

Daystar Prophecy

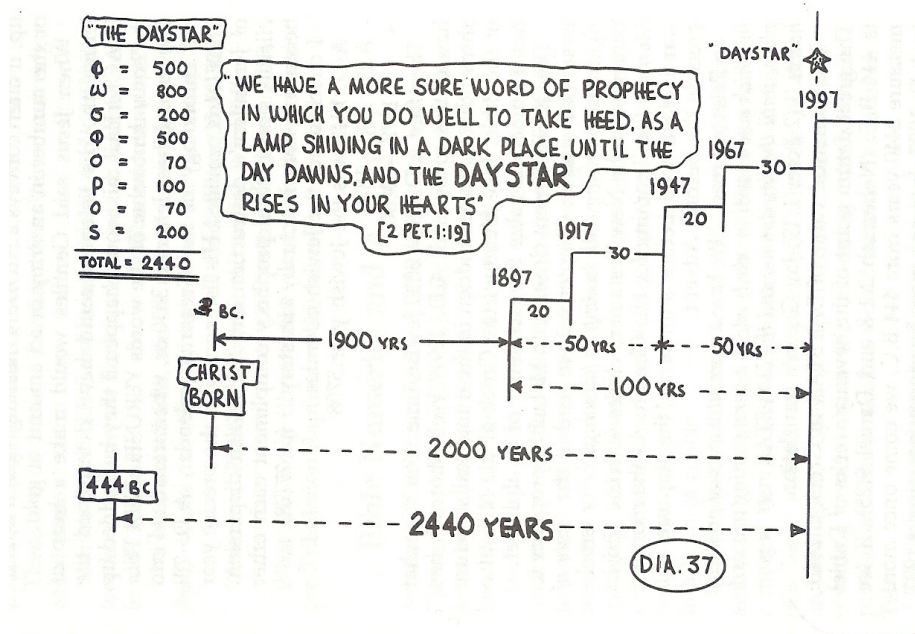
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In our December 2006, issue of *Prophecy Countdown*, we outlined how Comet Hale-Bopp was the “Sign” Jesus referred to in Matthew 24:2 that would announce His return. Comet Hale-Bopp appeared in 1997, and it also appeared in Noah’s day 120 years before the Great Flood. We believe God was giving mankind an important warning in 1997, just as He did in Noah’s day before the Flood. Please see Appendix B in *THE KINGDOM* for the exciting details of this important “Sign” available at: [The Kingdom](#)

DAYSTAR

George T. Curle from New Zealand wrote two fascinating books entitled: “*Times of the Signs*” and “*God’s Hidden Plan*” George is a bible teacher and evangelist who has a love for God’s word and he uses chronology and the scriptures as a warning of the imminence of the Lord’s return. On pages 137 and 138, he made the following observations:

“The Old Testament closes with Malachi’s prophecy to Israel (1:1) and in Chapter 4:2 we read of the “*Sun of righteousness rising with healing in his wings*” (for Israel – context) but in the New Testament closes with the “*bright Morning Star*” coming for His Church. As the morning star is seen well before sunrise so the Rapture will precede the Second Advent. In Peter we read, “*We have a more sure word of prophecy in which you do well to take heed, as a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns, and the DAYSTAR rises in your hearts*” (II Peter 1:19)...The numerical value of DAYSTAR in Greek is 2440. The great datum point of the seventy weeks of Daniel is 444 BC (Nehemiah 2:1-8 and Daniel 9:25). If we measure 2440 years from 444 BC we come to A.D. 1997...”



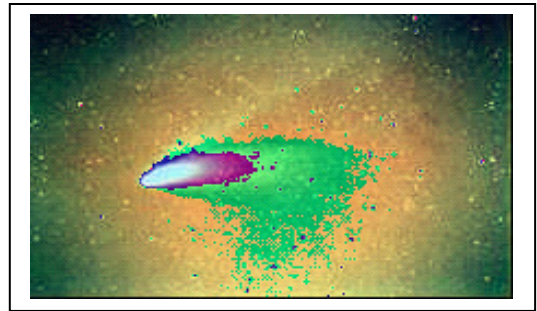
It is important to point out that the daystar is not necessarily a “star” but can be a celestial object that reflects the light of the sun. For example, the “Star of Bethlehem” that the Magi followed to Jerusalem was actually the planet Jupiter according to Ernest L. Martin in his excellent book: “*The Star that Astonished the World.*” The daystar is not a real star, but an object that reflects the light of the sun – a comet can be such an object.

Comet Hale-Bopp made its appearance in 1997. Peter is telling us that the Scriptures are truly a *“sure word of prophecy.”* Jesus told us the **“Sign”** of His coming would be the same as the sign given to Noah. 1997 confirmed this prophecy with the appearance of Comet Hale-Bopp!

*“We have also a more sure word of prophecy, whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto **a light that shineth in a dark place**, until the day dawn, and the **day star** arise in your heart.”* (II Peter 1:19)

The Scriptures are the *“sure word of prophecy.”* Peter warns those who hear it to take heed of the Scriptures as they are like *“a light shineth in a dark place, until the day dawns.”* The day that dawns is the 7th day or the 7th thousand years that will usher in the Millennium (ie., the Kingdom age)

A *“light that shineth in a dark place”* speaks prophetically to Comet Hale-Bopp which made its appearance on the world scene in 1997. This bright Comet reflected the light of the sun in the *“dark place”* of deep space. In 1997, God gave a warning to mankind that time is just about up. 1997 on the Jewish Calendar was the year *“5757”*



The daystar does not emit light itself, but reflects the light of the sun which is still not visible to the observer. The daystar is high enough in the heavens to reflect the light of the sun before the sun actually rises. The daystar represents the spiritual light of understanding that will arise in the hearts of Christians. Those Christians that reflect this spiritual light will receive this daystar or morning star (Revelation 2:28 and Revelation 22:16)

While the term “daystar” has an important spiritual significance, its appearance in 1997, which is 2,440 years from the beginning of the 70 Weeks of Daniel in 444 BC is highly significant. The apostle Peter is giving mankind the admonition that we would “do well” to heed this warning. As God used Comet Hale-Bopp to warn mankind 120 years before the Great Flood, He has also given mankind another warning with this same Comet. Its appearance in 1997 is a final warning to mankind that the Millennium is about to begin. Where exactly are we on God’s prophetic calendar? When does the countdown begin for the final generation?

30 Years After 1967

*“And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and **great signs** shall there be **from heaven**”.* (Luke 21:11)

*And there shall be signs in the **sun**, and in the **moon**, and in the **stars**; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;* (Luke 21:25)

*(32) Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: (33) So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors. (34) Verily I say unto you, **This generation shall not pass**, till all these things be fulfilled.* (Matthew 24:32-34)

Please notice that Jesus said there would be great signs in the heavens involving the sun, the moon and the stars. We believe that Comet Hale-Bopp’s appearance in 1997 was the Sign that announced to the world that Jesus Christ is returning very, very soon. It arrived in 1997, 30 years after 1967, where “30 being 3 x 10, denotes in a higher degree the perfection of Divine order, as **marking the right moment...**” per Bullinger’s observation of the significance of the number 30.

If the Generation Jesus is referring to in Matthew 24, indeed began in 1967, the arrival of Comet Hale-Bopp in 1997, was a Divine marking at just the right moment to let us know where we are in God's prophetic calendar! As Comet Hale-Bopp was a direct fulfillment of God's warning in Noah's day (Genesis 6:3), its arrival in 1997 is the Sign Jesus said would proclaim His return!

Sir Isaac Newton's Prediction

In Daniel's famous prophecy surrounding the endtimes, Sir Isaac Newton had a different understanding than the traditional story told by modern prophecy teachers. In our book: ***DON'T BE LEFT BEHIND***, we brought out the following:

"The prophecy in Daniel 9 mentions a period of 7 weeks (49 years) and 62 weeks (434 years). Notice that Daniel does not say 62 and 7 weeks but says 7 weeks and 62 weeks. Most have miss-interpreted this to mean 69 weeks, as Newton points out in his analysis:

"Thus have we in this short Prophecy, a prediction of all the main periods relating to the coming of the Messiah; the time of his birth, that of his death, that of the rejection of the Jews, the duration of the Jewish war whereby he caused the city and sanctuary to be destroyed, and the time of his second coming... We avoid also the doing violence to the language of Daniel, by taking the seven weeks and sixty two weeks for one number. Had that been Daniel's meaning, he would have said sixty and nine weeks, and not seven weeks and sixty two weeks, a way of numbering used by no nation."

So we can see that Daniel did not say 69 weeks. He mentions 7 weeks or 49 years and 62 weeks or 434 years. Verse 26 says that **after** the 62 weeks the Messiah will be cut off. The birth of Jesus actually occurred 434 years after 4278 BC which fulfilled this 62 weeks since Jesus was cut off **after** this time. (4278 BC to 3 BC = 434 Years (62 x7). For additional discussion of this, please see Appendix B of ***DON'T BE LEFT BEHIND***. Now let's shift our focus back to Verse 25. To do so, it would be helpful to look at the words used in the original Hebrew:

"(25) Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth [4161] of the commandment [1697] to restore [7725] and to build [1129] Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks," (Daniel 9:25)

Where [4161] can mean: **bud** or **issue**
And [1697] can be interpreted to be: **report**
And [7725] can be interpreted to be: **recover**

A paraphrase of Daniel 9:25 might read:

*"Know therefore and understand this: from the **issuing**(bud) of the **report** of **recovering** to rebuild **Jerusalem** until the time that the Messiah comes as Prince (or King) shall be 49 years"*

In other words, Daniel may be telling us Jesus will come as King 49 years sometime after the report of the recovery of Jerusalem takes place! When did the report of the recovery of Jerusalem take place? On June 7, 1967 when Israel recaptured the Old City of Jerusalem!

If this interpretation is correct, it could be telling us when end time events are about to begin, leading up to the return of the Messiah the Prince as King!

5776 – 49th YEAR

The report of the recovery of Jerusalem took place on June 7, 1967. This Prophetic Milestone took place during the Hebrew year 5727. The 49th year should end in 5776 on the Feast of Atonement: September 23, 2015. ($5727 + 49 = 5776$ where 5776 begins on the Feast of Trumpets: September 14, 2015)

According to Daniel, from the time of the report of the recovery of Jerusalem until Jesus comes to rule as King there will be sometime after 49 years...Sir Isaac Newton ended his commentary on this part of Daniel's prophecy by stating: "***Let time be the Interpreter.***"

Newton wrote on Daniel sometime before his death in 1733. If he were alive today, however, my guess is that Newton would understand that the prophecy concerning the 7 weeks relates to the 49 years that will culminate with the return of Jesus as King. Newton would probably be shouting from the rooftops, "Get Ready, Jesus is Coming!"

Based upon the above, Newton's interpretation could be telling us when end time events may begin. Forty-nine prophetic years from June 7, 1967, comes to precisely September 23, 2015! ($6/7/1967 + 49 \times 360$ or $17,640$ days = $9/23/2015$)

Comet Hale-Bopp's arrival in 1997 was a "*light that shineth in a dark place*" and it speaks prophetically of the "daystar" that will soon arrive as the morning star:

*"I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, **and the bright and morning star.**"* (Revelation 22:16)

Jesus told us that He would give us a sign that He was about to return. Comet Hale-Bopp arrived 120 years before the flood and only Noah and his family paid any attention. This same Comet appeared to mankind in 1997, and how many people have paid attention?

We are in the final generation, and if Newton's understanding of Daniel's prophecy is correct, the arrival of the Messiah the Prince may be sooner than most people think. The question everyone needs to ask is: "will I be ready when Jesus comes?" The 7th Day or the last 1,000 Years is about to dawn in the coming Kingdom and not many are truly prepared for what's about to transpire.

To help people prepare for the soon return of our Lord and Saviour, we have prepared a new book entitled: ***THE KINGDOM.*** This book was written to help equip Christians to rule and reign with the Messiah the Prince when He returns.

A free PDF copy of this book is available on our website: www.ProphecyCountdown.com

