GOD'S HISTORY (PAST AND FUTURE) OF THE NATION ISRAEL (DANIEL 9:24-27)

The Hebrew word for "week" in Daniel 9:24-27 literally means "seven." "Seventy sevens are determined on thy people" (Daniel 9:24, etc.). The context demands that these "weeks" be understood as weeks of years and not weeks of days. Hence, each week contains seven years. Thus, the 70 weeks equals 490 years (70 weeks with each week consisting of 7 years).

1) 42 months = a time, times, ½ time (3½ years). See Revelation 11:2; 13:5 with Daniel 7:25; 12:7.
2) 1260 days = a time, times, ½ time (3½ years). See Revelation 12:6 with Revelation 12:14.
3) Therefore, 42 months must equal 1260 days (30 days per month; 360 days per prophetic year).

The terminal point for the 69 weeks was "unto the Messiah, the Prince" (Dan. 9:25). Many Bible teachers pinpoint the fulfillment of this as taking place at the triumphal entry when Israel's Messiah/Prince was officially presented to the nation (see Luke 19:42,44). The MESSIAH was "cut off" (violent death) and crucified AFTER the 69 weeks (Daniel 9:26). The covenant or treaty (between Antichrist and Israel) marks the beginning of the 70th week (Daniel 9:27).

Daniel’s 70th Week (7 years)