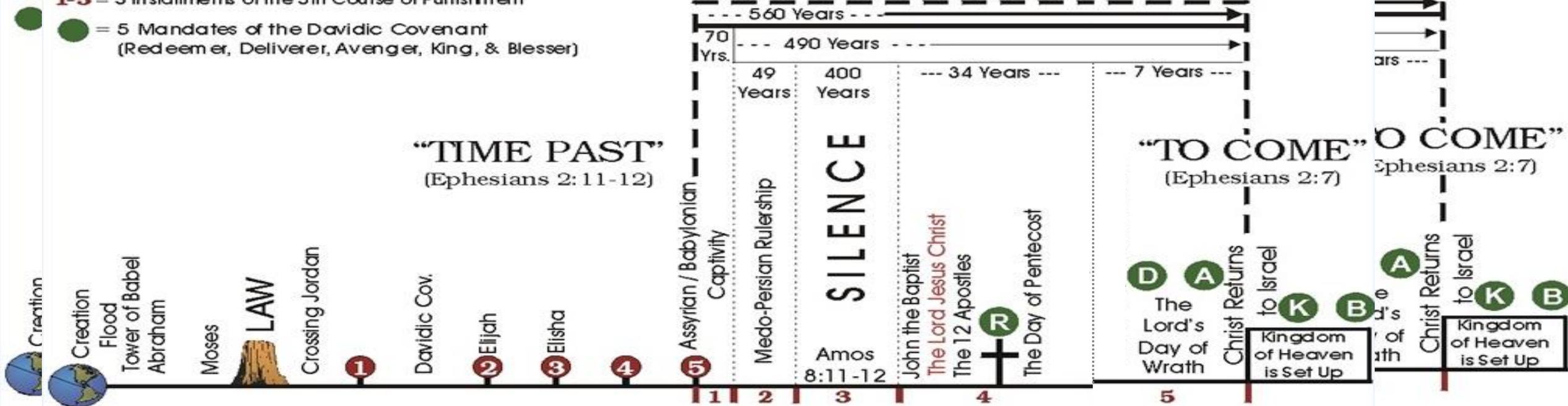


- = 5 Courses of Punishment (Lev. 26)
- 1-5 = 5 Installments of the 5th Course of Punishment
- = 5 Mandates of the Davidic Covenant (Redeemer, Deliverer, Avenger, King, & Blessor)

*TIMES OF THE GENTILES*



ISRAEL - "The Circumcision" - "nigh unto God"  
 THE LAW serves as a "middle wall of partition."

GENTILES - "Uncircumcision" "far off" "without God"

Genesis	Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deut.	Josh.	Jud. Ruth 1 Sam 1-16	1 Sam 16 to 1 Kgs 12	1 Kgs 12 to 2 Kgs 22	2 Kgs 10:32 to 10:31	2 Kgs 10:32 to 16:20	2 Kgs 17:1 to 25:30	Ezr Neh Est	The Silence of God	Matthew Mark Luke John	Acts 1-8	Hebrews James 1 & 2 Peter 1, 2 & 3 John Jude The Book of the Revelation	Hebrews James 1 & 2 Peter 1, 2 & 3 John Jude The Book of the Revelation
				1 and 2 Chronicles		Isa, Jer, Lam, Ezk, Dan, Hos, Joel, Amos, Oba, Jon, Mic, Nah, Hab, Zeph, Hag, Zec, Mal.		Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon						

When Did Jesus Die?

**Mat. 26:1-16**

**GOOD MORNING!!**

1. Chronologies for the death of Christ:
  - a. Daniel's Time Schedule to the "cutting off" of Messiah (Dan. 9:26).
  - b. Day of Christ's Death.
  
2. According to Robert Anderson (Coming Prince) Daniel's time begins in 20<sup>th</sup> year of Artaxerxes to rebuild Jerusalem—March 14, 445 B.C. It ended in the Passion week April 6, 32 A.D. Total was **173,880 days** in total.  
  
--Daniel prophesied 69 weeks of years for the death of Christ.  
  
$$69 \times 7 \times 360 = \mathbf{173,880 \text{ days.}}$$

3. Couple important points of reference:

- a. His crucifixion was at 9am, He died at 3pm and He was buried just before 6pm (Mat. 27:57-58)--14<sup>th</sup> of Nisan.
- b. He was resurrected on Sunday sometime between 6pm and 6am. (Mat. 28:1)—18<sup>th</sup> of Nisan
- c. Jewish time switched to the new day at 6pm not the way we do at 12am. Their day went from 6pm to 6pm—6pm to 6am evening, 6am to 6pm day.

Ex. Wed. 4pm is what we would also call Wed. 4pm.

But Wed. 6pm in Jewish days would actually be Thursday 6pm.

4. Jesus's sayings about the duration of His Death:

- a. Mat. 12:40: 3 days and 3 nights in the heart of the earth.
- b. Mat. 16:21: die and be raised again on the third day.

5. Taken absolutely literally, the first would require 3 full days—72 hours, and the second would require at least 3 days and 2 evenings, both of which would require His death and burial to have been on Wed. afternoon:

Still buried Thurs. evening and day: 1 full night and 1 full day

Still buried Fri. evening and day: 1 full night and 1 full day

Still buried Sat. evening and day: 1 full night and 1 full day

Raised from dead sometime Sun. evening between 6 PM and 6 AM

6. A Friday burial just before 6 PM on Friday (Mat. 27:57-58) and resurrection just before 6 AM on Sunday (Mk. 16:1-2) would only be 36 hrs., allowing for only one full day—Sat. evening and Sat. day:

Buried Friday just before 6pm: 1 partial day

Still buried Sat. evening and day: 1 full evening and 1 full day.

Raised up Sun. evening between 6pm (our Sat. night) and 6am (our Sunday morning): 1 partial evening.

Total: 2 days (1 partial and 1 full) and 2 evenings (1 partial and 1 full).

7. To get around this problem most assume that Jesus's sayings should not be taken absolute literally but more as an idiom that would allow for partial days.
  - a. This would be in accord with common everyday speech.
  - b. Ex. If I say I'll be home for 3 days, I don't mean 3 consecutive periods of 12 hours day/evening, but that I would get there sometime Wed. and stay until sometime Fri. If I say 3 days/3 nights then I will be there sometime on Wed. and leave sometime on Sat. not consecutive 12 hr. periods of evening and day.
  - c. Even in our passage, Jesus says in v. 2 "after 2 days," which probably doesn't mean after 2 full periods of 12 hr. days and nights transpire but just to the day after tomorrow however many hours that is.

8. If this is the case and some of the days and nights can be partial, Christ's death and burial on Thursday or Friday just before 6 PM and His resurrection just before 6 AM on Sunday would result in the following:

a. Thursday:

Buried just before 6pm on Thurs.: 1 partial day.

Still buried Fri. evening and Fri. day: 1 full night and 1 full day.

Still buried Sat. evening and Sar. Day: 1 full night and 1 full day.

Raised from the dead sometime Sun. night: 1 partial night.

Total: 3 days (1 partial and 2 full) and 3 nights (one partial and 2 full)

This would work.

b. But Friday:

Buried just before 6pm on Fri.: 1 partial day.

Still buried Sat. evening and Sat. day: 1 full night and 1 full day.

Raised from the dead sometime Sun. night: 1 partial night.

Total: 2 days (1 partial and 1 full) and 2 nights (1 partial and 1 full)

This still doesn't work.

9. Why did tradition put Jesus's death on Friday?
  - a. Mk. 15:42-43 says Joseph of Arimathea came to claim the body of Jesus the day before the Sabbath.
  - b. Tradition assumed that the Sabbath referred to was the weekly Sabbath, which would begin Friday night at 6 pm and go to 6 pm Saturday. Therefore, the day before would be Friday.
  - c. But this forgets that according to Lev. 23:6-8 with Jn. 19:31 the first day of Passover/Unleavened Bread was also considered a special or High Sabbath and that occurs on Nissan 15<sup>th</sup>.
- In other words, preparation here refers to preparation before the Passover Sabbath not the weekly Sabbath.

10. My own personal opinion is that Jesus's death and burial was during the day of Thursday, and that He was resurrected before 6am during the night of Sunday.

11. Events with this decision:

The Last Supper: Thurs. evening after 6pm (our Wed. night )

Jesus's crucifixion: 9am Thurs. day (our Thurs. morning)

Jesus's death: 3pm Thurs. day (our Thurs. afternoon)

Jesus buried: Before 6pm Thurs. (our Thurs. afternoon. Jesus buried for 3 days (1 partial/2 full) and 3 nights (1 partial/2 full).

Jesus raised: Before 6am, ie., Sun. evening (our Sat. night)