

# Dual Fulfillment in Daniel's 70 Weeks Prophecy: Corroborating Patterns

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AN interesting postscript to my article entitled [“Do Jerusalem's Walls Predict the Year of Messiah's Return?”](#) is a pattern related to the two decrees to rebuild Jerusalem: Abraham, the father of Israel, was born exactly 1,539 years before the Artaxerxes decree of 457 BC; while Jesus, the redeemer of Israel, was born exactly 1,539 years before the Suleiman decree of 1537 AD.

See chart: [http://www.theseasonofreturn.com/DUAL\\_FULFILL\\_DANIELS\\_70\\_WEEKS\\_2.pdf](http://www.theseasonofreturn.com/DUAL_FULFILL_DANIELS_70_WEEKS_2.pdf)

It's noteworthy that the timespan between the two births and decrees is 1,539 years. The “prime factorization” of the number 1539, referring to the prime numbers that multiply together to make the original number, is 3, 3, 3, 3, 19, or 3 to the power of 4 x 19. In Scripture, where God is the ultimate mathematician and all numbers have meaning, the number 3 denotes divine perfection and completion. According to E.W. Bullinger: “All things that are specially complete are stamped with this number three.” The number 19 denotes the “perfection of Divine order connected with judgment.”

The pattern of both decrees being preceded by a momentous birth 1,539 years earlier bolsters the significance of the latter (Suleiman) decree and corroborates James Ussher's Bible chronology, which places Creation in 4004 BC and Abraham's birth in 1996 BC.

According to Ussher's timeline, the earth will be 6,030 years old in 2027.

How might 6,030 years fit into God's 6,000 year plan of redemption?

Keep in mind that the 6,000-year plan of redemption wasn't necessary until Adam and Eve sinned. While Scripture doesn't reveal how much time passed between Creation and Adam's temptation and fall, we know that Jesus, the “second Adam,” had been on earth about 30 years when He was tempted by Satan and triumphed (1 Cor. 15:45; Luke 3:23; 4:1, 2). In the Bible, 30 is the age of maturity and accountability (Num. 4:3; 2 Sam. 5:4; Gen. 41:46). If the first Adam was, like Jesus, tempted by the Devil after 30 years, the fall of man may have occurred 30 years after Creation, in 3974 BC.

Counting 6,000 years from 3974 BC, we arrive at 2027.

A 2027 endpoint for the 6,000 years is interesting because 2027 marks the last fall-festival season before Israel's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. Jesus says the generation who sees Israel, the “fig tree,” come to life and put forth leaves will see all the end-times events mentioned in Matthew 24 take place (vv. 32-34). Scripture defines the upper limit of a generation as 80 years (Ps. 90:10).

Subtracting 7 years, the span of the tribulation period, from 2027 we arrive at 2020 for a possible start of a second fulfillment of Daniel's 70<sup>th</sup> week.

See chart: [http://www.theseasonofreturn.com/6000\\_years\\_-\\_usher\\_3.pdf](http://www.theseasonofreturn.com/6000_years_-_usher_3.pdf)

The above chronology is striking for its symmetry. It puts exactly 4,000 years, or four biblical "days," between the fall of man and Messiah's appearance in 27 AD, and exactly 2,000 years, or two biblical "days," between Messiah and the calculated 6,000<sup>th</sup> year, or end of the age, in 2027.

Messiah redeeming Israel after 2,000 years is alluded to in Hosea: "After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him" (Hos. 6:2).

Having identified 2020 as a plausible start point for a second fulfillment of Daniel's 70<sup>th</sup> week, we understand that when ancient dating and year counts are involved there is a margin of error. That is to say, assuming Daniel's weeks have a second fulfillment related to Messiah's return, the Gregorian year 2020 should not be seen as an absolute deadline or cutoff date.

Nonetheless, the convergence of timelines suggests that the year of reckoning is near, if not upon us.

The season is auspicious as well.

Fall-festival typologies point to the Tribulation beginning in the autumn. It also seems probable that the "fall" of man occurred in the fall. (Creation likely occurred in the spring, the season of new beginnings.) If God's 6,000-year plan of redemption began in the fall, it may logically conclude in the fall.

For this reason autumn is a time to be looking up each year.

#### IT'S BIBLICAL TO STUDY AND WATCH

Some question the value of searching out the time of Jesus' return. However, the pursuit is entirely biblical:

We study the timelines in Daniel because the wise men of 2,000 years ago did, and because Scripture implies that these coded countdowns will be "unsealed," or better understood, in the last days (Dan. 12:4, 9).

We share our findings and speculation to spur each other on as we see the day approaching (Heb. 10:25).

We warn of the impending Day of the Lord because it's our obligation as watchmen (Ez. 33:6).

We watch because it's a blessed endeavor (Luke 12:37).

Therefore, study, encourage, watch, and declare Jesus' soon return.

The great Day of the Lord is near—near and coming quickly.

#### NOTES:

1. More on the 1537 decree to rebuild Jerusalem:

[http://www.theseasonofreturn.com/Do\\_Jerusalems\\_Walls\\_Predict\\_the\\_Year\\_of\\_Messiahs\\_Return.pdf](http://www.theseasonofreturn.com/Do_Jerusalems_Walls_Predict_the_Year_of_Messiahs_Return.pdf)

2. Prime factorization of the number 1,539:

<https://www.2dtx.com/prime/prime1539.html>

3. James Ussher Bible chronology:

<http://gospelpedlar.com/articles/Bible/Usher.pdf>

4. Ussher creation date:

<https://answersingenesis.org/bible-timeline/the-world-born-in-4004-bc/>

5. Abraham born 1996 BC:

<https://biography.yourdictionary.com/abraham>

<https://answersingenesis.org/bible-timeline/>

6. Biblically, 30 is the age of maturity and accountability:

- Priests officially entered service at age 30 (Num. 4:3).
- David became King at age 30 (2 Sam. 5:4).
- Joseph became second in command to Pharaoh at age 30 (Gen. 41:46).
- Ezekiel was called by God to be a prophet at age 30 (Ezek. 1:1).
- Jesus was anointed Messiah at age 30 (Luke 3:21-23).

Could the 6,000 years have begun when Adam was deemed amply mature to be tempted, about 30 years after Creation in 3974 BC?

7. A thousand years is equivalent to a day in Scripture (2 Pet. 3:8).