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Is Christ the "Messiah" of Daniel 9 Who Is "Cut Off"?

by — André Sneidar

Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the messiah the prince shall be seven weeks ... and after threescore and two weeks shall messiah be cut off, but not for himself (Daniel 9:25-26).

The "cut off" reference has been passed down to us through traditional religious theology, inserting Christ into Daniel 9:26 where He probably doesn't belong, equating Christ's crucifixion with the phrase "cut off."



kingdom over which he would rule, but has not yet been fulfilled. Andrew Brown explains David's future reign quite well:

The anointed prince appears at the 7th week ([the 49th year] at the first Jubilee), possibly for his inauguration. "Anointed"¹ and "prince" are connected to King David in Scripture. Consider the fol- (continued on page 7947)

The "messiah" in Gabriel's prophecy reigns from the 7th week until he is "cut off" AFTER the 69th week. Clyde L. Pilkington, Jr. provides intriguing clarity on this point:

This "messiah" will reign for 62 weeks (434 years/442 years counting Jubilees). Here is another looming problem with this being Jesus Christ: If this "messiah" is Jesus Christ, then He is supposed to have reigned for 442 years prior to his being "cut off."

The Hebrew word from which we derive "messiah" is incorrectly capitalized by the KJV (and others who followed suit), the word simply meaning "anointed" or "anointed one," i.e., a ruler, one designated and appointed to rule, and has been used of kings and prophets (as well as Christ, cf. Acts 10:38; Hebrews 1:9) throughout the Scripture – David being an example, which is used intentionally because this "messiah" may well be David who was promised a world

1. [Editor:] On three separate occasions David was "anointed" to be king.

First, he was anointed by Samuel in secret:

And the Lord said, "Arise, anoint him: for this is he." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of the Lord came upon David from that day forward (I Samuel 16:12-13).

The he was also anointed by the people. First by the tribe of Judah:

And the men of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the House of Judah (II Samuel 2:4).

Then he was anointed by the remaining tribes:

So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a league with them in Hebron before the Lord: and they anointed David king over Israel (II Samuel 5:3).

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- adult sonship position (Ephesians 1:5).

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lowing prophetic verses:

... *David My servant will be their prince ...*
(Ezekiel 37:24-25).

but they shall serve the Lord their God and David their king, whom I will raise up for them (Jeremiah 30:9).

afterward the sons of Israel will return and seek the Lord their God and David their king ... (Hosea 3:5, cf. Jeremiah 23:5; 33:15; Ezekiel 34:23-24).

These passages refer to David *long after he was dead*. They foretell the resurrection of David, who will once again be anointed as the kingly “prince.”

David was promised to rule over Israel. This cannot be the 1000-year reign of Christ, Who is to rule the Earth with His 12 disciples who will sit on 12 thrones governing the Earth. So, David’s rule will have to occur *before* the 1000-year kingdom of Christ if the promise of prophecy is to be fulfilled.

To put it succinctly, these prophetic events are yet future, and will be fulfilled after God’s purpose with the One Body of the Secret Administration is fulfilled on Earth and we are manifested to Glory to fulfill our celestial positions and functions. Simply stated, prophecy and the Dispensation of the Mystery are mutually exclusive; you cannot have one while the other is in effect.³

2. “Gabriel’s Prophecy Analyzed (Daniel 9:24-27),” Andrew Brown, [Bible Student’s Notebook 908](#).

3. All prophecy belongs to Israel, and under the current *Secret Ad-*

One caveat that must be stated is that it is very hard in this dispensation to know with certainty about prophecy (but not necessarily impossible); but when the time comes, those of God’s servants who are here will definitely know, and they will be able to read and understand the Scriptures very clearly because it concerns them and the times in which they will be living.

Israel’s promised rule in their kingdom is coming, yet future. Today they are under God’s pronouncement as “*lo-ammi ... not My people*,” or “not a people” in God’s determination; but they one day will again be *ammi*, God’s people (Hosea 1:9-10).

It’s interesting in :11 that the two branches⁴ were never re-united through the end of the Acts period, and through our current dispensation. Yet note,

Then shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, and appoint themselves one head, and they shall come up out of the land: for great shall be the day of Jezreel (Hosea 1:11).

ministration, Israel and her prophecies are all in temporary abeyance. See the compilation book:

– [Prophetic Obsession in an Unprophesied Administration: A Collection of Works Concerning the Nature of Unfulfilled Prophecy](#) (see [order form](#) under *Compilations*).

For now, Israel’s prophetic clock is paused. For additional information on Israel’s prophetic clock, see:

– Christ’s Appearing and Israel’s Prophetic Clock, Clyde L. Pilkington, Jr., [Bible Student’s Notebook #567](#);

– Living Outside of Prophecy, Clyde L. Pilkington, Jr., [Bible Student’s Notebook #656](#);

– The Prophetic Clock Has Stopped, A.E. Knoch, [Bible Student’s Notebook #821](#);

– “End Times” Prophecy, Clyde L. Pilkington, Jr., [Bible Student’s Notebook #822](#).

4. Israel divided into 2 tribes, as prophesied by Ahijah in I Kings 11 and accomplished in chapter 12.



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This speaks to when Israel will be comprised of the united 2 tribes and the 10 tribes.⁵ Notice that they will “appoint” themselves “one head.” This doesn’t seem to be a reference to Christ, since no one will be appointing Him as He will come and assume His rightful place and position as their Messiah/King. It seems rather to be a reference to the “messiah” in Daniel 9. This “messiah” we believe will be the resurrected David, who, along with the resurrected 12 patriarchs, will rule Israel in their promised kingdom, and he will be “cut off” by the “prince that shall come.”

The phrase “but not for himself” is noteworthy. *RV*, *REB*, *NET*, *DAR* say something like “will have nothing”; *CV* says “will be no adjudication for him” – all of which seems to indicate that he is *not* killed. Other versions follow suit with the *KJV*, which is indicative of the bias of their traditional religious teaching as they imply that “Messiah” is killed, indicating that it is a prophecy about Jesus Christ’s crucifixion (*i.e.*, “cut off”). Even though A.E. Knoch (*CV*) thought that this passage refers to Jesus Christ, his attempt at honest literal translation didn’t necessarily imply His being killed. *DT* says, “and *nothing* is to him,” but it is unclear exactly what that means; the italicized words may indicate that they’re not in the original, but the *KJV* doesn’t have any of that phrase italicized.

Since David is resurrected after the 7th week (49th year) to assume his promised reign in the Pre-Millennial Kingdom, it’s hard to imagine him being killed (dying *again*) at the end of the 69th week

– although there may be precedence for it in the Scriptures.

While it is unclear whether David is killed, it is conceivable that his throne/rule is usurped (*i.e.*, “cut off”). It’s possible that he is betrayed by unfaithful Jews as indicated by other Scriptures that state that the antichrist makes a false peace covenant with Israel, and then 3-½ years later he desecrates the Temple and destroys both the Temple and the city. Andrew Brown provides an interesting insight:

The anointed prince David is cut off from his throne in Jerusalem and possesses absolutely no authority. This likely connects to Psalm 27:5 in which David hides in the secret place of the Temple. This event is never recorded in the past and likely occurs in this future time.⁶

That last “week” – especially the final half of it – will be terrible times, with many faithful saints being murdered. So, it’s possible that David might be killed. However, there will be many who flee to the wilderness to be protected by God, and David may be one of those who flee.

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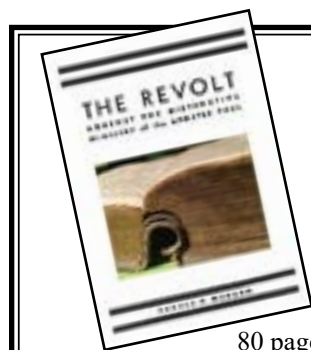
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6. “Gabriel’s Prophecy Analyzed (Daniel 9:24-27),” Andrew Brown, [Bible Student’s Notebook 908](#).

5. Cf. Ezekiel 37:16-24.



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by — Dr. Harold P. Morgan (1883-1953)

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Installment 1

Looking back to my youth, I realize just how much that I really misunderstood about the landscape of Israel’s unfulfilled prophecies. As with everything else, the more study that was invested in the Scriptures, the more light that was shed on the problems of traditional Evangelical teaching. The eschatological timelines simply became more and more inadequate in providing for so much of Israel’s prophecy. **This is because unfulfilled prophecy is mistakenly relegated to only one of two places: the Great Tribulation, or the Millennial Reign. However, there is clearly more future periods than these.**

I just didn’t understand what will happen when the pause button of God’s clock of prophecy is switched off, and it resumes ticking once again.

THE DAY OF CHRIST – THE DAY OF THE LORD – THE DAY OF GOD

For most of my life I did not understand that the fulfillment of Israel’s future prophecies was to be accomplished in three very distinct phases, or “days”



– “the Day of Christ,” “the Day of the Lord,” and “the Day of God.”

The Day of Christ

“The Day of Christ” is the pre-millennial phase of “the Kingdom of God.” Christ referred to it as the “Kingdom of Heaven” (or “the Kingdom of the Heavens”; i.e. the Kingdom of the Heavens over the Earth).

This is Christ’s rule of the Heavens and the Earth from His throne “far above all Heavens.” It is established by the resurrected ministries of Elijah and David, and lasts until such time as the Earth becomes His footstool. It is initiated after the celestial manifestation of Christ in Glory (both Head and Body jointly), and extends on through the period of Great Tribulation.¹

1. For more on the prophetic “Day of Christ,” see, – “Before the Day of Christ Begins,” [Bible Student’s Notebook #904](#); – “End Times” Confusion, [Bible Student’s Notebook #922](#); – Contrasts Between the Pre-Millennial Kingdom and The Millennial Kingdom, [Bible Student’s Notebook #904](#); – Elijah: The Chief of Israel’s Restoration, [Bible Student’s Notebook #896](#); – Three Chronological Stages of the Prophetic “Kingdom of God” on the Earth, [Bible Student’s Notebook #745](#); – Four Great Days, with Special Emphasis on “the Day of Christ,” [Bible Student’s Notebook #901](#).

The Day of the Lord

“*The Day of the Lord*” is the millennial phase of “*the Kingdom of God*.” This is the rule of Christ as King of Kings and Lord of Lords from His throne on Earth. This 1000-year reign starts with His Second Coming (*Parousia*) and concludes with the Great White Throne.²

The Day of God

“*The Day of God*” is the post-millennial phase of “*the Kingdom of God*.” This is the time of the New Heavens, the New Earth, and the New Jerusalem. This is the final completion of God’s promises to Israel for a thousand generations. It is the *Pleroma Administration*. It follows the Great White Throne and continues on through to the Consummation where God is “*All in all*.”

DANIEL’S SEVENTY WEEKS

I also misunderstood the nature of Daniel’s Seventy Sevens. I had been taught and embraced the partial-preterist view of Evangelicalism, that the first sixty-nine weeks had already been fulfilled, leaving only one week remaining.

However, I would come to see that we are *not* left on our own to decide if Old Testament prophecies were fulfilled during the period of time covered by the New Testament. When prophecies of the Hebrew

Scriptures are being fulfilled, we are always notified by divine revelation by such repeated phrases as, “... *that it might be fulfilled which was spoken ...*” (cf. Matthew 1:22; John 19:24; Acts 2:16).

Christ fulfilled messianic prophecy throughout His earthly life – but how did I know this? Because the Scriptures (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) told me so.

However, as I read the entire content of those Hebrew prophecies, I realized that it would have been near impossible to figure out that they were talking about Jesus Christ. The reason that I knew that they were fulfilled was by God’s direct revelation: “... *that it might be fulfilled which was spoken ...*” The Greek Scriptures themselves plainly declared when the Hebrew Scriptures were being fulfilled. This whole matter was not left up to human reasoning and interpretation.

During the earthy life of Christ, according to Evangelical Christianity, one of the most important prophecies of the Hebrew Scripture was *supposedly* fulfilled: “*messiah will be cut off*” (Daniel 9:26, CV).³ Yet, who in Scripture said a single word about it being fulfilled? Did Matthew say that Jesus fulfilled Daniel? Did Mark? Or Luke? Or John? No. None of them did. They were all silent. Do Evangelicals know something about Daniel’s prophecy that Israel’s Evangelists didn’t? Hardly.

So, there is *no* scriptural evidence to suggest that the (see *PROPHECY*, page 7952)

2. For more on the prophetic “*Day of the Lord*,” see,
– Before the Day of the Lord, [Bible Student’s Notebook 907](#);
– The “Falling Away”, [Bible Student’s Notebook 801](#);
– The Day of the Lord, Part 1 – [Bible Student’s Notebook 764](#), Part 2 – [Bible Student’s Notebook 765](#).

3. For more information on the “*messiah*” of Daniel 9, see:
– *Is Christ the “Messiah” of Daniel 9 Who is “Cut Off”?* André Sneider, found in this issue.



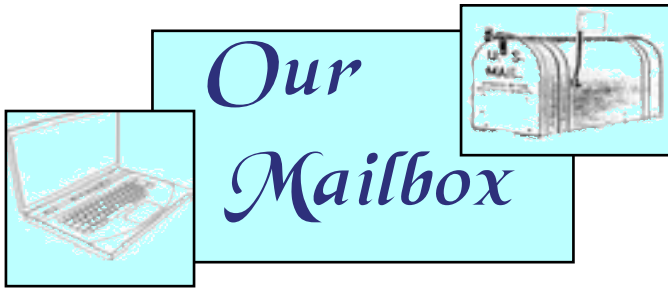
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Many things in my environment have been shaken as of late with still more to come. It has disrupted my life, my soul, my spirit, creating impatience, frustration and discontent with Father's chosen Earthly lot for my life ... Hannah's article was EXACTLY what I needed to be reminded that the Source of ALL THINGS is my Father and His LOVE!!

The article breathes with His breath and His wisdom, which one discerns only by actually having experienced the "deep" that Father calls us to, yes, even "the deep things of God." – SD

Your recent *Daily Email Goodies* have been a real Godsend. ... His Word is indeed vibrant, alive, in motion, and I must say that in the celestial realms, He is interweaving and enmeshing His Body in dynamic ways. – ME

God is all sufficient, and all through Scripture that is what He desired His children to rely on and not

themselves. This is also true of all our understandings of Scripture; that we cannot know completely and finally because God wants to be the One Who saves us and not our "perfect" understanding of salvation. He and His Son are all sufficient to save us. Our insufficient understanding is not able to do anything. – TN


I appreciate your ministry. My husband and I watch a lot of your videos and have read a number of your books. – CO

I really appreciated your book *We Call Him Father*.² I found it instructive and a blessing. I think part of the problem with people coming to the revelation of Him as Father is that they superimpose their earthly father onto the Lord, and it creates a false image of God. ... I had a problem when I saw Him as Father. What would block and obscure my view was, I saw that shy teenage boy and the intimidating and harsh father that I had in my teenage years. ... It has been a long road since then and I just turned 59 years old, and I have the clearest view of Him that I have ever had. I appreciated in the book how you brought your father into it, and stories of him and your brother; it really brought the book down to earth for me. I also liked the appendix and the many authors you included and their revelations of the sovereign and loving Father. ... Thank you for your book, it was like a healing balm for my soul. If you can answer my question, I would appreciate it. – KS

I'm realizing more and more how far off of the mark humanity is when it comes to understanding our Father's intent ... AND how extreme they are to cling to what they claim as their security (identity). I am convinced that in most cases it is fear that entraps

1. "The God of All Comfort," Part 7, [Bible Student's Notebook #940](#).

2. [We Call Him Father](#), Clyde L. Pilkington, Jr., (see the [order form](#) under "Pilkington").



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peace about everything. – **PA**

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I have written you before. I like your messages. I am 80 in a few days ... have walked with our Father as a member of His family for almost 50 years. Former Charismatic pastor in Syracuse, NY. ... We are sons of the Most High God our Father ... by election. God chose us, we did not choose Him. – **FL**

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first 69 weeks of Daniel have been fulfilled. It is pure speculation. Thus, my studies would lead me to see the *entire* Seventy Sevens of Daniel as all future.⁴

What this means is, when God is done with a limitless time of grace and Israel's prophetic clock resumes, there are actually centuries of prophecy to be fulfilled *before* the Second Advent.

R.B. Withers (-1970) reminded me that,

When the Apostle Paul opened his itinerant ministry, he based his appeal on written testimony: first, on Prophecy, "*that the Messiah must suffer*

4. For further study on Daniel's Seventy Weeks, see,
 - "The Seventy Sevens of Daniel," J.G.H. Steedman (-1968), Part 1, [Bible Student's Notebook 754](#); Part 2, [Bible Student's Notebook 755](#);
 - "The Fulfillment of Nebuchadnezzar's Dream Is Yet Future," André Sneidar, [Bible Student's Notebook 898](#);
 - "All Daniel's Prophecy Remains Unfulfilled" (Tidbits of Truth #25), Tom L. Ballinger, [Bible Student's Notebook 895](#);
 - "Daniel's 70 Weeks Are Future," M.B. Hammond, [Bible Student's Notebook 741](#).

and rise from among the dead"; second, on the Gospels themselves, "*that this One is the Messiah – the Jesus Whom I am announcing to you*" (Acts 17:3).

Why, then, had it not occurred to anyone at that time to cite the fulfillment of sixty-nine of the Seventy Sevens of Daniel's prophecy – correct to the day, if Sir Robert Anderson was correct in his book, *The Coming Prince* – if that prophecy had in fact been fulfilled by then? Yet there is, apparently, no record of such an appeal until nineteen centuries after the Apostle Paul's ministry began.⁵

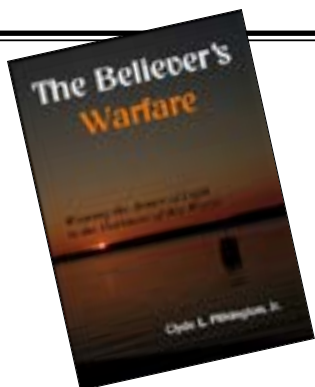
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5. *The Differentiator*, Volume 26 (August 1965).



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by — Clyde L. Pilkington, Jr.

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