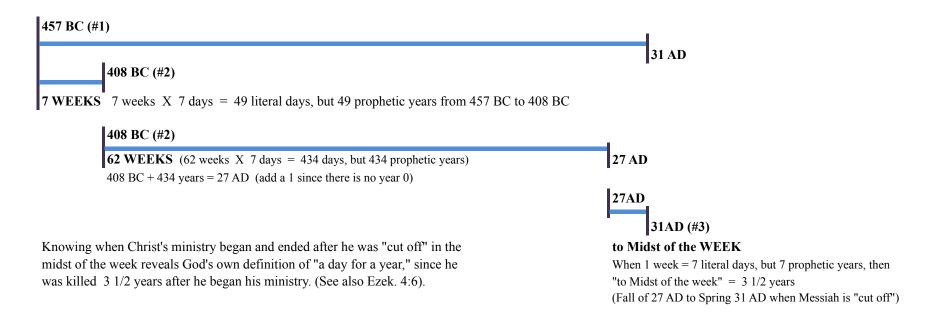
70 WEEKS PROPHECY OF CHRIST'S 1st COMING



- **Dan. 9:25** "Know therefore and understand, *that* from the going forth of the commandment to restore and build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince *shall be* seven weeks, and sixty-two weeks. The street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troubled times."
 - vs. 26 "And after sixty-two weeks shall Messiah be cut off [killed], but not for himself [for all others as the Passover of all mankind]..."
 - vs. 27 "And he [Messiah] shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the **midst of the week** he [Messiah] shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease..." [he fulfilled the meaning of the sacrificial system through his death, and therefore "caused" it to cease]
- #1 In 457 BC, Artaxerxes issued the decree for the rebuilding of Jerusalem that took place through the time of Ezra and then Nehemiah. This took a period of 49 years to construct the streets and walls to fulfill the "7 weeks" segment of Dan. 9:25 that concluded in 408 BC.
- #2 The second division of the 70 weeks prophecy is described as a period of "62 weeks," which is a period of 434 years from 408 BC to 27 AD, and this date (27 AD) is "unto the Messiah the Prince" by adding the period of "7 weeks" (49 years) to "62 weeks" (434 years).
- #3 The final period of the 70 weeks prophecy is described as "1 week" (7 years), when the Messiah would be "cut off" in the "midst of the week," (3 1/2 years) which is when the fulfillment of the sacrificial system would take place when Christ was killed as the Passover of all mankind. Jesus Christ was baptized and began his ministry in the fall of 27 AD (unto the coming of the Messiah) and was killed in the Spring of 31 AD on Passover.