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Seventy 'sevens' are decreed for your people and your holy city to finish transgression, to put an end to sin, to atone for wickedness, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy. ²⁵ Know and understand this: From the issuing of the decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One, the ruler, comes, there will be seven 'sevens,' and sixty-two 'sevens.' It will be rebuilt with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble.

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Daniel 9:20–27

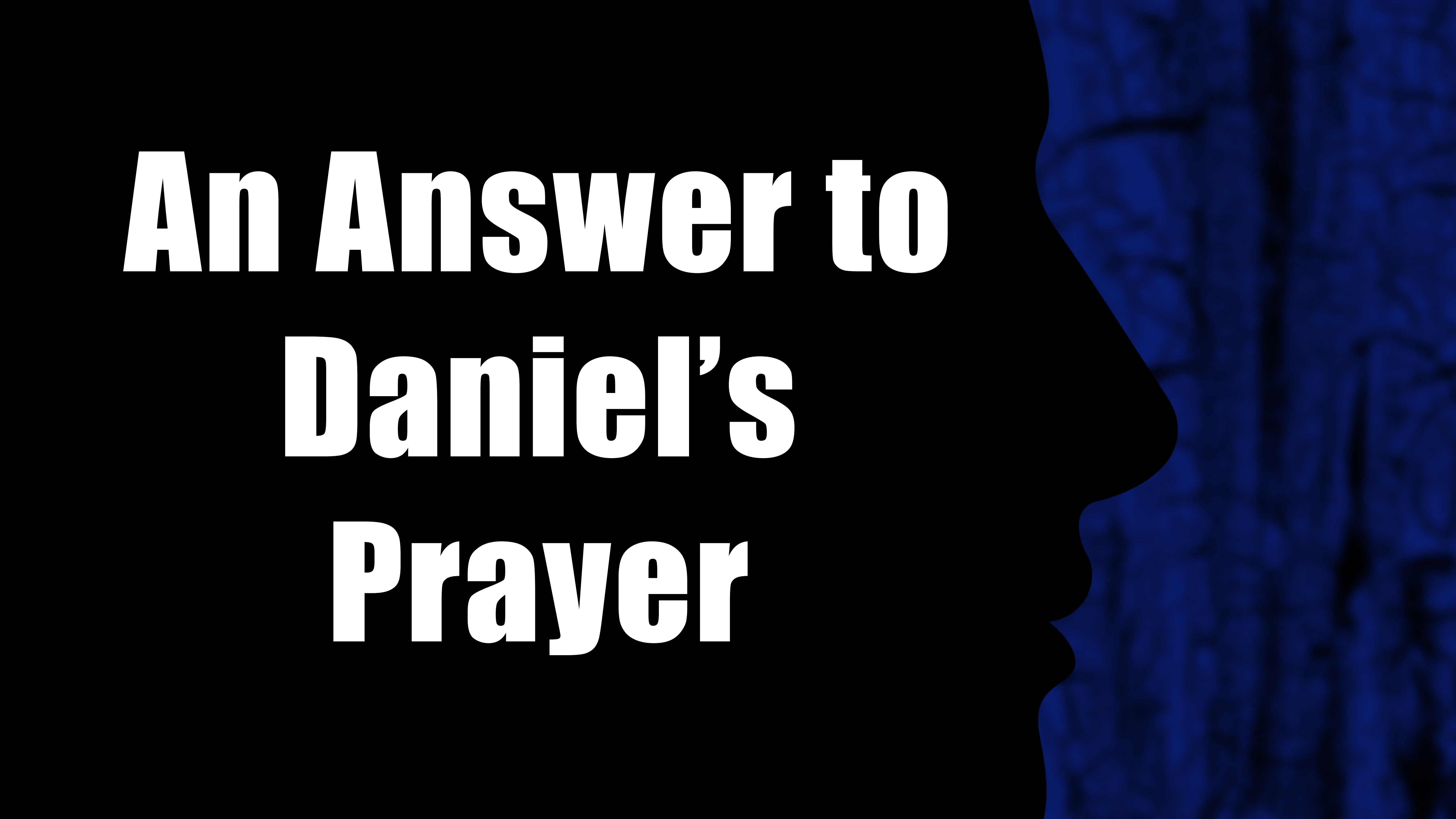
Prophetic Riddles

He said, “Listen to my words: **“When a prophet of the LORD is among you, I reveal myself to him in visions, I speak to him in dreams.** ⁷ But this is not true of my servant Moses; he is faithful in all my house. ⁸ **With him I speak face to face, clearly and not in riddles;** he sees the form of the LORD. Why then were you not afraid to speak against my servant Moses?”

Numbers 12:6–8

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**An Answer to
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Gabriel Brings An Answer

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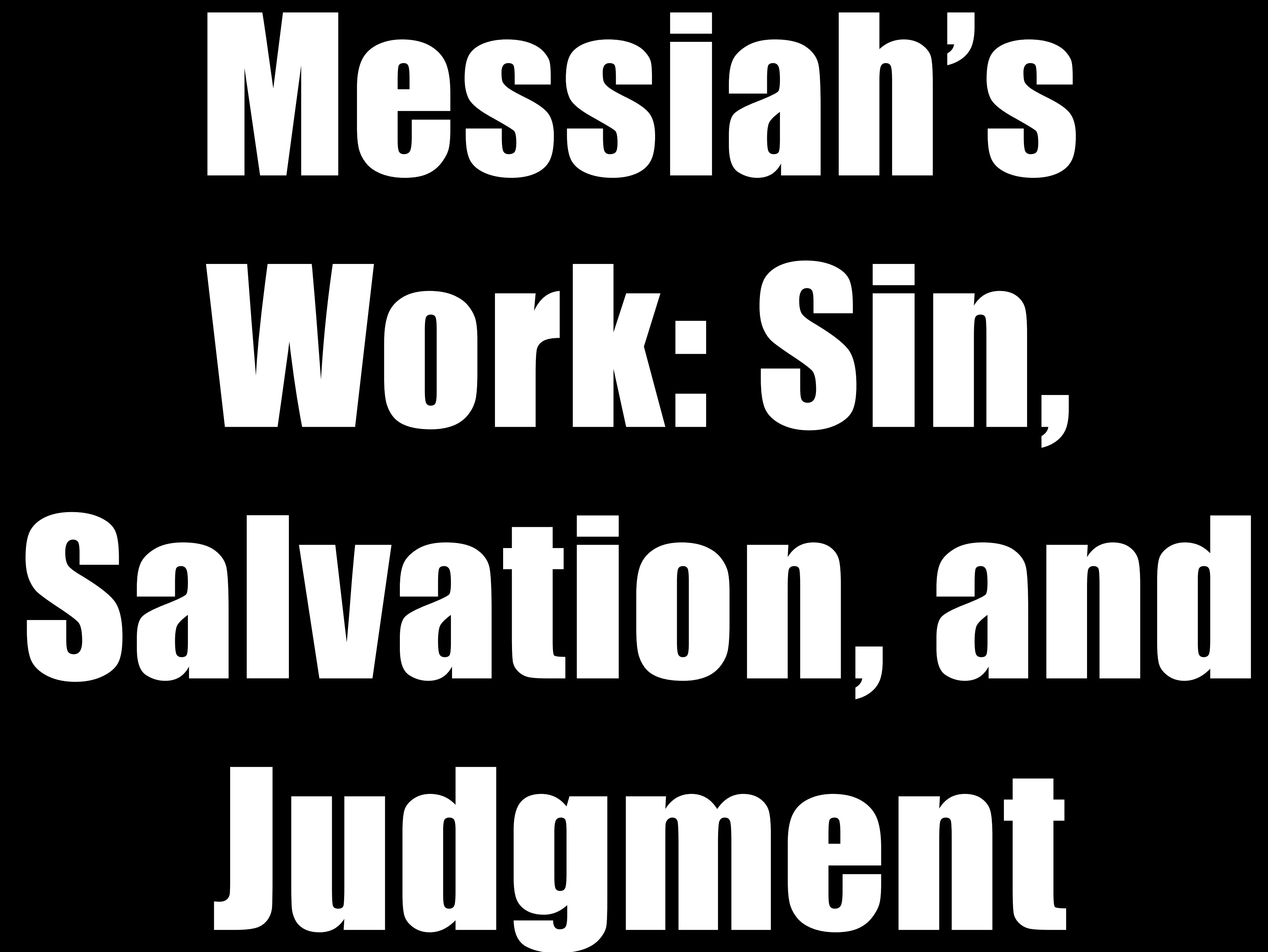
Sin, the People of God, and Jerusalem

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Daniel 9:20, 24

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**Messiah's
Work: Sin,
Salvation, and
Judgment**

Messiah Will Deal With The Sin of His People

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Daniel 9:24

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Then Christ would have had to suffer many times since the creation of the world. **But now he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to do away with sin by the sacrifice of himself.**

Hebrews 9:26



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My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense — Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.
² **He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins**, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2:1–2

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God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, **so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.**

2 Corinthians 5:21

and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ — **the righteousness that comes from God** and is by faith.

Philippians 3:9

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Messiah Will Seal Up Prophecy

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Jesus Is the End/Goal of OT Prophecy

For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John.

Matthew 11:13

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son...

Hebrews 1:1–2

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He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?”

Luke 24:25–26

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This is All About the Messiah

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Daniel 9:24–26



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Jesus IS The Tabernacle/Temple of God

The Word became flesh and **made his dwelling (literally 'tabernacled')** among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14

(also see John 2:19-22)



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**Jesus' Work -
In With the
New, Out With
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Seventy Sevens - A Prophetic Timetable

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Part A - Sacrifice for Sin and Salvation

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Daniel 9:26–27



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The Messiah Cut Off - Dies

By oppression and judgment he was taken away. And who can speak of his descendants? For **he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was stricken.**

Isaiah 53:8



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The Messiah Confirms Covenant With Many

by his knowledge **my righteous servant will justify many**, and he will bear their iniquities.

Isaiah 53:11

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and **to give his life as a ransom for many.**

Mark 10:45

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This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Matthew 26:28

For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

Romans 5:19

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Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹² But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God. ¹³ Since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool, ¹⁴ because by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy... ¹⁸ And where these have been forgiven, there is no longer any sacrifice for sin.

Hebrews 10:11–14, 18

Part B - Judgment on Unbelieving Israel & Jerusalem

The people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end will come like a flood: War will continue until the end, and desolations have been decreed...

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Daniel 9:26–27

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The Temple Pronounced Desolate By Jesus

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing. ³⁸ Look, your house is left to you desolate.

Matthew 23:37–38

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When Will the Desolate Temple Be Destroyed?

Jesus left the temple and was walking away when his disciples came up to him to call his attention to its buildings. ²“Do you see all these things?” he asked. “I tell you the truth, **not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down.**” ³ As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. **“Tell us,” they said, “when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?”**

Matthew 24:1–3

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So when you see standing in the holy place **‘the abomination that causes desolation,’** spoken of through the prophet Daniel — **let the reader understand** — ¹⁶ then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Matthew 24:15–16

When you see **Jerusalem being surrounded by armies,** you **will know that its desolation is near.** ²¹ Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those in the city get out, and let those in the country not enter the city. ²² For this is the time of punishment in fulfillment of all that has been written. Luke 21:20–22

**APPLYING
THE
WORD**



The Table
of the New Covenant

