

TWENTY-SEVEN



Start of 70 Years of Babylonian Captivity 4th Day of Burning of Temple to Start of Rebuilding Wall

Thursday July 24 – Av 10, 526 BC

Friday July 18 – Av 4, 455 BC

70 Years and 359 Days

117 Events: 2 Kings, 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Jeremiah, Ezekiel,
Daniel, Haggai, & Zechariah

Jeremiah 52:12

Temple Fire Begins to Burn Out-Battle Over

This Bible date begins seventy "completed" years of Babylonian Exile predicted in Jeremiah 25:12. This research calculates the Babylonian Exile lasts 70 years and 359 days.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 281

BR Years from Creation: 3588

BR: Thursday, July 24 — Av 10, 526 BC

GH: Thursday, May 17 — Iyar 26, 524 BC

Julian Day Number: 1530174.75

2 Kings 24:17-18; 2 Chronicles 36:11

Reign of King Zedekiah (South) Ends

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 281

BR Years from Creation: 3588

BR: Thursday, July 24 — Av 10, 526 BC

GH: Thursday, May 17 — Iyar 26, 524 BC

Julian Day Number: 1530174.75

2 Kings 25:8-21; Jeremiah 25:8-11, 29:10-14

Jerusalem Burns-70 Years of Babylonian Exile Begins

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 282
BR Years from Creation: 3588
BR: Friday, July 25 — Av 11, 526 BC
GH: Friday, May 18 — Iyar 27, 524 BC
Julian Day Number: 1530175.75

2 Kings 25:25

Ishmael Kills Gedaliah in the Seventh Month

Type of Dated Event: EST
BR Calendar Day Number: 331
BR Years from Creation: 3588
BR: Friday, September 13 — Tishri 1, 526 BC
GH: Friday, July 6 — Tammuz 17, 524 BC
Julian Day Number: 1530224.75

Ezekiel 33:21

Twelfth Year of Jehoiachin's Captivity, Tenth Month, Fifth Day

Type of Dated Event: DIS
BR Calendar Day Number: 69
BR Years from Creation: 3589
BR: Tuesday, December 24 — Tevet 5, 526 BC
GH: Tuesday, October 16 — Tishri 31, 524 BC
Julian Day Number: 1530326.75

Ezekiel 33:21

Refugee Reports on the Fall of Jerusalem

Ezekiel is no longer mute.

Type of Dated Event: DIS
BR Calendar Day Number: 69
BR Years from Creation: 3589
BR: Tuesday, December 24 — Tevet 5, 526 BC
GH: Tuesday, October 16 — Tishri 31, 524 BC
Julian Day Number: 1530326.75

Ezekiel 32:1

Twelfth Year of Jehoiachin's Captivity, Twelfth Month, First Day

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 124

BR Years from Creation: 3589

BR: Monday, February 19 — Adar 1, 525 BC

GH: Monday, December 10 — Kislev 18, 524 BC

Julian Day Number: 1530381.75

Ezekiel 32:1-16

Ezekiel Laments Over Pharaoh and Egypt

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 124

BR Years from Creation: 3589

BR: Monday, February 19 — Adar 1, 525 BC

GH: Monday, December 10 — Kislev 18, 524 BC

Julian Day Number: 1530381.75

Ezekiel 32:17

Twelfth Year of Jehoiachin's Captivity, Twelfth Month, Fifteenth Day

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 138

BR Years from Creation: 3589

BR: Monday, March 3 — Adar 15, 525 BC

GH: Monday, December 24 — Tevet 2, 524 BC

Julian Day Number: 1530395.75

Ezekiel 32:17-21

Pharaoh Will Be in the Pit (Sheol)

Ezekiel is proclaiming that Egypt will be defeated like many other nations. The Pit refers to the grave or Sheol.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 138

BR Years from Creation: 3589

BR: Monday, March 3 — Adar 15, 525 BC

GH: Monday, December 24 — Tevet 2, 524 BC

Julian Day Number: 1530395.75

Ezekiel 40:1

Twenty-Fifth Year of Jehoiachin's Captivity, First Month, Tenth Day

This important date is fourteen years after the Fall of Jerusalem and happens in the twenty-fifth year of Jehoiachin's captivity. This very specific Date in Scripture (DIS), in the Book of Ezekiel, functions as an Anchor date and year for many previous events during the reigns of the Kings and events that follow during the Babylonian Exile.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 163

BR Years from Creation: 3602

BR: Friday, March 28 — Nisan 10, 512 BC

GH: Friday, January 2 — Tevet 10, 510 BC

Julian Day Number: 1535152.75

Ezekiel 40:1-4

Vision of Future Temple Begins

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 163

BR Years from Creation: 3602

BR: Friday, March 28 — Nisan 10, 512 BC

GH: Friday, January 2 — Tevet 10, 510 BC

Julian Day Number: 1535152.75

Ezekiel 29:17-21

Twenty-Seventh Year of Jehoiachin's Captivity, First Month, First Day & Judgment Against Tyre and Egypt

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 154

BR Years from Creation: 3604

BR: Wednesday, March 19 — Nisan 1, 510 BC

GH: Wednesday, December 21 — Tevet 1, 509 BC

Julian Day Number: 1535871.75

Babylonian Literature: Total Lunar Eclipse in 37th year of Nebuchadnezzar on

Diary in Berlin Museum. NASA Lunar charts date event on Wed. April 4, 507 BC. This is 36 years & 299 days into estimated start of Nebuchadnezzar's reign (364-Day calendar).

BR Calendar Day Number: 259

BR Years from Creation: 3605

BR: Wednesday, July 2 — Tammuz 17, 509 BC

GH: Wednesday, April 4 — Nisan 13, 507 BC

Julian Day Number: 1536340.75

2 Kings 25:27

Evil-Murdock Begins Reign in 37th Year of Jehoiachin's Captivity

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 95

BR Years from Creation: 3614

BR: Sunday, January 20 — Shevat 2, 500 BC

GH: Sunday, October 12 — Tishri 27, 499 BC

Julian Day Number: 1539452.75

2 Kings 25:27

Evil-Murdock Releases Jehoiachin From Prison

This is an extremely important specific Date in Scripture clarifying many of the transition dates from the end of the Kings of Israel into the Babylonian Exile.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 150

BR Years from Creation: 3614

BR: Saturday, March 15 — Adar 27, 500 BC

GH: Saturday, December 6 — Kislev 14, 499 BC

Julian Day Number: 1539507.75

2 Kings 25:27

Thirty-Seventh Year of Jehoiachin's Captivity, Twelfth Month, 27th Day

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 150

BR Years from Creation: 3614

BR: Saturday, March 15 — Adar 27, 500 BC

GH: Saturday, December 6 — Kislev 14, 499 BC

Julian Day Number: 1539507.75

Daniel 5:30-31

Beginning of Reign of Cyrus II

Cyrus II, also known as "Cyrus the Great", is the grandson of Cyrus I who revolted against Astayges in 550 BC. This date for the start of the reign of Cyrus II is estimated because some historians say he started his reign six years before conquering Babylon. This research dates the Fall of Babylon to be in October of 488 BC. After conquering Babylon, Cyrus II appoints his Uncle, Darius the Mede, to become Governor of Babylon, in the sixty-second year of Medo-Persian Kings since Cyrus I came to power in 550 BC.

Type of Dated Event: Extra-Biblical

BR Calendar Day Number: 360

BR Years from Creation: 3620

BR: Saturday, October 12 — Tishri 30, 494 BC

GH: Saturday, June 26 — Tammuz 7, 492 BC

Julian Day Number: 1541901.75

Daniel 10:2

Daniel Begins Mourning in Third Year of Cyrus

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 156

BR Years from Creation: 3623

BR: Friday, March 21 — Nisan 3, 491 BC

GH: Friday, December 1 — Kislev 9, 490 BC

Julian Day Number: 1542789.75

Daniel 10:1-21

Daniel's Vision of a Glorious Man in Third Year of Cyrus

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 177

BR Years from Creation: 3623

BR: Friday, April 11 — Nisan 24, 491 BC

GH: Friday, December 22 — Kislev 30, 490 BC

Julian Day Number: 1542810.75

Daniel 10:1-4

Third Year of Cyrus: Twenty-Fourth Day of First Month

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 177

BR Years from Creation: 3623

BR: Friday, April 11 — Nisan 24, 491 BC

GH: Friday, December 22 — Kislev 30, 490 BC

Julian Day Number: 1542810.75

Daniel 7:1-28

Daniel's Vision of Four Beasts in First Year of Belshazzar

Belshazzar is the son of Nebonidus, the absent King of Babylon, who is now ruling while his father is away. This event happens in the first year of King Belshazzar's reign. In three years, Babylon will be conquered by Cyrus the Persian. CD#361 is the DFC date for events happening between the years 491 BC and 487 BC.

Type of Dated Event: DFC

BR Calendar Day Number: 361

BR Years from Creation: 3623

BR: Sunday, October 13 — Tishri 31, 491 BC

GH: Sunday, June 23 — Tammuz 6, 489 BC

Julian Day Number: 1542994.75

Daniel 8:1-27

Daniel's Vision of the Ram and Goat

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 270

BR Years from Creation: 3626

BR: Sunday, July 13 — Tammuz 28, 488 BC

GH: Sunday, March 21 — Adar 29, 486 BC

Julian Day Number: 1543995.75

Daniel 5:1-29

Belshazzar's Feast, the Handwriting on the Wall, and the Fall of Babylon

CD#361 is the DFC and EDFC date for events between 491 BC and 487 BC.

Type of Dated Event: DFC

BR Calendar Day Number: 361

BR Years from Creation: 3626

BR: Sunday, October 13 — Tishri 31, 488 BC

GH: Sunday, June 20 — Tammuz 1, 486 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544086.75

Daniel 5:30

Darius the Mede Receives the Kingdom From Cyrus II

This appears to be a fulfillment of Jeremiah's prophecy in Jeremiah 51:11. According to this research, Darius the Mede and King Ahasuerus, mentioned in Ezra 4:6 and Esther 1:1, are different names for the same King. Darius the Mede is the King mentioned for the events of Daniel and the lion's den story, recorded in Chapter 6 of Daniel. In the seventh year of his reign, King Ahasuerus (Darius the Mede) marries Esther, according to Esther 2:15-18. The author of this Bible Timeline research could not find the connection of these two Kings, as being the same person, in any other Bible chronology or Old Testament Biblical commentary.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 4

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Sunday, October 20 — Creation Day 7, 488 BC

GH: Sunday, June 27 — Tammuz 8, 486 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544093.75

Ezra 1:1-6, 5:13-17; 2 Chronicles 36:22-23

Cyrus II Issues Decree: "build Him a house at Jerusalem"

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 26

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Monday, November 11 — Heshvan 22, 488 BC

GH: Monday, July 19 — Av 1, 486 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544115.75

Daniel 6:1-5; Esther 1:1-2

Kings Darius Puts Daniel In Charge of 120 Satraps

Esther 1:1-2 makes the connection that Darius the Mede and Ahasuerus are the same King since they are both in charge of 120 Satraps. This Darius was made King by an appointment from Cyrus II. Daniel is one of three Governors assigned to rule over the

Satrap and assist in governing the King's realm. The connection of these two Kings, who are one and the same person, is critical to an accurate dating of the Kings of Israel and Persia. For many years, teachers of Bible chronology have insisted that there is a gap in the Assyrian data of 35-60 years. This research clearly shows that if the dated years in Scripture are used, instead of the flawed dating of current Bible chronology prior to 455 BC, the resulting data makes more sense and the assumed gap in the Assyrian data vanishes.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 51

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Friday, December 6 — Kislev 17, 488 BC

GH: Friday, August 13 — Av 26, 486 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544140.75

Daniel 11:1-12:13

Vision of Warring Kings in First Year of Darius the Mede

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 88

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Sunday, January 13 — Tevet 24, 487 BC

GH: Sunday, September 19 — Tishri 4, 486 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544177.75

Daniel 6:6-9

King Darius Issues Decree to Worship Him for 30 Days

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 270

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Sunday, July 13 — Tammuz 28, 487 BC

GH: Sunday, March 19 — Adar 29, 485 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544359.75

Daniel 6:10-15

Daniel is Brought Before King Darius for Trial

This King Darius is also known as King Ahasuerus in the Book of Esther.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 276

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Saturday, July 19 — Av 5, 487 BC

GH: Saturday, March 25 — Nisan 5, 485 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544365.75

Daniel 6:16-20

Daniel in the Lion's Den

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 277

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Sunday, July 20 — Av 6, 487 BC

GH: Sunday, March 26 — Nisan 6, 485 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544366.75

Daniel 6:21-23

Daniel is Unharmed by Lions

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 277

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Sunday, July 20 — Av 6, 487 BC

GH: Sunday, March 26 — Nisan 6, 485 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544366.75

Daniel 6:24

Darius Punishes Daniel's Accusers and Their Families

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 277

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Sunday, July 20 — Av 6, 487 BC

GH: Sunday, March 26 — Nisan 6, 485 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544366.75

Daniel 6:25-28

King Darius Issues Decree to Worship God of Daniel

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 278

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Monday, July 21 — Av 7, 487 BC

GH: Monday, March 27 — Nisan 7, 485 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544367.75

Ezra 3:6

First Day of Seventh Month-Burnt Offerings Began Again

This is a critical Tishri 1 date in the text helping to precisely date other important events of the Babylonian Exile. It is an important date due the fact that eleven-and-a-half-years later, on Adar 14 and 15 (March 2 and 3) of 475 BC, the Feast of Purim will be established according to Chapter 9 of the Book of Esther. Tishri 1 is a date in Scripture (DIS) date, but it is 30 days less than the DFC date for this year. This research concludes that on this prior date in 2457 BC, Noah takes the Covering off the Ark (Genesis 8:13).

Type of Dated Event: Anchor #1

BR Calendar Day Number: 331

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Friday, September 13 — Tishri 1, 487 BC

GH: Friday, May 19 — Sivan 1, 485 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544420.75

Ezra 3:1-7

Worship is Resumed at Jerusalem Temple

Type of Dated Event: Anchor #1

BR Calendar Day Number: 331

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Friday, September 13 — Tishri 1, 487 BC

GH: Friday, May 19 — Sivan 1, 485 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544420.75

Ezra 3:4

Eight Day Feast of Tabernacles (Booths) Begins

Type of Dated Event: Feast Date

BR Calendar Day Number: 345

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Friday, September 27 — Tishri 15, 487 BC

GH: Friday, June 2 — Sivan 14, 485 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544434.75

Ezra 3:4

Eight Day Feast of Tabernacles (Booths) Ends

Type of Dated Event: Feast Date

BR Calendar Day Number: 352

BR Years from Creation: 3627

BR: Friday, October 4 — Tishri 22, 487 BC

GH: Friday, June 9 — Sivan 21, 485 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544441.75

Ezra 3:8-9

Restoration of Jerusalem Temple Begins

Temple restoration becomes organized in the second year of coming to Jerusalem from Babylon in the second month of Iyar. This would also be the second year of King Ahasuerus, also known as Darius the Mede, who had been appointed by Cyrus II. The day of the month is estimated. Only the month is stated in the text. This is a very important dated year in the later part of the Babylonian Exile.

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 194

BR Years from Creation: 3628

BR: Monday, April 28 — Iyar 11, 486 BC

GH: Monday, January 1 — Tevet 9, 484 BC

Julian Day Number: 1544647.75

Ezra 4:1-5

Adversaries of Judah Meet With Zerubbabel

When the adversaries of Judah are not allowed to help with the restoration of Jerusalem, they begin many years of harassment. The harassment does not end until the second year of Darius, the son of Ahasuerus, in 471 BC (Ezra 6:6-12). At this time, this younger Darius issues a decree to allow the rebuilding of the Temple to continue until completed. Many chronologies put this event with Zerubbabel and Jeshua as occurring in 536 BC. Many chronologies place these same individuals with Ezra at the Dedication of the Jerusalem Wall in 445 BC, 91 years later, in the 20th year of Artaxerxes (Neh. 12:1-9).

Type of Dated Event: EST
BR Calendar Day Number: 275
BR Years from Creation: 3628
BR: Friday, July 18 — Av 4, 486 BC
GH: Friday, March 23 — Nisan 1, 484 BC
Julian Day Number: 1544728.75

Ezra 4:6

Adversaries of Judah Send Letter to Ahasuerus

Ahasuerus is also Darius the Mede, who was appointed by King Cyrus II of Babylon in October of 488 BC. Ahasuerus does not stop the rebuilding in Jerusalem in fulfillment of Jeremiah's prediction in Jeremiah 51:11. He was probably very influenced by his trusting relationship to Daniel. Ahasuerus is also Darius the Mede who believes in the God of Daniel. This might be an explanation for the fact that King Ahasuerus does not appear to be upset when he finds out his wife, Queen Esther, is Jewish.

Type of Dated Event: DFC
BR Calendar Day Number: 362
BR Years from Creation: 3628
BR: Monday, October 14 — Creation Day 1, 486 BC
GH: Monday, June 18 — Sivan 30, 484 BC
Julian Day Number: 1544815.75

Esther 1:1-22

King Ahasuerus Dethrones Queen Vashti

Type of Dated Event: EST
BR Calendar Day Number: 76
BR Years from Creation: 3630
BR: Tuesday, January 1 — Tevet 12, 484 BC
GH: Tuesday, September 3 — Elul 17, 483 BC
Julian Day Number: 1545257.75

Esther 2:15-18

King Ahasuerus Makes Esther Queen

This event happens in the month of Tevet in the seventh year of the reign of King Ahasuerus. This King is also known as Darius the Mede and Darius Hystaspes.

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 72

BR Years from Creation: 3634

BR: Friday, December 27 — Tevet 8, 481 BC

GH: Friday, August 25 — Elul 8, 479 BC

Julian Day Number: 1546709.75

Esther 2:19-23

Mordecai Informs Queen Esther of Plot to Kill the King

This event happens in the seventh or eighth year of the reign of King Ahasuerus. This seems to happen soon after Esther is made Queen. Mordecai is appointed as one of the King's servants and sits within the King's gate in a position of honor. Two of the King's eunuchs, Bigthan and Teresh, are angry with the King and make plans to assassinate him. Mordecai became aware of this plot and informed Queen Esther. Queen Esther informed the King of the plot. Mordecai is given credit for the warning to the King. When the plot was confirmed by an investigation, the two men were hanged. This event was written in the records of the King's book of chronicles in his presence. At the time, no special honor or recognition was given to Mordecai.

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 149

BR Years from Creation: 3634

BR: Friday, March 14 — Adar 26, 480 BC

GH: Friday, November 10 — Heshvan 18, 479 BC

Julian Day Number: 1546786.75

Esther 3:1-6

Haman Conspires to Kill the Jews

Shortly after the plot to murder the King is foiled, Haman is appointed to govern the princes who were with him. The servants who sat at the King's gate were expected to bow down to Haman (an Agagite). Mordecai, who was Jewish, did not pay him this expected courtesy. Even though the feud between the Agagites and the Tribe of Benjamin was almost a thousand years old, the hostility ran deep. Mordecai was a Benjamite and descendant of King Saul. Haman was an Agagite and descendent of the Amalekites who were defeated in one of the early battles at the start of the Exodus (Exodus 7:8-16). When King Saul was ordered to eliminate the Amalekites in 1 Samuel 15:2-3, he disobeyed and allowed King Agag to live. Samuel "hacked Agag to pieces before the Lord in Gilgal" (1 Samuel 15:32-33) to demonstrate God's anger toward King Saul for his disobedience. From this point on in Saul's life, God rejected him as a King and turns his attention toward the future King David. Haman began to plot what he hoped would be the

destruction of the Jews in the same way the Amalekites had been almost obliterated.

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 180

BR Years from Creation: 3634

BR: Monday, April 14 — Nisan 27, 480 BC

GH: Monday, December 11 — Kislev 19, 479 BC

Julian Day Number: 1546817.75

Esther 3:7-15

Haman Gets Decree to Kill the Jews in Month of Adar

This event happens in the month of Nisan in the twelfth year of the reign of King Ahasuerus. Haman is given the right to kill the Jews in the month of Adar which is eleven months away. Once a Persian King issues a decree it cannot be taken back. Haman thinks he has promoted himself in the eyes of the King. His plan will backfire and he will be dead in less than three months.

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 166

BR Years from Creation: 3638

BR: Monday, March 31 — Nisan 13, 476 BC

GH: Monday, November 22 — Heshvan 30, 475 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548259.75

Esther 4:1-9

Mordecai Sends Message to Queen Esther

Mordecai and many other Jews in the kingdom of Persia hear about the King's decree allowing Haman and his followers the right to kill the Jews. Even though it is eleven months away, panic and fear spread among the Jews. There was great mourning, weeping, fasting and wailing. Esther's maids tell her about the situation and the despair experienced by Mordecai. Mordecai tells Queen Esther how Haman had gotten this decree by paying a large sum of money into the King's treasury. He also sends her a copy of the decree. Mordecai asks Esther to plead the Jews case to the King knowing the King cannot reverse his order. Mordecai seems to believe that he is responsible for the trouble that is being brought by Haman against the Jewish people because of his blatant disrespect for Haman.

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 187

BR Years from Creation: 3638

BR: Monday, April 21 — Iyar 4, 476 BC

GH: Monday, December 13 — Kislev 21, 475 BC

Julian Day Number: 15482580.75

Esther 4:10-17

Esther Sends Instructions to Mordecai

Hathach, the King's eunuch, is sent back to tell Mordecai to ask the Jews to fast and pray for three days. Queen Esther is going to try and speak with the King even though this may cause her death. In Persia no one could approach the King unless he held out his scepter as a sign that the King could be approached. Esther tells Mordecai that the King has not allowed her to approach for thirty days. Mordecai explained that she would not escape the effects of Haman's decree if it is allowed to be carried out. She sends a chilling message back to Mordecai and the Jews: "and if I perish, I perish!"

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 216

BR Years from Creation: 3638

BR: Tuesday, May 20 — Sivan 4, 476 BC

GH: Tuesday, January 11 — Tevet 19, 474 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548309.75

Esther 5:1-8

Esther Asks the King for a Banquet

After fasting and praying for three days, Esther prepared herself to approach the King. She puts on her royal robes and stood in the inner court of the King's palace where she would be seen by the King. She probably went to great lengths to look very beautiful and pleasing to the King. King Ahasuerus takes the bait and holds out his royal scepter and said to her, "What do you wish, Queen Esther? What is your request? It shall be given to you—up to half the kingdom!" This phrase is an expression of royal hyperbole that was often used by a King but was never intended to be acted upon or taken seriously. She asks if Haman can be invited again to the banquet the next day. Queen Esther says she has something to ask the King but she wants to wait until the following day. The King was probably very curious as to what she wanted. It appears to Haman that he is going to be honored but Esther is setting a trap that Haman will walk right into. The Book of Esther was probably written during or soon after these events.

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 219

BR Years from Creation: 3638

BR: Friday, May 23 — Sivan 7, 476 BC

GH: Friday, January 14 — Tevet 22, 474 BC
Julian Day Number: 1548312.75

Esther 5:9-14

Haman Plots to Kill Mordecai

Probably that evening, Haman and his family plot the death of Mordecai. Haman's hatred and jealousy about Mordecai's non-submissive attitude has reached the point of an obsession to kill him. Haman's wife suggests that they build a gallows about seventy-five feet high to hang or impale Mordecai. The precise form of death has been debated and is uncertain. The plan clearly calls for Mordecai's death just before the banquet the next day.

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 220

BR Years from Creation: 3638

BR: Saturday, May 24 — Sivan 8, 476 BC

GH: Saturday, January 15 — Tevet 23, 474 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548313.75

Esther 6:1-14

The King Honors Mordecai Instead of Haman

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 220

BR Years from Creation: 3638

BR: Saturday, May 24 — Sivan 8, 476 BC

GH: Saturday, January 15 — Tevet 23, 474 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548313.75

Esther 7:1-10

Haman Hanged Instead of Mordecai

Haman walks right into the trap set by Queen Esther. Haman is hanged on the gallows which he had prepared for Mordecai who is being honored by the King for his loyalty.

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 220

BR Years from Creation: 3638

BR: Saturday, May 24 — Sivan 8, 476 BC

GH: Saturday, January 15 — Tevet 23, 474 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548313.75

Esther 8:1-17

Esther Saves the Jews

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 235

BR Years from Creation: 3638

BR: Sunday, June 8 — Sivan 23, 476 BC

GH: Sunday, January 30 — Shevat 10, 474 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548328.75

Esther 9:1-10

Jews Destroy Enemies Who Enforce Haman's Decree

The tables were turned on the enemies who sought to destroy the Jews. On this important day in Jewish history, the Jews rose up in a blistering military defeat. The fear of the Jews, led by Mordecai, spread rapidly causing a quick military defeat of their enemies.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 136

BR Years from Creation: 3639

BR: Saturday, March 1 — Adar 13, 475 BC

GH: Saturday, October 22 — Creation Day 6, 474 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548593.75

Esther 9:11-14

Esther Requests the Hanging of Haman's Ten Sons

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 136

BR Years from Creation: 3639

BR: Saturday, March 1 — Adar 13, 475 BC

GH: Saturday, October 22 — Creation Day 6, 474 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548593.75

Esther 9:15-18

Jews in Shushan Kill 300 Men

Type of Dated Event: Feast Date

BR Calendar Day Number: 137

BR Years from Creation: 3639

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BR: Sunday, March 2 — Adar 14, 475 BC
GH: Sunday, October 23 — Creation Day 7, 474 BC
Julian Day Number: 1548594.75

Esther 9:16-17

Jews in Kings Provinces Rested From Killing

Type of Dated Event: Feast Date
BR Calendar Day Number: 137
BR Years from Creation: 3639
BR: Sunday, March 2 — Adar 14, 475 BC
GH: Sunday, October 23 — Creation Day 7, 474 BC
Julian Day Number: 1548594.75

Esther 9:17-19

The Feast of Purim Established on 14th & 15th of Adar

The dating of this event in history is critical to arriving at an accurate Bible chronology of the events during the last twenty years of the Babylonian Exile. This battle with the enemies of the Jews establishes the dates on which the Feast of Purim is celebrated.

Type of Dated Event: Feast Date
BR Calendar Day Number: 137
BR Years from Creation: 3639
BR: Sunday, March 2 — Adar 14, 475 BC
GH: Sunday, October 23 — Creation Day 7, 474 BC
Julian Day Number: 1548594.75

Esther 9:18

Jews in Shushan Rest on 15th of Adar

Type of Dated Event: Feast Date
BR Calendar Day Number: 138
BR Years from Creation: 3639
BR: Monday, March 3 — Adar 15, 475 BC
GH: Monday, October 24 — Heshvan 1, 474 BC
Julian Day Number: 1548595.75

Esther 9:20-28

Mordecai Writes Letter Establishing Feast of Purim

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 145

BR Years from Creation: 3639

BR: Monday, March 10 — Adar 22, 475 BC

GH: Monday, October 31 — Heshvan 8, 474 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548602.75

Esther 9:29-32

Queen Esther Validates Mordecai's Letter

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 152

BR Years from Creation: 3639

BR: Monday, March 17 — Adar 29, 475 BC

GH: Monday, November 7 — Heshvan 15, 474 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548609.75

Nehemiah 2:1-8

Artaxerxes Begins 51 Year Reign

This is an estimated date from Scripture and history. His 51 year reign ends in 424 BC. The correct dating of the reign of Artaxerxes is critical to establishing the dates of the end of the Babylonian Exile and the dates of Daniel's 70 Weeks prophecy.

Type of Dated Event: Extra-Biblical

BR Calendar Day Number: 182

BR Years from Creation: 3639

BR: Wednesday, April 16 — Nisan 29, 475 BC

GH: Wednesday, December 7 — Kislev 15, 474 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548639.75

Ezra 4:6-16

Letters to King Ahasuerus and King Artaxerxes Opposed Rebuilding in Jerusalem

Ezra 4:6 mentions an earlier letter of opposition to the rebuilding going on in Jerusalem to King Ahasuerus in about 486 BC. The letter mentioned here is to King Artaxerxes in the first year of his reign in 475 BC. The Book of Ezra is probably written during the time of these events.

Type of Dated Event: EST
BR Calendar Day Number: 210
BR Years from Creation: 3639
BR: Wednesday, May 14 — Iyar 27, 475 BC
GH: Wednesday, January 4 — Tevet 13, 473 BC
Julian Day Number: 1548667.75

Ezra 4:17-23

Letter From King Artaxerxes Stops Rebuilding in Jerusalem

The rebuilding of the Temple and Jerusalem was stopped until the second year of Darius, son of Ahasuerus. According to Ezra 6:6-12, King Darius allows the rebuilding of Jerusalem and the Temple to continue a little over three years later in 471 BC. It is believed by this researcher that King Ahasuerus was also the father of Artaxerxes. During this year, Cambyses II dies in Egypt and King Ahasuerus is assassinated. Many historians date the death of King Ahasuerus in 465 BC. This latter date seems unlikely since there is no further mention of him in Scripture after this year. King Ahasuerus is also known in history as Darius Hystaspes. Artaxerxes comes to power and is soon joined by Darius who returns from Egypt after the death of Cambyses II about nine months later. Darius is probably the brother of Artaxerxes by a different mother.

Type of Dated Event: EST
BR Calendar Day Number: 240
BR Years from Creation: 3639
BR: Friday, June 13 — Sivan 28, 475 BC
GH: Friday, February 3 — Shevat 14, 473 BC
Julian Day Number: 1548697.75

From Old Persian Text of Behistun Inscription (See Edelman page 354)

Gaumata (Fake Brother of Cambyses II) Comes to Power

This happens on the ninth day of the Persian month of Garmapada corresponding to the month of Av on the Hebrew calendar. The real brother Smerdis had been secretly murdered by Cambyses II before he had left for Egypt. Gaumata, who looked like Smerdis, attempted to rule in the absence of Cambyses II and had almost everyone killed who tried to expose him as a fraud.

Type of Dated Event: Extra-Biblical
BR Calendar Day Number: 280
BR Years from Creation: 3639
BR: Wednesday, July 23 — Av 9, 475 BC

GH: Wednesday, March 14 — Adar 24, 473 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548737.75

From Old Persian Text of Behistun Inscription

Cambyes II Dies in Egypt From Uncertain Cause

This is an estimated date for the death of Cambyes II in Egypt. There is debate whether his death was caused by suicide or an accident on his horse. His armor bearer, Darius (son of Ahasuerus), begins to rule in Babylon less than a year later after killing Gaumata, the imposter brother of Cambyes II. This imposter claimed to be King. The rise to power of Darius, the son of Ahasuerus, is recorded in Daniel 9:1-2. At this point in the text, Daniel has been in Babylon about seventy-one years. (See Edelman, page 354)

Type of Dated Event: Extra-Biblical

BR Calendar Day Number: 345

BR Years from Creation: 3639

BR: Friday, September 27 — Tishri 15, 475 BC

GH: Friday, May 18 — Iyar 29, 473 BC

Julian Day Number: 1548802.75

One Year after Start of Artaxerxes: Ezra 6:15, 7:8

Darius (Son of Ahasuerus) Begins His Reign

According to Daniel 9:1, this Darius is also the son of King Ahasuerus. It is estimated that this Darius, believed to be the brother of Artaxerxes, begins his reign on this date in 474 BC. This is about nine months after the start of the reign of Artaxerxes in 475 BC. This King Darius is not to be confused with Darius the Mede (another name for King Ahasuerus) who is first mentioned in Chapters 5 and 6 of the Book of Daniel.

Type of Dated Event: Extra-Biblical

BR Calendar Day Number: 340

BR Years from Creation: 3640

BR: Sunday, September 22 — Tishri 10, 474 BC

GH: Sunday, May 12 — Iyar 21, 472 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549161.75

Daniel 9:1-27

Daniel's Vision of Seventy Weeks

This event happens early in the first year of the reign of Darius (son of Ahasuerus). Daniel also realizes that the "seventy completed years" of Jeremiah 25:12 are about nineteen years ahead in the future. This famous prophecy of Daniel would begin with the

rebuilding of the Jerusalem Wall and the City of Jerusalem (9:25) in the month of Av (July) in 455 BC. The rebuilding of Jerusalem, signaling the end of Daniels first "seven weeks", would take forty-nine years and be completed in August of 406 BC.

Type of Dated Event: DFC

BR Calendar Day Number: 364

BR Years from Creation: 3640

BR: Wednesday, October 16 — Creation Day 3, 474 BC

GH: Wednesday, June 5 — Sivan 16, 472 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549185.75

Daniel 12:9-13

Estimated Death of Daniel

This is mentioned in the prophecy of the End Times in Chapter 12 of the Book of Daniel. At this point in Biblical history, it is estimated that Daniel is about 85 years old.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 26

BR Years from Creation: 3641

BR: Monday, November 11 — Heshvan 22, 474 BC

GH: Monday, July 1 — Tammuz 12, 472 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549211.75

Haggai 1:1-11

Haggai Rebukes Israel for not Rebuilding the Temple

This event happens on the first day of the sixth month in the second year of Darius (son of Ahasuerus). This is a critical date and year in calculating events during the Exile.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 302

BR Years from Creation: 3642

BR: Thursday, August 15 — Elul 1, 472 BC

GH: Thursday, April 2 — Nisan 11, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549851.75

Haggai 1:12-15; Ezra 5:1-2

Haggai Gives Zerubbabel Command From the Lord

This event happens on the twenty-fourth day of the sixth month in the second year of Darius (son of Ahasuerus). Zerubbabel and Jeshua "rose up and began to build the house

of God which is in Jerusalem", according to Ezra 5:2. These verses, and others from Zechariah and Daniel, present serious challenges to many dates found in current Bible chronology. Current Bible chronology insists that the temple is completed around 515 BC in the sixth year of Darius (Ezra 6:15). This assumption would mean that this event is happening about 520 BC. Zerubbabel, Jeshua and Ezra are also present at the Dedication Ceremony of the rebuilding of the Jerusalem Wall in Nehemiah 12:1. This Dedication happens in 445 BC, according to many current Bible chronologies, when the Jerusalem Wall is restored at the end of the Babylonian Exile. It does not seem reasonable that these three men are present at two events nearly seventy-five years apart.

This research concludes that the start of the Exile and Fall of Jerusalem happened in 526 BC instead of 586 BC. The end of the Exile is in 455 BC instead of 445 BC. This dates the start of Daniels 70 Weeks (483 years + 285 days) on July 21–Av 25 of 455 BC and ending on the solar date of the Crucifixion on Friday, April 5–Nisan 14 of 30 AD.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 325

BR Years from Creation: 3642

BR: Saturday, September 7 — Elul 24, 472 BC

GH: Saturday, April 25 — Iyar 4, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549874.75

Haggai 2:1-9

Haggai Speaks Regarding Future Glory of His Temple

This event happens on the twenty-first day of the seventh month in the second year of Darius (son of Ahasuerus). The accurate dating of this event is critical to understanding the reigns of the Kings of Israel and Persia. The dating of this event gives clarification to the dated events found in the Books of Haggai and Zechariah. The dating of this event is critical to establishing accurate dates for the Fall of Jerusalem in 526 BC (not 588 BC). This date also helps establish the completion of the rebuilding of the Temple in 468 BC instead of 515 BC as is currently claimed by almost every major Bible chronology.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 351

BR Years from Creation: 3642

BR: Thursday, October 3 — Tishri 21, 472 BC

GH: Thursday, May 21 — Sivan 1, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549900.75

Zechariah 1:1-6

Zechariah Calls Israel to Repentance

This event happens in the eighth month in the second year of Darius (son of Ahasuerus). The day of the month is estimated.

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 10

BR Years from Creation: 3643

BR: Saturday, October 26 — Heshvan 6, 472 BC

GH: Saturday, June 13 — Sivan 24, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549923.75

Haggai 2:10-14

Haggai Declares Israel "Unclean"

This event happens on the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month in the second year of Darius, son of Ahasuerus. As previously stated, it is important to differentiate this King Darius from his father, Darius the Mede, who is also King Ahasuerus and the husband of Esther. This specific date gives clarity to dating many of the events found in the Books of Nehemiah, Ezra, Esther, Haggai and Zechariah.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 58

BR Years from Creation: 3643

BR: Friday, December 13 — Kislev 24, 472 BC

GH: Friday, July 31 — Av 13, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549971.75

Haggai 2:15-19

Haggai Declares Blessing: Temple Foundation Complete

God promises His blessing from this day forward. God also declares this day as the day that the refurbishing of the foundation of the Temple is complete.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 58

BR Years from Creation: 3643

BR: Friday, December 13 — Kislev 24, 472 BC

GH: Friday, July 31 — Av 13, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549971.75

Ezra 3:10-13

Israel Shouts for Joy and Weeps for Temple's Foundation

Many of the young people shouted for joy because the foundation of the Temple was laid. The elders, who remembered the beauty and glory of the previous Temple, wept at the comparison of the two Temples. The restored Temple failed by comparison.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 58

BR Years from Creation: 3643

BR: Friday, December 13 — Kislev 24, 472 BC

GH: Friday, July 31 — Av 13, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549971.75

Haggai 2:20-23

Zerubbabel Chosen by God as Signet for Israel

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 58

BR Years from Creation: 3643

BR: Friday, December 13 — Kislev 24, 472 BC

GH: Friday, July 31 — Av 13, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549971.75

Ezra 5:3-5

Tattenai Challenges Order to Rebuild Temple

The Jewish leaders respond to Tattenai and all who challenged the rebuilding of the Temple. The Jewish leaders convince their opposition that the King must issue a decree for them to stop the renovations of the Temple and the Wall. Darius, the son of King Ahasuerus, now rules Babylon while Artaxerxes appears to rule the rest of the Persian Empire. For this reason, the appeal against the rebuilding is made directly to King Darius.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 72

BR Years from Creation: 3643

BR: Friday, December 27 — Tevet 8, 472 BC

GH: Friday, August 14 — Av 27, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549985.75

Ezra 5:5-17

Tattenai Sends Letter to King Darius

Tattenai and other Persian officials challenge the authority of the work being done in the Temple under the leadership of Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel and Jeshua, the son of Jozak. The letter was sent to King Darius and the contents of this letter are found in this section of Ezra. This and other events challenging the rebuilding of Jerusalem and the Wall are referred to as "troublesome times" in Daniel 9:25.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 82

BR Years from Creation: 3643

BR: Monday, January 7 — Tevet 18, 471 BC

GH: Monday, August 24 — Elul 7, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1549995.75

Zechariah 1:7-11

Zechariah's Vision of the Horses

This event happens on the twenty-fourth day of the eleventh month in the second year of Darius (son of Ahasuerus). This important date in Scripture and the connection to Darius (Son of Ahasuerus) is a key to accurately dating many Exile events.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 117

BR Years from Creation: 3643

BR: Monday, February 12 — Shevat 24, 471 BC

GH: Monday, September 28 — Tishri 13, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1550030.75

Zechariah 1:12-17

God Promises Comfort After "these seventy years"

"These seventy years" refers to the seventy plus years since the first deportation with Daniel. This event happened in 546 BC and is recorded in Daniel 1:1-7. These same seventy plus years are mentioned in Zechariah 7:4. These seventy years are often confused with the seventy years mentioned by the Prophet Jeremiah. The seventy "completed" years of Jeremiah 25:11-12 and 29:10 are fulfilled on the fourth day of the rebuilding of the Jerusalem Wall on Monday, July 21—Av 7 in 455 BC. The rebuilding of the Jerusalem Wall starts almost 71 years after the Temple starts burning in 526 BC. This date, at the end of the Babylonian Exile, starts the 483 years and 285 days of Daniel's 70 Weeks prophecy.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 117

BR Years from Creation: 3643

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BR: Monday, February 12 — Shevat 24, 471 BC
GH: Monday, September 28 — Tishri 13, 470 BC
Julian Day Number: 1550030.75

Ezra 6:1-5

Darius Issues Decree to Search Archives of Cyrus

In response to Tattenai's letter protesting the continued rebuilding of Jerusalem and the Wall around it, Darius issues a decree to search the archives of King Cyrus. The decree of Cyrus II, issued in his first year as King of Babylon (488 BC), is found and upheld by Darius, the son of Ahasuerus. According to Daniel 5:31, the year that Cyrus conquers Babylon is the same year that Darius the Mede, also known by the name Ahasuerus, "received the kingdom" of Babylon from King Cyrus II, the grandson of Cyrus I.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 131

BR Years from Creation: 3643

BR: Monday, February 26 — Adar 8, 471 BC

GH: Monday, October 12 — Tishri 27, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1550044.75

Ezra 6:6-12

Darius Allows Temple Work to Continue With Decree

Darius issues a decree that funds the rebuilding of the Jerusalem Temple and Wall. King Darius also promises a death penalty for anyone who opposes the Jews attempts at the restoration of Jerusalem. Once this decree is issued, no more is heard from the Prophet Daniel. Daniel seems to live long enough to hear the decree but does not get to see the results. This decree clarifies Ezra 4:24 in the second year of the reign of Darius.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 161

BR Years from Creation: 3643

BR: Wednesday, March 26 — Nisan 8, 471 BC

GH: Wednesday, November 11 — Heshvan 19, 470 BC

Julian Day Number: 1550074.75

Zechariah 7:1-14

Zechariah Proclaims Captivity Result of Disobedience

Zechariah refers to "those seventy years" in verse 7:5. He is referring to the seventy-six years that have passed since the first deportation in 546 BC that included Daniel the

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Prophet. Zechariah's message to the nation of Israel is very clear that they have suffered greatly due to their disobedience to God. This dated prophecy of Zechariah is extremely important in dating many of the events during the last fifteen years of the Babylonian Exile. This event happens on the fourth day of the ninth month in the fourth year of King Darius. According to Daniel 9:1, this Darius is also the son of King Ahasuerus. As previously stated, this Darius, believed to be the brother of Artaxerxes, begins his reign in 474 BC. This King Darius is not to be confused with Darius the Mede (another name for King Ahasuerus) or Darius the Persian who follows the fifty-one year reign of King Artaxerxes that ends in 424 BC. This event happens two year after the decree by Darius. This event is also two years before the Temple is restored in 468 BC.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 38

BR Years from Creation: 3645

BR: Saturday, November 23 — Kislev 4, 470 BC

GH: Saturday, July 8 — Tammuz 19, 468 BC

Julian Day Number: 1550679.75

Ezra 6:13-18

Second Temple Dedicated on Third Day of Adar

This event happens in the sixth year of Darius, the son of Ahasuerus, which is also the seventh year of the reign of King Artaxerxes. Modern Bible chronology usually dates this event, of the dedication of the Temple, as happening in the year 515 BC. This erroneous date is partially created with the start of the Babylonian Exile in 586 BC instead of 526 BC. For more information, see notes in this Chapter on Haggai 1:12-15 and Ezra 5:1-2.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 126

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Wednesday, February 21 — Adar 3, 468 BC

GH: Wednesday, October 3 — Tishri 18, 467 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551131.75

Ezra 7:1-28

Artaxerxes Allows Ezra to Return Temple Treasures

King Artaxerxes gives Ezra permission to return the Temple Treasures and is given what is needed from the King's Treasury to make the Temple ready for worship.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 140

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Wednesday, March 5 — Adar 17, 468 BC

GH: Wednesday, October 17 — Creation Day 4, 467 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551145.75

Ezra 7:27-8:15

Ezra Plans for Journey to Jerusalem

Ezra instructs the families of those who are going with him to meet at the river flowing to Ahava at the beginning of Nisan.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 142

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Friday, March 7 — Adar 19, 468 BC

GH: Friday, October 19 — Creation Day 6, 467 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551147.75

Ezra 7:9

Ezra Begins Journey to Jerusalem on Nisan 1

Ezra leaves for the meeting place by the river that flows to Ahava near Babylon. This meeting was preparation for the servants of the Temple and others who wanted to return to Jerusalem. Ezra's journey to Jerusalem begins on Nisan 1 in 468 BC. This is a very important DIS date and year for calculating events at this part of the Babylonian Exile.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 154

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Wednesday, March 19 — Nisan 1, 468 BC

GH: Wednesday, October 31 — Heshvan 11, 467 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551159.75

Ezra 8:15-17

Ezra Messengers to Iddo Gather Sons of Levi

After three days camped by the river, Ezra notices that the Sons of Levi are not present. Ezra sends a delegation to Iddo at Casiphia. The delegation gathers over 200 Temple servants and returns to Ezra at the river in order to leave for Jerusalem.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 157

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BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Saturday, March 22 — Nisan 4, 468 BC

GH: Saturday, November 3 — Heshvan 14, 467 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551162.75

Ezra 8:18-20

Thirty-Eight Levites and 220 Nethinim Join Ezra

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 160

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Tuesday, March 25 — Nisan 7, 468 BC

GH: Tuesday, November 6 — Heshvan 17, 467 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551165.75

Ezra 8:21-23

Ezra Proclaims Fasting Day and Prayer for Protection

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 161

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Wednesday, March 26 — Nisan 8, 468 BC

GH: Wednesday, November 7 — Heshvan 18, 467 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551166.75

Ezra 8:24-30

Ezra Divides Gifts for the Temple

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 162

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Thursday, March 27 — Nisan 9, 468 BC

GH: Thursday, November 8 — Heshvan 19, 467 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551167.75

Ezra 8:31

Ezra and the Other Exiles Leave for Jerusalem

Ezra and many other exiles leave from the river of Ahava on the twelfth day of Nisan.

This is a very important date and year in Scripture that connects with many events near the end of the Babylonian Exile.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 165

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Sunday, March 30 — Nisan 12, 468 BC

GH: Sunday, November 11 — Heshvan 22, 467 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551170.75

Ezra 6:19-22

The Passover is Celebrated in Jerusalem

Type of Dated Event: Passover

BR Calendar Day Number: 167

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Tuesday, April 1 — Nisan 14, 468 BC

GH: Tuesday, November 13 — Heshvan 24, 467 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551172.75

Ezra 7:7-9, 8:32

Ezra Arrives in Jerusalem on First Day of Fifth Month

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 272

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Tuesday, July 15 — Av 1, 468 BC

GH: Tuesday, February 26 — Adar 6, 466 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551277.75

Ezra 8:33-34

Silver and Gold Weighed in Temple

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 275

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Friday, July 18 — Av 4, 468 BC

GH: Friday, March 1 — Adar 9, 466 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551280.75

Ezra 8:35

Children of Captives Offer Burnt Offerings

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 276

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Saturday, July 19 — Av 5, 468 BC

GH: Saturday, March 2 — Adar 10, 466 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551281.75

Ezra 8:36

Orders of Artaxerxes Delivered to Satraps and Governors

The orders given by King Artaxerxes (Ezra 7:12-26) to allow the rebuilding and restoration of the Temple in Jerusalem are given to the King's Satraps and Governors west of the Euphrates River.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 278

BR Years from Creation: 3646

BR: Monday, July 21 — Av 7, 468 BC

GH: Monday, March 4 — Adar 12, 466 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551283.75

Ezra 9:1-4

Ezra Confronted With Issue of Pagan Wives

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 50

BR Years from Creation: 3647

BR: Thursday, December 5 — Kislev 16, 468 BC

GH: Thursday, July 18 — Tammuz 29, 466 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551419.75

Ezra 9:5-15

Ezra Confesses Sins of Israel at Evening Sacrifice

Type of Dated Event: DIS

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BR Calendar Day Number: 51
BR Years from Creation: 3647
BR: Friday, December 6 — Kislev 17, 468 BC
GH: Friday, July 19 — Av 1, 466 BC
Julian Day Number: 1551420.75

Ezra 10:1

Large Assembly Gathers Before Ezra

Type of Dated Event: DIS
BR Calendar Day Number: 51
BR Years from Creation: 3647
BR: Friday, December 6 — Kislev 17, 468 BC
GH: Friday, July 19 — Av 1, 466 BC
Julian Day Number: 1551420.75

Ezra 10:2-6

Israel Makes a Covenant Regarding Pagan Wives

Type of Dated Event: DIS
BR Calendar Day Number: 51
BR Years from Creation: 3647
BR: Friday, December 6 — Kislev 17, 468 BC
GH: Friday, July 19 — Av 1, 466 BC
Julian Day Number: 1551420.75

Ezra 10:7-8

Proclamation Israel Will Meet in Three Days

A meeting is called for those living near Jerusalem regarding the issue of pagan wives. The penalty for not coming to this gathering is the loss of all property and separation from the Jewish community assembled in Jerusalem. This is a very important DIS calculation.

Type of Dated Event: DIS
BR Calendar Day Number: 51
BR Years from Creation: 3647
BR: Friday, December 6 — Kislev 17, 468 BC
GH: Friday, July 19 — Av 1, 466 BC
Julian Day Number: 1551420.75

Ezra 10:9-15

Israel Agrees to Put Away Pagan Wives of Babylonian Captivity

This event happens on the twentieth day of the ninth month. Many, but not all men in Israel publically agree to separate themselves from their pagan wives and children. Israel's leaders agree to meet on the first day of the tenth month to start the three month questioning of Jews with pagan wives. The pagan wives problem would be dealt with again in October of 455 BC, according to Chapters 9, 10, and 13 of the Book of Nehemiah.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 54

BR Years from Creation: 3647

BR: Monday, December 9 — Kislev 20, 468 BC

GH: Monday, July 22 — Av 4, 466 BC

Julian Day Number: 1551423.75

Nehemiah 1:1-11

Nehemiah Fasts and Asks God to Forgive Israel's Sin

This event is in the month of Kislev. The thirteenth day of the month is an estimated day. It has been seventy years and about five months since the destruction of Jerusalem in July of 526 BC. It has been almost thirteen years since the Temple was restored. Nehemiah prays for God to forgive Israel and wishes to return to Jerusalem. Nehemiah may have heard about the problem facing Israel regarding the pagan wives and children that had returned to Jerusalem. Ezra the Priest had addressed this issue publically in Jerusalem just four days earlier. In one week, the questioning of the husbands of pagan wives would begin. The issue of pagan wives represented a clear act of Israel's disobedience to God's clear directions. Nehemiah is asking for God's forgiveness and needs God's guidance. He is about to be appointed by King Artaxerxes as the new Governor. He will be returning to Jerusalem, after his appointment, to manage the restoration of Jerusalem, the Temple, and the Wall around Jerusalem. Nehemiah promises King Artaxerxes that he will return to Babylon after his work is completed in Jerusalem.

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 58

BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Friday, December 13 — Kislev 24, 456 BC

GH: Friday, July 11 — Tammuz 22, 454 BC

Julian Day Number: 1555795.75

Ezra 10:16

Questioning Regarding Pagan Wives Begins

Ezra the Priest begins the questioning of the Fathers' households regarding the issue of the pagan wives taken during the Babylonian captivity. This process would last three months until the first day of the first month of Nisan.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 65

BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Friday, December 20 — Tevet 1, 456 BC

GH: Friday, July 18 — Tammuz 29, 454 BC

Julian Day Number: 1555802.75

Ezra 10:17

Questioning Regarding Pagan Wives Ends

At the end of three months, Ezra the Priest ends the questioning of the Fathers' households regarding the issue of the pagan wives taken during the Babylonian captivity. The questioning involved at least one hundred thirteen men, listed in Ezra 10:18-44, who had married pagan women and many had children from these marriages. Only four leaders, who opposed the attempt to be separated from their pagan wives, are mentioned in Ezra 10:15. Many in Israel say that they will separate from their pagan wives, according to Ezra 10:12. The problem does not seem to be solved until Nehemiah addresses Israel at the Feast of Tabernacles in September—Tishri of 455 BC. Nehemiah's handling of this difficult problem is recorded in Chapters 9 and 10 of the Book of Nehemiah.

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 154

BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Wednesday, March 19 — Nisan 1, 455 BC

GH: Wednesday, October 15 — Tishri 30, 454 BC

Julian Day Number: 1555891.75

Nehemiah 2:1-8

King Artaxerxes Lets Nehemiah Leave for Jerusalem

This event is in the month of Nisan in the twentieth year of the reign of King Artaxerxes. The seventeenth day of the month is an estimated day of the month. On this same solar Nisan 17 date in 30 AD, the Monday evening of the Resurrection, Jesus would appear to his disciples without Thomas present as recorded in John 20:19-20.

Type of Dated Event: EDIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 170

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BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Friday, April 4 — Nisan 17, 455 BC

GH: Friday, October 31 — Heshvan 8, 454 BC

Julian Day Number: 1555907.75

Nehemiah 5:14

Nehemiah Appointed Governor of Judah by Artaxerxes

Nehemiah goes from being the King's Cupbearer (Nehemiah 1:11) to the Governor of Judah. This title would give him some protection from his enemies in and around Jerusalem. He would hold this title for twelve years, according to Nehemiah 5:14. He was given this title with the stipulation that he return to the Citadel in Shushan. Shushan, also known as Susa, was East of Babylon and the previous home of Esther.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 172

BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Sunday, April 6 — Nisan 19, 455 BC

GH: Sunday, November 2 — Heshvan 10, 454 BC

Julian Day Number: 1555909.75

Nehemiah 2:7-8

Nehemiah Given Access to King's Forest and Protection

Nehemiah is given access to the King's forest for wood to rebuild the Jerusalem Wall, his home, and needed supplies for the Citadel in Jerusalem. Nehemiah is also given protection by King Artaxerxes for his journey to Jerusalem.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 172

BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Sunday, April 6 — Nisan 19, 455 BC

GH: Sunday, November 2 — Heshvan 10, 454 BC

Julian Day Number: 1555909.75

Nehemiah 2:9

Nehemiah Goes to the Governors Beyond the River

Nehemiah goes to the Governors around Judah to inform them of his status as a Governor to Judah. Under the protection of Persian King Artaxerxes, he enjoyed safe travel among enemies and was able to get the building materials needed to repair the

Jerusalem Wall. The time it would take Nehemiah, to journey from Persia to Jerusalem and make preparations to rebuild the Jerusalem Wall, would be a little more than three months.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 228

BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Sunday, June 1 — Sivan 16, 455 BC

GH: Sunday, December 28 — Tevet 6, 454 BC

Julian Day Number: 1555965.75

Nehemiah 2:10

Sanballat and Tobiah Upset by Nehemiah's Mission

These two enemies of Israel, Sanballat and Tobiah, are upset that Nehemiah has come to aid the Jews in Jerusalem. The mention of Sanballat in this part of the text is extremely important in dating this period of history. Sanballat was the Governor of Samaria and his sons were very active in politics. Coins have been found with Sanballat's image on them from around 420 BC. Elephantine Papyri claim that Sanballat was the Governor of Samaria around 407 BC. This would make it impossible for him and Tobiah to resist the completion of the Temple foundation in 515 BC instead of 468 BC as this research claims.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 242

BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Sunday, June 15 — Sivan 30, 455 BC

GH: Sunday, January 11 — Tevet 20, 453 BC

Julian Day Number: 1555979.75

Nehemiah 2:11

Nehemiah Arrives in Jerusalem to Inspect the Wall

For three days Nehemiah considers his options regarding the restoration of the Jerusalem Wall.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 266

BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Wednesday, July 9 — Tammuz 24, 455 BC

GH: Wednesday, February 4 — Shevat 15, 453 BC

Julian Day Number: 1556003.75

Nehemiah 2:12-16

Nehemiah Inspects the Jerusalem Wall at Night

Nehemiah inspects the Jerusalem Wall at night, after having arrived three days earlier. He spent several days assessing the damaged Jerusalem Wall and burned gates. Nehemiah went alone to assess the damage so he would not be monitored by the Samaritan authorities like Sanballat who resented his authority.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 270

BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Sunday, July 13 — Tammuz 28, 455 BC

GH: Sunday, February 8 — Shevat 19, 453 BC

Julian Day Number: 1556007.75

Nehemiah 2:17-18

Nehemiah Inspires Jewish Leaders to Rebuild the Wall

Nehemiah showed great spiritual leadership in appealing to Israel's sense of pride as being the people of God. The destruction of Jerusalem had brought great shame to the people of Israel and cast some doubt on God's protective character. Nehemiah assured the nation that God would protect them in rebuilding the Wall and Jerusalem. Nehemiah also assured the people that King Artaxerxes had given a written document for protection and supplies for this rebuilding.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 272

BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Tuesday, July 15 — Av 1, 455 BC

GH: Tuesday, February 10 — Shevat 21, 453 BC

Julian Day Number: 1556009.75

Nehemiah 2:19-20

Nehemiah's Enemies Mock Plans to Build the Wall

Sanballat and Tobiah opposed the rebuilding of Jerusalem and the Wall which gave some power back to the nation of Israel as it regrouped after the Babylonian Exile. These two men were probably supportive of the opposition described in Ezra 4:7-23.

Type of Dated Event: EST

BR Calendar Day Number: 274

BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Thursday, July 17 — Av 3, 455 BC

GH: Thursday, February 12 — Shevat 23, 453 BC

Julian Day Number: 1556011.75

Nehemiah 3:1, 6:15

Eliashib Begins Building the Sheep Gate

This is the first day of fifty-two needed to complete the rebuilding of the Jerusalem Wall under Nehemiah's direction. This date is calculated from the date the Wall is completed on Sunday, September 8—Elul 25 as recorded in Nehemiah 6:15. The fourth day of rebuilding the Jerusalem Wall, Monday, July 21—Av 7, would mark the seventy-first anniversary of the first day of the burning of the Jerusalem Temple in 526 BC according to Jeremiah 52:12-16. On this day in 526 BC, the Jerusalem Wall was also destroyed by the Babylonian army. The fourth day of rebuilding the Jerusalem Wall would trigger the beginning of Daniel's Seventy Weeks prophecy recorded in Daniel 9:20-27.

This current date of Friday, July 18—Av 4, marked the very day, "when seventy years are completed" that Jeremiah spoke of in Jeremiah 25:12 (70 years plus 359 days).

Type of Dated Event: DIS

BR Calendar Day Number: 275

BR Years from Creation: 3659

BR: Friday, July 18 — Av 4, 455 BC

GH: Friday, February 13 — Shevat 24, 453 BC

Julian Day Number: 1556012.75