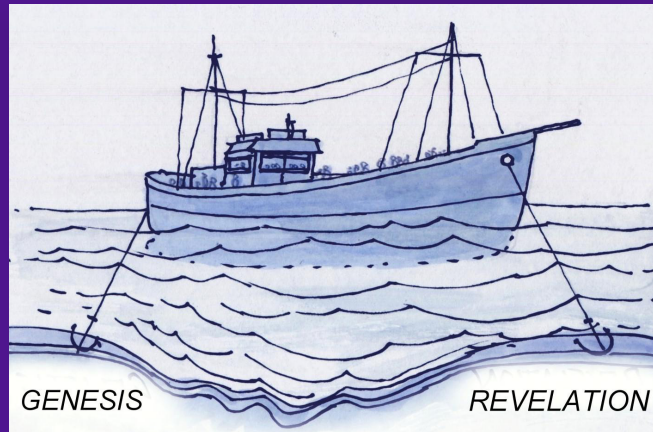


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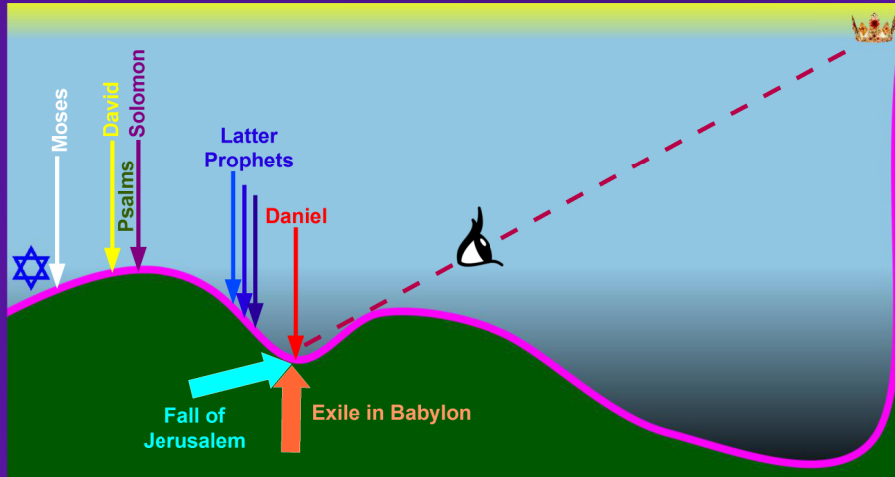
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**Daniel 9 - A prayer for God's name to be honoured.**

**7 "O Lord, righteousness belongs to You, but to us shame of face, as it is this day..."**

**17 "Now therefore, our God, hear the prayer of Your servant, and his supplications, and for the Lord's sake cause Your face to shine on Your sanctuary, which is desolate..."**

**19 "O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and act! Do not delay for Your own sake, my God, for Your city and Your people are called by Your name."**

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**Daniel 9 - A prayer for God's name to be honoured.**

**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."**

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**RSV:** "and to the end there shall be war; desolations are decreed."

**NIV:** "War will continue until the end, and desolations have been decreed."

**Message:** "War will rage right up to the end, desolation the order of the day."

**NAS:** "even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined."

**YLT:** "and till the end is war, determined are desolations."

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### Chapter 10-12:

**Daniel seeks God for 3 weeks and receives an extended vision of events and kings yet to come.**

- 10 After 3 weeks of prayer an angelic messenger introduced himself and his mission.**
- 11 A detailed outline of future history from 530 to 165 BC.**
- 12 This to be followed by great tribulation, deliverance and resurrection, but the words are to be sealed until the end.**

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Dan 9:1 "In the first year of Darius, son of Ahasuerus,"

Dan 10:1 "In the third year of Cyrus king of Persia,"

A gap of about 4 years: 538 to 534 BC

What was Daniel thinking and praying about in those years?

Could he have been trying to come to terms that Jerusalem would not be the place of peace he was expecting, but a place of war?

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Dan 10:2-3

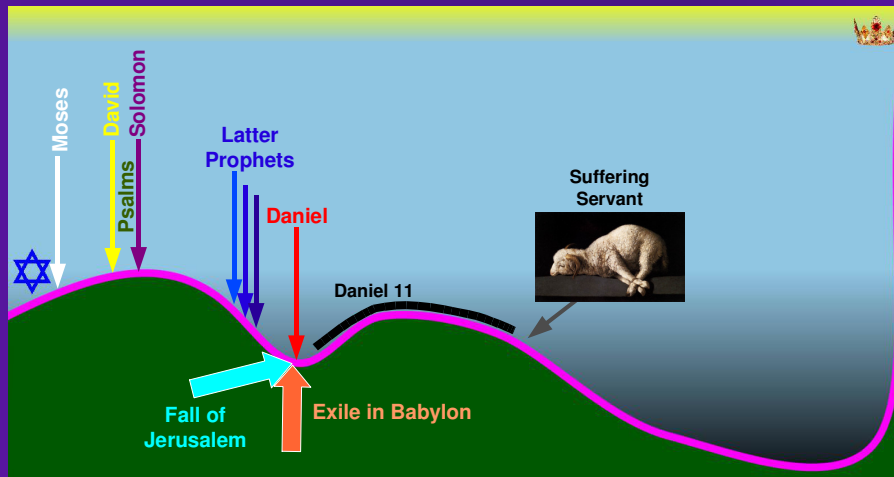
"In those days I, Daniel, was mourning three full weeks. I ate no pleasant food, no meat or wine came into my mouth, nor did I anoint myself at all, till three whole weeks were fulfilled."

In Dan 11:2-35 The LORD's road map for the next 370 years (approx) of Israel's history is revealed to Daniel.

Whilst he may not have been lamenting the lack of peace for Jerusalem, this revelation must have reassured Him that his God was still on the throne, and remained in control of Israel's future history.

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Try and put yourself in the shoes of the following Jewish people when they encountered Jesus preaching about the Kingship of God:

A religious leader;

A farmer or fisherman;

A national traitor (tax collector) or a prostitute.

But first, as a non-Jewish king/governor working for a foreign power.

What do you think was going through Herod's mind when...

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**Matt 2:1-3**

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him." When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

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Mt 3:1-2 In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, and saying, "Repent, for the Kingship of heaven is at hand!"

Mt 4:17 From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the Kingship of heaven is at hand."

Mk 1:14-15 Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the Kingship of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the Kingship of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."



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**Mt 4:23** And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the Kingship, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.

**Lu 8:1** Now it came to pass, afterward, that He went through every city and village, preaching and bringing the glad tidings of the Kingship of God. And the twelve were with Him,

**Mt 24:14** "And this gospel of the Kingship will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

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**Matt 13:11-15 - Parables and the Kingship of God**

He answered and said to them, "Because it has been given to you to know the mysteries of the Kingship of heaven, but to them it has not been given. For whoever has, to him more will be given, and he will have abundance; but whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him. Therefore I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. "And in them the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled, which says: 'Hearing you will hear and shall not understand, and seeing you will see and not perceive; For the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, so that I should heal them.'"



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"The Kingship of heaven is like..."

"To what shall I liken the Kingship of God?"

Lu 19:11-13 Now as they heard these things, He spoke another parable, because He was near Jerusalem and because they thought the Kingship of God would appear immediately.

Therefore He said: "A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a Kingship and to return. So he called ten of his servants, delivered to them ten minas, and said to them, 'Do business till I come.'"

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Mt 18:1-6

At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who then is greatest in the Kingship of heaven?" Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the Kingship of heaven. Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the Kingship of heaven."

Also see: Mark 10 & Luke 18

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Lu 22:27-30

"For who is greater, he who sits at the table, or he who serves? Is it not he who sits at the table? Yet I am among you as the One who serves. But you are those who have continued with Me in My trials. And I bestow upon you a Kingship, just as My Father bestowed one upon Me, that you may eat and drink at My table in My Kingship, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

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Mt 11:11-12 "Assuredly, I say to you, among those born of women there has not risen one greater than John the Baptist; but he who is least in the Kingship of heaven is greater than he. And from the days of John the Baptist until now the Kingship of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force."

Lu 7:28 "For I say to you, among those born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist; but he who is least in the Kingship of God is greater than he."

Lu 16:16 "The law and the prophets were until John. Since that time the Kingship of God has been preached, and everyone is pressing into it. [RSV "and every one enters it violently."]

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### John 3:3-8

Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot **see** the Kingship of God." Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot **enter** the Kingship of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit."

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### John 18:33-36

Then Pilate entered the Praetorium again, called Jesus, and said to Him, "**Are You the King of the Jews?**" Jesus answered him, "Are you speaking for yourself about this, or did others tell you this concerning Me?"

Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered You to me. What have You done?"

Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would fight, so that I should not be delivered to the Jews; but now My kingdom is not from here."