



MORE PIECES TO THE PUZZLE

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UNDERSTANDING DANIEL'S PROPHECY

DANIEL 9:24-27

The six fulfillments of Daniel 9:24 _____
 the establishment of Israel's covenanted kingdom
 under the authority of Israel's promised King.

THE BLIND SPOT OF THE PROPHETS

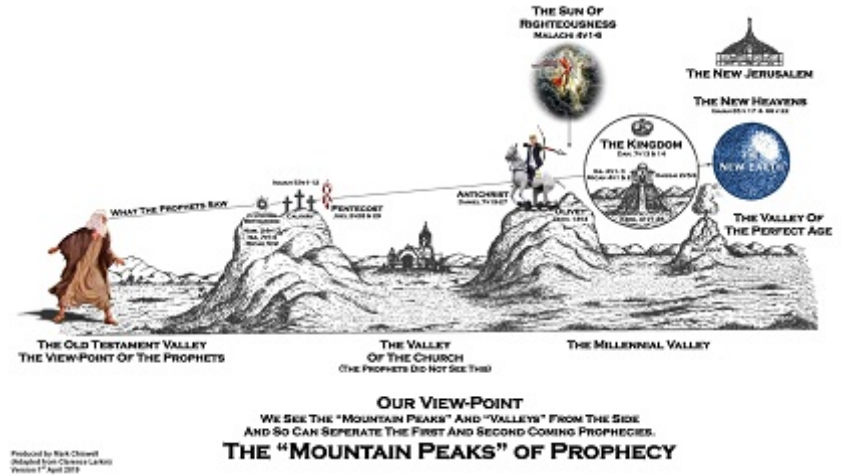
ISAIAH 9:6-7; JOEL 2:28-32 & ACTS 2:14-21; ISAIAH 61:1-3 & LUKE 4:16-21

The Old Testament prophets were not aware
 of the great _____ between the first and second
 coming of the Christ — in other words, they saw
 the coming of the Christ as _____.

THE QUESTIONS OF THE DISCIPLES

MATTHEW 24:1-3; LUKE 19:42-44; 21:20-31

Matthew and Mark's accounts do not answer
 the _____ question of the disciples;
 Luke's Gospel is the only one to reveal Jesus'
 answer to their first question.



FOR FURTHER STUDY:

1. In times of deep personal crisis, men and women are often driven to pray. If you have experienced such a time in your life, briefly describe what it was like.
2. Read Daniel 9:20-27. In verse 24, Gabriel mentions six things that will happen for the people of Israel and the holy city of Jerusalem within seventy "sevens" (understood as 490 years). What do you think these things mean individually and collectively?
3. The Romans destroyed Jerusalem and its temple in 70AD, fulfilling verse 26. According to verse 27, how would you describe the course of events during the final "seven," or period of seven years?
4. Read Isaiah 9:6-7. When Jesus came, the Jews expected the Messiah to liberate their nation from the Romans and re-establish the earthly kingdom of Israel. What parts of verse 6-7 would have led the Jews to expect a Savior like this?
5. Read Matthew 24:1-3. Both the temple's size and symbolism gave the Israelites a sense of security. When Jesus told the disciples the temple would be destroyed, how do you think they felt?
6. Read Luke 19:41-44. What was hidden from Jerusalem's people that would have brought them "peace"? How would it have brought them peace?