

# The Gospel of Luke

*a verse-by-verse study*

## Session 32

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## CHAPTER 19

Verse 41-48

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41 And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it,

42 Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes.

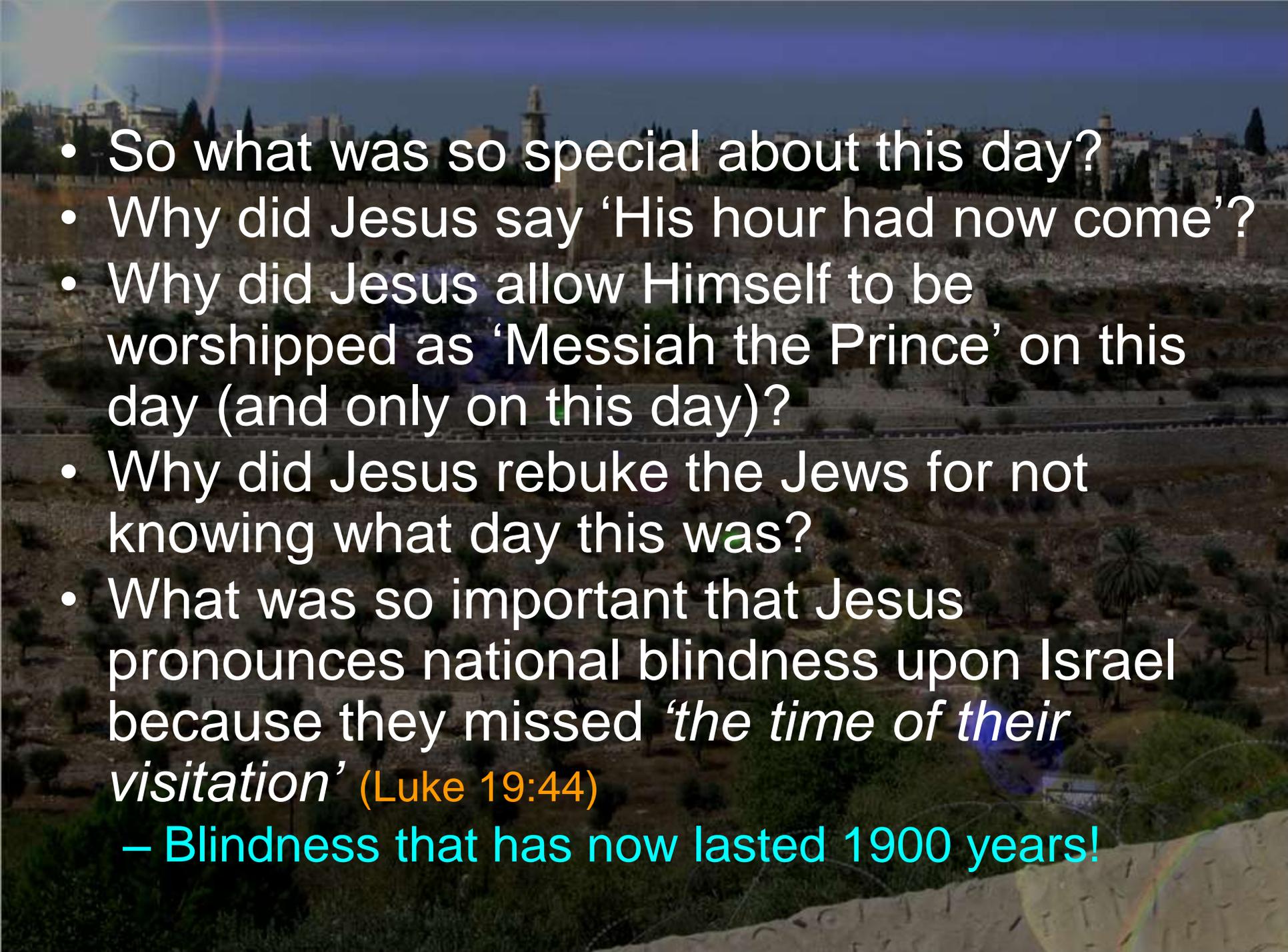
43 For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side,

44 And shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.

**Luke 19:41-44**

# The Greatest Week in History!

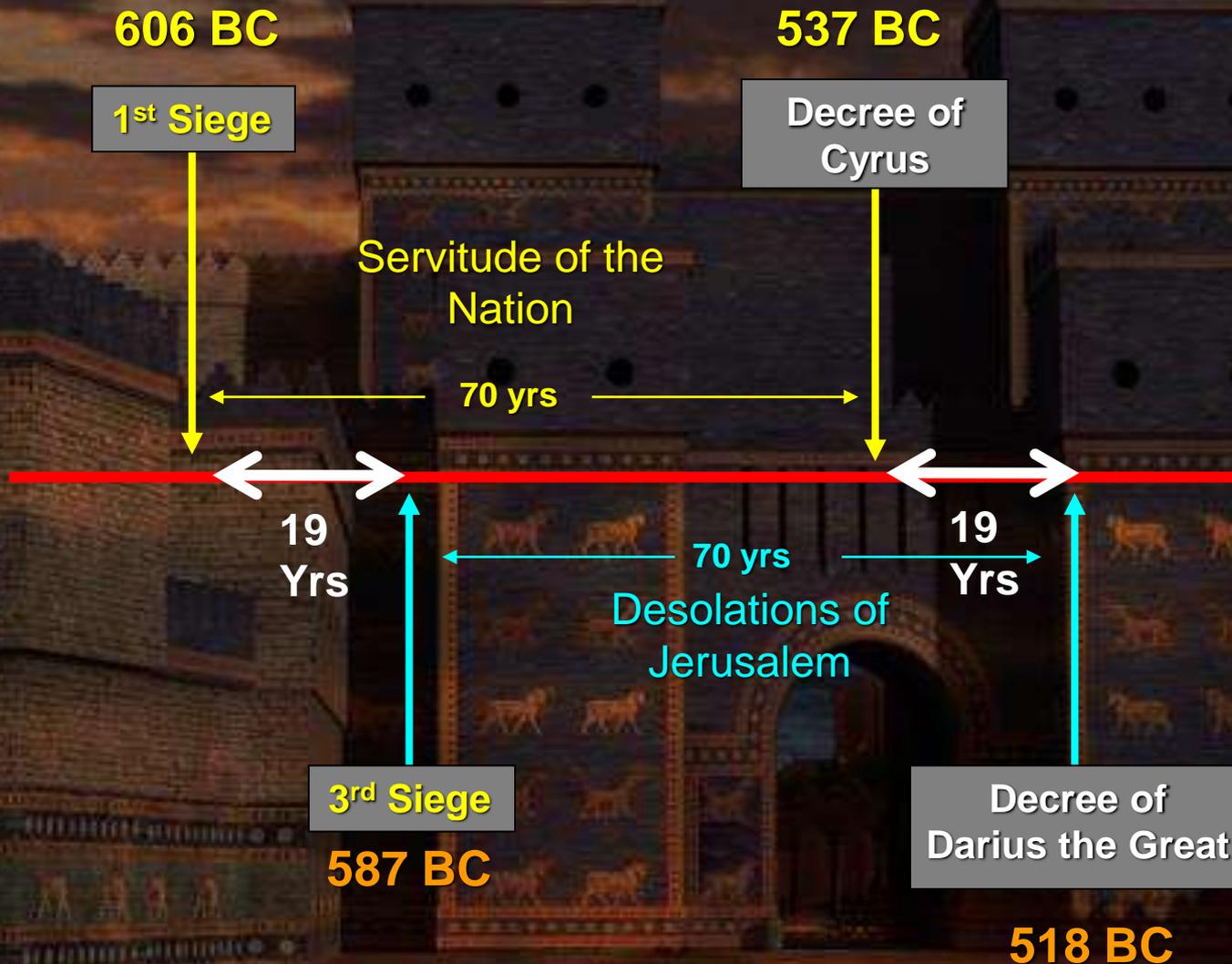
- Jesus' ministry was centred on one week in history
- Jesus came to do the will of His Father, to give His life as a ransom for many
- Jesus did not want to be made know throughout His incredible 3 ½ years of ministry until one specific day...
- But on that day (Palm Sunday) He intentionally arranges the whole event!
  - Sending disciples to get a donkey etc.
  - Riding into Jerusalem as a king...
  - Much to the distain of the Jewish leaders!

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- So what was so special about this day?
  - Why did Jesus say ‘His hour had now come’?
  - Why did Jesus allow Himself to be worshipped as ‘Messiah the Prince’ on this day (and only on this day)?
  - Why did Jesus rebuke the Jews for not knowing what day this was?
  - What was so important that Jesus pronounces national blindness upon Israel because they missed *‘the time of their visitation’* (Luke 19:44)
    - Blindness that has now lasted 1900 years!

# Daniel's 70 Weeks

- The answer is found way back in the book of Daniel – around 537 B.C.
- Israel's 70 captivity in Babylon was over
- Around 50,000 Jews had returned home...
- ...but Daniel now aged c.83 had remained in Babylon
- Chapter 9 reveals that Daniel was confused:
  - The captivity was over, but Jerusalem still lay in ruins
  - Daniel turned to the prophecies of Jeremiah and realised that there was a second period of 70 years judgment decreed upon Jerusalem

# Servitude / Desolations



# Daniel's 70 Weeks

- Daniel then set his heart to pray
  - One of the most impassioned prayers in scripture!
  - Quoting almost verbatim Solomon's prayer in 1 Chronicles 6:36-39
- 1) Confessing the sins of his people (v1-15)
- 2) Interceding for the city (v16-19)
- But part way into his prayer for Jerusalem Daniel is interrupted!
- Not by a knock at the door...
- But by a visitation from the Angel Gabriel!

# Daniel's 70 Weeks

<sup>24</sup> Seventy sevens are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

**Daniel 9:24**

# Daniel's 70 Weeks

my [שבתות]

- Shabuim
- 'weeks of years'
- 'Seventy weeks of years'
- $70 \times 7 \text{ years} = 490 \text{ years}$

# Daniel's 70 Weeks

- 1 week of days = 7 days  
- (Gen 2:2; Ex 20:11)
- 1 week of weeks = 7 weeks  
- (Lev 23:15,16)
- 1 week of months = 7 months  
- (Ex 12:2; Lev 23:24)
- 1 week of years = 7 years  
- (Lev 25:1-22; Deut 15; 2 Chron 36:19-21)

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Daniel 9:24

# The 490 Years

- Prophecy for Israel & Jerusalem
- Finnish transgression
- Make an end of sins
- Reconciliation for iniquity
- Bring in everlasting righteousness
- Seal up vision & prophecy
- Anoint the most holy (place/one)

# The First 483 Years

<sup>25</sup> 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 [49 years], and threescore and two weeks [434 years]: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

**Daniel 9:25**

# The 490 Years

- Command to restore & build Jerusalem
- Seven weeks ( $7 \times 7 \text{ years} = 49 \text{ years}$ )
- Sixty two weeks ( $62 \times 7 = 432 \text{ years}$ )
- Street and Wall rebuilt
- 'Troublous times' (Ezra / Nehemiah)
- 483 years conclude with Messiah

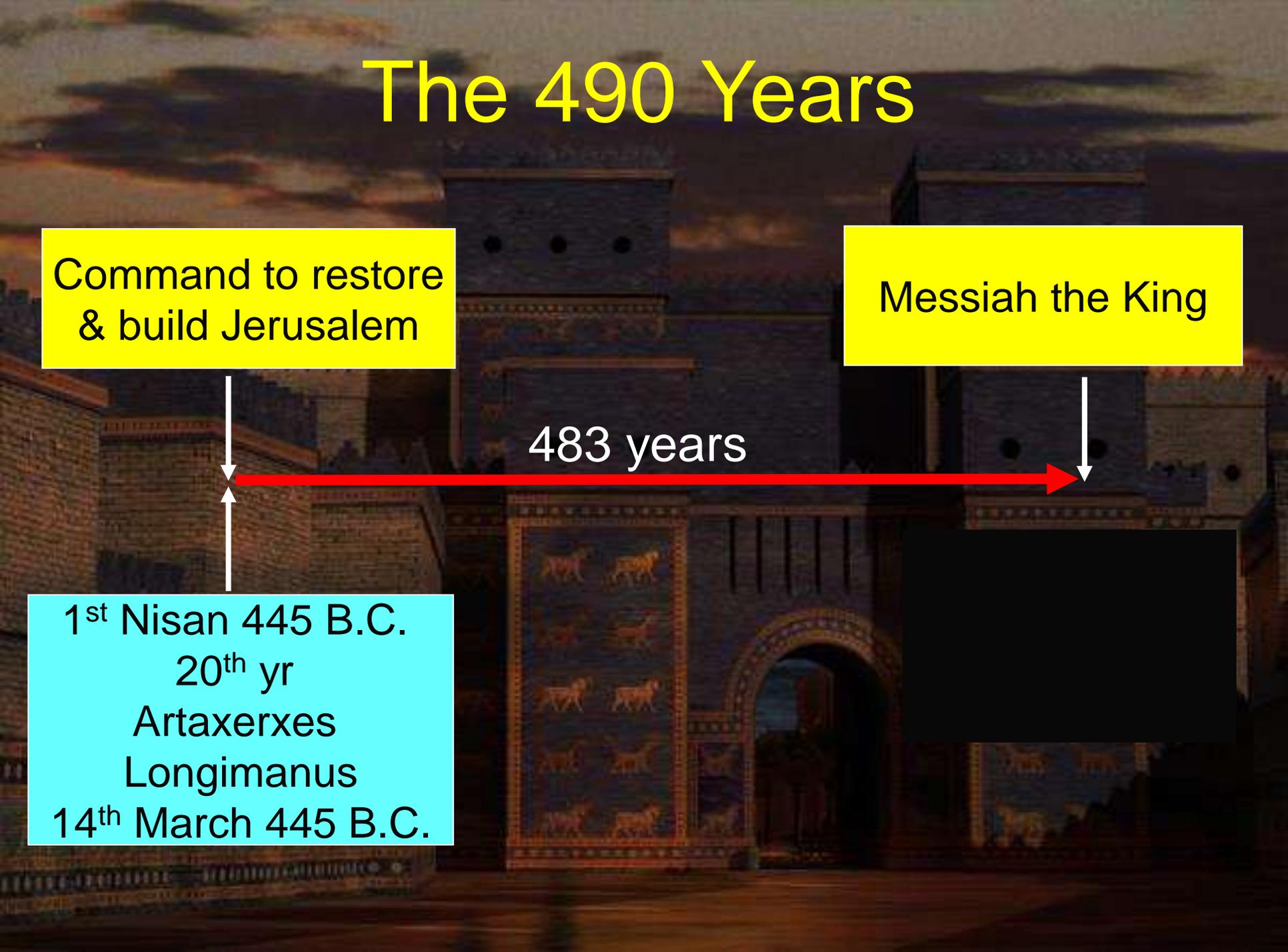
# The 490 Years

Command to restore  
& build Jerusalem

Messiah the King

483 years

1<sup>st</sup> Nisan 445 B.C.  
20<sup>th</sup> yr  
Artaxerxes  
Longimanus  
14<sup>th</sup> March 445 B.C.



# The 490 Years

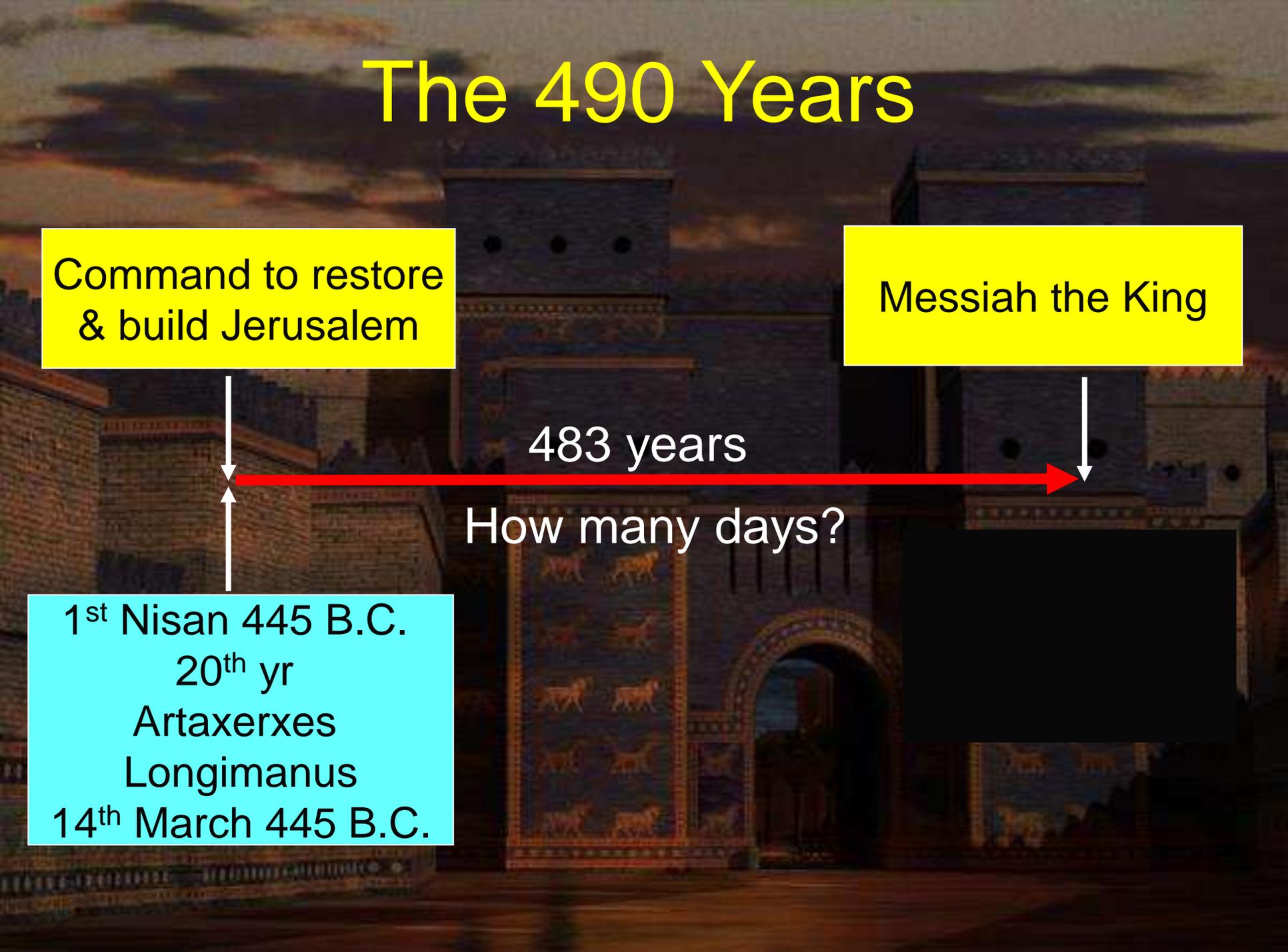
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How many days?

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# God's Reputation

- 9 Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me,
- 10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:

**Isaiah 46:9-10**

# 360 day Prophetic Years

- Gen 7:11, 8:4 cf Gen 7:24 5mts, 150d = 30 day months
- Dan 7:25, 12:7 inferred cf Rev 12:6, 12:14, 13:5-7 1260d
- Rev 11:2, 11:3, 13:5, 12:6 42 mts, 1260d
- Servitude of Nation, 606 B.C. – 537 B.C.  
70yrs @ 360d per yr
- Desolations of Jerusalem, 587 B.C. – 518 B.C.  
70yrs @ 360d per yr
- Ezekiel 4, 430yrs – 70 = 360yrs x 7 (cf Lev 28) = 2520yrs @ 360d  
Servitude: 537 B.C. – 14/5/1948  
Desolations: 518 B.C. – 7/06/1967
- Daniel 9:27, Jeremiah's Prophecies + Final week = 2520d
- Daniel 9:24-27, Exactly 360 letters in 4 verses (Hebrew)

# 360 Day Year?

- Ancient calendars based on 360 day years
  - Assyrians, Chaldeans, Egyptians, Hebrews, Persians, Greeks, Phoenicians, Chinese, Mayans, Hindus, Carthaginians, Etruscans, Teutons, et al.
- $360^\circ$  in a circle, 60 minutes/hour, 60 sec/min
- 360 icons in the gnostic genii
- 360 gods in the theology of Greek Orpheus
- 360 idols in the palace of Dairi in Japan
- 360 statues surrounding Hobal in Arabia

# 360 Day Year?

*“...all nations, before the just length of the solar year was known, reckoned months by the course of the moon, and years by the return of winter and summer, spring and autumn; and in making calendars for their festivals, they reckoned thirty days to a lunar month, and twelve lunar months to a year, taking the nearest round numbers, whence came the division of the ecliptic into 360 degrees.”*

**Sir Isaac Newton**

# Daniel's 70 Weeks

- 483 years x 360 days per year
- Prophetic years always reckoned as 360 days in Scripture

# Daniel's 70 Weeks

Command to restore  
& build Jerusalem

Messiah the King

483 years

$360d \times 483y = 173,880 \text{ days}$

1<sup>st</sup> Nisan 445 B.C.

20<sup>th</sup> yr

Artaxerxes

Longimanus

14<sup>th</sup> March 445 B.C.

The Triumphal Entry

6<sup>th</sup> April A.D. 32

(10<sup>th</sup> Nisan)



# Has God Finished with Israel?

Romans 11

# What About Israel?

<sup>1</sup> I say then, Hath God cast away his people? **God forbid.**  
**For I also am an Israelite,** of the seed of Abraham, of the  
tribe of Benjamin.

Romans 11:1

- The Church began with Jews
- Paul was a Jew and a Christian
- *‘God has not ‘cast away’ the Jews because most of the early Church is Jewish’*

# What About Israel?

- 2 God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. Wot ye not what the scripture saith of Elijah? how he maketh intercession to God against Israel, saying,
- 3 Lord, they have killed thy prophets, and digged down thine altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life.
- 4 But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have reserved to myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to the image of Baal.

Romans 11:2-4

# What About Israel?

- Paul restates the question:

<sup>7</sup> What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded **(those reserved by God)**

<sup>8</sup> (According as it is written, God hath given them the spirit of slumber, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear;) unto this day.

Romans 11:7-8

- Isaiah 27:10 / 6:9

# Permanent Blindness?

<sup>11</sup> I say then, Have **they** stumbled that they should fall? **God forbid**, but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy.

Romans 11:11

- Is this blindness permanent?
- From the context, the 'they' has to refer to those whose eyes have been blinded (in verse 8)
- i.e. National Israel

# Israel's Fullness

12 Now if the fall of them be the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles; how much more their fulness?

Romans 11:12

- Through their blindness salvation has come to the Gentiles – this is riches indeed!
- To speak of their 'fulness' would make no sense if they no longer have any part in God's plan!

# Paul's Summary

25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.

26 And so all Israel shall be saved: **as it is written,** There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

27 For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.

**Romans 11:25-27**

# Jeremiah 31

<sup>31</sup> Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:

<sup>32</sup> Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:

**Jeremiah 31:31-33**

# Jeremiah 31

<sup>33</sup> But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.

**Jeremiah 31:31-33**

# Isaiah 11

<sup>10</sup> And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.

<sup>11</sup> And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.

# Isaiah 11

<sup>12</sup> And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

Isaiah 11:10-12

# Isaiah 27

<sup>12</sup> And it shall come to pass in that day, that the LORD shall beat off from the channel of the river unto the stream of Egypt, and ye shall be gathered one by one, O ye children of Israel.

<sup>13</sup> And it shall come to pass in that day, that the great trumpet shall be blown, and they shall come which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, and shall worship the LORD in the holy mount at Jerusalem.

# Second Coming

**30** And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

**31** And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

**Matthew 24:30-31**

# Second Coming

32 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh:

33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.

34 Verily I say unto you, This **generation** shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

Matthew 24:32-34

**Genea** (ghen-eh-ah');  
age, generation, nation, time.

# Jeremiah 31

<sup>35</sup> Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is his name:

<sup>36</sup> If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever.

**Jeremiah 31:35-37**

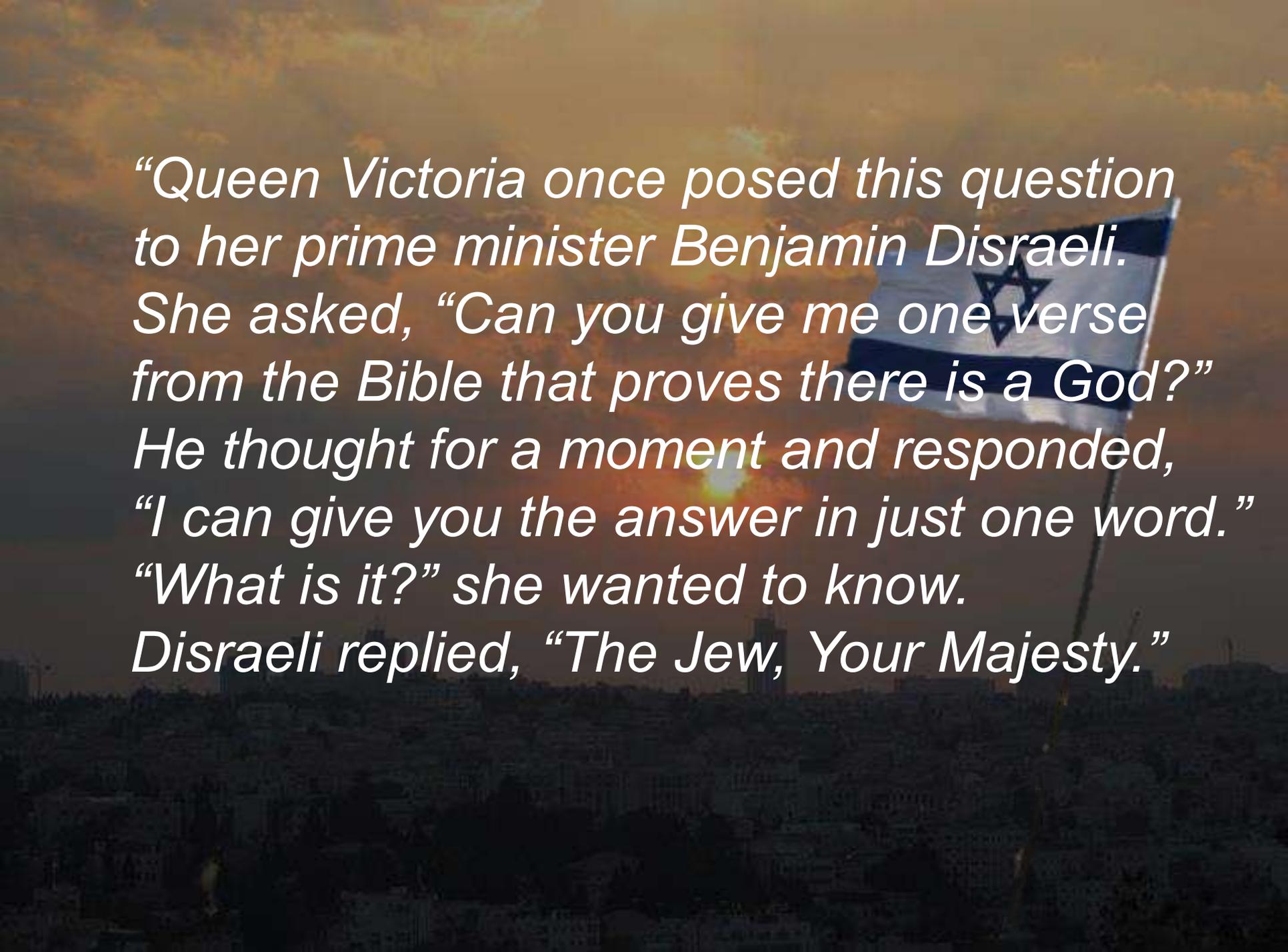
# Jeremiah 31

<sup>37</sup> Thus saith the LORD; If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the LORD.

**Jeremiah 31:35-37**

*“If the Bible is in error concerning Israel, its major subject, then all of the synagogues and Christian churches that claim to base their beliefs upon those scriptures ought to admit that fact and shut their doors. If, however, the Bible is true, then the nations of the world ought to govern their conduct accordingly; for if they do not the consequences will be disastrous”*

Dave Hunt

A sunset over a city with the Israeli flag in the foreground. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm glow over the scene. The Israeli flag is visible in the upper right corner, partially obscured by the text.

*“Queen Victoria once posed this question to her prime minister Benjamin Disraeli. She asked, “Can you give me one verse from the Bible that proves there is a God?” He thought for a moment and responded, “I can give you the answer in just one word.” “What is it?” she wanted to know. Disraeli replied, “The Jew, Your Majesty.”*

# Fullness of the Gentiles

When will the fullness of the Gentiles be come in?

- Some think it will be the Rapture

However, two difficulties:

- Gentiles continue 'coming in' (are saved) during the Tribulation
- Israel's blindness is not lifted at the time of the Rapture
- In fact: We know from John 5:43 that Israel will accept 'Antichrist' staying in spiritual blindness – for the first three & half yrs of the Tribulation

# Fullness of the Gentiles

If we ask:

When is the fullness of the Gentiles come in?

(When are the last Gentiles saved?)

# Fullness of the Gentiles

<sup>1</sup> And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God.

2 And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

Revelation 15:1-2

- No one saved from this point?

# Fullness of the Gentiles

If we now ask:

When will Israel's blindness be removed?

# Fullness of the Gentiles

<sup>15</sup> I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their affliction they will seek me early.

Hosea 5:15

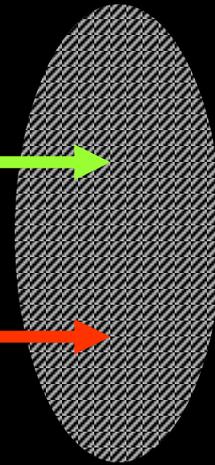
- Israel's affliction will occur from the midpoint of the Tribulation onwards

# Fullness of the Gentiles

Israel's Blindness



Last Gentiles Saved



Beginning of Sorrows

Great Tribulation

7yrs of Tribulation

45 And he went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold therein, and them that bought;

46 Saying unto them, It is written, My house is the house of prayer: but ye have made it a den of thieves.

47 And he taught daily in the temple. But the chief priests and the scribes and the chief of the people sought to destroy him,

48 And could not find what they might do: for all the people were very attentive to hear him.

**Luke 19:45-48**

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To be continued...

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