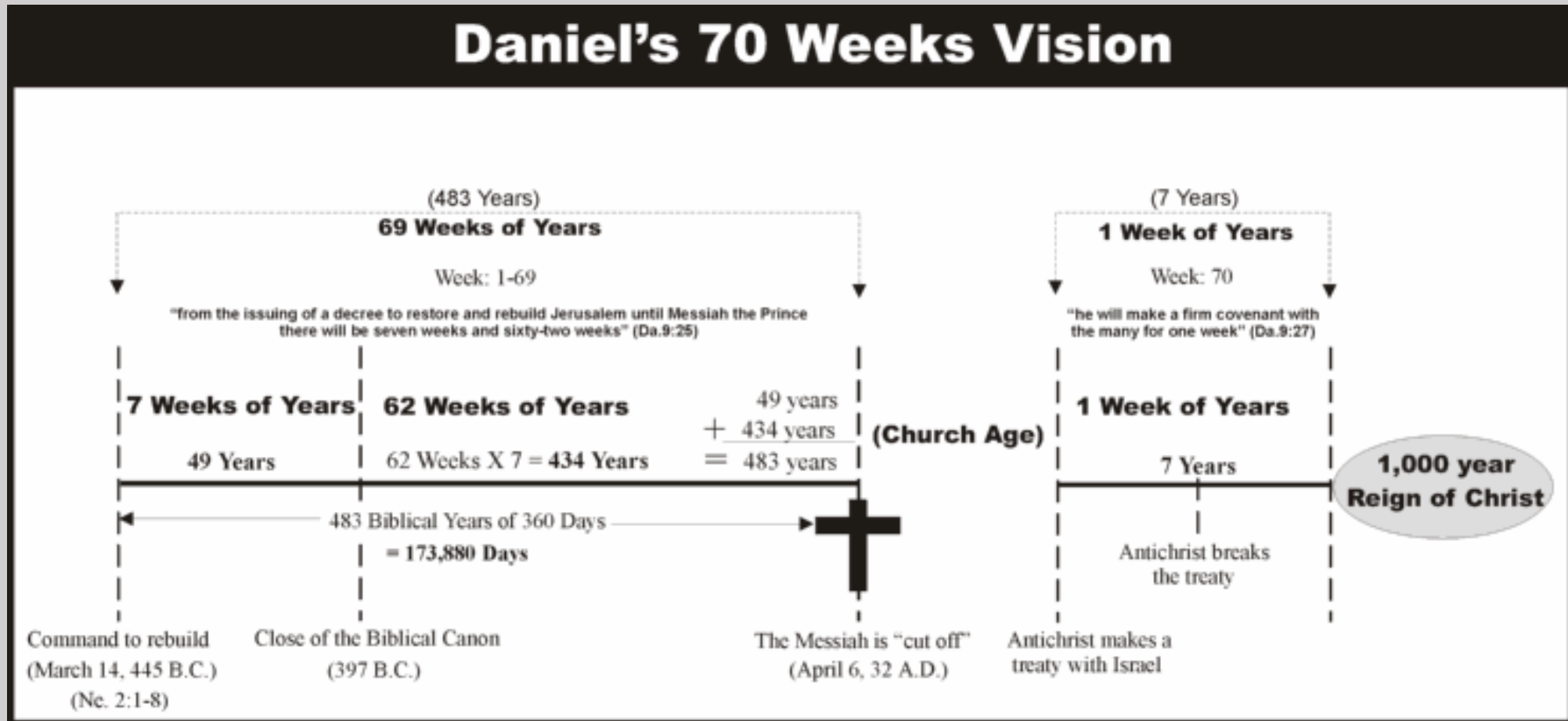
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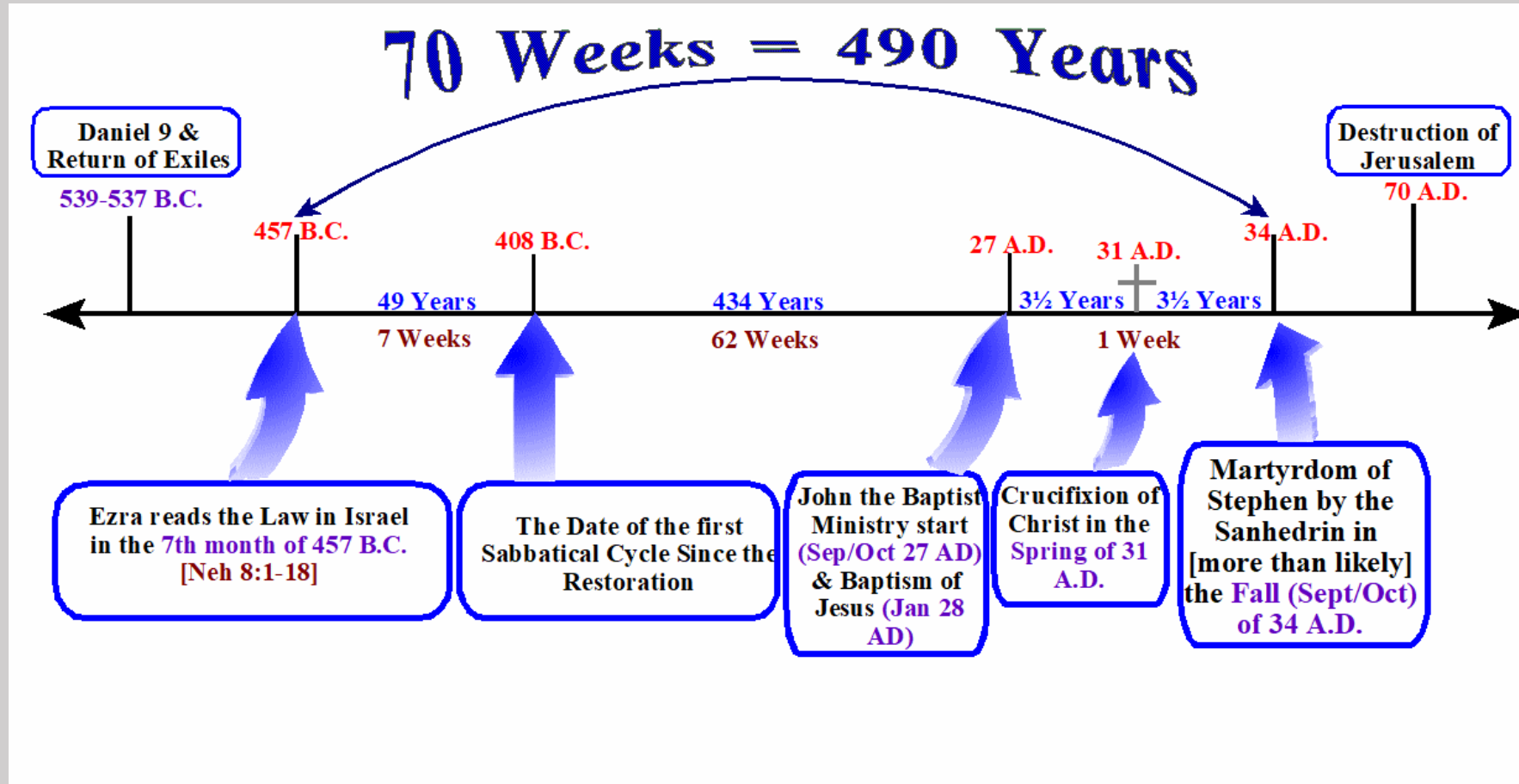


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70 “Weeks”: A Symbolic Approach

- 7 Weeks until an “anointed one” (Jesus)
- 62 Weeks during the Christian era (Life as we know it)
- 1 Week during the great Tribulation (The Anti-Christ)
- After 70 Weeks: The new creation (A new heaven and new earth)

After 70 weeks: A Glorious Conclusion (Daniel 9:24)

Characteristics of the new creation . . .

3 items that eliminate the negative:

1. to finish the transgression
2. to put an end to sin
3. to atone for iniquity

3 items that inaugurate the positive:

4. to bring in everlasting righteousness
5. to seal (close out and/or authenticate) both vision and prophet
6. to anoint a most holy place.

7 Weeks: a relatively short time of preparation for the First Coming of Christ (Daniel 9:25a)

“²⁵ Know therefore and understand that from the going out of the word to restore and build Jerusalem to the coming of an anointed one, a prince, there shall be seven weeks.”

Interpretation: From the time of the decree by Cyrus, king of Persia, for the Jews to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the walls, temple, and city to the coming of “an anointed one,” Jesus Christ.

(i.e. from 538 B.C. to the birth of Jesus)

62 Weeks: a relatively long time— The Christian era (Daniel 9:25b)

“Then for sixty-two weeks it shall be built again with squares and moat, but in a troubled time.”

(from the time of Jesus to the coming of the Anti-Christ)

We are living in this time. Life goes on: we seek the Lord and then we don't and then we do. Throughout this time, yes, there are troubles, but they are not all-encompassing, and such troubles are to be expected in a still-fallen world.

A time of quiet confidence and steady perseverance by believers in Jesus Christ

1 Week: The Great Tribulation— The end of the Christian Era (Daniel 9:26)

“ 26 And after the sixty-two weeks, an anointed one shall be cut off and shall have nothing. And the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed.”

1 Week: The Great Tribulation— “The Abomination of Desolation” (Daniel 9:27a)

“²⁷ And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate”

**The End of Week 70: The Anti-Christ is defeated
(and Christ rules supreme)
(Daniel 9:27b)**

“until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator.”

Take-Aways

Prophecy within the context of Scripture → Assurance

Assurance → Quiet Confidence

Confidence not in yourself but in God's sovereignty

Let Us Pray

