative verdict.**
- ❖ **The time of the Gentiles will be fulfilled officially at the end of Israel's national discipline (Da.9:24, end of the Week).**

THE TEMPLE OF GOD

- ❖ It is this temple that symbolically represents the nation.
- ❖ The temple has been “abominated” and needs to be cleansed of that abomination.
- ❖ That temple will be destroyed probably during the 7th bowl judgment.
- ❖ The new temple in the kingdom will be built 2,300 days after the midpoint of the week (32 months after the start of the kingdom, Da.8:14, 26).
- ❖ The reason the outer area is not measured is because the nation is still under ultimate divine discipline as it has been since 70AD (Mt.23:37-39; Lk.21:24).
- ❖ It will be under the official control of the Gentiles for the next 42 months.

TIMES OF THE GENTILES

²⁵For 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.

²⁶And so all Israel will be saved, as it is written: "THE DELIVERER WILL COME OUT OF ZION, AND HE WILL TURN AWAY UNGODLINESS FROM JACOB; (Ro.11:25-26)

ROMANS 11:25-26



²⁰"The Redeemer will come to Zion, And to those who turn from transgression in Jacob," Says the LORD. ²¹"As for Me," says the LORD, "this is My covenant with them: My Spirit who is upon you, and My words which I have put in your mouth, shall not depart from your mouth, nor from the mouth of your descendants, nor from the mouth of your descendants' descendants," says the LORD, "from this time and forevermore."

ISAIAH 55:20-21



TIMES OF THE GENTILES

- ❖ The time of national discipline upon Israel which began in 70AD will be completed at the end of the 70th Week.
- ❖ “And they will fall by the edge of the sword, and be led away captive into all nations. And Jerusalem will be trampled by Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled” (Lk.21:24)
- ❖ Luke 21:24 and Rev.11:2 refer to the same thing. The Times of the Gentiles began in 70AD and does not refer to the tribulation.
- ❖ After the fullness of the Gentiles completes, at the close of the 70th Week, then “all Israel will be saved” (Ro.11:26). See Da.12:11-13.

Da.2:32-43: Da.7:2-8


BABYLON


MEDO-PERSIA


GREECE


ROME


FUTURE

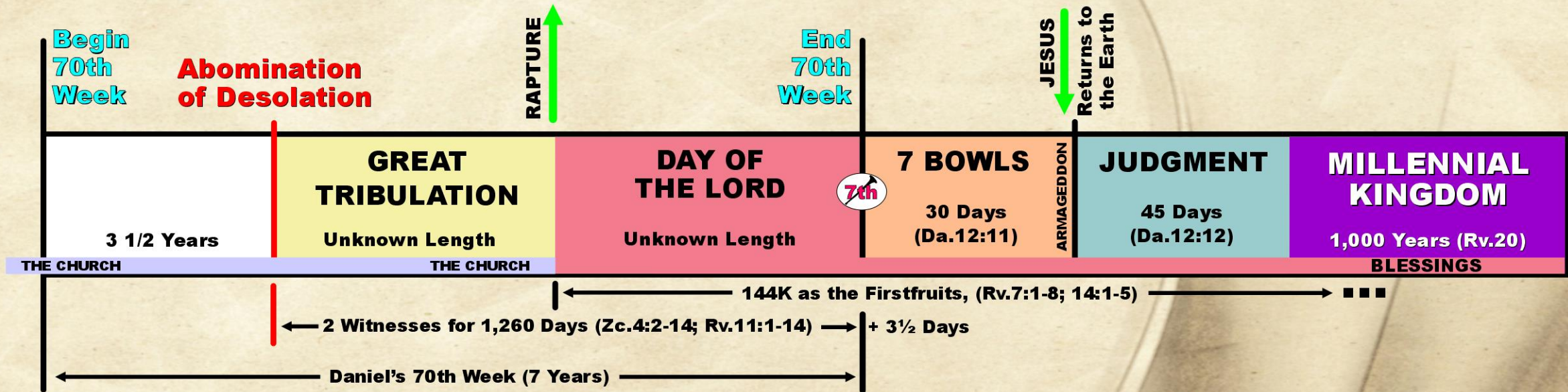


¹¹"And from the time that the daily sacrifice is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, there shall be one thousand two hundred and ninety days. ¹²Blessed is he who waits, and comes to the one thousand three hundred and thirty-five days. ¹³"But you, go your way till the end; for you shall rest, and will arise to your inheritance at the end of the days.

DANIEL 12:11-13



ISRAEL: FUTURE INFLUENCE



**TWO
WITNESSES**



2 Witnesses Are Compared to Two Olive Trees and Two Lamp Stands

**³And I will give power to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days,
clothed in sackcloth." ⁴These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands
standing before the God of the earth.**

REVELATION 11:3-4





OLIVE TREES:
Empowered by
the Holy Spirit

LAMPSTAND:
Light to Israel

ZECHARIAH 4:2-14

²And he said to me, "What do you see?" So I said, "I am looking, and there is a lampstand of solid gold with a bowl on top of it, and on the stand seven lamps with seven pipes to the seven lamps. ¹¹Then I answered and said to him, "What are these two olive trees—at the right of the lampstand and at its left?" ¹²And I further answered and said to him, "What are these two olive branches that drip into the receptacles of the two gold pipes from which the golden oil drains?"

ZECHARIAH 4:2,11-12



TWO WITNESSES BACKGROUND – ZC.4

- The description of the two witnesses as olive trees and lampstands has an Old Testament background (Zc.4:2-14).
- The two olive branches (Zc.4:12) are the two men who occupied the supreme positions in those offices at that time:
 - ZERUBBABEL as Governor and descendant of David
 - JOSHUA as the High priest and descendant of Eleazar
- Their connection to the lampstands was that they were empowered by the Holy Spirit as symbolized by the olive oil.
- In a similar way the two witnesses of Rv.11:1-14 will be empowered by the Holy Spirit.



WHY TWO WITNESSES?

God's Grace Provides Opportunity for Israel to Repent

- **God required two witnesses for competent legal testimony to secure a conviction (Du.17:6; 19:15; Nu.35:30).**
- **Their witness is mostly prophetic, yet their judicial testimony cries against the nation of Israel.**



WHY TWO WITNESSES?

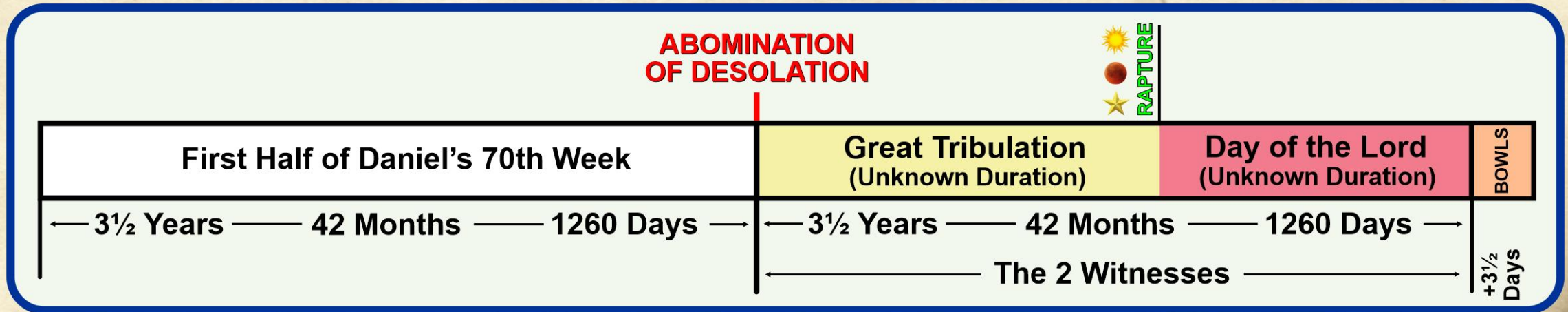
Whoever is deserving of death shall be put to death on the testimony of two or three witnesses; he shall not be put to death on the testimony of one witness (Du.17:6)

One witness shall not rise against a man concerning any iniquity or any sin that he commits; by the mouth of two or three witnesses the matter shall be established (Du.19:15)

DEUTERONOMY



TIMING — 2 WITNESSES



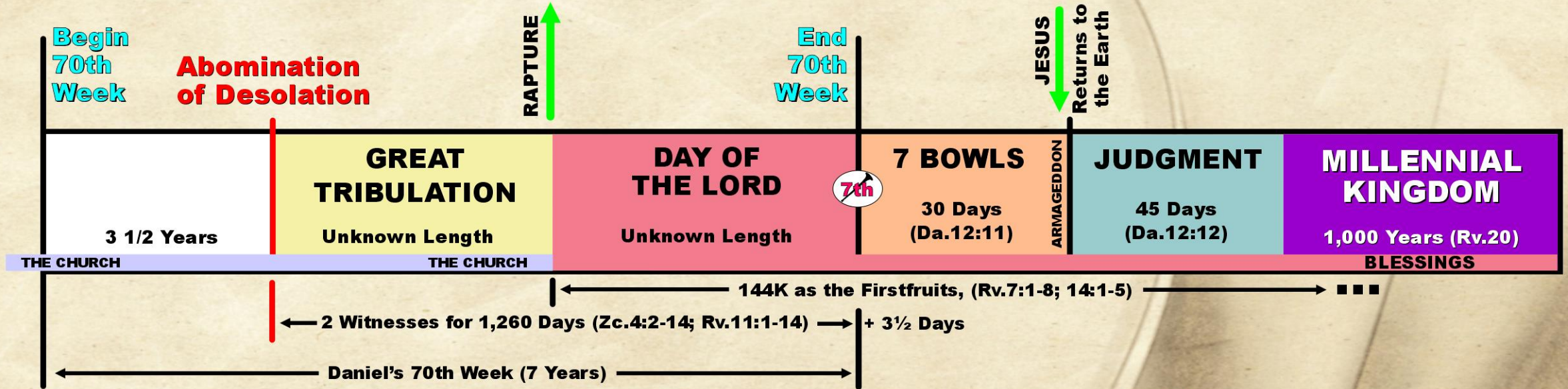
- **The 42 months, 1260 days and 3 1/2 years all refer to the same period of time.**
- **It would be quite confusing if people “arbitrarily” choose different halves of the week for those designations.**
- **This will be from the midpoint of the week until the end of the week, which will be indicated by the sounding of the 7th trumpet.**
- **The fact that God gives us the duration (1260 days) of their ministry, makes this more important than who they are.**

⁵And if anyone wants to harm them, fire proceeds from their mouth and devours their enemies. And if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this manner. ⁶These have power to shut heaven, so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy; and they have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they desire.

REVELATION 11:5-6



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