**DANIEL 9 SERMON NOTES.**

**CHAPTER 9:1-27.**

1. Brief review of chapters 2, 7, and 8.

 a. The 4 universal empires: Babylon; Persia; Greece; Rome.

 b. Beasts, lion, bear, leopard, non-descript, ram goat; with horns and a little horn.

 c. The daily sacrifice and the abomination of desolation.

2. V1. The time setting for chapter 9.

 a. Darius, the son of Ahasuerus, the Mede. About 539.

3. V2. The prophecy of Jeremiah and Isaiah concerning the captivity.

 a. Jer. 25:11; 29:10; Is. 44:28; 45:1.

4. V3-19. Daniel’s impassioned prayer for **his people.**

5. V20-23. The “man Gabriel” comes to give Daniel an understanding of V2.

6. **70 WEEKS ARE DETERMINED UPON THEY PEOPLE, AND THE HOLY CITY.**

7. The vision embraces a mighty work among Daniel’s people.

 **a. Finish the transgression; b. make an end of sins; c. make reconciliation for iniquity; d. bring in everlasting righteousness; e. seal up the vision; and, f. ANOIN THE MOST HOLY.**

8. This vision is not about beasts, images, empires, horns, and desolations of false religions.

 a. They are not mentioned in the vision or the text anywhere.

 b. Instead it is about “thy people” and the “holy city”.

9. Look back at a brief overview of the history of Israel.

 a. The off springs of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

 b. Their sojourn and deliverance from Egyptian bondage (a type of sin).

 c. Their occupation of the promised land (a type of God’s promise to mankind).

 d. Their law and their temple and feast days (a type of the coming kingdom).

 e. Their rise to greatness and their fall into idolatry.

 f. Their Davidic dynasty and the lineage of Christ through Judah.

 g. Now they are scattered captives; their city and temple destroyed and their hopes ruined.

10. Daniel knows the 70 years of captivity are about over from Jeremiah and Isaiah.

 a. He understands the promise of a savior through the lineage of Judah and David.

 b. But they have no king and we are the nation to bring the savior to the world.

11. Then Gabriel comes to give Daniel an understanding.

 a. Repeat the great vision of V24 and what it means to all mankind.

12. Outline the history of “Daniel’s people” for the next 600 years.

 a. They are allowed to return to Jerusalem by the decree of Cyrus.

 b. About 80 years later, 457 BC. Artaxerxes issues a decree for Ezra and Jerusalem.

 c. They are still captives and no king through Persia, Greece and into Rome.

 d. Jesus of Nazareth is born of a virgin in Bethlehem.

 e. They had expectations he would deliver them from Roman rule and be their king.

 f. His baptism in 26 AD, and ministry and might works.

 g. He was crucified as an imposter after about 3 ½ years of ministry.

 h. He is resurrected and their hope of a king soars.

 i. He ascends and they still have no king.

 j. Pentecost and all who call on the name of Jesus will be **SAVED.**

 k. The law, priesthood and animal sacrifices are over.

 l. Judah is left desolate, with the prediction of destruction.

13. The prophetic events of V24 are the key to this vision of Daniel’s people.

14. V25. The allocation of the 70 weeks in the fulfilling of the vision.

 a. From the going forth of the commandment to Messiah the prince = 69 weeks.

15. V27. He shall confirm the covenant with many for one week.

 a. And in the midst of the (one) week, he shall cause the sacrifice and oblation to cease.

16. Discuss the two Persian (unchangeable) decrees.

 a. Cyrus; Darius enforced it.j

 b. Artaxerxes (Ezra 7:11-23) Decree of restoration carried out by Ezra and Nehemiah.

17. The decree of Artaxerxes was in the 7th year of his reign (Ezra 7:7), 457 BC.

18. Calculate the 490 years to fit the text.

 a. 69 weeks = 483 years to the **anointing of the most holy (26 AD).**

 b. He proclaimed the covenant for one week.

 c. In the midst of that week he caused the sacrifice and oblation to cease.

 d. The last ½ of the last week of giving the gospel to the Jews.

19. The great purpose of **DANIEL’S PEOPLE” AS A TYPE AND AS A SERVANT NATION TO BRING THE SAVIOR TO THE WORLD IS NOW COMPLETE.**

20. Because of the unbelief of so many Hebrew people, desolation spiritually and finally destruction was their end.

21. The general application of the 70 weeks

22. The two “abominations of desolation” of the book of Daniel.

23. Q & A.