

Abomination of Desolation Timeline

Old Testament Prophecy

“And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of **abominations** he shall make it **desolate**, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate” (Daniel 9:27).

“And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily sacrifice, and they shall place the **abomination** that maketh **desolate**” (Daniel 11:31).

“And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the **abomination** that maketh **desolate** set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days” (Daniel 12:11).

New Testament Application of the Prophecy

Prophecy Given

“When ye therefore shall see the **abomination of desolation**, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)” (Matthew 24:15).

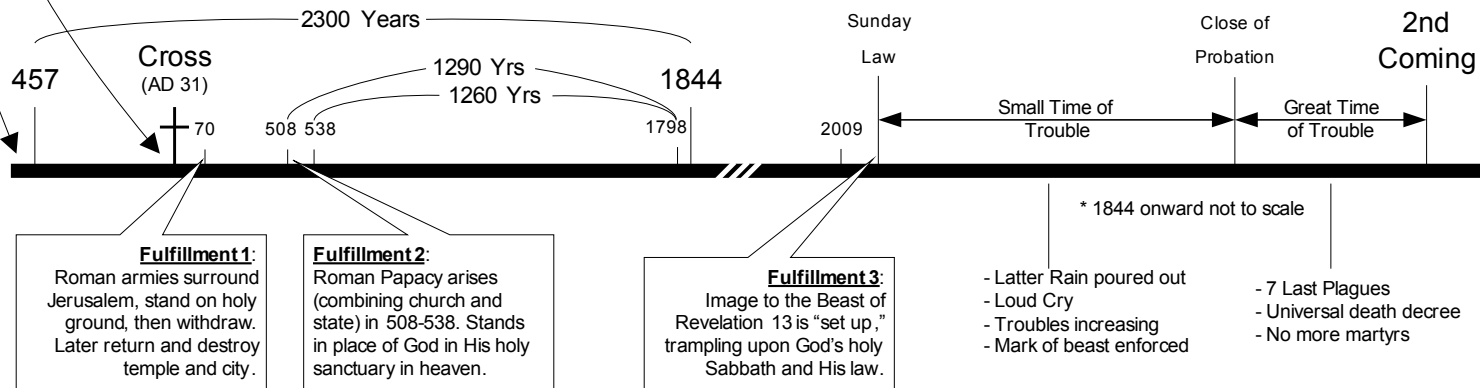
Jerusalem considered a holy city (Dan. 9:16, Mt. 27:53).

Prophecy Given

“But when ye shall see the **abomination of desolation**, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not (let him that readeth understand,) then let them that be in Judaea flee to the mountains” (Mark 13:14).

“And when ye shall see **Jerusalem compassed with armies**, then know that the **desolation** thereof is nigh. Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains...” (Luke 21:21-22).

Note there is no phrase: “let him that readeth understand,” because this verse spells it out clearly.



Mark 13:14 defines the abomination of desolation for us: It is a pagan or Gentile or civil power “standing where it ought not” It is the church combining with civil government in exercising authority in matters pertaining to God alone. This happens literally in AD 70, symbolically in 508, and once again in the future Sunday law and enforcement of the mark of the beast.

Put another way, the false church enters into an adulterous relationship with the state and both of these enter into and force their will upon the true church.

Daniel 12:11 speaks of the abomination of desolation being “set up.” This phrase is used elsewhere in Daniel 3 where it appears 7 times referring to the image being “set up.” This image parallels the **image to the beast** being set up in Revelation 13.

- The beast of Revelation 13 is a combining of church and state.
- Therefore, the image to the beast would be the same.
- History repeats itself.