



Historicist Bible Prophecy Timeline

Beasts from the sea (Old World)

Babylon: Head of gold, Lion with eagle's wings, 603-538

Medo-Persia: Chest and arms of silver, Bear having three ribs, Egypt, Babylon, Libya in mouth, Ram with two horns, 538-333

Greece: Belly and thighs of brass, Leopard with four heads and four wings, Goat having a great horn (Alexander the Great) between his eyes, 333-168

Rome: Legs of iron, Dreadful, terrible and exceedingly strong beast with great iron teeth and ten horns, King of fierce countenance (Antiochus IV "Epiphanes"), 168-30

Little Horn (Papacy): plucking out three other horns (Heruli, Vandals, Ostrogoths) 476-538

Papal Rome: Feet of iron and clay, Little horn with eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things, 538-1798

Mortal head wound: 1798

Head wound healed: 1929

Short explanation of this chart

This chart is intended to exhibit a picture of history, or to give a clear view of the classical protestant historicist interpretation of the apocalyptic prophecies in the Holy Bible. This is a work in progress and should be viewed critically.

Historicism is a method of interpreting Biblical Prophecy by comparing history to the prophecy in question. It is the view that most of Revelation describes history as it has been unfolding over the last 20 centuries. Historicists see in the prophecies concerning the Dragon, the Beast, the False Prophet, and the Whore of Babylon, references to the pagan Roman Empire, papal Rome (that is, Roman Europe under the rule of the popes), the Papacy, and the Roman Catholic Church. The majority of Historicists also identify the symbols of the smoke rising from the Abyss and the invasion of locusts as descriptions of the rise and spread of Islam.

According to the day-year principle, one day in the prophecy equals one year of actual time.

White horse Rome victorious "Golden age" 96

Red horse Rome in Civil war 180

Black horse Roman Taxation Depression 212

Pale horse Decay of Rome War Pestilence Famine Wild beasts 249

Dissolution of the pagan firmament, Constantine establishes Christianity, The faithful distinguished amidst increasing apostasy 313

1st trumpet Alaric and the Goths 400

2nd trumpet Genseric and the Vandals 429

3rd trumpet Attila and the Huns 450

4th trumpet Odoacer and the Roman imperial sun was smitten 476

5th trumpet, 1st woe Saracenic locusts against idolators 612-762

Power of Saracens weakened 841

Caliph hired Turks revolted against the Caliph Persians stripped the Caliph of it's power 934

6th trumpet, 2nd woe Destroy the Eastern-third of the old Roman Empire Siege of Constantinople, removal of Christian Rule 1057-1453

7th trumpet, 3rd woe Ottoman Turks Destroy the Eastern-third of the old Roman Empire Siege of Constantinople, removal of Christian Rule 1534-1648

8th trumpet, 4th woe Dutch revolt Seven provinces separated from Papal kingdom 1566-1648

9th trumpet, 5th woe French revolution, 1789-1799

10th trumpet, 6th woe Naval wars in Europe, 1793-1815

11th trumpet, 7th woe Massacre in European rivers, 1792-1800

12th trumpet, 8th woe Napoleonic wars in Europe, 1803-1815

13th trumpet, 9th woe Pope arrested & Papal states abolished 1821

14th trumpet, 10th woe 6th vial 1922

15th trumpet, 11th woe Fall of the Ottoman Empire 1922

16th trumpet, 12th woe 7th vial

17th trumpet, 13th woe Destruction of the Roman Catholic Church 1922

18th trumpet, 14th woe Three unclean spirits / world wars

19th trumpet, 15th woe Beast from the earth (New World) 1776

20th trumpet, 16th woe America Two horns like a lamb, speaks like a dragon 1776

21st trumpet, 17th woe United Nations The image of the beast 1920-1945

(Hes. 4:5) 390 years times 7, because Israel did not repent = 2730 years. Kingdom of Assyria took the kingdom of northern Israel into captivity. From Assyria the tribes relocated mostly to the northern country, from where at the end of times they will return back to the promised land.

Time and times and a dividing of time = 2500 years in Daniel 7, from the 1st year of Belshazzar to the Israeli declaration of independence

Time, times and a half = 2500 years in Daniel 12, from the 3rd year of Cyrus to the return of rule over Jerusalem to the Jews

"Time, times and a half" is a Hebrew idiom meaning 2 1/2, not 3 1/2.

For example the English translation done by the Jewish scholars of Daniel 12:7 says that "in the time of [two] times and a half".

When "time" is interpreted to mean 1000 years, "Time, times and a half" means 2500 years.

The two sackclothed witnesses

Western or Waldensian line of witnesses

Eastern or Paulikian line of witnesses

The witnesses ascent A great earthquake Political establishment of the Reformation Separation from the papacy 1290-1790

The concept of a National Jewish Home in Palestine as set forth in the Balfour Declaration was approved by the League of Nations Council on July 24, 1922, and endorsed by a joint resolution of the United States Congress on June 30, 1922. The "Mandate for Palestine" was issued by the League of Nations.

Israel was proclaimed a State by David Ben Gurion on 14 May, 1948. (Isaiah 66:8)

In 1967 in the Six Day War Israel captured the Old City of Jerusalem and gained control of the Sinai desert, the Golan Heights, the Gaza Strip and areas of Judea and the Samaria (West Bank).

The tribes of the northern kingdom of Israel will also return back to the promised land together with Judah. (Jer. 3:18)

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(Daniel 8:14) 2300 evening-mornings = 1150 days
The time period starting when the Antiochus IV stopped the daily sacrifice till the day Maccabees defeated the Seleucid forces and restored the daily sacrifice

Jesus' baptism, 27
Ministry 3.5 years
Crucifixion and resurrection, 31
Stephen, the first Christian martyr
Jews revolted, Romans withdrew, 66
Jesus relocated in Pella after they saw Jerusalem surrounded by the Roman army (abomination of desolation)
Titus destroyed the Temple and Jerusalem, 70
1.1 million died, 97000 were taken away as prisoners to be forced labor, gladiators and slaves