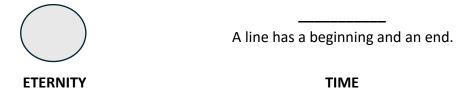
Rapture Year and Season

(In the God-Week of Time, Seventy Week Prophecy, within God's Calendar)

FIRST, we need to understand the **GOD-WEEK OF TIME**. God created the universe and earth in Eternity. A circle represents Eternity. There is no beginning or end. It goes on and on, never ending. Perhaps millions of years later still in Eternity, God finished the earth, creating all vegetation and creatures and everything these creatures and mankind would need and finally created and made mankind in His image all in a week, *His chosen measurement* (Gen. 1-2) of time and prophecies. God also gave mankind dominion over all the earth (Gen. 1:26) which scholars now call Earth's Title Deed, the "scroll" of Rev. 5:1. God walked and talked in intimate fellowship with Adam and Eve while in Eternity until there was sin and Satan stole mankind's dominion and became the god of this world (2 Cor. 4:4). So natural TIME began for our sake. Eternity stopped for a God-week of time, so "eternal life which God promised...before ("time" in CJB) began" (Titus 2:2 KJV) later after God's Redemptive Week for us.



This line represents the week of God's **Redeeming Time for Mankind and Earth**. It has a beginning and an end. This week is seven days to God, but 7,000 solar years to mankind. The Apostle Peter of the New Testament and the prophet Moses of the Old Testament both wrote of God's measurement of time.

2 Peter 3:8 (KJV) ...beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day *is* with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

Psalm 90:4 (NKJV) For a thousand years in Your (God's) sight are like yesterday when it is past...

God used a precious equation prophetically for this week of time (4 + 3 = 7) or (4 + 2 + 1 = 7) also found many times in the book of Revelation for the Tribulation. The (4) is the first four days of this week (4,000) years) spanned between Adam's transgression to Messiah's death on the cross, His sacrificial death to redeem all who believe. And Hosea foresaw the (2+1) days after Messiah's death for the full week (7).

Hosea 6:2 (KVJ) After two days (2,000 years) will He (Messiah) revive us (Israel): in the third day (1,000 years, Millennial Reign) He (Messiah) will raise us (Jews) up, and we shall live in His sight.

The "two days" (2,000 years) are **Day 5 and Day 6** of God's week. We currently live near the end of Day 6. The "third day" or **Day 7** of this week, is the Millennial Reign of Christ which begins right after the Tribulation when all remaining Israel will be saved **(Rom. 11:26)** and live in Messiah's sight throughout the last 1,000 years of time, God' Shabbat. Time ends and eternity restarts for **(7)** means *divine completion*.

0	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Da	y 5	Day 6	Day 7
Adam		4 Days		Je	sus	2 Days		1 Day
Sinned		4,000 years		Died 2		2,000) years	1,000 yrs

What is most significant for the end-day Church is the year of Jesus' death which was foretold to Daniel within the Seventy Week Prophecy while Israel was still in captivity in the city of Babylon.

SECOND, we need to understand the SEVENTY WEEK PROPHECY. SO, why Israel became captive? God had commanded Israel to rest her land every 7 years, (Lev. 25:4, 26:43; 2 Chron. 26:21) but she did not obey for 490 years. So, God punished her with 70 years of captivity to rest their land. The Babylonian empire only lasted 43 or 44 years. The Medes and Persians had taken over their realm (Dan. 9:1). The Mede king Darius was made ruler over the city of Babylon by the higher Persian king Cyrus who ruled from the city of Shushan. Daniel already knew Israel was nearing the end of her captivity years because the prophet Jeremiah had foreseen its length as 70 years and sent this word to the Jews earlier (Jer. 25:11). Now Daniel in his nineties, began interceding for Israel, repenting for her sins, and praying they choose to return to their homeland (Dan. 9:2-19). As he prayed, God sent Gabriel to give him the Seventy Week Prophecy. Even though these Jews were about to finish their judgment of 70 years for their 490 years of disobedience (2 Chron. 36:21), Daniel is shown 490 future years of judgment, including the Messiah's death to take mankind's judgment upon Himself to redeem us.

Daniel 9:24-26a Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, (referring to the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross) and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy (of Holies, i.e. God's Presence will finally return in the Millennial Reign). ²⁵ Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment (a Persian decree) to restore and to build Jerusalem (until) the Messiah the Prince (Jesus) shall be (7) weeks, and (62) weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times. ²⁶ And after (7 + 62 = 69) weeks shall Messiah be cut off, (crucified), but not for Himself (but for us, to take our sins, reconcile us to God, make us right with God)...

Each "week" (shabug) here symbolizes seven years. And all prophecies are in lunar years. The future judgments after Daniel's day will span over seventy weeks (70 x 7) that is, 490 lunar years. But these 490 lunar years are separated as 69 weeks and the final 70h week with three different recipients of judgments.

The **69 weeks** (69 x 7) was **483 lunar years** of (1) <u>judgment on Israel</u> for their lack of faithfulness to God. This judgment may not seem harsh, but it must have been confusing for them. Israel heard no word from God by prophets. All those years Heaven was silent until John and the Messiah arrived. Jesus preached the Word three years. Gabriel said these 483 lunar years would start on the year a specific decree was made (v. 25) and would end on the year the (2) <u>Messiah would die taking all judgment of all sin of all mankind on the cross</u> (v. 26). His death redeemed mankind to be right with God and promised that God will return to live on earth. Right after Jesus' death, Day 5 and 6 began. These 2,000 solar years contain: 1) the Church Age of 1,993 solar years, 2) the seven lunar years of the 70th week when (3) <u>God's enemies to be judged in the Tribulation</u>, plus 3) 30 days. Why? Seven solar years are 30 days longer than seven lunar years and this was foretold to be added at the end of the Tribulation (Dan. 12:11). This also reveals that 1,993 years after the year Christ Jesus died *is* the year of our rapture. So, we need to know the year Jesus died for us.

So, what decree initiated these **69 weeks** or **483 lunar years before Jesus' death**? Gabriel described this decree as rebuilding the city of <u>Jerusalem</u> (v. **25)** mentioned as "street" and "<u>wall</u>." Four decrees were made for Israel by three Persian kings, but *only one* fulfilled this prophecy. It is the fourth one listed here:

- Decree of Cyrus to rebuild temple 539 B.C. (2 Chron 36-22-23; Ezra 1:1-4)
- Decree of Daris I confirmed temple 519 or 518 B.C. (Ezra 6:1-12)
- Decree of Artaxerxes I to Ezra for return of exiles 457 B.C. (Ezra 7:11-26)
- Decree of Artaxerxes to Nehemiah to build Jerusalem & walls 444 or 445 B.C. (Neh. 2:1-8)

I. The Rapture Year

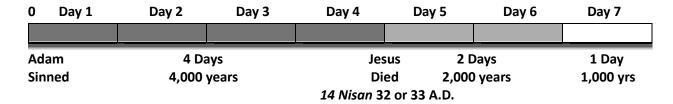
This decree granted by Artaxerxes was made after his cupbearer, Nehemiah, bravely made this request:

Neh. 2:5, 8 (KJV) {Nehemiah asking the king] ...send me unto Judah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchers, that I may build it (Jerusalem)... 8(and send) a letter unto Asaph the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates...and for the wall...

This fourth decree began the 483 lunar years of judgment of Israel. Lunar years are 30 days per month so 360 days per year, 4.25 days less than a solar year. So, 483 lunar years x 360 days = 173,880 days from this decree would be the year Messiah died on the cross. Primarily Bible scholars believed 2 years at 14 *Nisan*.

Artaxerxes to Nehemiah March 14, 444 B.C. to Jesus' death as April 3, 33 A.D. or Artaxerxes to Nehemiah March 14, 445 B.C. to Jesus' death as April 3, 32 A.D.

The day (14 Nisan) doesn't matter. It is the year of His death gives us the year of the pre-Trib rapture.



Year of Jesus' death + the Church Age (1,993 yrs.) = Year of pre-Trib Rapture.

Some thought the year 32 A.D.

Why the year of the pre-Trib rapture was thought to be 2025:

- 1) Numerous Bible scholars believed Jesus died in 32 A.D. so rapture as 2025.
- 2) The first Jubilee of modern Israel started on 1-2 *Tishri* or Sept. 30, 1998 which was also as their New Year like 1999. For 1999 + 33 = 2032 7 = **2025**.
- 3) William Marrion Branham was given by God two 33-year spans of time (1933-1966, 1966-1999) so 1999 + 33 years of Jesus is 2032 7 = **2025**.

It is the year 33 A.D.

Why we KNOW the year of the pre-Trib rapture is 2026:

- 1) Numerous Bible scholar believe Jesus died in **33 A.D** so rapture **2026**.
- 2) First Jubilee of modern Israel ended on 2000. For 2000 + 33 = 2033 -7 = 2026.
- 3) NASA claims by an eclipse that Jesus died on 14 Nisan 33 A.D., April 3, 33 A.D. + 1,993 = 2026.
- 4) End-day timing by God for the Church of the U.S.A. and world: 1999, 2000, 2011, 2022, makes His Second Advent 2033. So, 2033 7 = 2026, the year of the pre-Trib rapture.

 (Yet, we must know about God's calendar to understand the 4th proof.)

II. The Rapture Season

THIRD, we need to understand the **GOD-CALENDAR**. At the start of time, lunar years were used by early mankind because it was easy to follow the moon, just twelve months of 30 days, 360 days a year. And lunar years remained used for prophecies. Yet God's Calendar was unique. It uses both the sun *and* moon (Gen. 1:14) so Israel could recall their escape from slavery in Egypt by its seasons annually near the same natural time. And God's redemptive timing was not only for ancient Israel, but also for the Church.

Genesis 1:14 (KJV) And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day (sun) from the night (moon); and let them be signs, and seasons (mowed), and for days, and for years (luni-solar calendar).

Psalm 104:19 (KJV) He (the LORD) appointed the moon for seasons (mowed)...

These "seasons" are not summer, winter, spring or fall. They refer to God's redemptive timing by the "feasts" (mowed) and the feast "seasons (mowed) of the LORD" (Lev. Chap. 23). The Hebrew mowed means an appointment, a fixed time by God, a season to assemble (gather) for a definite purpose, an appointed time by God. These feasts, feast seasons were God's chosen time indicators for natural Israel's redemption yet also later for spiritual Israel's redemption, which is the Church for Jews and Gentiles.

There are **seven feasts** (*mowed*) of the LORD within three feast seasons (*mowed*). These feasts remind Jews of the ancient events in Moses' day, when natural Israel was delivered from a natural slavery in Egypt. Thereafter, they annually recalled or celebrated these feasts according to the Old Covenant law. Yet Moses also knew that there was something far greater coming in the future at these feasts! Moses described each feast as "holy convocation" ten times (Lev. 23:2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 21, 24, 35, 36, 37) and a holy convocation means a "holy rehearsal," a preparation of a future event! God intended Israel to not only remember their past natural redemption from slavery in Egypt but also prepare for their spiritual redemption from sin and death through their Messiah. Yet most did not recognize Jesus as their Messiah. Unlike natural Israel, spiritual Israel (the Church of Jews and Gentiles) has kept and must continue to keep the "seasons" by the Spirit "not by the letter" of the law (2 Cor. 3:6) but by Messiah's greater works. Apostle Paul knew this also. He called these feasts "holy days" which were and three are still "a prophetic shadow and the evidence of what would be fulfilled" (Col. 2:16-17 TPT). We are to RECALL the first 3 feasts fully fulfilled by Jesus, and KEEP IN PRAYER the 4th feast that started for us (Acts 2), and PREPARE, STAY READY for the 5th feast to escape the 7-year Tribulation, wrath of God. And this was God's timing for the end-day Church!

God's Timing for Spiritual Redemption

1st **PESACH SEASON** with 3 feasts: We annually gather and **RECALL** (Easter Sunday at Church).

Unleavened Bread (14-21 Nisan) **JESUS** lived **SINLESS** as the unblemished Lamb of God.

Passover (14 Nisan) JESUS DIED as Paschal Lamb to take away the sins of those who believe.

Firstfruits (16 Nisan) JESUS was RESURRECTED, so all believers may have eternal LIFE.

2nd **SHAVUOTH SEASON** with 1 feast: Some annually gather to **PRAY** (Jesus Day, GDOP, etc.).

Pentecost (7 Sivan) JESUS EMPOWERED the newly born Church with the Holy Spirit.

3rd SUKKOT SEASON with 3 feasts: We should gather in PREPARTION for our exit.

Feast of Trumpets (1-2 *Tishri*) **JESUS** will remove His faithful bride within the pre-Trib **RAPTURE**.

Day of Atonement (10 Tishri) JESUS will return after Trib, and all Israel will be atoned (Rom. 11:26).

Feast of Tabernacles (15-23 Tishri) JESUS' MILLENNIAL REIGN (Day 7) on earth as the King of kings.

Personally, I wish the world would see the Church **GATHER** before the rapture in stadiums, so they awake when we leave. Yet Jesus will **GATHER** us in the outer atmosphere of earth. We are meant to know God's timing and follow it. When the early church of Thessalonica thought they missed the rapture, Apostle Paul scolded them and wrote, "you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this day should overtake you as a thief. You are all sons of light and sons of the day...not of the night, nor of darkness" (1 Thess. 5:4-5 NKJV). He also wrote that "the times and <u>seasons</u>" (Greek *Kairos*) "brethren, ye have no need that *I* write unto you" (1 Thess. 5:1). They already knew the feast <u>season</u> of the rapture for "seasons" of the New Testament (Greek *Kairos*) and Old Testament (Hebrew *mowed*) both mean *an appointed time by God*.

The **4th proof** of the **rapture year as 2026**, can now be understood. God used **"the feasts of the LORD" (Lev. 23)** for end-time gatherings of the U.S.A. Church and around the world particularly on years: 1999, 2000, 2011, 2022, to know that on **2033** Jesus will return at end of Tribulation, so the rapture year *is* **2026**.

God's End-Day Timing of the Feasts

FEAST	YEAR	EVENT or WORD
Pesach (Passover/Easter)	19 99	Beyond 99 (Reinhard Boonke) (U.S.A. nation-wide evangelism)
Pesach (Passover/Easter)	20 00	Book of Hope Campaign (CBN & MAC) (U.S.A. nation-wide evangelism)
Shavuoth (Pentecost)	20 00	Jesus' Day (parades and prayer globally many years) (Only in 2000 by many Baltimore churches together)
Shavuoth (Pentecost)	20 11	Global Day of Prayer (GDOP 2005 – 2013 global prayer) (Highest: 700 million of all nations on 20 11 only)
Rhema for U.S.A. (02/22/2022)	20 22	Isaiah 22:22 <i>Shebna</i> (Biden) to be replaced by <i>Eliakim</i> (Trump), "last trump" of 1 Cor. 15:52 .
Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)	20 33	Jesus returns to earth as King of kings and will atone all living Israelis (Rom. 11:26)

2033 – 7-year Tribulation = 2026 Rapture (Rosh Hashanah)

This all began while this author was on a national committee of Mission America Coalition (MAC) for Baltimore, then started GDOP in Harford County at which one outdoor gathering there were seen **99**, **00**, **11**, **22** in the sky, and received the *rhema* on **02/22/2022** after moving to Conway, SC. in 2021.

Jesus and others repeatedly stated that no one would know the day or hour of His coming but the Father (Zech. 14:7; Matt. 24:36, 44, 50, 25:13; Mark 13:32, 35; 2 Pet. 3:10). However, this coming refers to Jesus' Second Advent, not the rapture. Yet we still will not know the day or hour of the rapture either, but we know its year, season and feast. The pre-Trib rapture is on the Feast of Trumpets or *Rosh Hashanah*. In Israel this feast spans from the eve or 6 pm of the day before 1 *Tishri* and ends at 6 pm on 2 *Tishri*. So, it covers partially 3 days in Israel. And Israel's hour is 7 hours before the ET of the U.S.A. So, to be careful it is best to add the day before 1 *Tishri*. For America that would be September 11-13, 2026. Again, mowed asks us to gather, yet Jesus will gather us all together within earth's outer atmosphere.

Rosh Hashanah 2026 is the Hebrew year 5786 (not 5993 as it should be) for the end of **Day** 6 should be 6000. Scripturally the Jews started with a lunar calendar. Around 1,500 B.C. after Isarel's escape from Egypt, she switched to God's choice (**Gen. 1:14**), the unique luni-solar calendar thereafter to keep the LORD's *timing* of feasts and seasons (*mowed*) within their original *natural* seasons (*zeman*) like spring and fall etc. In God's calendar, the days of the feasts are dated by the moon. This new calendar made their years just a tiny bit shorter than the Gregorian solar calendar. (It is 1 day shorter every 216 years). But the Jews were forced to set their **year** 1 at 3761 B.C. instead of 3967 B.C., by Julius Ceasar for the Proleptic Julian Calendar. Julius was a pagan emperor who was not led by God. So that is why 2026 is **not** 5993.

Do you remember the little booklet entitled **88 Reasons Why the Rapture will be in 1988?** It was mailed to many homes across our nation claiming the rapture could occur on the **1988 Rosh Hashanah**. That feast made sense to me then. I was not concerned about my family; they were all saved. As a children's pastor with the help of my Baptist next-door neighbor, we had already led 50 children of our neighborhood to Jesus. Yet I had not shared the Gospel with any of my adult neighbors. I read the booklet, and on the Saturday before the rapture was considered to happen, I went house to house and five adults were saved in a single day! The year was wrong, but it is *now imminent!* What if we all shared the Gospel with our neighbors this year before we leave. If every Church did this, millions would be saved in our nation.

After reading this please pass it on to your pastor.

Dear Pastor,

I wrote this as a revision of the **Seventy Week Prophecy** (pp. 21-25) within *The Expedition of the End-Day Prophecies*, a study manual published in 2021 for later I learned more about the rapture. The rest of the manual is fine. Thereafter I wrote a book: *Before and After the End* on Amazon in 2024 and 2025 when God unveiled the fourth and final proof of the rapture year. I wish to share this information with every pastor. God wants me to take out thousands of brochures for residents in Conway SC where I now live but also anywhere else in the United States of America.

A Rapture Brochure for neighbors may also be downloaded on www.touchofheaven.org. If every church took these brochures out or made their own, we could reach many souls. When Baltimore churches took out the Book of Hope in 2000, some neighbors received multiple copies, and some received none, because the pastors did not have time to work it out together. We have eight months of 2026 alone to use. Please consider. See you in Heaven. God bless you and your congregation.

For Jesus and your service,

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