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The TRIBULATION

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# PROPHETIC PANORAMA

**CHRIST**

**RAPTURE**

**SECOND ADVENT**

**CHRISTIANS**

**SEVEN YEARS**

**666**

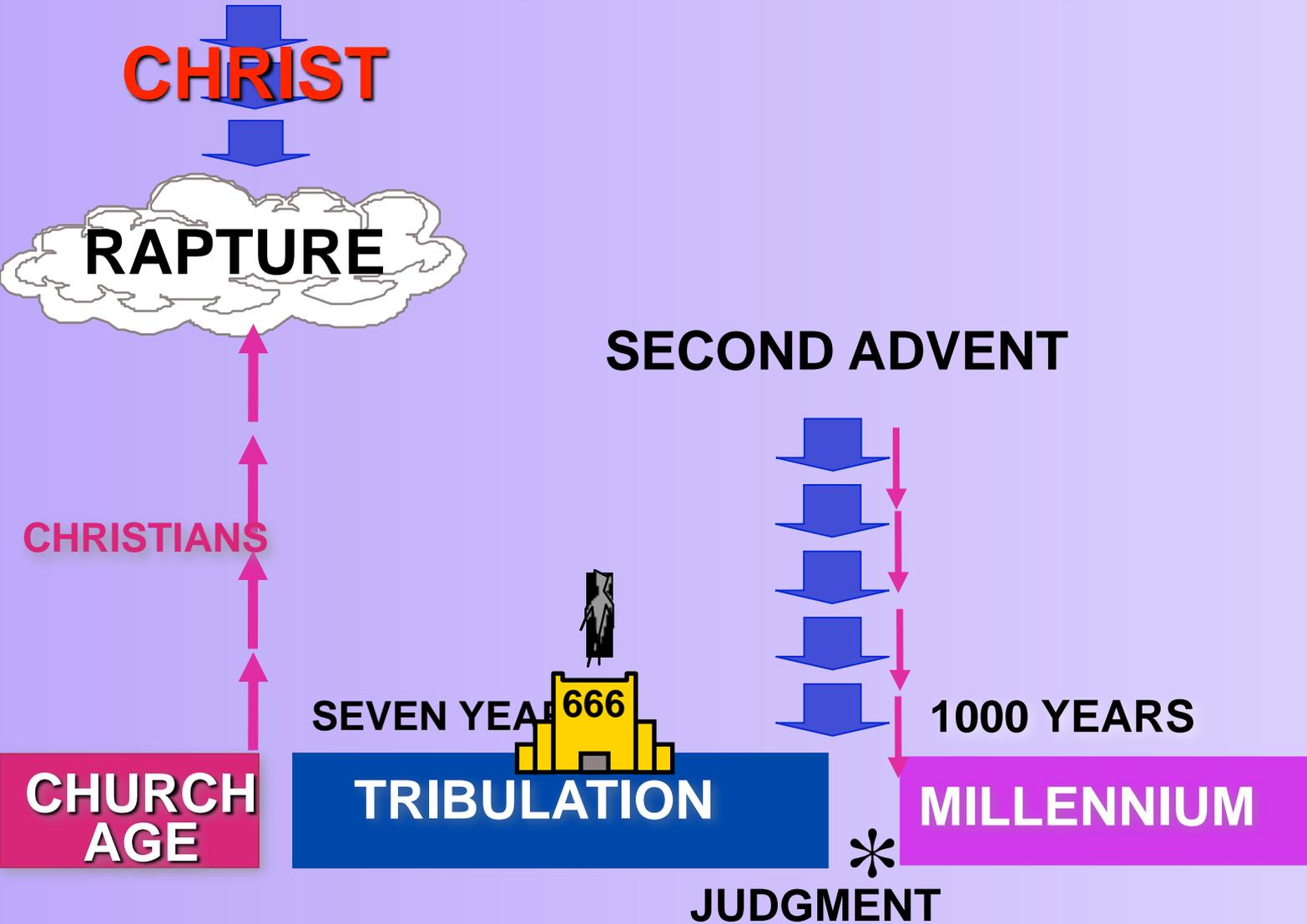
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# The Numbers of the Tribulation

1. **ONE** Abomination of Desolation
2. **TWO** Beasts; Two Witnesses
3. **THREE** Series of Divine Judgments
4. **FOUR** Living Creatures Before the Throne



# 1. ONE Abomination of Desolation

**Matt. 24:15, “Therefore when you see the  
*‘abomination of desolation,’* spoken of by  
Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy  
place (whoever reads, let him  
understand),”**

**Matt. 24:21, “For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be.”**

# Daniel's Seventy "Weeks" Seventy Periods of Sevens

**Dan. 9:24-27**

The  
Coming  
Prince

Messiah  
Returns



**3½  
years**

Third Temple  
(Tribulation)  
Dan. 9:27

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years**

**ISRAEL**

**Jer. 30:7, “Alas! For that day is great, so that none is like it; and it is the time of Jacob’s trouble, but he shall be saved out of it.”**

**Dan. 9:24, “Seventy weeks are determined for your people and for your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sins, to make reconciliation for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy.**

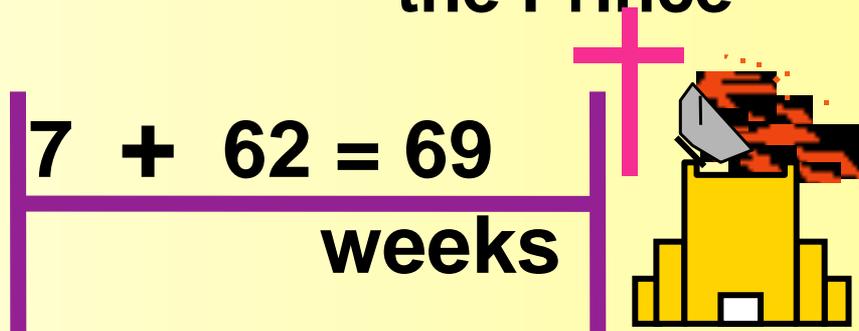
**Dan. 9:25, “So you are to know and discern that from the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; it will be built again, with plaza and moat, even in times of distress.”**

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March 30,  
AD 33

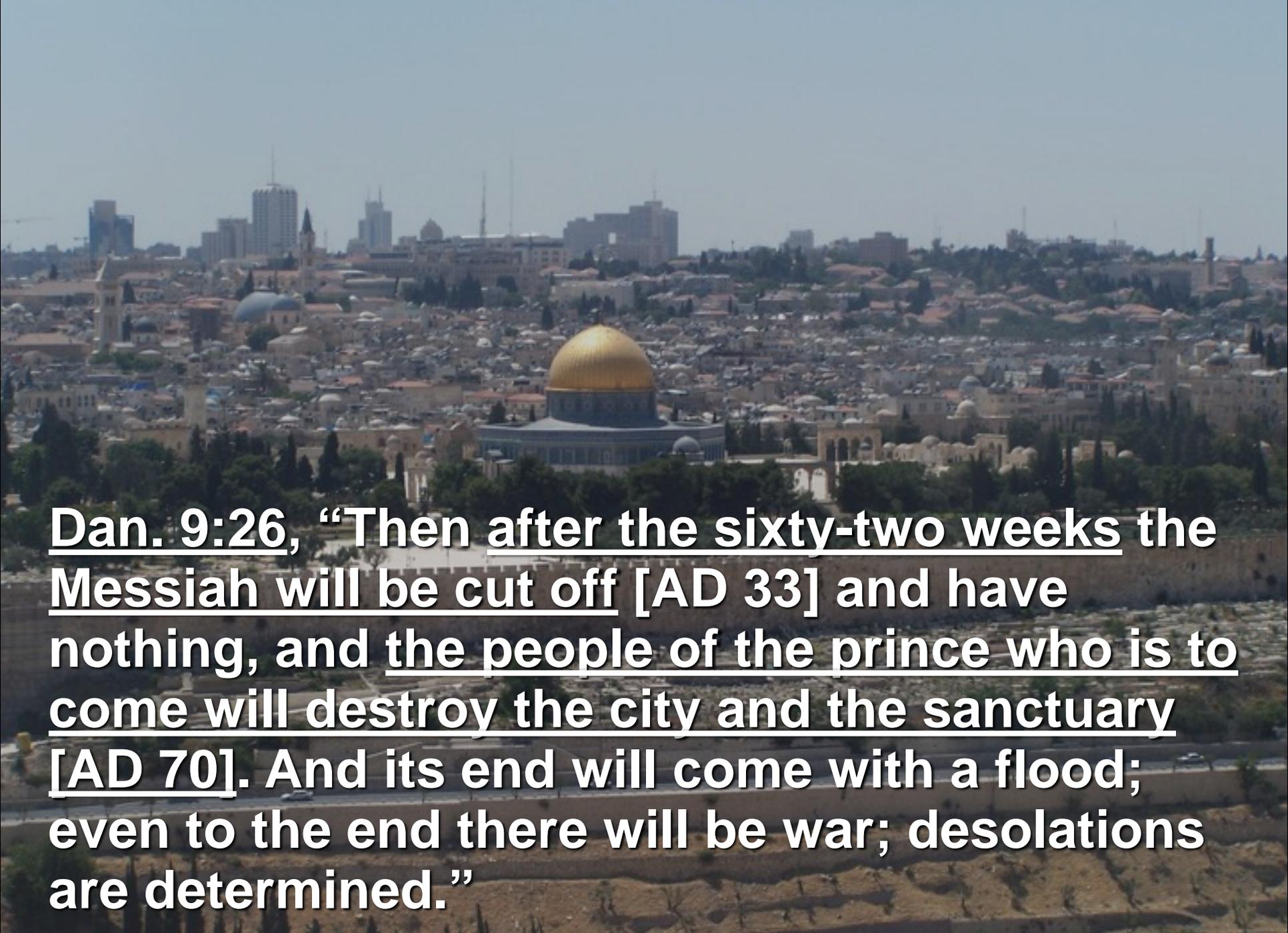
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**ISRAEL**

An aerial photograph of Jerusalem, Israel, showing the city's dense urban landscape. The central focus is the Dome of the Rock, a large Islamic shrine with a prominent golden dome. The city extends to the horizon, with various buildings and structures visible under a clear sky. The foreground shows a road and some greenery.

**Dan. 9:26, “Then after the sixty-two weeks the Messiah will be cut off [AD 33] and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary [AD 70]. And its end will come with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined.”**

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$$\begin{array}{|l} 7 + 62 = 69 \\ \hline \text{weeks} \end{array}$$

$$70 \times 7 = 490 \text{ years}$$

$$69 \times 7 = 483 \text{ years} = 173,880 \text{ days}$$

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*What happened to the  
other seven years???*

# ISRAEL

**Dan. 9:26, “And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; and the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, and till the end of the war desolations are determined.”**



**Dan. 9:27, “Then he [the prince/anti-Christ] shall confirm a covenant with many [Israel] for one week [7 years]; But in the middle of the week he shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, even until the consummation, which is determined, is poured out on the desolate.”**

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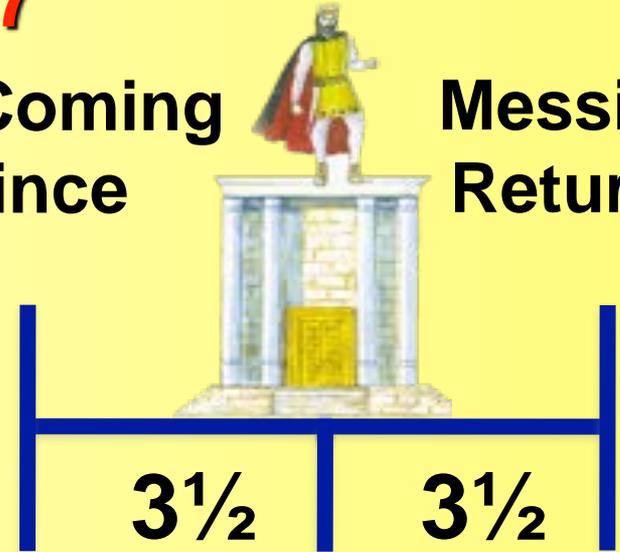
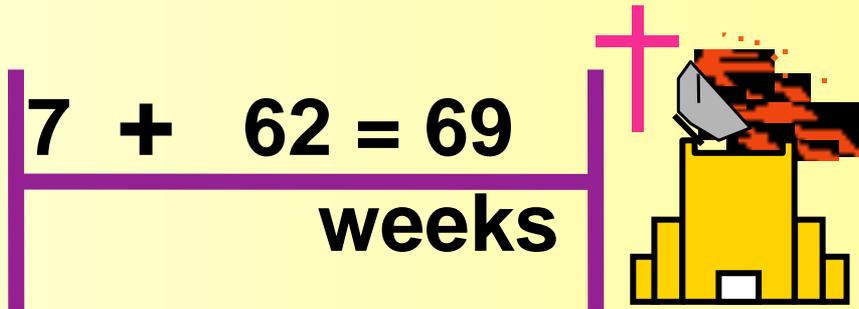
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70<sup>th</sup> Week  
Unfulfilled

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1,260 days**

**30  
days**

**ISRAEL**

**Daniel 11:31,**

**“Forces from him will arise, desecrate the sanctuary fortress, and do away with the regular sacrifice. And they will set up the abomination of desolation.”**

**Daniel 12:11,**

**“From the time that the regular sacrifice is abolished and the abomination of desolation is set up, *there will be 1,290 days.*”**



**There will be two stages or phases of  
the *abomination of desolation*:**

**Phase 1 – The presence of the anti-Christ  
himself in the temple—in the Holy of  
Holies (2 Thess. 2:4)**

**Phase 2 – The image of the anti-Christ in the  
temple (Rev. 13:11–15). This image will  
remain in the temple for another 30 days  
after the anti-Christ is cast into the Lake  
of Fire (Dan. 12:11).**



# 1. **ONE** Abomination of Desolation



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**3 1/2**



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**SEVEN YEARS**



## **2. TWO Beasts; Two Witnesses**

**The First Beast: Anti-Christ**

**The Second Beast: The False Prophet**

## 2. **TWO** Beasts; Two Witnesses



- 1. “Anti-Christ” is a term used 1×, but has become the most common title for the first “beast” of Revelation.**

**1 John 2:18, “Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have arisen; from this we know that it is the last hour.”**

**1 John 2:22, “Who is the liar but the one who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, the one who denies the Father and the Son.”**

**ἀντίχριστος, *antichristos*: a substitute Christ, not one who is against Christ; someone who claims to do what only the Messiah can do: world peace, end hunger and poverty, universal healthcare, ecological harmony.**

## **2. A wide variety of titles are given this individual:**

- The prince who is to come (Dan. 9:26);**
- The one who makes desolate;**
- The abomination of desolation (Dan. 9:27; Matt. 24:15);**
- The man of lawlessness (2 Thess. 2:3);**
- The beast (Rev. 11:7; see also 13:1; 14:9; 15:2; 16:2; 17:3, 13; 19:20; 20:10)**

**3. He rises to power during the transition after the Rapture, but before the beginning of Daniel's seventieth week. Dan. 9:27; Dan. 7:24, 25**

**2 Thess. 2:3, "Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away [departure] comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition,"**

**Dan. 9:27, “And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate.”**

**4. The anti-Christ arises from the European/Roman Empire remains (Dan. 2:40–41; 7:24).**

# The Image of Daniel 2

**Gold**

**605–539 BC—Babylon**

**Silver**

**539 BC–331 BC—Medo-Persia**

**Brass**

**331 BC–146 BC—Greece**

**Iron**

**146 BC–AD 1453—Rome**

**Iron/Clay**

**Revived Roman Empire**



**5. The anti-Christ will set himself up to be worshipped as God.**

**Dan. 11:36, “Then the king will do as he pleases, and he will exalt and magnify himself above every god and will speak monstrous things against the God of gods; and he will prosper until the indignation is finished, for that which is decreed will be done.”**

**6. He will make war against all believers in Jesus.**

**Dan. 7:25, “He will speak out against the Most High and wear down the saints of the Highest One, and he will intend to make alterations in times and in law; and they will be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time” (3-1/2 years).**

**7. Anti-Christ establishes a mark which signifies religious allegiance to him, without which there is no buying or selling.**

# The Mark of the Beast

Rev. 13:16, “He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads,”

*epi* means “on, upon”



**8. He will be involved in strong deception.**

**Matt. 24:24, “For false Christs [Messiahs] and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.”**



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**9. He sets himself to be worshipped in the Temple of God (Dan. 9:27; 2 Thess. 2:4)**



**10. His destiny is to be sent to the Lake of Fire with the False Prophet, Rev. 19:11–21**

# 11. Jewish or Gentile?

**The First Beast is a Gentile!**

**Rev. 13:1, “Then I stood on the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast rising up out of the sea,”**

# **The Second Beast: The False Prophet**

**Rev. 13:11–18**

**He is a distinct personage from the anti-Christ and also portrayed as the second beast, “another beast.” He is a prophet or spokesman for the anti-Christ.**

**Rev. 13:11, “Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth, and he had two horns like a lamb and spoke like a dragon.”**

ἄλλος (*allos*), other; other of the same kind.

# **The Second Beast: The False Prophet**

- 1. The False Prophet is another beast “of the same kind.” (Rev. 13:11)**
- 2. He causes the earth-dwellers to worship the first beast, to make an image of him, and kills those who do not worship the first beast. (Rev. 13:13–15)**
- 3. He performs signs, wonders, miracles, “fire from heaven”.**
- 4. He carries out the policy to force all to take the mark of the beast.**

Rev. 13:16, “He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a **mark** on their right hand or on their foreheads,

Rev. 13:17, “and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.”

- χάραγμα *charagma*, a mark that is engraved, etched, branded, cut, imprinted, or stamped

# Who Are the Two Witnesses?



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1. The two witnesses are active for 1,260 days.

**Rev. 11:3, “And I will grant *authority* to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for twelve hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth.”**

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- 2. The two witnesses have prophetic ministries similar to Moses and Elijah, but are not Moses and Elijah, because these two prophets have already died.**

**Matt. 11:13, “For all the prophets and the Law prophesied until John.**

**Matt. 11:14, “And if you are willing to accept it, John himself is Elijah who was to come.**

**Matt. 11:15, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”**

**Matt. 17:12, “But I say to you that Elijah  
has come already, and they did not know  
him but did to him whatever they wished.  
Likewise the Son of Man is also about to  
suffer at their hands.”**

**Matt. 17:13, “Then the disciples  
understood that He spoke to them of John  
the Baptist.”**

**3. Their role is to be witnesses: witnesses of the gospel and witnesses against the kingdom of the anti-Christ.**

**4. After the Beast (the anti-Christ) murders them, all the world will rejoice and view their bodies for three and a half days until God resurrects them.**

**Rev. 11:10, “And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them, make merry, and send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth.”**

**Rev. 11:11**, “Now after the three-and-a-half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them.

**Rev. 11:12**, “And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, ‘Come up here.’ And they ascended to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies saw them.

**Rev. 11:13**, “In the same hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. In the earthquake seven thousand people were killed, and the rest were afraid and gave glory to the God of heaven.”



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### **3. THREE Series of Judgments**

**Seals**

**Trumpets**

**Bowls**

# Three Series of Divine Judgments

## The Seven Seals

6:1–8:5



- ONE White Horse—Conquering Power
- TWO Red Horse—War and Bloodshed
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## The Seven Trumpets

8:7–11:19



- ONE Hail, Fire, Blood
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15:1–16:21



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Rapture of the Church



Heaven

# Seal Judgments





# Trumpet Judgments



Rapture of the Church

Hail, Fire, Blood



upon the earth

Sun, Moon, Stars



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In the Heavens

Announces Seven



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Bowl Judgments

Burning Mountain



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Into the Sea

Demonic Scorpion Locusts



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Upon People

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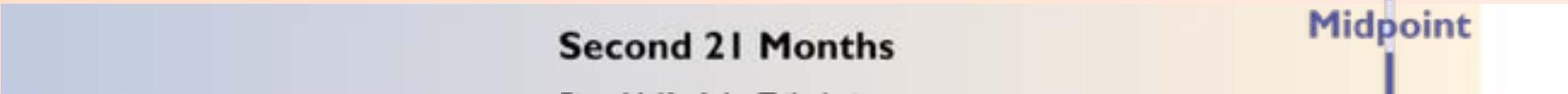
Into Fresh Waters

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6

Upon People



Second 21 Months

First Half of the Tribulation



Midpoint



**Bowl Judgments**



**Rapture of the Church**



**On those with the mark**

**1 Boils**



**3 Blood into rivers**



**5 Darkness on the throne of the Beast**



**7 Earthquake, Hail upon the air**



**2 Blood into the Sea**



**4 Scorching from the sun**



**6 Drying up the Euphrates**



**Midpoint**

**The Great Tribulation**

**Second Coming**



# The Second Coming of Christ





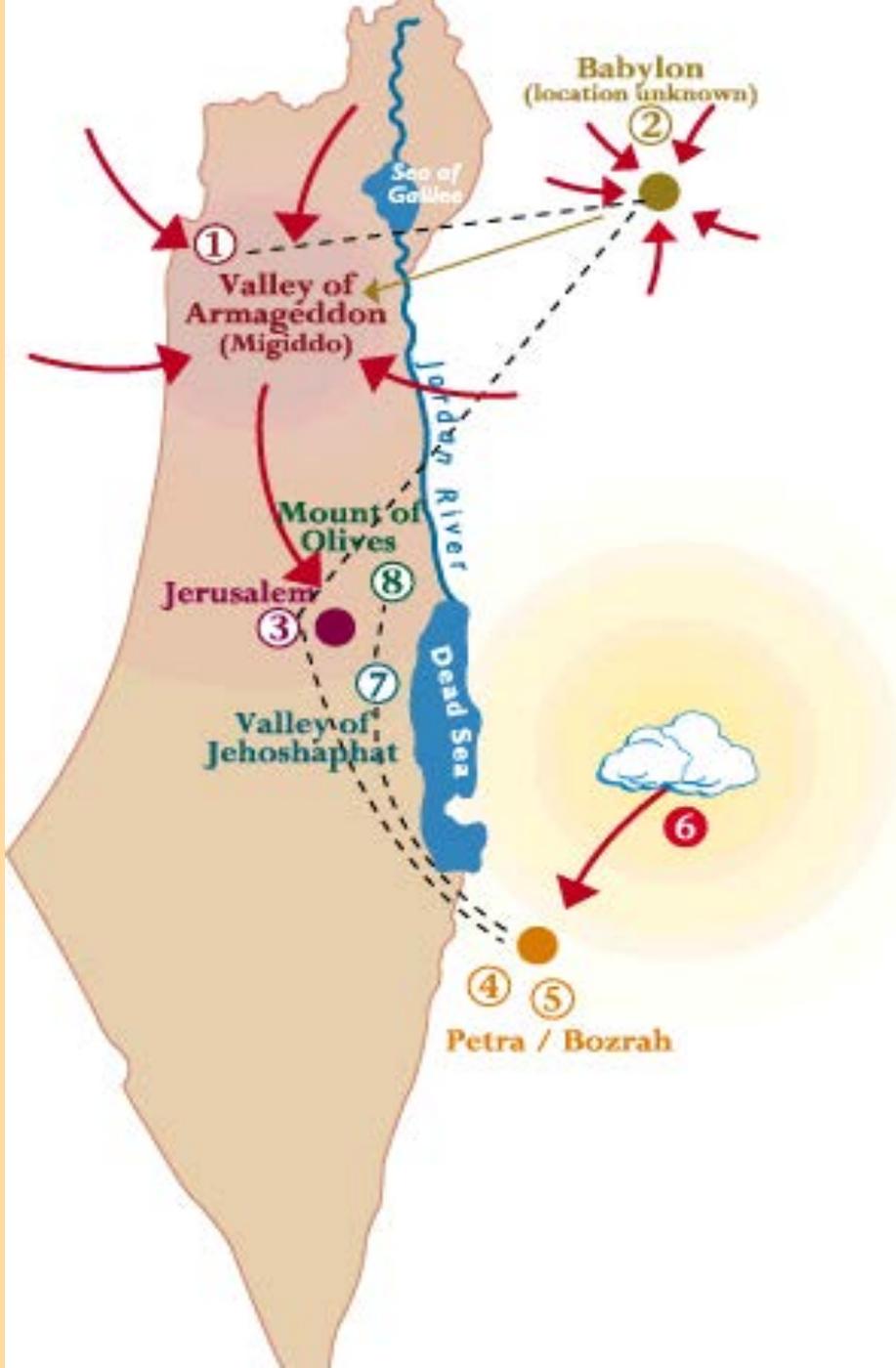
**Matt. 24:30, “Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.”**



# The Campaign of Armageddon

## THE EIGHT STAGES

- 1 Gathering of the armies of the anti-Christ
- 2 Destruction of Babylon
- 3 The fall of Jerusalem
- 4 The armies of the anti-Christ at Bozrah
- 5 Israel's regeneration
- 6 Second Coming of Christ
- 7 End of fighting at the Valley of Jehoshaphat
- 8 Victory ascent upon the Mount of Olives



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## 4. FOUR Living Creatures



**Revelation 4:6, “Before the throne there was a sea of glass, like crystal. And in the midst of the throne, and around the throne, were four living creatures full of eyes in front and in back.”**



# Four Living Creatures

1. **Creatures similar to seraphim and cherubim, they lead worship around the throne of God.**

**Rev. 4:11, “You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created.”**



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**Rev. 4:10, “the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne and worship Him who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns [*stephanos*: wreath-crowns] before the throne, saying:”**

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- 4. The 24 elders sing that the Lamb has redeemed them.**

**Rev. 5:9, “And they sang a new song, saying: ‘You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals; for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,’ ”**

**Rev. 7:9**, “After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands,

**Rev. 7:10**, “and crying out with a loud voice, saying, ‘Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!’

**Rev. 7:11**, “All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God,

**Rev. 7:12**, “saying: ‘Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honor and power and might, be to our God forever and ever. Amen.’ ”

**Rev. 11:16–18;**

**Rev. 15:3, 4;**

**Rev. 16:5–7**

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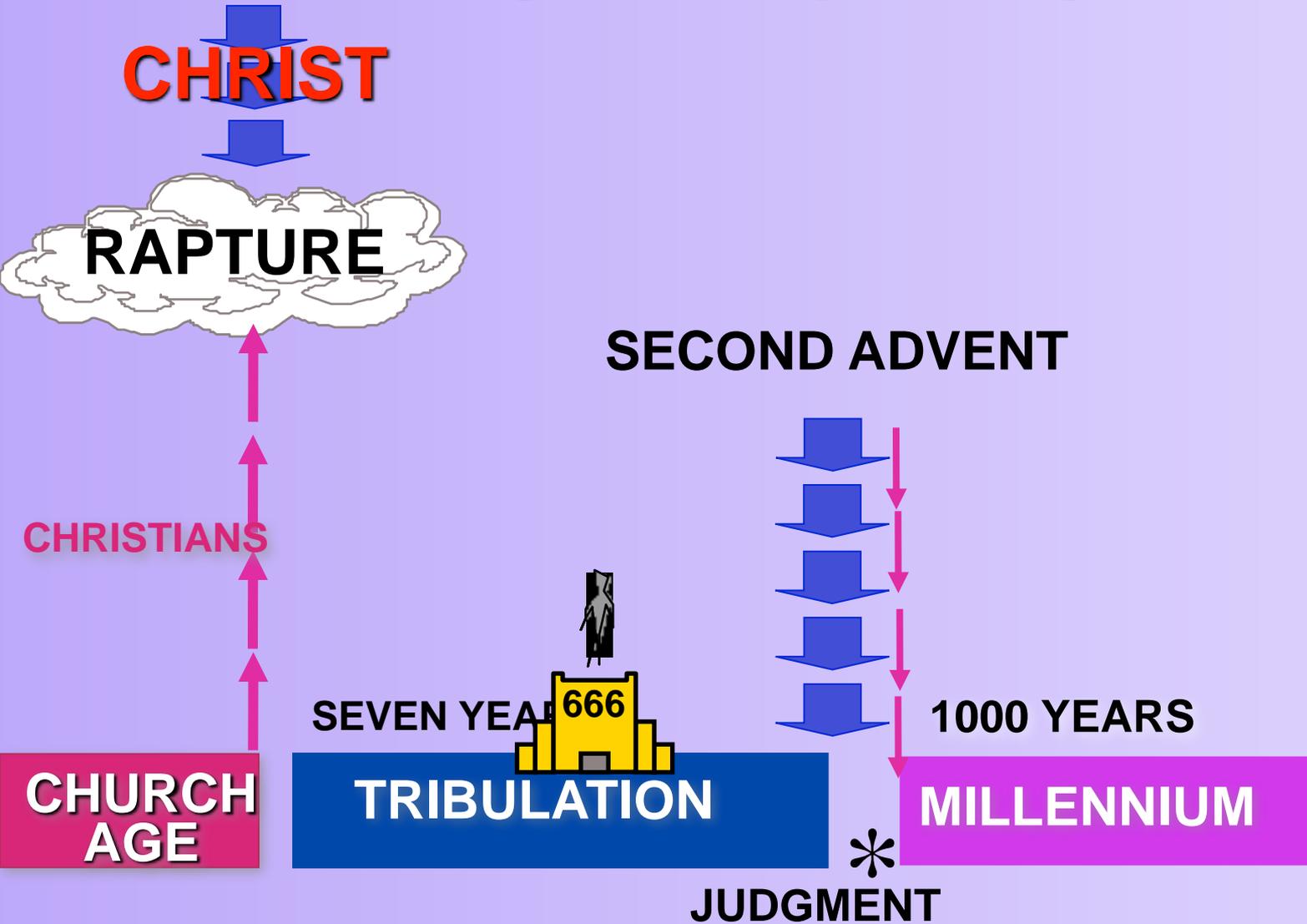
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