

LEARN THE BIBLE IN SEVEN HOURS



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PURPOSE OF THIS STUDY

- How do we know that the Bible is the Word of God?
- What is in the Bible?
- How is Jesus the focus of each book in the Bible?



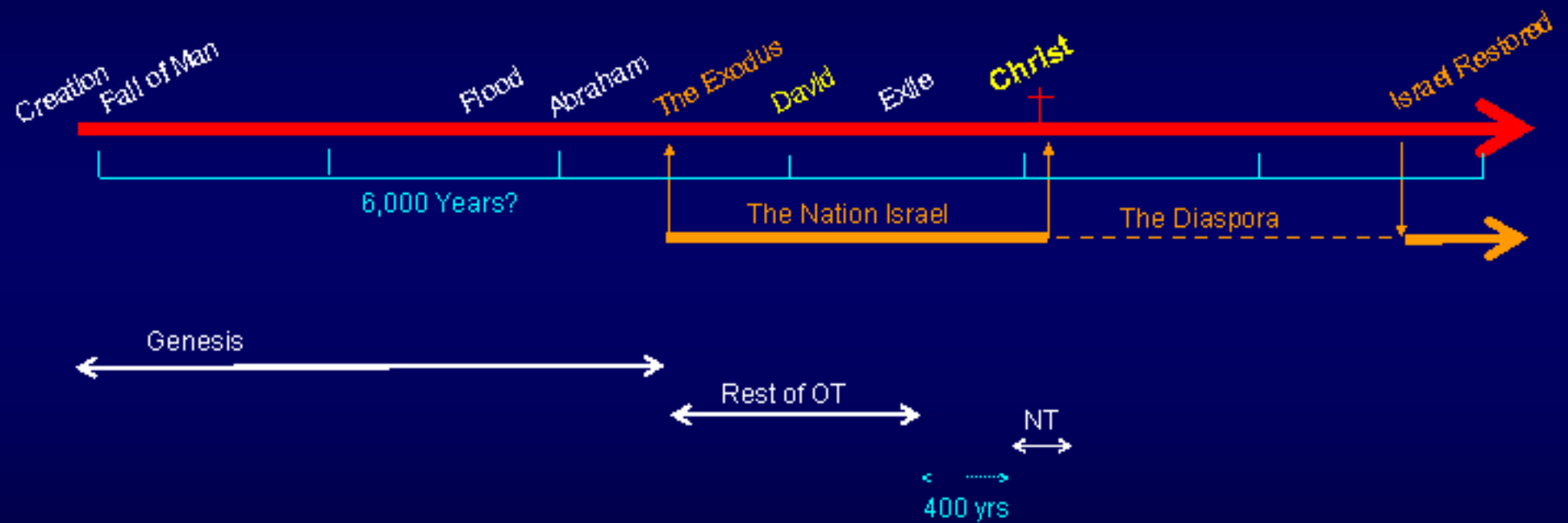
SCHEDULE

- 1. Introduction**
- 2. The Torah (Pentateuch)**
- 3. Israel in the promised land**
- 4. Major and minor prophets**
- 5. The four gospels and life of Christ**
- 6. The Church Age**
- 7. The End Times**

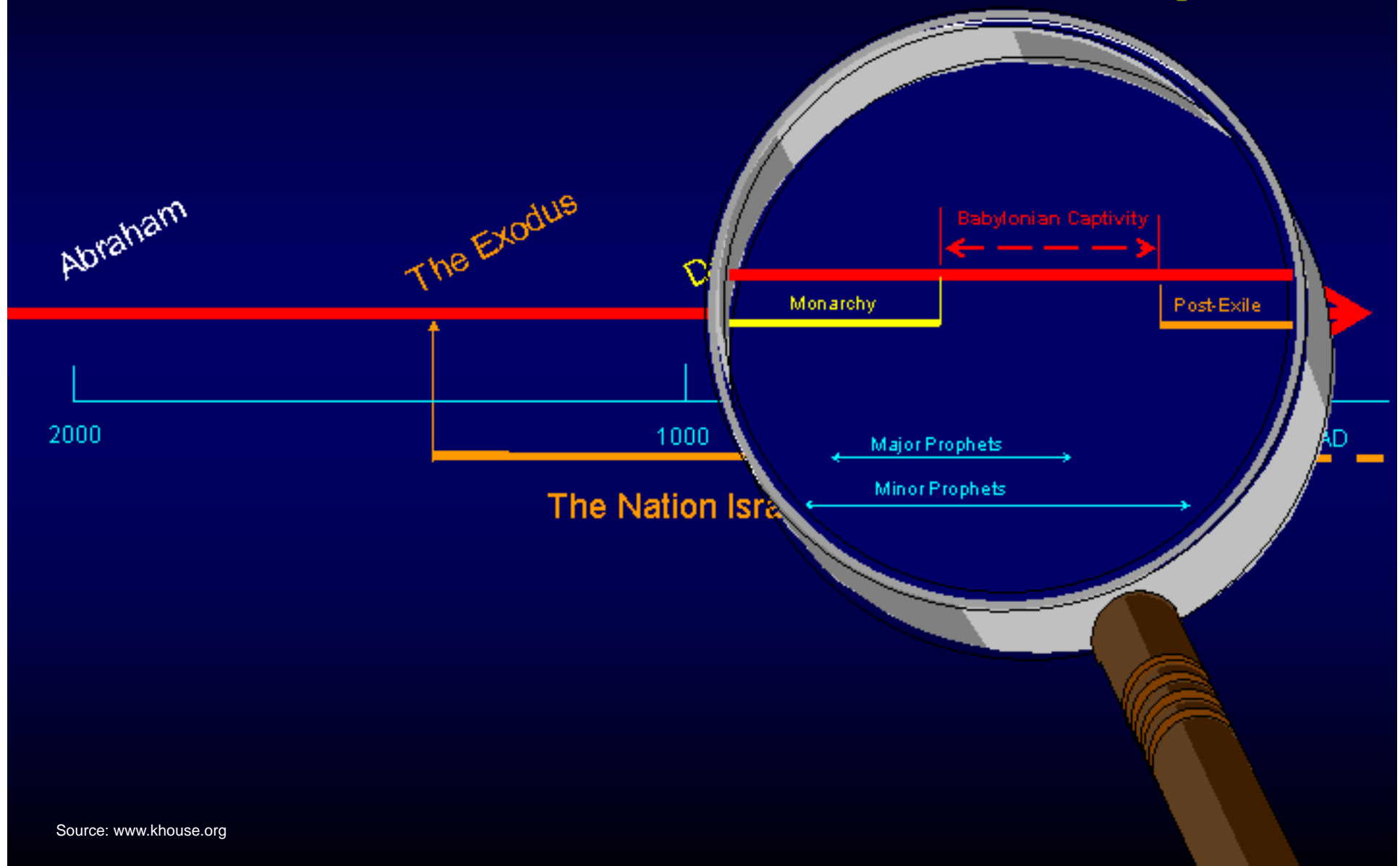
HOUR 4: MAJOR AND MINOR PROPHETS



The Panorama of History



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OT BOOKS

Law	Poetry	History	Prophecy	
			Major	Minor
Genesis	Job	Joshua	Isaiah	Hosea
Exodus	Psalms	Judges	Jeremiah	Joel
Leviticus	Proverbs	Ruth	Lamentations	Amos
Numbers	Ecclesiastes	1 Samuel	Ezekiel	Obadiah
Deuteronomy	Song of Solomon	2 Samuel	Daniel	Jonah
		1 Kings		Micah
		2 Kings		Nahum
		1 Chronicles		Habakkuk
		2 Chronicles		Zephaniah
		Ezra		Haggai
		Nehemiah		Zechariah
		Esther		Malachi

The Southern Kingdom

2nd Kings & 2 Chronicles

Jehoram	8	
Ahaziah	1	
Athaliah	6	
Joash	40	
Amaziah	29	Joel
Uzziah	52	
Jotham	16	Isaiah Micah
Ahaz	16	
Hezekiah	29	
Manasseh	55	Zephaniah
Amon	2	
Josiah	31	Jeremiah Habakkuk Obadiah
Jehoahaz	(3 mos)	
Jehoiakim	11	
Jehoiakin	(3 mos)	
Zedekiah	11	

Babylonian Captivity Daniel
Ezekiel

Ezra
Zerubabel
Nehemiah
Esther
Haggai
Zechariah
Malachi

Minor Prophets

Hosea
Joel
Amos
Obadiah
Jonah
Micah
Nahum
Habakkuk
Zephaniah
Haggai
Zechariah
Malachi

The Northern Kingdom

2nd Kings

Jehoram	12	Elisha
Jehu	28	
Jehoahaz	17	
Jehoash	16	
Jeroboam II	41	Hosea Amos
Zechariah	1/2	
Shallum	(1 mo)	
Menahem	10	
Pekahiah	2	
Pekah	20	
Hoshea	9	

Assyrian Captivity

Nineveh

Jonah

Nahum

Assyria falls to Babylon

Post-Exile

(400 "Silent Years") &
The **New Testament**

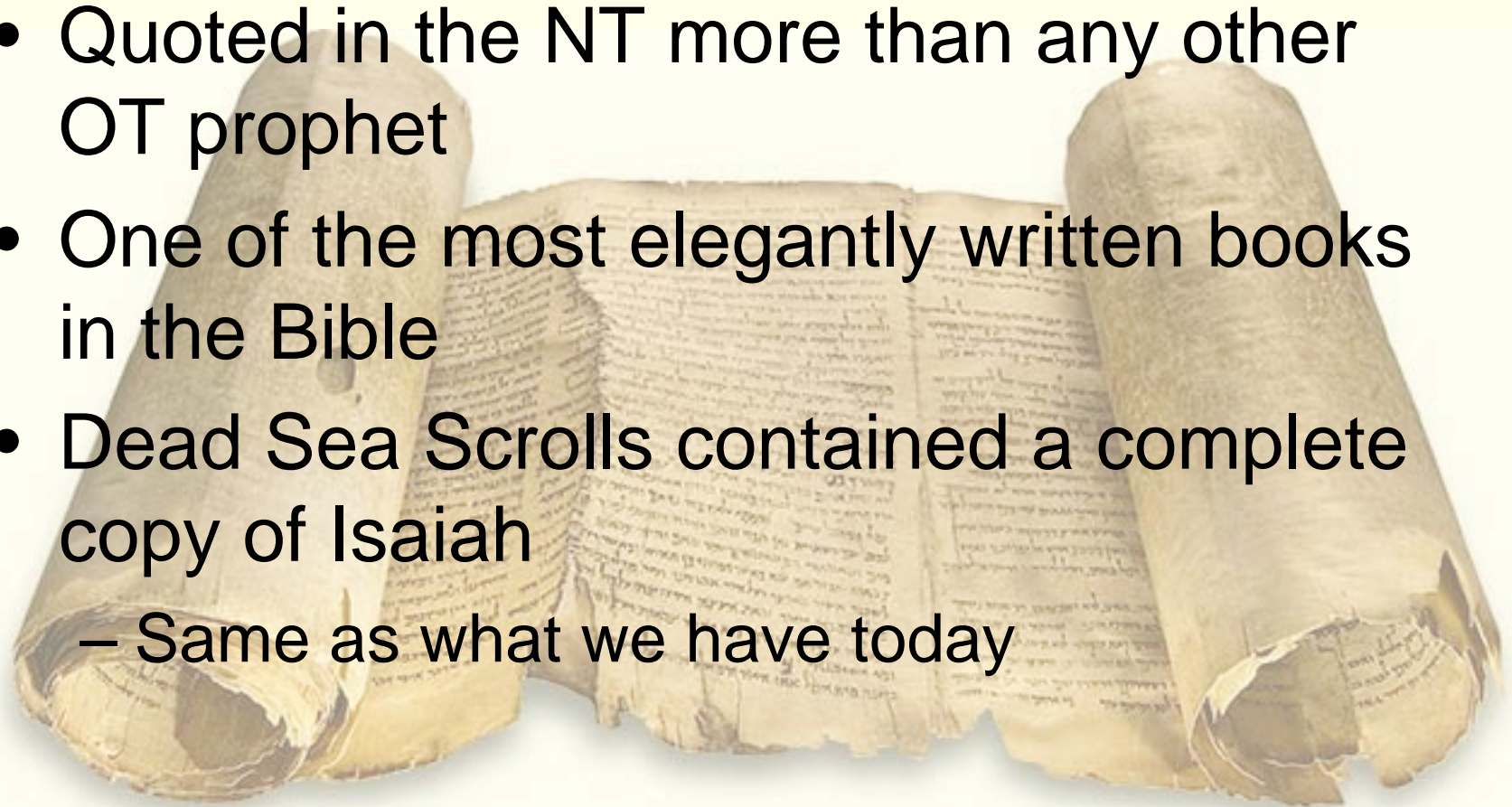
MAJOR PROPHETS

- Isaiah
 - Messianic first and second comings
- Jeremiah
 - Divine judgment upon the nations
- Ezekiel
 - The coming restoration
- Daniel
 - History of the Gentiles



ISAIAH OVERVIEW

- Quoted in the NT more than any other OT prophet
- One of the most elegantly written books in the Bible
- Dead Sea Scrolls contained a complete copy of Isaiah
 - Same as what we have today



ISAIAH HIGHLIGHTS

- Judgment is coming to Israel for long-term sin
- Restoration will occur after the judgment
- Doom of Babylon
- Fall of Lucifer
- Letter to Cyrus
- Messiah will come through House of David
 - First and second comings
- Millennium Kingdom

NATURE OF CHRIST

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace

Isaiah 9:6

A central theme to Handel's "Messiah"

ATONEMENT OF CHRIST

See, my servant will act wisely; he will be raised and lifted up and highly exalted. Just as there were many who were appalled at him—his appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any human being and his form marred beyond human likeness—so he will sprinkle many nations, and kings will shut their mouths because of him. For what they were not told, they will see, and what they have not heard, they will understand.

(Isaiah 52:13-15)

Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we held him in low esteem.

(Isaiah 53:1-3)

Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

(Isaiah 53:4-6)

He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By oppression and judgment he was taken away. Yet who of his generation protested? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was punished. He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth.

(Isaiah 53:7-9)

Yet it was the Lord's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes his life an offering for sin, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand. After he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

(Isaiah 53:10-12)

PROPHECIES OF JEREMIAH

- Before the fall of Jerusalem
 - General and specific
- After the fall of Jerusalem
 - Southern kingdom of Judah would be captive in Babylon for 70 years
 - Jeremiah himself was carried to Egypt
- Upon the Gentile nations
 - Egypt, Philistines, Moab, Ammon, Edom, Damascus, Elam, Babylon
- Jerusalem overthrown (Lamentations)



Decree of Cyrus

Persian Empire

Babylon

1st Siege

2nd Siege

3rd Siege

Decree of Artaxerxes

Triggers the 70 Weeks of Daniel

“Servitude of the Nation”

“Desolations of Jerusalem”

Esther

Daniel Ezekiel

Haggai Zechariah

Malachi

2nd Chronicles

Ezra

Nehemiah

EZEKIEL'S VISION OF GOD'S THRONE



EZEKIEL'S FOUR CHERUBIM

**Cherubim
(Ezekiel)**

**Camp of Israel
(Numbers)**

**Gospels
(NT)**

Lion

Judah

Matthew

Ox

Ephraim

Mark

Man

Reuben

Luke

Eagle

Dan

John

PROPHECIES OF EZEKIEL

- Judgments on Jerusalem
- Destinies of the nations
- Origin and destiny of Satan
- Restoration of Israel – The Dry Bones
 - Bones come alive with no flesh – earthly
 - Bones then covered with flesh – spiritual
 - Joining of two sticks (Judah and Israel) – Israel will be restored as one nation

MINOR PROPHETS

- Hosea
 - Marries a prostitute as a type of Israel
 - She leaves him; he redeems her from slavery
- Joel
 - Centered on the “Day of the Lord”
- Amos
 - Judgment against several nations
- Obadiah (shortest OT book)
 - Destruction of Edom (Esau’s descendents)

MINOR PROPHETS

- Jonah
 - Ran from giving a warning to Nineveh
 - Jonah was angry that they repented
 - Jesus used Jonah as a sign that he would be in the tomb for three days
- Micah
 - Judgment against Israel by Assyria
 - Messiah will be born in Bethlehem

MINOR PROPHETS

- Nahum
 - Lived a century after Jonah
 - Prophesied destruction of Nineveh which later occurred
 - Jesus used Capernaum (Kaphar-Nahum, or village of Nahum) as his headquarters
- Habakkuk
 - Prophesied Babylonian siege of Judah
 - Why would God use wicked people to bring judgment against Judah?

MINOR PROPHETS

Post Exile

- Haggai
 - Urged Jews to return to Jerusalem from Babylon to rebuild the temple
- Zechariah
 - Visions of the second coming of Messiah
 - “And they will look upon me whom they have pierced . . .” (Zechariah 12:10)
- Malachi
 - Final message to Israel for 400 years
 - Theme: Israel is robbing God

BOOK OF DANIEL

- Historical 1-6
 - Nebuchadnezzar's dream 2
 - The fiery furnace 3
 - His ego trip and restoration 4
 - Fall of Babylon 5
 - The lion's den 6
- Prophecies 7-12
 - Times of the Gentiles 2, 7, 8
 - Seventy weeks 9
 - Dark side (powers behind nations) 10
 - Final consummation 11, 12

DANIEL PROPHETIC THEMES

- Israel
- Jerusalem
- Last temple
- Babylon
- Magog (Russia?)
- Rise of China
- European super state
- Ecumenical religion
- Global government
- Rise of the occult

Daniel's Visions Compared

Daniel 2

Gold

Silver

Brass

Iron

Iron + Clay



Daniel 7

Winged Lion

Bear on side

Leopard

Terrible Beast

10 Heads...

Babylon

Persia

Greece

Rome I

"Rome II"

FIERY FURNACE

- **Bow to the image of Nebuchadnezzar or burn**
- **Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego refuse**
- **Thrown in furnace**
 - **Only their bindings were burned**
- **Nebuchadnezzar saw a fourth person**
 - **Looked like a “son of the gods”**

FALL OF BABYLON

- **Belshazzar throws party**
 - Gets temple implements taken earlier
- **Persian army is entering the city**
 - Diverted Tigris river
- **Handwriting on the wall appears**
 - Belshazzar is terrified; calls Daniel
- **MENE MENE TEKEL PARSIN**
 - Mene: Your number is up
 - Tekel: You are weighed and found wanting
 - Parsin: Your kingdom is divided

ISAIAH'S LETTER TO CYRUS

Who says to the watery deep, “Be dry and I will dry up your streams.”

Who says of Cyrus, “He is my shepherd and will accomplish all that I please.”

He will say of Jerusalem, “Let it be rebuilt,” and of the temple, “Let its foundations be laid.”

(Isaiah 44:27-28)

ISAIAH'S LETTER TO CYRUS

This is what the Lord says to his anointed,
to Cyrus, whose right hand I take hold of to subdue
nations before him,
and I will loose the loins of kings,
to open gates before him;
and the gates shall not be shut . . .
so that you may know that I am the Lord,
the God of Israel, who summons you by name.

(Isaiah 45:1,3b)

**Isaiah died 150 years
before Cyrus was born**

70 WEEKS OF DANIEL

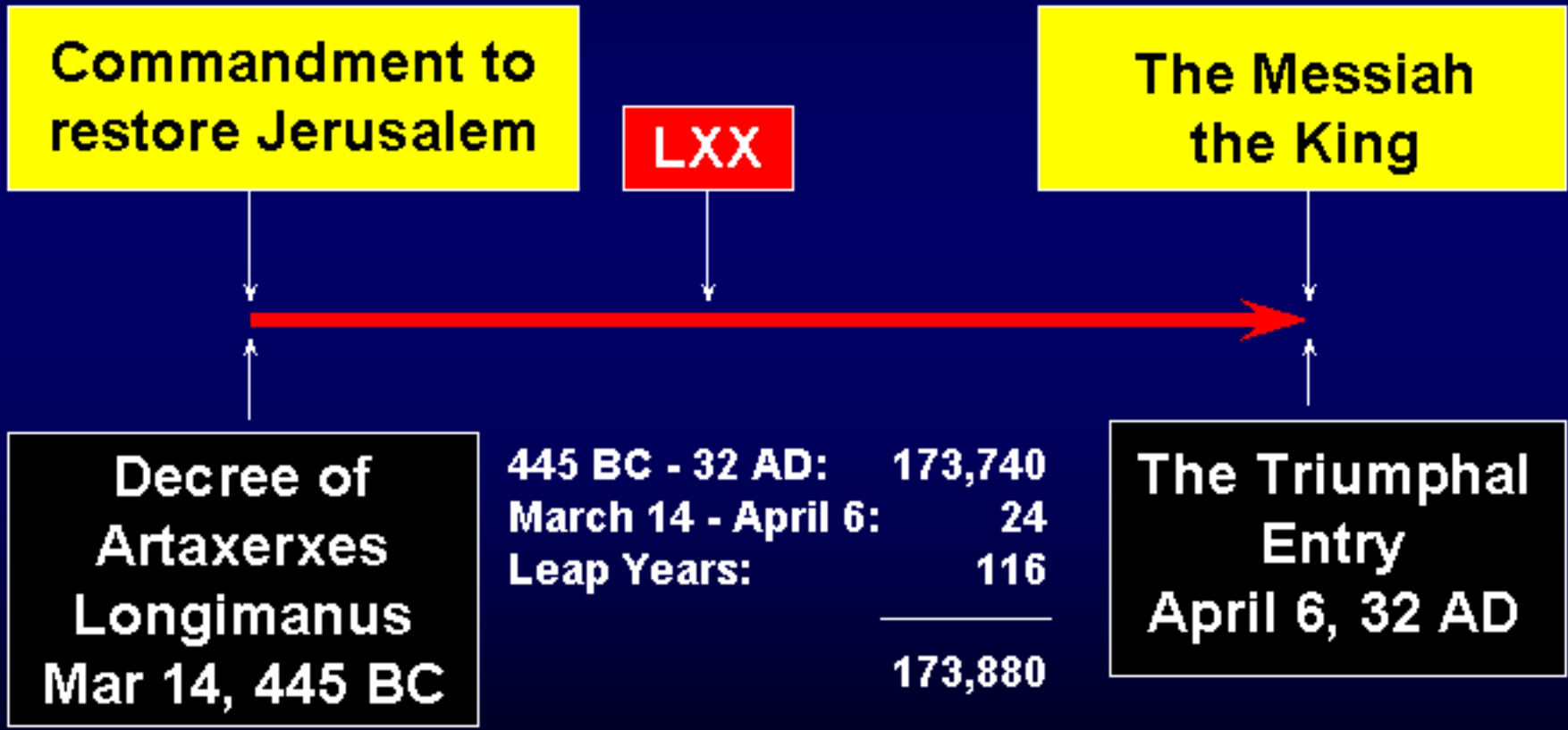
Chapter 9

- Seventy weeks (of years) are determined for Israel and Jerusalem
- Sixty-nine weeks of years will occur between:
 - The decree to rebuild Jerusalem, and
 - Messiah the King
- Jesus held the Jews accountable to know this day in Luke 19:41-44

POST-EXHILIC PERIOD

- Ezra
 - Probable author of Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah
 - Returned with a remnant in 458 BC to rebuild the temple in Jerusalem
- Nehemiah
 - Returned in 445 BC to rebuild the city of Jerusalem and its wall
- Esther
 - Became queen of Persia
 - Prevented genocide of remaining exiled Jews

The 69 Weeks



Source: www.khouse.org

INTERVAL BETWEEN 69TH AND 70TH WEEK OF YEARS

- The Messiah will be killed but not for himself
- Then the people of the prince that will come will destroy Jerusalem and the temple
 - Titus Vespasian (Roman) did this in 70 AD



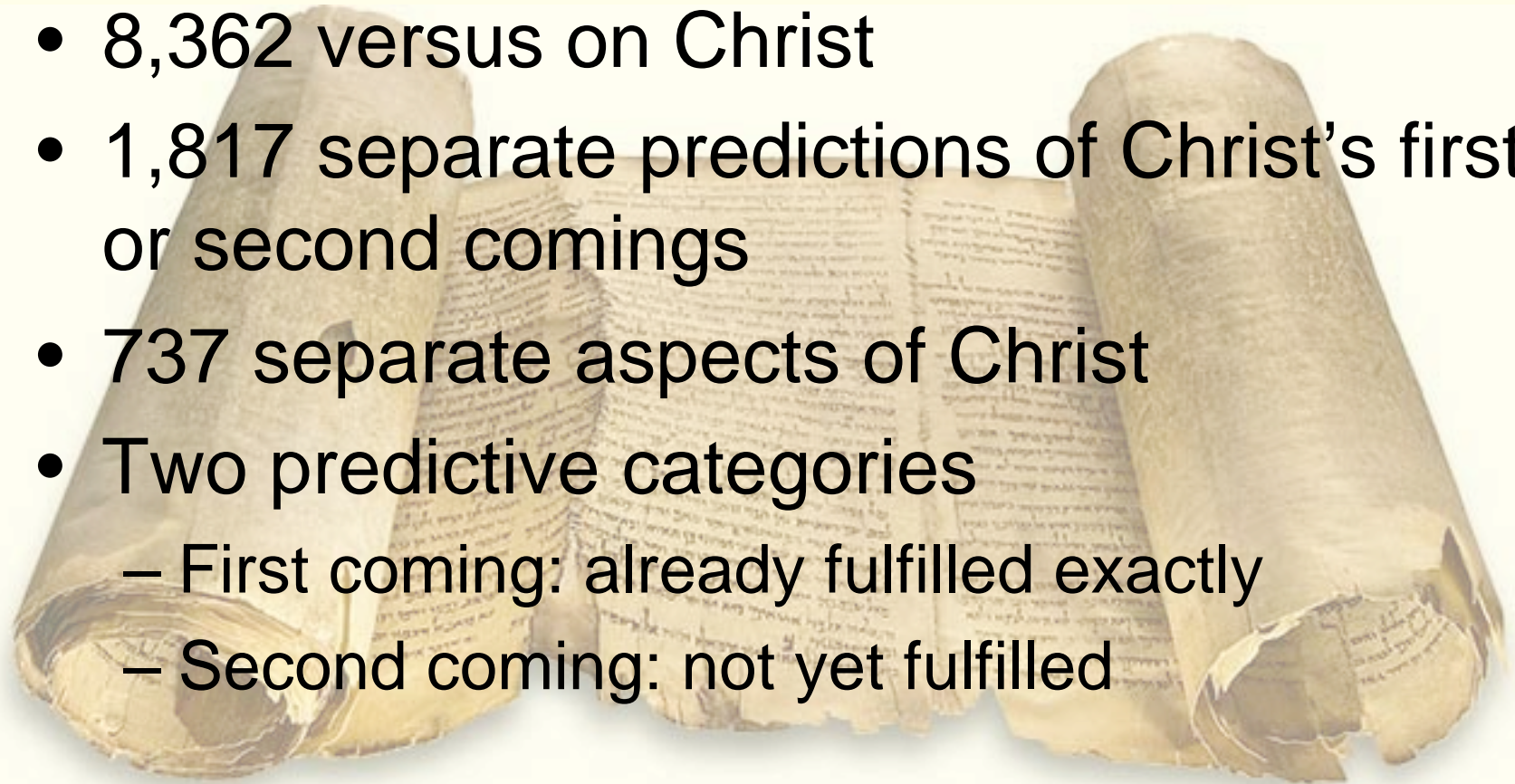
**This interval so far
has lasted almost
2000 years**

THE 70th WEEK OF YEARS

- The prince that shall come (Antichrist) shall enforce a covenant with Israel for seven years
- He will break the covenant after 3½ years
 - Desecrates the temple (abomination that causes desolation)
 - Begins a massive persecution of the Jews (the Great Tribulation)
- A detailed account of this period is given in the Book of Revelation

OT SPEAKS OF CHRIST

- 8,362 verses on Christ
- 1,817 separate predictions of Christ's first or second comings
- 737 separate aspects of Christ
- Two predictive categories
 - First coming: already fulfilled exactly
 - Second coming: not yet fulfilled



FINAL THOUGHTS

- First and second comings of Jesus are predicted throughout the OT with great detail
- Every first coming prophecy was fulfilled literally
- Every second coming prophecy will be fulfilled literally also
 - No need to spiritualize second coming prophecies

Next meeting: 7 PM November 9
The Four Gospels and the Life of Christ