

“Daniel’s 70th Week!”

(Daniel 9:20-27)

I. Introduction:

- A. The Prophecy – Daniel 9:24-27
- B. The Preamble – Daniel 9:1-19
- C. The Priority – Daniel 9:20-23
- D. The Precaution – Dangerous Peaks

II. Exposition: Daniel 9:20-27

- A. The **Arrival** of Gabriel (9:20-23)
 - 1. The confession of Daniel
 - 2. The condition of Daniel
 - 3. The counsel of Gabriel
 - 4. The command to Gabriel
- B. The **Announcement** of the Seventy Weeks (9:24-27)
 - 1. Seventy weeks have been **appointed**
 - a. Your people – Israel
 - b. Your holy city – Jerusalem
 - 2. Six goals to be **accomplished**
 - a. Put an end to three negatives
 - To finish the transgression
 - To make an end of sin
 - To make atonement for iniquity
 - b. Fulfill three positives
 - Bring in everlasting righteousness
 - Seal up visions and prophecy
 - Anoint the most holy place

- 3. Three segments to be **anticipated**
 - a. The first: Issuing of a decree ...
 - Seven weeks – 49 years
 - Sixty-two weeks – 434 years
 - b. The second: The Messiah cut off ...
 - People of the prince who is to come
 - Destroy the city and sanctuary
 - War and desolations
 - c. The third: The Covenant made ...
 - The start of Daniel’s 70th week
 - The middle of Daniel’s 70th week
 - The end of Daniel’s 70th week

III. Conclusion: Lessons from this amazing prophecy!

- The God of particulars can handle the fine points of your life. Will you **allow** Him access to them?
- The God who fulfilled His past promises will fulfill the yet future ones. Will you **trust** Him?
- The God who wept over Jerusalem, still weeps over the lost. Will you **join** Him in weeping and reaching them?

Questions to reflect on individually and discuss in Small Groups:

1. What stuck out to you from the message? (What’s your keeper?)
2. Why is it imperative that we understand who this prophesy is referencing and not confuse Israel and the church?
3. Review the six goals accomplished (v. 24). What most impacts you from these, especially as they relate to the work of Jesus Christ?
4. Think about the details provided regarding the first coming of the Messiah. What impact does it make on your trust in God/His Word?
5. Reflect on Daniel’s 70th week (v. 27). What answers does it give and what questions does it raise that you would like to have answered?
6. What stuck out to you from the conclusion?
7. Finish this sentence with the primary thing that God is leading you to do: “In light of these passages and this discussion, I will ...” (What is your action point?)