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Daniel 9:24-27

The Amazing Prophecy

Introduction to seventy weeks,
and six prophecies (24)

69 weeks (25-26)

The gap in timeline (26)

70th week (26, 27)

Seventy Weeks Calendar

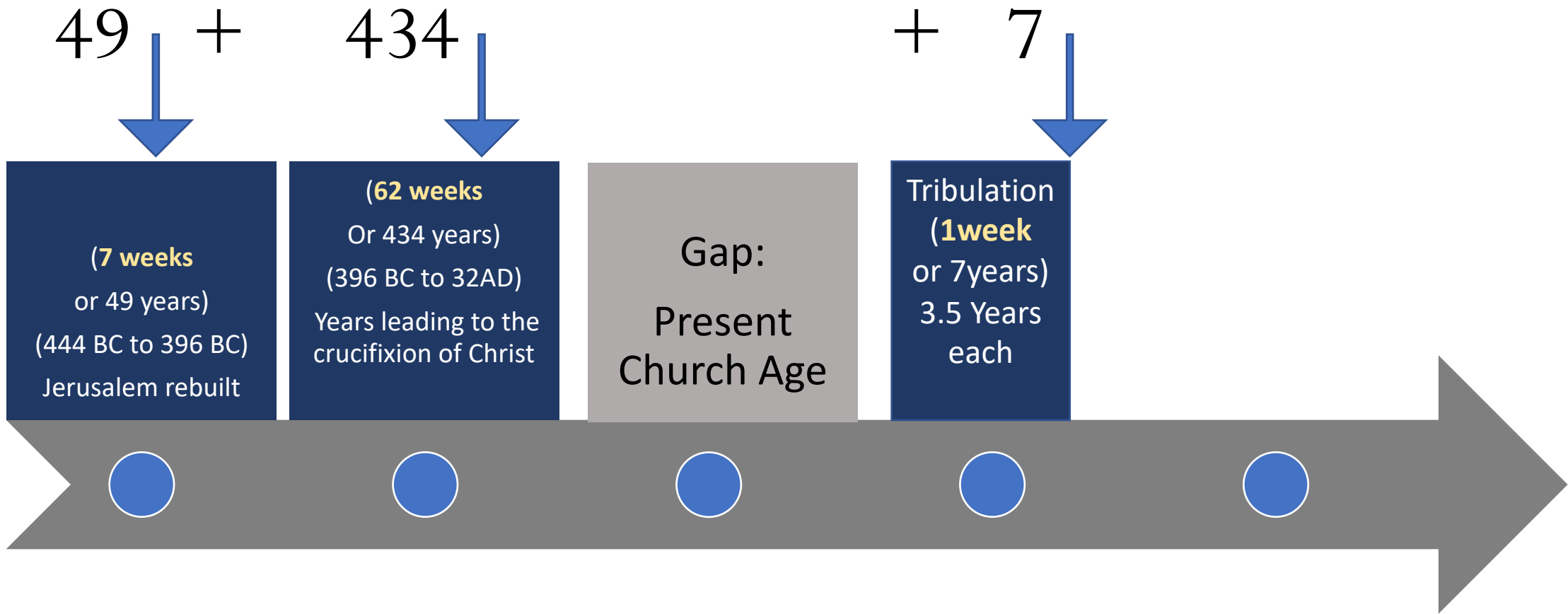
9:24 **Seventy weeks** are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city,

Week = 1 year

Weeks (in Hebrew) = unit of 7

70 weeks = $70 \times 7 = 490$ years

Focus of prophesy (9:24): Thy people (Israelites), Holy City (Jerusalem)





Seventy weeks

When does the clock for 490 years start?

When does it end?

What happens during this period?

The first 69 weeks (25-26)

Start of 69 weeks: Issue of Decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem

End of 69 weeks: Messiah being cut off

Total length = 483 years

(7 weeks or 49 years

+ 62 weeks or 434 years = total of 483 years)

Jerusalem rebuilt during the first 49 years

With which decree does the clock for 490 years start?

1

Decree by Cyrus (538 BC) (Ezra 1 and Ezra 5): For Israelites to return from Babylon to rebuild the temple

2

Decree by Darius (517 BC) (Ezra 6): To rebuild the temple

3

Decree by Artaxerxes (438 BC) (Ezra 7): To give Ezra right to return to Jerusalem to rebuild the temple.

4

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#4 Decree by Artaxerxes (444 BC) (Nehemiah 2): To give Nehemiah right to return to Jerusalem to rebuild the city and the walls.

The clock starts here – 444 BC

^{9:25} Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem the **street shall be built again**, and the wall, even in troublous times.

Nehemiah 6:15 . . . wall was finished (despite much opposition)



483 years later ...
just as it was
prophesied ...

- 483 years later, **Lord Jesus Christ made a triumphant entry** into Jerusalem before his crucifixion!
- The precision of this prophecy is amazing (but should not be surprising to a believer). All of God's words are true.
 - Prophecy (Zechariah 9:9)
 - Fulfilled (Luke 19:36)
 - Jesus weeps, (Luke 19:41-44)



483 years later

...

- Jesus makes a triumphant entry, and soon after Messiah **is cut off** (crucified) in 32 AD (26)
- Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: (9:26)
 - Isaiah 53:8 he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken.
- Prophecy is for 490 years ... adding 7 years to 32 AD takes us to 39AD ... **what happened in 39 AD?**

483 years later ... +7 years = 490 Years

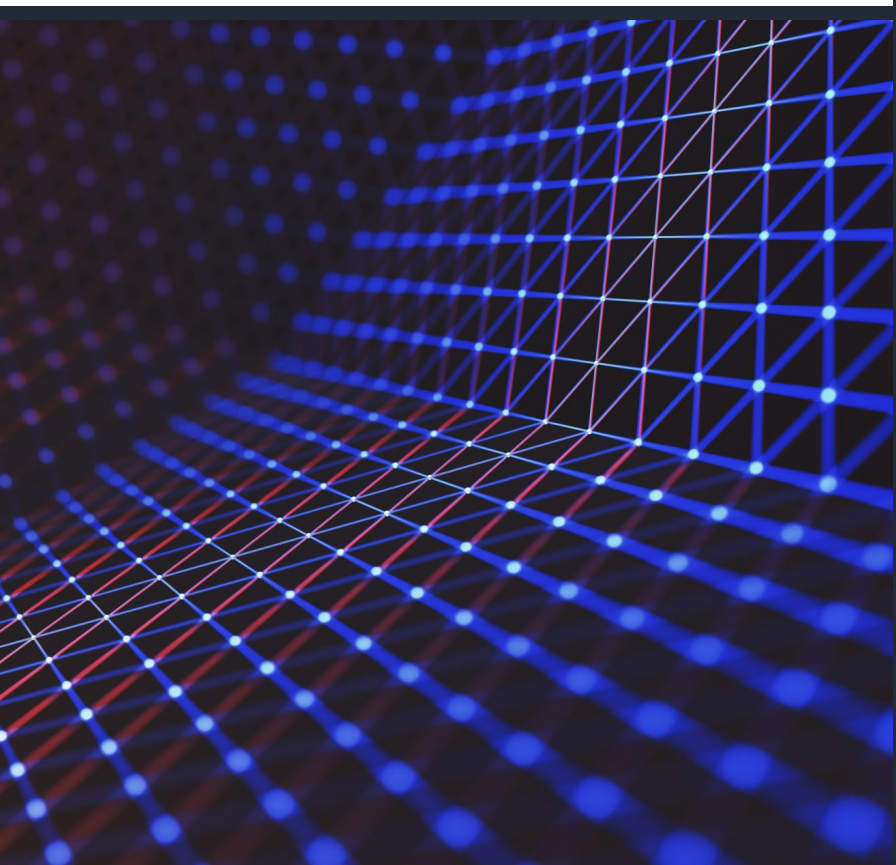
+7 = 39 AD ...
nothing of
relevance to
prophecy happened

But isn't the
prophecy supposed
to end in 490
Years??? How do
we explain this?

483 years are now history ... when does the last 7 years of prophecy begin?

- Gap in 70 weeks Prophecy ... gap after 69th week
- **GAP** = ongoing **Church Age**
 - Desolation of temple and destruction of Jerusalem in 70 AD (9:26)
- 7-year period will begin when Church age ends (with the rapture of church, I Thessalonians 4:15-17). When will church age end?

When will the
church age end?



Church age will end with the rapture of believers
(before 7-year tribulation) (* some believe that church will
go through tribulation)

Timing is unknown (Matthew 24:39-41; I
Thessalonians 4:13-18)

Only the believers will have a part in
the rapture ...**Are you a believer?**
What will happen to unbelievers
during rapture?

What's at stake when rapture happens?

Not our salvation (it is secure for eternity) (John 10:29, Ephesians 1:13-14)

But our inheritance and crown (Hebrews 3:14, Revelation 3:11)

The final week (or last 7 years
of 490 years prophecy)



7-year period
(3.5 + 3.5)

(9:27)

- **Anti-Christ**, a world leader... emerges from the ten-nation federation of Roman empire (7:24, 9:27, 12:11, Matthew 24:15, Revelation 13:5)
- Makes covenant with Israel to restore temple sacrifices for 7-years ... but covenant broken in the middle, giving rise to final great tribulation for 3.5 years
 - Abomination of desolation (Matthew 24:15) - characterized by idolatry and removal of sacrifices.
 - Period of extreme pain and sorrow (Revelation 6-19, Seven seals/trumpets/bowls)
 - mark of 666, and 144,000 saved (Revelation 7:4; Revelation 14)

Following 7-year period of tribulation

Jesus Christ Returns (Matthew 24:29-30)

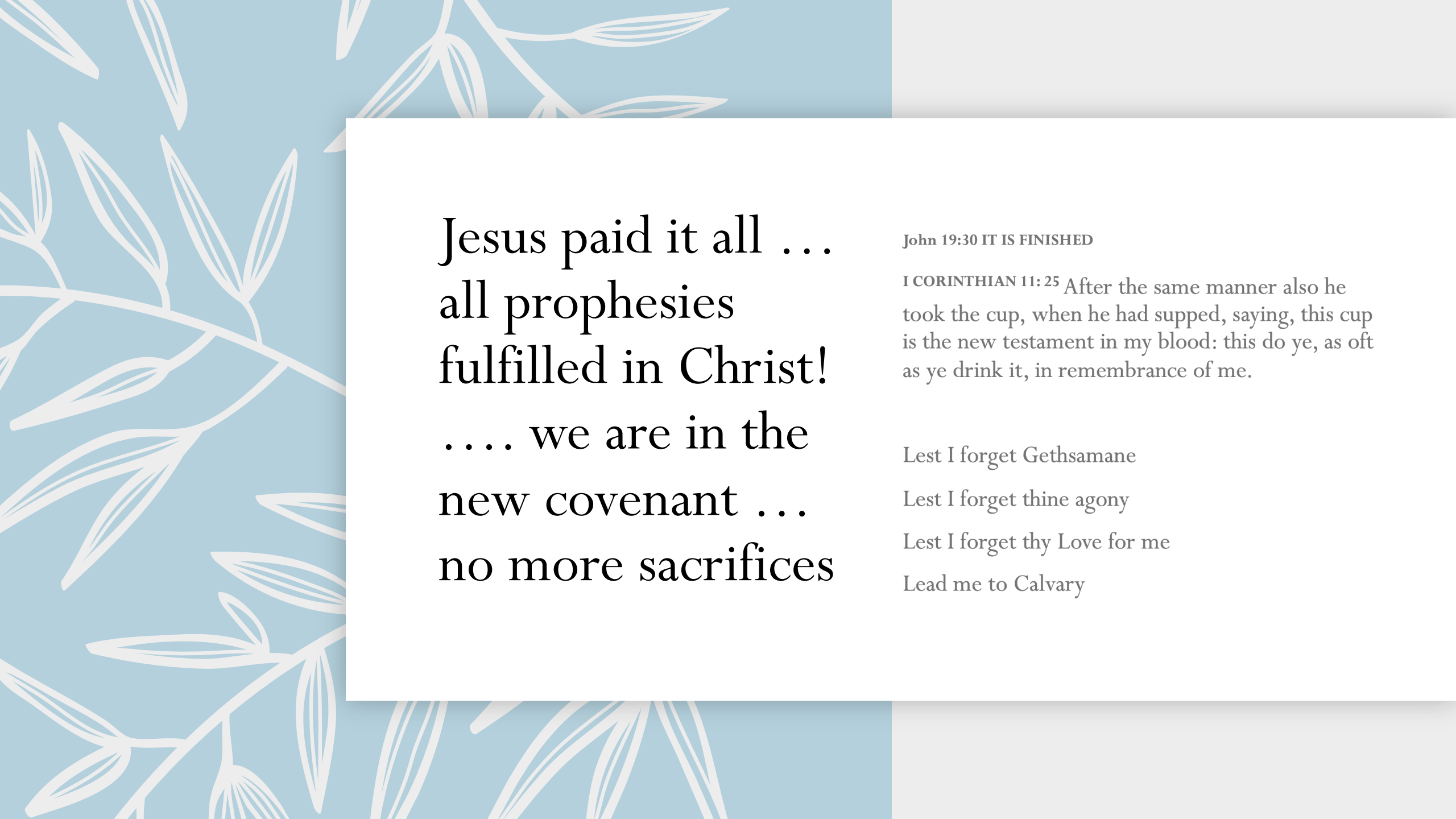
Armageddon (Christ wins the epic battle with evil forces) (Revelation, 19:11-19)

Cast into lake of fire: Anti-Christ & false prophet (Revelation 19:20) Satan (Revelation 20:10)

1,000 YEAR RULE with saints (Revelation 20:6)

White Throne Judgement (of unbelievers) (second death) (Revelation 20:11-15)

New heavens and New earth (new Jerusalem) (Revelation 21:1-2) ... rest of eternity!



Jesus paid it all ...
all prophecies
fulfilled in Christ!
.... we are in the
new covenant ...
no more sacrifices

John 19:30 IT IS FINISHED

I CORINTHIAN 11: 25 After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, this cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

Lest I forget Gethsamane

Lest I forget thine agony

Lest I forget thy Love for me

Lead me to Calvary

Six prophecies (9:24)

to finish the transgression,

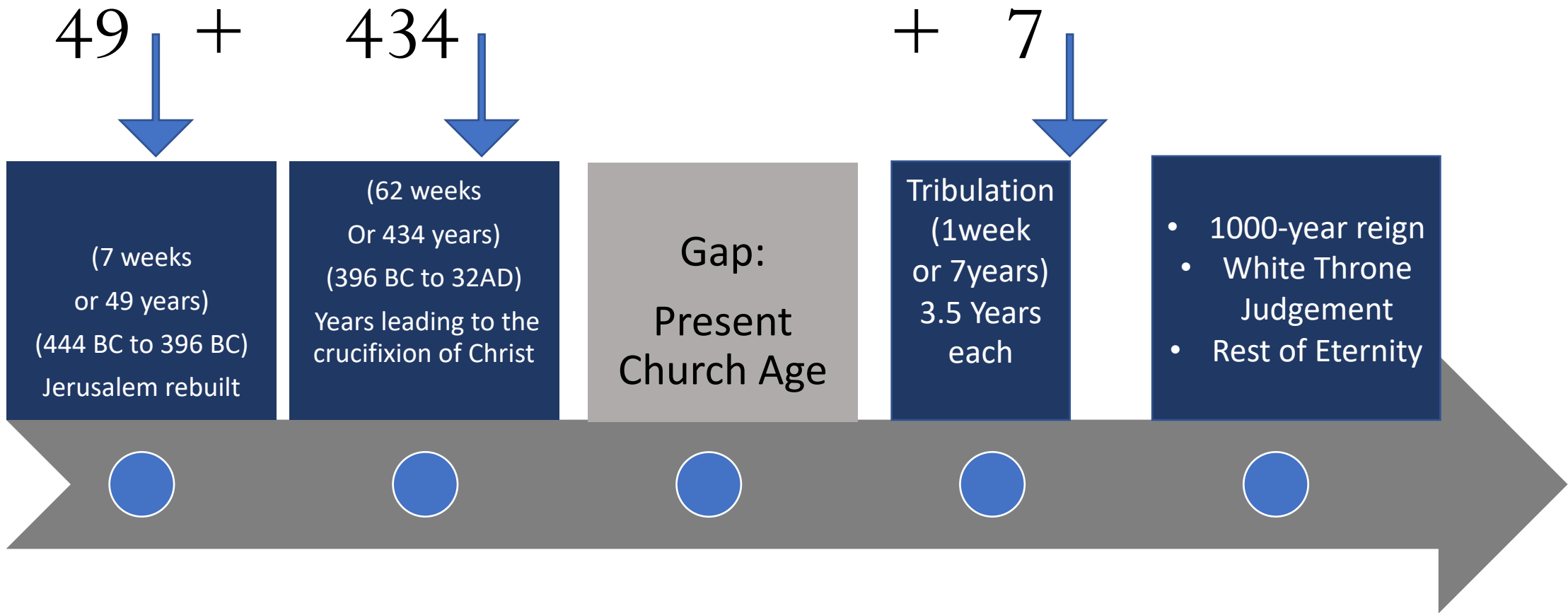
to make an end of sins, (source of sin is destroyed, when Satan defeated)

to make reconciliation for iniquity, (through His blood)

to bring in everlasting righteousness,

to seal up the vision and prophecy, (Sealing, implies completed)

to anoint the most Holy (Christ, Temple, or Church?)



What memory verse?

Chapter 1:8a

Chapter 3:17-18

Chapter 5:25

Chapter 2:22

Chapter 4:34

Chapter 6: 27

Chapter 7:18

Chapter 8: 19

**God's
unchanging
Attributes
(as seen in
previous
chapters)**

God knows everything

God is Just

God is merciful

God is our deliverer

God is always present (with us)

God is Sovereign (He is in absolute control)

God is Faithful (He honors those who honor Him)



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