

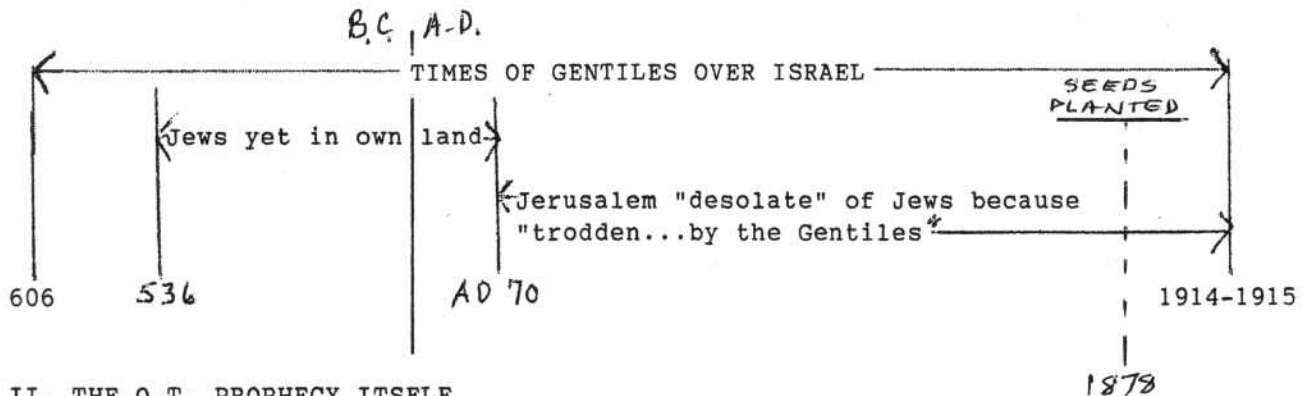
## A "GENTILE TIMES" SUMMARY

### I. THE MAIN N.T. REFERENCE TO THE PROPHECY

Luke 21: (20 - ) 24

- v. 24 - Diaspora
- THEREFORE: Jerusalem only under the (already present) Gentiles (because the Jews were scattered).
- UNTIL "Times of Gentiles" -- already in progress since Zedekiah. ("Until" refers not to return, but to removal of foot.)
- "FULFILLED" -- hence, prophesied.

NOT about Gentiles, but about Israel (during WHOLE PERIOD as a punishment) and about Jerusalem being "DESOLATE" of Jews (v.20) for PART of those "Times."



### II. THE O.T. PROPHECY ITSELF

Leviticus 26:

- 1-13 Promise of blessings for obedience
- 14-17 Promise of punishments for disobedience
- 18-28 Promise of SEVEN TIMES (=Gentile Times)
- 29-33 Promise of DIASPORA (of Luke 21)
- 34-39 The DIASPORA itself (even though sounds like the 70-year desolation before Cyrus. It is not, since v.29 happened under Titus.)
- 40-45 The time of returning or re-gathering

Focus in Leviticus 26:18-28:

- The 7 TIMES are mentioned FOUR TIMES: a foreshadowing of the FOUR GENTILE EMPIRES later shown in Daniel which would fulfil this prophecy. (Vs. 18, 21, 24, 28)
- "MORE" only in v.18 because it is BEYOND captivities of v.17. "More" is not in verses 21, 24, 28 because those refer to the SAME seven times.
- Jesus PROVED that there was a CHRONOLOGICAL PERIOD prophesied for Gentile Rule when he said "TIMES...FULFILLED."
- Seven "Times" is 7 symbolic "YEARS" of 360 days (or years) EACH. Therefore, "7 TIMES" is 2520 years.

THE NUMBER 2520: THE LOWEST "PERFECT NUMBER"

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$$1+2=\textcircled{3} +3=\textcircled{6} +4=\textcircled{10} +5=\textcircled{15} +6=\textcircled{21} +7=\textcircled{28} +8=\textcircled{36} +9=\textcircled{45}$$

45III. DATING THE PUNISHMENT'S BEGINNING

- NOTE: Lev. 26:17 "shall rule over you" -- describes nature of the "MORE" of v.18.

EZEKIEL 21:25-27 is the de-"crowning achievement" in symbolizing rule by enemies (Gentiles).

NOTE:

- v.25 Not only Zedekiah's punishment, but "in the time of the punishment of the end."  
 v.26 TAKE OFF CROWN (of Israel) -- very important; whole prophecy of G.T. is about sovereignty of Israel.  
 v.26 Exalt/Abase = Nathan/Solomon  
 v.27 The steps:  
 - Nebuchadnezzar was already in charge  
 - 1st "overturn" was to Persia  
 - 2nd "overturn" was to Greece  
 - 3rd "overturn" was to Rome  
 - Then, "give it" to him

The event (606 B.C.) dates the Gentile sovereignty of Israel. Therefore: 1914 dates the time when Jesus receives the crown OF ISRAEL.

IV. THREE RELATED PROPHECIES(1) DANIEL 2:35

- vs. 36-40 show FOUR KINGDOMS (Lev. 26's FOUR STATEMENTS)
- v. 35 -- ONE crushing ends picture  
 -- SUMMER (before winter of T. of T.)

(2) DANIEL 5:5,6,25-28

Chaldean = Hebrew MINA, SHEKEL

Aramaic: Persians = PARAS (v.28 dual meaning)

20 GERAH in a shekel (Exo. 30:13)

50 SHEKELS in a mina (=1000 gerah)

(Ezek. 45:12 says 60; Septuagint says 50. Scholars - Biblical and archeological - think Septuagint is correct. Some think there were two kinds of minas, royal and common)

UPHARSIN - *dividing*

Therefore:	MENE	--	1000
	MENE	--	1000
	TEKEL	--	20
	UPHARSIN	--	500
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			2520

(3) PSALM 2: 1-9

PROPHECIES OF OR RELATED TO

THE TIMES OF THE GENTILES

TEXT:	DESCRIPTION:	PURPOSE:	HOW RELATED:	DATES COVERED:
Luke 21:20-24	<p>Warns 1st Advent Jews of destruction of Jerusalem and Diaspora following it. Promises Gentile dominion over their land "UNTIL."</p> <p>Prophecy centered in LAND</p>	<p>(1) To draw attention to the Gentile Times prophecy of Lev. 26 -- from which it quotes.</p> <p>(2) Defines <u>meaning</u> of G.T. as period of Gentile "foot" on Jerusalem.</p> <p>(3) No actual date stated. But it is <u>implied</u> by "Times... fulfilled."</p>	<p>Gives NAME to the prophecy. Shows that it has a FIXED TIME.</p> <p>1914 is found ONLY by comparison with Lev. 26.</p>	<p>A.D.70 - 1914</p>
Lev. 26	<p>History of Israel from the Law to the establishment of the New Covenant.</p> <p>Prophecy centered in THE LAND.</p>	<p>Defines G.T. as a Jewish punishment before the N.C. can be made. Gives the prophetic number required by Jesus' Luke 21 words.</p>	<p>- <u>Gives number of years</u> of G.T. to be 2520.</p> <p>- <u>Implies</u> number of controllers of the land by 4-time use of term "Seven Times."</p> <p>- 1914 shown by comparison to Ezek. 21</p>	<p>1615 B.C. to Dotted Line</p>
Ezek. 21:24-27	<p>Shows period of punishment by crown-lessness and change of lineage from Solomon to Nathan.</p>	<p>Teaches a period of lack of independence and dominion over the land of Israel; then shows its restoration.</p>	<p>Implies number of Gentile powers (4) by "overturns." Does <u>not</u> show date or length of period. 1914 determined by comparison to Lev. 26.</p>	<p>606 B.C. to 1914</p>

TEXT:	DESCRIPTION:	PURPOSE:	HOW RELATED:	DATES COVERED:
Dan. 2	Image representing 4 empires <u>and</u> the incorporation of Christendom in the 4th, and their subsequent demise.	To show history from Babylon to dotted line including striking of feet, 1874 establishment of the kingdom gov't, separation of church from state, and <u>gradualness</u> of both Gentile power destruction as well as kingdom establishment.	- By mention of 4 empires implied in Lev. 26; - By striking <u>feet</u> as suggested in Luke 21, thus suggesting 1914.	606 B.C. to Dotted Line
Dan. 4	Tree cut down but promised re-growth; A king forced into savagery until his lesson is learned.	DUAL purpose: (1) To show man's fall until he learns the needed lessons (I.E., the permission of evil). (2) To use Nebuchadnezzar as a representation of the G.T. part of man's experience.	By mention of "7 Times" which has its terminus in 1914.	4126 B.C. to Dotted Line <u>and</u> 606 B.C. to <u>both</u> A.D. 1914 and Dotted Line
Dan. 5	Handwriting on wall of Belshazzar's Feast.	To show <u>mis-use</u> of Divine truths during G.T., and To show that 1914 is end of those G.T.	By 2520 symbolized in handwriting, thus specifying 1914.	606 B.C. to 1914
Dan. 7	Four beasts and a little horn.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To show development of the apostasy out of the 4th beast.</li> <li>- To show how beast and horn will be destroyed.</li> <li>- To show joint-reign of God and Christ (Rev. 11:15)</li> <li>- To explain persecution of saints for 1260 years to 1799.</li> </ul>	By presence of 4 empires. Implies <u>many</u> dates, but NOT 1914!	606 B.C. to Dotted Line

TEXT:	DESCRIPTION:	PURPOSE:	HOW RELATED:	DATES COVERED:
Dan. 8	History from Persia to breaking of Papacy, showing its rise, powers, and (briefly) its demise. Explains a 2300-yr time until errors removed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Shows Papacy as dominant part of 4th beast.</li> <li>- Focuses on TIME OF THE END</li> <li>- Prophecies cleansing-out of error from among true saints.</li> </ul>	Discusses only final 3 empires. Does <u>not</u> show G.T. dates.	c. 536 B.C. to Dotted Line
Dan. 9	Explains first 490 yrs. of Ch. 8's 2300 yrs.	To teach us to interpret chronological prophecy by showing its 1st Advent fulfillment.	Provides Jesus with info re seige of Jerusalem in Luke 21. (It <u>does</u> have a date <u>implied</u> as a 1914 parallel.)	454 B.C. to A.D. 70 (and, <u>perhaps</u> thru the Gospel Age.)
Dan. 11, 12	A <u>very</u> detailed history from Persia until Daniel's teachings are "opened." Shows the remaining 3 empires, but also the developments of Papacy and Protestantism.	To <u>define</u> the date of the beginning of THE TIME OF THE END (1799), and to show the <u>gradual</u> opening of Daniel from that date until 1874.	By details of last 3 empires; but does <u>not</u> show or imply 1914.	c. 536 B.C. to 1874 (with certain points beyond that mentioned.)

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The prophecy of the "TIMES OF THE GENTILES" comes from Jesus' words in Luke 21: 2-24 and from Moses' words in Leviticus 26. Nevertheless, it is obvious that Daniel makes references to the prophecy and that Jesus, himself, refers to the writings of Daniel in the Luke 21 passage.

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DANIEL'S FOUR PICTURES OF GENTILE TIMES

Chapter 2 -- The Image of Four Metals

- Implies 1914 in that Chapter 3 prophesies events likely post-1914. Also by smiting of Church-State
- PRIMARY FOCUS: The ending of the "Divine Right-of-Kings"

Chapter 4 -- The Seven Times of Insanity

- Specifies 1914 in that the "seven times" of the dream seems a clear reference to the Gentile Times of Lev. 26.
- PRIMARY FOCUS: Nebuchadnezzar seems a picture of Israel's crown (?????) which is restored to Jesus in 1914

Chapter 5 -- The Handwriting on the Wall

- Specifies 1914 in the numerical symbology of the writing.
- Implies it in that the events of Chapter 6 seem prophetic of post-1914 events.
- PRIMARY FOCUS: Specified limits of Gentile Dominion over Jewish Holy places.

Chapter 7 -- The Four Beasts

- 1914 is never suggested
- PRIMARY FOCUS: Development and fall of Papacy out of fourth beast.

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Chapters 8-12 -- Further elaboration of details of the histories of the four beasts of Chapter 7 with emphasis on the TIME OF THE END (when Daniel will be understood) rather than on Gentile Times.

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