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## **Episode 34 - Trumpet 6: 70 Weeks**

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The two witnesses lie dead in the street, as God brings the sacrifice and oblation to cease. In this podcast, Daniel 9, the 70-week prophecy, is discussed verse by verse.

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Hi. This is Scott Stanley continuing the Revelation podcast, exploring the deep things of God in the book of Revelation. We are in Revelation chapter 11. In this chapter, we rely quite a bit on the Old Testament. This is the message going to Jacob. Jacob equals the Jews who have not yet wrestled with the angel and strongly considered Jesus as their Messiah. I say strongly considered it... I know, Jacob today, Israel today, how could they not have heard about Jesus? They just don't consider him as Messiah. Hence, they remain Jacob.

When they accept Christ as Messiah, they become Israel. Spiritual Israel is different from literal Israel. Paul covers that in Romans chapters 2 and 9. But we're looking at Jacob today, the message going to Jacob, and Zion, God's last generation church made up of Gentiles up to this point. This is still in the timing of the sixth trumpet, which will be until Revelation 11:14. But the message is being given, and we've reached a point where we see that it's being rejected.

Of course, the church, Zion, knows beforehand it's going to be rejected. The Lord has already told us this in Ezekiel 2 and 3, *"Go give them the message. They're not going to listen to you. They don't listen to me,"* he says. So we already know it's going to be rejected. So, it takes a sacrifice of God's people, God's church, to walk in there, knowing that it's going to be cast down, and what that means, what they do to you personally, I don't know. But the two witnesses are the truths carried by Zion to Jacob. We see that in Revelation 11:9, they of the people... *they of the people and kindreds, tongues, and nations.*

If you can simply realize that when we're born into this world, the only thing we know about God is what we've been told. It isn't until you pick up the Bible yourself and start studying that you are able to come to some conclusions yourself. But here, you see the people, kindreds, tongues, and nations. Kindred is like your family. It's like relatives. Tongues are the way they interpret the words, the definitions they put on the words. The nations have come from the world, from everybody... the information. We're talking about information here, not actual people, kindreds, tongues, and nations. But it's what they have planted in your understanding that you're carrying.

So if you have been taught by the people... see the people, I think, are those that you are familiar with- like the people in your church; the groups that you associate with. They're all talking. They're all telling you about God. So, when you're given a truth, that truth has to overcome what the peoples, kindreds, tongues, and nations have planted in your thinking. This is what's happening here. *"They of the people,"* see, *"they of."*

Rev 11:9 ... the people carrying the people, kindreds, tongues, and nations will see the dead bodies of these two witnesses for three days and a half, and will not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves.

I've said before, the two witnesses, to love God and love your neighbor, are in the Old Testament. Jesus said, *"All of the law and prophets hang on those two truths"* (Mat 22:40). This is definitely in Jacob's Bible. This is something that they have been taught. That's why they can't just put this away. The church is coming in there explaining this is what God would have us do, walk in love, and this is how it's achieved through the ministry of Jesus Christ and what he did on the cross. So they can reject that truth, but they can't bury what you've said- that God would have us walk in love, and this is how you do it.

Rev 11:10 They that dwell upon the earth (earth is self) will rejoice over these dead bodies and make merry and send gifts one to another, because these two prophets tormented them that dwell on the earth.

Rev 11:11 After the three days and an half the Spirit of life from God enters into those truths, they stand upon their feet; and great fear fell upon all them which saw them.

Rev 11:12 And they heard a great voice from heaven saying, Come up here. Those truths ascended up into the heavens in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them.

That cloud is people. A cloud of witnesses. In other words, what you're seeing, they are going to reject this truth, but for some, the Spirit of life from God will enter into the truths (in some of these people), and those two truths will begin to make sense to them. These two truths will ascend up to God's understanding in a cloud of people, and their enemies will behold them, receiving these truths, accepting these truths.

So, what he is telling you here, there will be some of Jacob who receive the truth. The majority are going to reject it. So to explain what I've read, we're going to have to go to Daniel. We're going to be looking at chapter 9.

Now, let me give you a quick heads-up about Daniel, about what we're reading here. Daniel chapter 8 is about the struggle that the Gentile church goes through when they hear the gospel. But when you come to chapter 9, it's dealing with Jacob. So the two go together in that, if we're going to show you how Jacob comes to the truth, then you're going to have to see a recap of the Gentiles again because it's the Gentile church that is sent to Jacob to save them, to give them the truth.

So if you're going to see how Jacob gets there, you're going to have to see what happened to the Gentiles, how they got there, and go give the message. Again, Daniel 8 is about the Gentile. But if you look in Daniel 9, you see Daniel is praying a prayer. He says in verse 20,

Dan 9:20 And while I was speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the Jehovah my God for the holy mountain of my God;

Dan 9:21 While I was speaking in prayer, Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation.

Dan 9:22 And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give you skill and understanding.

Dan 9:23 At the beginning of your supplications the commandment came forth, and I have come to show you; for you are greatly beloved: therefore consider the matter (the concept), and consider the vision.

What vision? Chapter 8. He is going to recap chapter 8 so he can explain what happens to Jacob. So he begins in verse 24.

Dan 9:24 Seventy weeks are determined upon your people ...

Now we're talking about Jacob, "your people." But "determined" means "to be cut out or sectioned out." Seventy weeks have been sectioned out.

Now, two things. These numbers regarding the weeks... a week is a fulfillment of time; it's a fulfillment. What we've said before, looking at time, if I look at seven days, that fulfills a week, but there's another one. Then you'll have another week, another fulfillment, and then another fulfillment. So there are seventy fulfillments. But you have to understand this is a spiritual number.

All my Christian life, I've watched these prophecy experts read this literally and try to make this fit into the literal coming of Christ, and all of this, but it's a spiritual number. I want you to understand what is happening here, that

Dan 9:24 Seventy weeks have been sectioned out upon your people and upon the holy city...

Which is what? The holy city is New Jerusalem. The holy city is the Holy Spirit. This is what we're talking about. You're talking about the last generation people. We're talking about Revelation chapter 11 right here.

Dan 9:24 Seventy weeks have been sectioned out upon your people and upon the holy city (Holy Spirit). This will finish the rebellion. It's going to make an end of sin, and it's going to make an atonement for iniquity...

All of that happens on the cross when we understand it. But you see, the man of sin steps in... the first generation, there's an apostasy that begins that lasts to the second coming. So, this happened at the cross, but it isn't until the end of the world that God's church is going to understand it- the way the last generation is going to understand it.

Dan 9:24 ... It's going to bring in everlasting righteousness. It is going to seal up the vision of chapter 8 and prophecy. It's going to anoint the most Holy.

You could say the Most Holy One, you could say the Most Holy Place. In other words, Jacob is going to receive the truth. The majority will reject it. We just read that in Revelation 11. There will be some who will get it. The exact number, we don't know. But

this is who he's talking about, the people who get it. It's going to take a 70-week fulfillment divided up like this.

Dan 9:25 Know therefore and consider with success (consider successfully), from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem...

That commandment came to Zerubbabel, which is a picture of the people in the last generation church. They are the ones who laid the foundation of the temple. Zerubbabel does that. Zerubbabel is the one the message is given to: *"Not by power or by might, but by my spirit, saith the Lord"* (Zec 4:6), and he builds, lays the foundation of the temple, and then he finishes it, Zechariah 4.

Dan 9:25 So know therefore and consider, from the going forth of the commandment to restore and build Jerusalem...

Jerusalem is the Holy Spirit. To restore and build the truth of the Holy Spirit, which was lost during the apostasy... it has to be restored, redeemed from the apostasy. The commandment will come forth to Zerubbabel. I'm just using the symbols.

Dan 9:25 ... unto Messiah, the Prince...

Well, when you look at Messiah the Prince, you know, our tendency is to say, "Okay, that's Jesus, and we believe in Jesus." Well, that isn't. Of course, he's Messiah. But if you don't understand why he died, he's not your Messiah. If you think he died to pay your sin debt, and you don't realize he died to redeem you from all iniquity, then he isn't redeeming you. He isn't your Messiah. You can see and believe that he is, and I've got to tell you that, if we preach the gospel to a Baptist, they are going to believe he's Messiah, but they will not accept the Father and Son because they're Trinitarians.

But if I preach the gospel to Jacob, he's not a Trinitarian, but he will reject Christ as Messiah. A Baptist, he'll reject the Father and Son, but he accepts Messiah. Jacob will reject Messiah. John covers this in 1 John 2:22, *"Who's a liar but he that denies Jesus is Christ."* That is Jacob. *"He's antichrist that denies Father and Son."* That is the universal church, including the Baptists. It's the Trinitarians, the people who can't accept that Jesus was born in eternity.

So we're in Daniel, 70 weeks have been sectioned out, and verse 25 again.

Dan 9:25 Know therefore and understand (consider with success), that from the going forth of the commandment (from God to his church) to restore and build Jerusalem

(that truth... get that truth right about the Holy Spirit of God, what happened at the cross), to build that until you see him as Messiah and the Prince (the prince is the Son of God. A prince is the son of a king) shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: ...

Right here, you've got to understand the Godhead truth and why Jesus died. You walk up to the cross. Who he is and why he died, it's right there. Messiah, the prince. It's going to be seven weeks. I just say seven fulfillments. Now remember, you're talking about the Gentiles. You're talking about Zion at this point. Zion has to be prepared before they can go to Jacob.

Dan 9:25 ... shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: ...

So Zion will have seven fulfillments and then threescore and two fulfillments. What does that mean?

Seven fulfillments are what you see when you walk into the sanctuary, and you see a lampstand with the seven lamps. Jesus said that the lampstand is the churches, the seven churches. From Ephesus to Laodicea, each one of those is a fulfillment, and there are seven of them. Zion has to go through those seven churches before they come to Laodicea, and they have this attitude, "I'm rich and increased with goods and in need of nothing," and the Lord says, "*You're wretched, poor, blind and naked... miserable, blind and naked.*" You still don't understand.

They will enter into the understanding that God is love. Love does not make a record of sin, and they will ascend into God's understanding. They have to go through the seven fulfillments to get there. We haven't yet studied those churches, and I'm just waiting for the time to do it.

So they will have seven fulfillments, but then he says they'll have sixty-two. Sixty-two is a spiritual number. Six times ten plus two. What does it mean? Ten is God's understanding times six--God's understanding of man. Two is the first number that can be divided. And when you throw that "two" in there, it's like it changes it. How we perceive God's understanding of man changes. What do you mean?

When you go through the seven churches, you come to that place where you see God is love. He loves mankind. He would have all men be saved, and Christ died to redeem you from iniquity. So you change in your understanding of how God looks at people. He is not angry. He's not ready to burn them all up. He isn't throwing them in hell and causing tornadoes and ripping up families because they're not living according to his

perfect will. See, that changes. You get a different aspect of God. You ascend into the heavenly understanding. This has to happen to Zion.

Now notice the streets of salvation, which we know, you go to New Jerusalem, and look, the streets are gold. It's the faith of Christ.

Dan 9:25 ... the streets shall be built again, and the wall (of salvation), even in troublous times.

So there is a time, see, when the Gentile church, when Zion comes out of Laodicea. You go to Revelation 4.

Rev 4:1 ... I heard a voice as of a trumpet, which said, Come up here, ...

Rev 4:2 And I ascended up: ...

And then you begin to see the kingdom of God, and it's a heavenly kingdom. One is on that throne. Four living creatures, twenty-four elders... All these things are portrayed as happening in the heart of humanity or the church that ascends up to God's understanding. And you go through Revelation 7, which is a troublous time because God is redeeming all of your iniquity, your doctrinal iniquity. You began to realize, hey, we've been wrong about the law.

We've been wrong about all of these things we thought we had to do, and it's a time of trouble in the sense that you're having to change things that you thought were eternal truth, and the Lord is saying you're wrong. In the fifth seal, you cried for help. The sixth seal, your sun's black, the moon's red, the stars fall. Close the heaven. Let's rebuild that... Chapter 7.

It can be scary to start changing everything you believe, and I don't mean some of it; I mean all of it will begin to change. This is the seven fulfillments, coming to a place where you get a different aspect of how God is looking at man—sixty-two. You have a completely different aspect. So, what happens? Daniel 9:26: *After that, sixty-two* (the seven has already happened), *after you have come to this understanding about God,*

Dan 9:26 ... Messiah will be cut off, but not for himself: ...

You will understand the death of Messiah and what actually happened and what he was doing. When the man died on that cross, he was portraying fallen man. He was a similitude of sinful flesh. He was a picture of it with a crown of thorns, stripes on his back, and nakedness. The sun is gone. It's dark. *"Messiah will be cut off, but not for*

*himself.*" That isn't for himself. That is for all of humanity to be able to see what our problem is and how do we fix it.

Dan 9:26 ... the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary ...

That actually reads "the future people" of the prince will destroy the city and the sanctuary. We see that when the trumpets are given to them, and they trample underfoot the holy city. We see evidence of this. You could say their end will be with the flood of iniquity. You see that in Revelation 9 with locusts coming out of the pit. Another way to describe that could be a flood of iniquity.

Dan 9:26 ... And unto the end of the war, desolations are determined.

That is upon the Gentiles who are being given the trumpets. Now notice, he's turning to the Jew. He's turning now to Jacob.

Dan 9:27 He shall confirm the covenant with many for one week (one fulfillment) ...

Romans 15:8 tells you that Jesus Christ came to confirm the covenants of the fathers or to the fathers. He's going to now confirm the covenant to Jacob through Zion. Zion is now walking in the steps of Christ to deliver the gospel to Jacob.

Dan 9:27 He'll confirm the covenant with many for this one fulfillment, and in the midst of that fulfillment, he's going to cause the sacrifice and oblation to cease...

We just saw the three and a half days. We saw that in Revelation 11, three and a half days is half of a week. What does he mean by "*He'll cause the sacrifice and oblation to cease*"? That sacrifice is the sacrifice Zion is making to walk into Jacob's community and help them see something concerning Christ that they have been rejecting for 2,000 years, knowing they're going to continue to reject it and reject them. Remember in Ephesians 4:13,

Eph 4:13 Till we all come in the knowledge of the faith of Jesus Christ, and you come to a perfect man. (How perfect?) The stature of the fullness of Christ.

The fullness of Christ. He said, *No greater love... You can't have more love than this than to lay down your life for your brother.* That is the sacrifice that Zion is making to go into Jacob and deliver the truth. He will cause that sacrifice to cease.

What about the oblation? That word "oblation" is simply "presents or gifts." Remember, what Paul says in Ephesians 4, he is talking about Christ's ascension, "*he ascended on high, and led captivity captive, and he gave gifts unto men,*" (Eph 4:8).

Well, those gifts, he isn't saying that he gave you the gift of being a prophet. No. He is saying he gave you the gift of the prophet to help you. The gifts he gives are apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers (1Co 12:28). Those are gifts given to his church to help them see the truth. For Jacob to "*send gifts one to another,*" it's people. It's just common sense. If the church goes into this community of Jacob and they're delivering the gospel that "*this is how you walk in love. God would have you do that,*" well, they can't deny that. That's in their own Bible.

But when you start explaining using the Old Testament, they're going to have their own rabbis step up to the plate and say, "Well, that isn't what that means. You can't interpret that like that." They will send their rabbis, their teachers, to each other to prove what we, the church, are saying is wrong. Well, he's going to cause the sacrifice the church is making and the presents being sent to cease. He's going to make that stop. Then to finish this off,

Dan 9:27 ... and for the overspreading of abominations he will make it desolate (the Jew, Jacob), even until the consummation, and that determined will be poured upon those who are desolate.

That consummation is the end of the world. Those who are desolate will be everyone who did not enter into Zion and become a part of that. At that point in time, the Gentiles have rejected the truth. They're trampling underfoot the holy city. Don't go to them. Go over here. Go to Jacob. You see, some of those in Jacob will come out. Those who are left are like the Gentiles in that there is none righteous at all. They have rejected the gospel. They have become as Sodom.

*If there's ten in there, I'll save it. If there's five, I'll spare it.* Well, they're not going to be spared. The world is going to blow itself up, and God will have pulled his people out of the Gentiles and out of Jacob, away from Jacob into Zion. You will have the Jew and the Gentile in the same group at that point, as Paul discusses in his writings.

So if I'm looking again at Revelation 11, verse 8:

Rev 11:8 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is Sodom and Egypt, where the Lord was crucified. (That same mindset will try to kill these truths.)

Rev 11:9 And the understanding they have received from their people, kindreds, tongues, and nations are going to see their dead bodies for three and a half days (half of the week), and will not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves (because they can't deny that their Bible does say that, to walk in love).

Rev 11:10 And they that dwell upon the earth (their own understanding) will rejoice over their death, and make merry. They will send teachers to each other, because these two truths were tormenting them.

Rev 11:11 After that three days and an half, the spirit of life from God will enter into them (Who? The two truths), and they will stand upon their feet; and great fear will fall upon everyone who saw them (who sees that).

Now, you can look at that as negative, but it's positive. When the truth of God comes home, great fear falls upon those who see it. There will be some Jews, some Jacob, who will see this.

Rev 11:12 And they heard a great voice from the heavens that said, Come up here (like in Revelation 4:1). And they ascend up to heaven (God's understanding), in a cloud (of witnesses, a cloud of people), and their enemies will see that happen.

As we continue to go through Revelation 11, we're leaning hard on the Old Testament to understand it. The next study is no different. In the next study, we will have to deal with the Old Testament, dig things up, and try to understand the spiritual meaning of it.

So it's my prayer that we familiarize ourselves with Revelation 11 and try to go back to the Old Testament and pull some of these symbols out and get ready for the next study.

Father, we worship you. We worship you, and we praise you. We know there is nothing like being in this family, having you as our Father, and you to rely on and teach us. May you be glorified in Jesus' name. Amen.