

## The Year Jesus Was Born

First off I will say this topic is very complicated and has a great amount of elements to this subject. I will try to simplify it so you don't get lost in all the chaos. This topic could be a book all on its own but I will show you a very clear but simple view of the year when Jesus was born.

We need to look and understand a set of numbers that are told to the prophet Daniel in chapter 9.

Daniel 9:24-26

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*Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.*

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*Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.*

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*And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.*

So first, we see that there are 70 weeks determined for the Jewish people.

70 weeks times 7 days in a week, that equals 490 years.

Then we can see in verse 25 that the angel says from the commandment to rebuild Jerusalem until the Messiah will be 7 weeks and 62 weeks. To understand the numbers here, you need to know how its laid out. All the numbers do add up to 490 but they are divided into their own group just how it is worded in the scriptures. Let me explain.

The 70 weeks are shown like this in verse 25, 7 weeks, and 62 weeks. If we add those together we will get 483 years, living one week, or 7 years left. To lay it all out here we should see,  
70 weeks =

$$7 \times 7 = 49 \mid 62 \times 7 = 434 \mid 7 \times 1 = 7$$

In other words, we should see the order like this, 49 years, 434 years, and 7 years, which is 70 weeks of Daniel or 490 years.

So from the decree to rebuild Jerusalem, until Messiah the prince, we shall have 7 weeks, and 62 weeks, which is 483 years.

This means that after 483 years the Messiah will show up to proclaim the kingdom of God to the nation and all the world. So where did this timeline start you ask? Well, in the book of Ezra we see a decree made by King Artaxerxes.

Ezra 7:13

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*I make a decree, that all they of the people of Israel, and of his priests and Levites, in my realm, which are minded of their own freewill to go up to Jerusalem, go with thee.*

Please read all of chapter 7 in the book of Ezra because it gives you a clear picture of how all of God's people were sent back to Jerusalem to rebuild the city with Ezra. I have given you just a brief look here in order to simplify this for you.

The next thing is what year was this decree put forth by King Artaxerxes. If we look at some history we will find that it was in the year 457 BC. There was another decree in 445 BC by the king but this is a different decree, the one to rebuild was in 457 BC.

To find the year of when Jesus revealed himself I use a website called, Keisan Online Calculator, because if you try and do the maths with this on a normal calculator, like on your phone, it will be out by a year.

<https://keisan.casio.com/exec/system/1247118517>

This is the link above that I use to look for dates. So now if we go from 457 BC, and add 483 years, we come to the year 27 AD. This is the year Jesus was baptised as the Messiah. Some even say it was on September 11 he was baptised. In Jewish tradition a man had to be 30 years old to be a Rabbi, they could not be called teacher unless they were over that age. If Jesus was 30 years old in the year 27 AD, we then go back 30 years to the year 4 BC, and this is when Jesus was born.

The year Jesus was born, 4 BC.

As I have said, this is just a quick overview to show you the year he was born, but there is much more evidence to support this timeline.