

Seventy Weeks of Daniel Chapter 9

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These seventy weeks are determined for Daniel's people (All Israel) and for Daniel's holy city (Jerusalem). The vision came to Daniel from the angel Gabriel after he had understood the 70 years of desolations spoken by the prophet Jeremiah (Jer 25:11) and had prayed for his people and city by confessing their sins. The 70 years were a direct result of Israel neglecting the sabbath year rest for the land for 490 years. He realized the time was fast approaching when the desolations would end and he was seeking knowledge from the Lord. His vision is only regarding the people of Israel and therefore the time when they are set aside while God takes up the "church which is His body" is omitted.

