

THE MATHEMATICAL PRECISION OF PROPHECY

Tract C4

In one of Daniel's dreams we read: (KJV) Daniel 10:1 **In the third year of Cyrus** king of Persia a thing was revealed unto Daniel, whose name was called Belteshazzar; and the thing [was] true, but **the time appointed [was] long**: and he understood the thing, and had understanding of the vision.

A conservative handbook or Yahoo supportable first year of Cyrus in Babylon at 536 BC making the third year of Cyrus to be 533 BC.

Toward the end of this prophecy we read: (KJV) Daniel 12:7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, which [was] upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swore by him that liveth for ever that **[it shall be] for a time, times, and an half**; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these [things] shall be finished.

Some Jews - both Messianic and non-Messianic - translation of the

Hebrew idiom "time, times and an half" is somewhat different than most of us Christians may have been taught. Below is the above verse from a version of the Tanach: Daniel 12:7 And I heard the man clad in linen, who was above the waters of the river, and he raised his right hand and his left hand to the heavens, and he swore by the Life of the world, that **in the time of [two] times and a half**, and when **they have ended shattering the strength of the holy people**, all these will end. (After all, what would Jews know about Hebrew idioms? :-)

While Daniel's prophecies use this "times" idiom, the Old Testament never defines it. However, most Christians are familiar with the following verse from the New Testament: 2 Peter 3:8 But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day [is] with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

The Greek word that is translated as "day" in the above verse is "hemera". This is an ambiguous word whose definition is determined by it's context. In 3 other passages in the KJV it is translated as "time" (in 12 verses in the NASB).

From Strong's:
New Testament Greek Definition:
2250 **hemera** {hay-mer'-ah}
from (with 5610 implied) of a derivative of hemai (to sit, akin to the base of 1476) meaning tame, i.e. gentle;
TDNT - 2:943,309; n f
AV - day 355, daily + 2596 15,
time 3, not tr 2, misc 14; 389

So **if** the Lord had meant for a "time" to be as a thousand years:

2-1/2 "times" = 2500 years.

Then 2500 - 533 BC = 1967 The restoration of the Jews to, and end of the Gentile control of, Jerusalem. The end of the **"shattering the strength of the holy people"**.
Is this a one "time" wonder?

In another of Daniel's dreams we find:

2. (KJV) Daniel 7:1 In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel had a dream and visions of his head upon his bed: then he wrote the dream, [and] told the sum of the matters.
You can Yahoo support for the first year of Belshazzar at 552 BC

Later in this dream we read: (KJV) Daniel 7:25 And he shall speak [great] words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand **until a time and times and the dividing of time.**

2500 - 552 = 1948 The restoration of the Jews to their land, declaring an independent Israel. End of the Jews being given into their oppressors' hand, and being scattered among the "wilderness" of the nations.

"His hand" being "little horn" - from Zondervan Handbook - "Opposing God's people in different guises throughout history is the "little horn" (8, 20-21), until God finally removes its power."

The statistical probability against these prophecies being a pair of mutually supporting, textual and mathematical, perfectly parallel accidents, that each span 2500 years, is obvious.

Clearly, it wasn't until after the dates of 1948 and 1967 had come to pass, that we could understand the solutions to the simple textual and mathematical solutions to these problems.

The book of Daniel was sealed until the "time of the end":

Daniel 12:9 And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for **the words [are] closed up and sealed till the time of the end.**

What a perfect seal on Daniel's book! A warning that we may be in Daniel's "time of the end".

JOHN'S MATH?

Revelation 12:6 (KJV): And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred [and] threescore days.

Considering days as years is a traditional "language" of prophecy: Matthew Henry "...this number of prophetic days, **taking a day for a year...**"

Isaac Newton "...42 months, or 1260 days: and **in these Prophecies days are put for years.**"

Ezekiel 4:6...I have appointed thee each day for a year.

There's considerable agreement that Israel, is the "woman" in the context of the above verse (crown 12 stars, brought forth manchild to rule with rod of iron). If we then consider that the end of the 1260 "days" was when Israel came out of "the wilderness" (of the people Ezekiel 20:35), or out from being scattered among the nations, returning home and declaring her independence in 1948, and subtract 1260 years, we arrive at 688 AD.

A quick Yahoo search reveals that this is widely understood to be the founding year of construction of the Islamic mosque, the Dome of the Rock.

The founding verses of the Dome of the Rock "...Jesus, son of Mary, **is only an apostle of God...a Spirit proceeding from him.** God is only one **God. Far be it from His transcendent majesty that he should have a son.**"

Luke 24:39 Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for **a spirit hath not flesh and bones**, as ye see me have.

1 John 2:22 Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? **He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son. 23 Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father:...**

Islamization of the Middle East, spiritually desolated the area by the exile of Christians and Jews. Today Iran is 99% Muslim, Iraq is 98% Syria 90%, with Saudi Arabia and Turkey at 100% Muslim.

By the 1800's Jerusalem was rendered a desolate, relatively abandoned, wasteland, with only 550 residents.

It becomes increasingly apparent that the Dome of the Rock is God's symbol for Islam in prophecy, and that Islam is the subject of Daniel's "time of the end" as the end-time foe of God's people.

Revelation 13:2 And **the beast** which I saw was like unto a **leopard**, and his feet were as [the feet] of a **bear**, and his mouth as the mouth of a **lion**: and the **dragon gave him** his power, and **his seat**, and great authority.

Revelation 13:5: And there was given unto him a **mouth speaking great things and blasphemies**; and power was given unto him to **continue forty [and] two months.**

In Tract C3 the Islamic Empire is implicated as the composite beast of the verses above, Daniel defined and assigned the gender to his lion, bear, leopard and 4th beasts: Daniel 7:23...The **fourth beast** shall be the **fourth kingdom...**" Daniel 7:19...and stamped the residue with **his** feet;

In tract C3 it was suggested that **Beast = Islamic empire**
Seat = Babylon/Iraq, Medo Persia/Iran, ancient Greece/Syria - Lebanon.
Mouth = false prophet Mohammed and Quran.
Blasphemy = "God has no Son".

"...**forty [and] two months...**"

John wrote his prophecy under a Julian calendar which is effectively the solar calendar of our modern historical record, that has an average of 30.44 days in a month.

30.44 x 42 = 1278.5 "days"
1967 - 1278.5 = 688.5

Again the Dome of the Rock - the abomination of desolation.

Textually confirmed:

Revelation 11:2: But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is **given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty [and] two months.**

End of Gentile control of Jerusalem in 1967. This and much more explored further at:

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