

TABLE 4B - THE COVENANTAL PERIODS (EXPANDED)

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01 - EDENIC COVENANTAL PERIOD - It began on Day 6 of Creation Week in 3977 BC and has lasted until today

02 - ADAMIC COVENANT PERIOD - It began on Adam and Eve's last day in Eden in 3977 BC and has lasted until today.

03 - NOAHIC COVENANT PERIOD - It began in 2320 BC, on the day after the landfall of the Ark when Noah built an altar to sacrifice fowls and has lasted until today.

04 - 1st ABRAHAMIC COVENANT PERIOD - It began in 1894 BC with God's Promise to Abraham regarding God's election of him and his heirs to be God's Chosen People and has lasted until today.

05 - 2nd ABRAHAMIC COVENANT PERIOD - It began in 1894 BC with God's Promise to Abraham regarding God's grant of Land to his Chosen People and has lasted until today.

06 - MOSAIC COVENANT PERIOD - It (a) began in 1464 BC with God's giving of the Law to Moses on Mount Sinai, (b) lasted 1,498 years, during which Jewish men fulfilled the leadership roles of prophets, priests, and kings in physical Israel, and the sacrifices of animals and birds in the Outer Court of the physical temple in Jerusalem temporarily atoned for sin, and (c) ended in 33 AD with the death of Messiah on the cross at Golgotha and the tearing of the veil before the Ark of the Covenant at the center of the Holy of Holies, where God had dwelt in all his Shekinah glory. With the rending of the veil, God departed from the temple forever, because any further oblations for sin became unnecessary and unwelcome to God, because his Son had provided the perfect sacrifice for all time, and consequently such would result in desolation. This period can be divided as follows:

06A - Moses' Tabernacle Period lasted 487 years (1464-977 BC).

06B - Solomon's Temple Period lasted 422 years (977-555 BC).

06C - Temple-less period lasted 74 years (555-481 BC).¹

06D - Daniel & Zerubbabel's Temple Period lasted 464 years (481-17 BC).²

06E - Herod's Temple Period lasted 51 years (17 BC-33 AD)³ and ended with the 1st Half of Daniel's 70th Week = Messiah's Ministry, which lasted 3.5 years (29-33 AD).

¹ 70 years of Exile in Babylon, 2 years of organizing & travelling to Jerusalem (485-483 BC), and 2 years (483-481 BC) of rebuilding the temple equals 74 years (555-481 BC).

² Daniel was the Tirshatha (Governor), Sheshbazzar (Prince of Judah), & Belshazzar (name given by Nebuchadnezzar) in Ezra 3:1 & 8 to whom Cyrus gave custody of the temple treasures looted by Nebuchadnezzar, along with the responsibility to (a) transport them to Jerusalem, (b) safe-guard them during the rebuilding of the temple, and (c) replace them in the rebuilt temple, the construction of which was completed in 481 BC.

³ Reconstruction started in 19 BC. The *naos* was completed in 17 BC, when, I am assuming, the renewal of worship occurred. The *outer court* was completed in 11 BC. The Mosaic Covenantal Period ended with Messiah's death at the ninth hour on the afternoon of Passover 33 AD, at which time the temple veil was torn, which indicated that God ceased to dwell there. It was no longer a holy place. Thereafter, God dwelt in the Temple of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of the saints who accepted Messiah as their Lord and Savior.

07 - PROPHETIC COVENANTAL PERIOD (c.1424 BC-33 AD) - It ordains a line of faithful prophets for God's people - a line which culminated in the ultimate Prophet, God Himself in the Messiah

08 - PHINEAS COVENANTAL PERIOD (c.1404 BC-33 AD) - It ordains a line of faithful priests for God's people - a line which culminated in the ultimate Priest, God Himself in the Messiah.

09 - DAVIDIC COVENANTAL PERIOD (c.1000 BC-33 AD) - It ordains a line of faithful kings for God's people - a line which culminated in the ultimate King, God Himself in the Messiah

10 - NEW COVENANT PERIOD - It (a) was given to Jeremiah c.560 BC, (b) began in 33 AD, and (c) will last for an unknown number of years, during which the Messiah will fulfill the leadership roles of divine Prophet, Priest, & King ⁴ in Spiritual Israel, and the Messiah's perfect sacrifice to atone will be celebrated in the Temple of the Holy Spirit, which lies in the hearts of Messiah's followers. During this period, any further oblations for sin are now and ever will be unnecessary and unwelcome to God, and consequently such will result in desolation.

10A - Childhood of Messiah's Bride lasted 37 years (33-70 AD), during which the 1st Instance of the *Abomination of Desolation* occurred.⁵

10B - Betrothal of Messiah's Bride will last an unknown number of years (70 AD-unknown future date).

10B-1 - What is past (70 AD-present) - (1) the Gospel has been preached almost everywhere, (2) Dispensationalism has appeared, (3) a movement to rebuild the temple in Jerusalem and resume animal sacrifices to atone for sin got underway (c.1925 AD),⁶ (4) a powerful cabal has appeared and unwittingly revealed its plan to establish a New World Order, and (5) World Turmoil has commenced.

10B-2 - What is future (Unknown dates) - (1) the Gospel will be preached everywhere, (2) World Turmoil will intensify, after which I can only speculate.

⁴ The New Covenant Period started with the birth of Messiah's Bride (also the Body of Messiah and the Church Universal) when He died on the cross at Golgotha and the Roman soldier pierced His side with a lance, thereby spilling His blood and water on Earth's ground.

⁵ When Messiah's crucifixion ended with His death and the piercing of His side by the lance of the Roman soldier, the Bride of Messiah the Body of Messiah, and the Church was born.

⁶ See Randall Price's Ready to Rebuild - The Imminent Plan to Rebuild the Temple the Last Days Temple (1992), The Coming Last Days Temple (1999), and The Temple and Bible Prophecy - A Definitive Look at Its Past, Present, and Future (2005).