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Potential Interview Questions

Why is the book of Daniel so important for people living today?

The book of Daniel is so important today because Daniel was told that the book would be sealed until the time of the end. As we have been getting closer to the time of the End, Daniel's words are being unsealed.

Daniel's visions were given so we can understand God's plan during the final days. Daniel also tells us that the wise would be able to understand the message, but that none of the wicked would know what it means and will continue in their wickedness. Because of this it is imperative for everyone to diligently examine and attempt to comprehend the vital message Daniel was given.

Towards the end of his message Daniel told us: *"Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament, and those who turn many to righteousness like the stars forever and ever"* (Daniel 12:3). Now, more than ever, we must prepare for what's ahead. Just as important, we need to be helping other people prepare.

Your understanding of the four beasts in Daniel 7 is a little different from the traditional teaching. Please tell us why.

The traditional understanding of Daniel 7 is that the four beasts are the same nations that are listed in Daniel 2: Babylon, Med-Persia, Greece and Rome. As we have been approaching the time of the end, several expositors have come to understand that the four beasts in Daniel 7 symbolize four nations that will arise at the time of the end.

Most significantly, 2 of the 4 beasts have already emerged on the world scene and the remaining beasts are about to make their grand entrance.

The first beast was the **lion** who was England. The second beast was the **bear** who is Russia. The third beast is the **leopard** with four wings on its back (5 nations). Many believe this beast will be represented by Egypt with Syria, Iraq, Jordan and Saudi Arabia. This beast of five nations only has four heads, which could mean one of the leaders will be killed when they form (Iraq – Isaiah 17?)

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The third beast arising will be the catalyst for the fourth beast to rise up. The fourth beast is the fiercest beast with 10 horns. Many believe this beast is represented by the United States of America aligned with 10 nations from Europe. In Daniel 7:23, it tells us it “*shall devour the whole earth. Trample it and break it in pieces.*”

So you are saying that America is described in the Bible?

In the book we give an analysis of Revelation 17:7-18, compared to Daniel’s 4th beast. Also, we discovered that a book in the Apocrypha described Daniel’s 4th beast:

*10) He said to me, “This is the interpretation of this vision that you have seen: 11) **the eagle** that you saw coming up from the sea is the **fourth kingdom** that appeared in a vision to your brother Daniel.* (2 Esdras 12:10-11)

The above prophecy is over 1,900 years old and it declares the fourth beast of Daniel is represented to be an eagle! Of course, the eagle is the symbol for the United States of America.

This little-known book was part of the original Authorized King James Bible (A.V.) in 1611. In 1885 the Revised Version (R.V.) replaced the Authorized Version, and the Apocrypha was removed. While this book cannot be given the same weight as Scripture, this is a remarkable reference describing Daniel’s 4th beast of Daniel 7 as America!

Also, your take on Daniel 9, is different from the traditional teaching. Please tell our audience more about this.

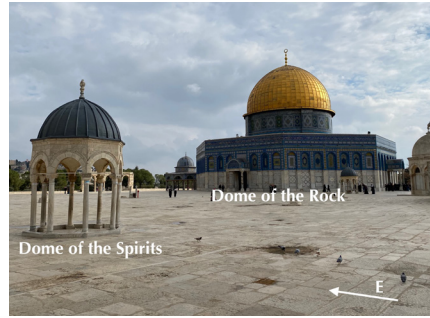
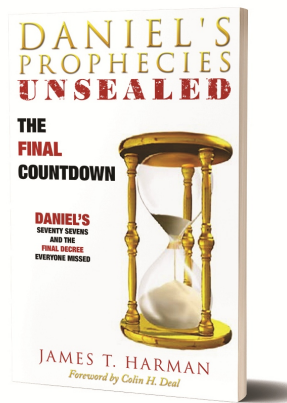
One of the most misunderstood Scriptures concerning the latter days is chapter 9 in Daniel:

24) Seventy weeks are determined for your people and for your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sins, to make reconciliation for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy (Daniel 9:23-24).

In answer to Daniel’s prayer, the Lord revealed His plans: not only would He restore His people and His Holy city, He also gave him a vision that would span over the next seventy weeks of years, or 490 years. In other words, the Jews were driven into captivity for seventy years because of their sins, but now God was going to restore them over a period of 490 years (seventy weeks of years). This extended period of grace is a reflection of the unlimited forgiveness Jesus would bring. God’s mercy was alluded to when Peter asked Jesus if he should forgive a brother seven times. Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven” (Matthew 18:22).

The seventy weeks vision given to Daniel is a picture of God’s ultimate plan to bring forgiveness to the entire world through a new covenant (see Jeremiah 31:31-34). From the time of the early church, this vision has always been applied to the Messiah, fulfilling the six purposes given (Hewitt, p. 253). This is known as the Messianic view and from the time of the early church, Daniel’s Seventy Weeks Prophecy has applied to Jesus Christ being the one to fulfill the prophecy.

In recent days new contemporary interpretations have surfaced, which have captivated the masses with a new “**tradition**” that has become modern church dogma. Sir Robert Anderson’s *The Coming Prince* has taken the Church captive as Colossians 2:8 says!



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How did you come about writing this book?

I really had not planned on writing another book, but in the spring of 2022, we republished Lyn Mize's book: *The Open Door*. Lyn was one of my closest friends who went to be with the Lord in 2011. We felt that the Lord wanted us to make his book available to the Church because it is an excellent resource that can be instrumental in helping believers qualify to rule and reign with Jesus when he returns. The same week that it was introduced on Amazon we discovered another important book written by Dr. Christian Widener titled: *Witnessing the End – Daniel's Seventy Sevens and the Final Decree Everyone Missed*. We immediately contacted him and he has allowed us to condense his important message to alert everyone to his remarkable findings.

Doesn't the Bible say that no one is to know when the Lord is going to return? Isn't Jesus going to return as a thief?

Well, Jesus told us in Matthew 24:36: *"But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only..."* On the surface, it looks like we are not to know, however, the day and hour we cannot know about has to do with what the previous verse said in Matthew 24:35: *"Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away."* The timing that we are not to know about has to do with the end of the millennium and not when the Lord is to return. The Apostle Paul told us in 1 Thessalonians 5:1-3 that the Lord will come like a thief in the night, but he goes on to point out in verse 4: *"But you, brothers, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief."* In other words, Christians (brothers) should NOT be taken by surprise.

Dr. Christian Widener discovered another decree regarding the prophecy in the book of Daniel that everyone missed. Please tell us a little more about this.

In Dr. Widener's award-winning first book: *The Temple Revealed*, he uncovered where the Temple was located on the Temple Mount. Josh McDowell wrote in the Foreword: "the implications of his findings are nothing short of world-changing." While doing his painstaking research he learned that the city of Jerusalem and its walls had been rebuilt a second time in the period from 1537 to 1541 by Sultan Suleiman. He then discovered that Suleiman's decrees had been etched on stone plaques providing us with a permanent record. By connecting the dots back to the prophecy in Daniel he has been able to **unseal** the final key to the book of Daniel: God foreknew and ordained another decree that everyone missed.

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You have a little bit different take on the timing of the Rapture. Please tell us where and how Jesus described the Rapture.

The phased rapture that I describe in the book is really not a new idea. Many of the great men of God in the Philadelphia church age in the 18th and 19th centuries taught this. There were men like **J. Hudson Taylor**, founder of the China Inland Mission, **Dr. A. B. Simpson**, founder of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, **John Wilkinson**, founder of the Mildmay Mission to the Jews, **Joseph A. Seiss**, one of greatest prophecy scholars who ever lived, and **Dr. Ray Brubaker**, founder of God's News Behind the News. In addition to all of these great men of God who believed in this doctrine, I also show in the book where the Lord himself taught this principle. Believers who are living a life that is found pleasing to Him will be accounted worthy to escape the great tribulation in the Firstfruit rapture. The remainder of the church who have not been watching for the Lord's return and who have been living as lukewarm believers will go through the 3 ½ years of great tribulation. They will then be raptured just before God pours out His wrath.

What is one of the main signs when the Great Tribulation begins?

Jesus predicted a future abomination of desolation, which He said Daniel referred to that was recorded in Matthew 24: 15,21:

15) Therefore when you see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (whoever reads, let him understand)...21) For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be.

This abomination of desolation will occur when the Antichrist appears on the Temple Mount at the very beginning of the Great Tribulation. He was also referred to as "*the man of sin*" by the Apostle Paul in 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4.

Isn't it wrong to discuss dates? Couldn't you be wrong?

In our book, we show how God is a date setter (see page 10). If the analysis in this book is correct then the Second Coming of Christ will take place in 2027. This computation is based upon Dr. Widener's discovery of the decree made by Sultan Suleiman in 1537. Since he restored Jerusalem between 1537-1541, it is possible that the start date for the initial decree may be off by a year or so. However, the best evidence points to 1537 because of other corroborating evidence Dr. Widener gives in his book, particularly his case for the Jubilee cycle ending in 2027. In addition, Jared Kushner's recent book: ***Breaking History*** presents valuable evidence that the peace covenants made with many nations crucially marked 2020, as the start of the final 70th Week in the Second Fulfillment of Daniel's Seventy Weeks.

How can a person make sure that they will be able to escape the coming time of tribulation?

Participation in the coming Firstfruit rapture will be for those believers who are making themselves ready for His soon return. They will pattern their life after Enoch's life: "...*Enoch was taken up so that he did not see death: He could not be found, because God had taken him away. For before he was taken, he was commended as one who pleased God*" (Hebrews 11:5). Those who will be taken will be people of faith who are walking with God, living a life that will be found pleasing to Him. They will be actively watching for the soon return of the Lord and fervently telling others to get ready. They ***will always be praying they may be accounted worthy to escape*** as instructed by Jesus in Luke 21:34-36.

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Could animal sacrifices begin soon?

Dr. Christian Widener helps explain this subject as follows: "...while not explicit in Scripture, one of the necessary preconditions for restoring sacrifices is the ability to pray openly on the Temple Mount (which is precisely what was called for in the Peace to Prosperity plan)." (Widener, pp. 307-8) People then ask if the Temple needs to be rebuilt to have animal sacrifices. Not necessarily. An article that helps explain why can be found on our website and it is located under the *Supplemental Articles* for our book *Daniel's Prophecies Unsealed*. The article is entitled: *Thanks to Trump: Pascal Lamb Could Be Sacrificed on Temple Mount for the First Time in 2,000 Years*.

The Sanhedrin has constructed a **temporary altar** that can be transported to the Temple Mount and then removed once the ceremony has been completed. Dr. Widener goes on to say: "...with all the preparations that have been made, **there is good reason to believe that the prophecy will soon be fulfilled literally**. It may not be a return to full sacrificial services, with the slaughter of thousands of animals, **but some form of priestly services could once again be seen in Israel**." [Emphasis Added] (Widener, pp. 307-8)

Please explain the importance of the Parable of the Ten Virgins.

The Parable of the Ten Virgins can be found in Matthew 25:1-10. It is included in the Olivet Discourse, which was one of the last writings that the Lord gave us before His crucifixion. The entire Olivet Discourse can be found in Matthew 24 & 25, with similar accounts in Mark 13 and Luke 17 & 21. It is important to point out that the traditional interpretations state that Jesus was speaking to the Jews or that He was only telling us what has already been fulfilled with the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 AD. The proper interpretation is that Jesus addressed three different groups of people: the Jews in Matthew 24:4-31, the Church in Matthew 24:32 to Matthew 25:30, and the Gentiles in Matthew 25:31-36. With the proper division of the scripture, it can be seen that Jesus was addressing the Church in the Parable of the Ten Virgins.

In this parable, all 10 virgins were Christians because all did possess their oil, which stands for the Holy Spirit who was given to each of them upon their conversion. Only the five wise virgins who were ready went to be with the Bridegroom when He returned. The 5 foolish virgins, however, did not carry along the extra measure of oil that the 5 wise virgins carried in their jars. The 5 wise virgins were ready because they were obedient to the Word of God, which commands us to be "filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18). Because the 5 wise virgins were filled with the Spirit, they allowed Him to direct and empower their life.

It is important to note that the extra oil had to be bought by the foolish virgins (v.9). While the indwelling spirit is a free gift from God that cannot be bought, being filled by the Holy Spirit involves effort on the part of the Christian, requiring our submission to Him (Galatians 5:16-25) in order to crucify the flesh and allow Him complete control. As a result, the 5 wise virgins were properly equipped when the Bridegroom arrived. The wise virgins were ready because of their faithfulness, while the foolish virgins were not prepared due to their own lethargy in providing their extra measure of oil to keep their lamps burning.

Listeners need to ask themselves whether or not they are a wise or foolish virgin. The answer will have an important impact on where they spend the remainder of this decade.

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Please discuss the timing of the Jubilee Year.

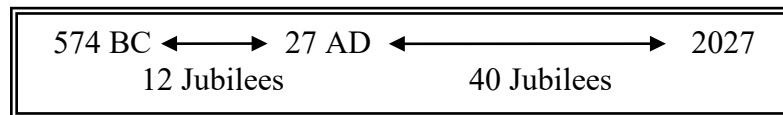
Dr. Christian Widener discovered that the rabbis were able to determine there was a Jubilee Year in 574 BC. (Please see the article *The Talmud's Two Jubilees* under the *Supplemental Articles* for this book on our website: www.ProphecyCountdown.com).

The other Scripture that describes a Jubilee Year was when Jesus began His ministry and He visited a synagogue on the Sabbath where He read from the scroll of Isaiah. This was recorded for us by Luke:

*The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor, He has sent me to proclaim **freedom for the prisoners** and recovery of sight for the blind, **to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.***

(Luke 4:18-19)

Jesus then stopped reading and said, “*Today, this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.*” What He had just read included proclaiming the Year of the Lord’s favor (which means a *Year of Jubilee*), which He said was just fulfilled. From this, we can conclude that when Jesus began His ministry in AD 27, He proclaimed that it was a Jubilee Year.



By connecting these two Jubilee Years (574 BC and 27 AD) we can extrapolate 40 Jubilees (40 x 50 = 2,000 years), which takes us to the Jubilee Year in 2027. Remember that *Jesus* spent 40 days in the wilderness after He was baptized, and the *Israelites* wandered in the wilderness for 40 years. Are these foreshadowing Jesus would provide for 40 Jubilees – one Jubilee for each day that He spent in the wilderness? And, as believers, aren’t we just *pilgrims* in the wilderness on the earth (for a period of 40 Jubilees) looking for our heavenly city? (Hebrews 11:13-16, 1 Peter 2:9-11) Even so, come Lord Jesus!

Could you discuss how Comet Hale-Bopp may relate to Christ’s return?

Appendix 5 was a Tract that we produced back in 1997 when Comet Hale-Bopp first appeared. The Lord showed us the calculations that prove Comet Hale-Bopp was the same comet that appeared to Noah 120 years before the flood (Genesis 6:3). When this famous comet passed through our solar system in 1977, it was hailed as the most-watched comet of all time. We have been proclaiming this comet as an important sign of Christ’s return ever since it appeared back in 1997.

In 2027 it will be the 30th Anniversary of its last appearance. Bullinger wrote, “30, being 3x10 denotes in a higher degree the perfection of Divine order, as marking the right moment. Christ was thirty years of age at the commencement of His ministry. David was also 30 when he began to reign.” (Bullinger, p. 265).

Was Comet Hale-Bopp giving us a sign that the bride of Christ is about to begin her reign and Christ will return in 2027? Is this further corroboration that 2027 will be the time for Christ’s Second Coming? (See Ezekiel 33:1-6).