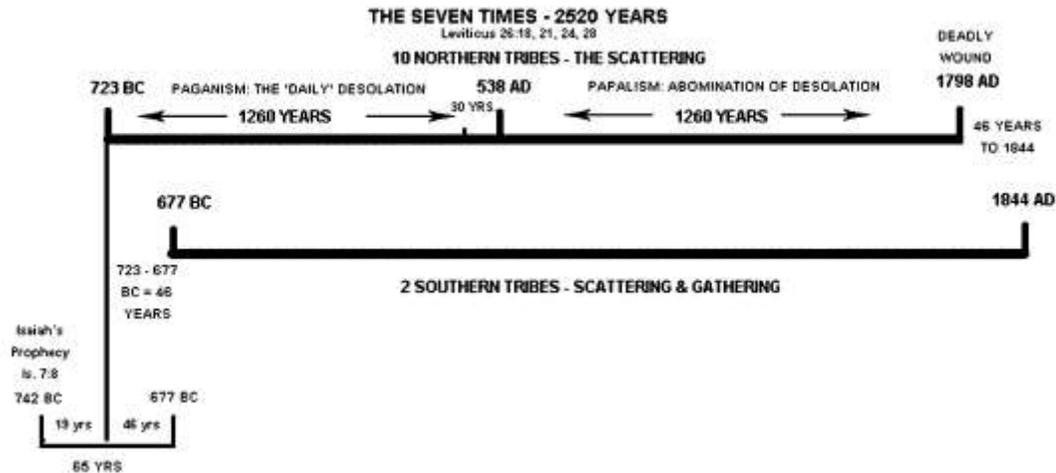


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The 2520 Day Prophecy of the “Seven Times”



The Two Lines of 2520

William Miller taught the 2520 began with Manasseh in the Year 677 BC.

“If this, then, is a correct view of the subject, and time is prefigured, when would the seven years of the antitype begin? I answer, it must begin with the servitude and bondage of the visible people of God; for at the end of seven years they must go free, or there would be no force in the type, and of course no fulfilment in the antitype. Seven prophetic years would be seven times 360, equal to 2520 years. This bondage must begin with the kingdom of Babylon, the first kingdom of Daniel’s four monarchies, which kingdoms which were to make war with the saints and prevail against them until the ancient of days came; and these were to scatter the people of God into all kingdoms of the earth and have dominion over them and exercise authority upon them...

“When, then, may we not ask, did the bondage of the children of God begin? I answer, when Literal Babylon began to exercise authority over them. In the twenty-second year of Manasseh’s reign, in the year before Christ 677, the last of the 10 tribes were carried away, and Israel ceased to be a nation according to the prophecy...” William Miller, A TRILOGY pages 20-22

William Miller was also aware of the second 2520 line.

“Israel began to be carried away in the days of Hoshea, 722 B. C., and from that time to 1798 after Christ, is exactly 2520 years, or the seven prophetic years. How remarkable, that when the seven years ended, God began to deliver his church from her bondage, which for ages had been made subject to the kings of the earth. In 1798 the church came out of the wilderness, and began to be delivered from her captivity.” 1842 WiM, LTSGJ 18.

King Manasseh's Wicked Reign Begins about 687 BC. The Curse of Leviticus 26, the 2520 Days Begins in 677 BC.

"And Hezekiah slept with his fathers: and Manasseh his son reigned in his stead." 2 Kings 20:21.

"He reigned long, longest of any of the kings of Judah, fifty-five years. This was the only very bad reign that was a long one; Joram's was but eight years, and Ahaz's sixteen; as for Manasseh's, we hope that in the beginning of his reign for some time affairs continued to move in the course that his father left them in, and that in the latter end of his reign, after his repentance, religion got head again; and, no doubt, when things were at the worst God had his remnant that kept their integrity. Though he reigned long, yet some of this time he was a prisoner in Babylon, which may well be looked upon as a drawback from these years, though they are reckoned in the number because then he repented and began to reform." Matthew Henry's Commentary on the Whole Bible:



"Faithfully the prophets continued their warnings and their exhortations; fearlessly they spoke to Manasseh and to his people; but the messages were scorned; backsliding Judah would not heed. As an earnest of what would befall the people should they continue impenitent, the Lord permitted their king to be captured by a band of Assyrian soldiers, who "bound him with fetters, and carried him to Babylon," their temporary capital. This affliction brought the king to his senses; **"he besought the Lord his God, and humbled himself greatly before the God of his fathers, and prayed unto Him: and He was entreated of him, and heard his supplication, and brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom. Then Manasseh knew that the Lord He was God."** 2 Chronicles 33:11-13. But this repentance, remarkable though it was, came too late to save the kingdom from the corrupting influence of years of idolatrous practices. Many had stumbled and fallen, never again to rise." Prophets and Kings 382.

God Grants Good King Josiah, Manasseh's Grandson, a Reprieve from the Curse:

"Because thine heart was tender, and thou hast humbled thyself before the Lord, when thou heardest what I spake against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, that they should become a desolation and a curse, and hast rent thy clothes, and wept before Me; I also have heard thee, saith the Lord. Behold therefore, I will gather thee unto thy fathers, and thou shalt be gathered into thy grave in peace; and thine eyes shall not see all the evil which I will bring upon this place." 2 Kings 22:19-20.

After Josiah's Death the Curse of the 2520 that Began with Manasseh Continues:

"Notwithstanding the Lord turned not from the fierceness of His great wrath, . . . because of all the provocations that Manasseh had provoked Him withal." 2 Kings 23:26.

“The time was rapidly approaching when Jerusalem was to be utterly destroyed and the inhabitants of the land carried captive to Babylon, there to learn the lessons they had refused to learn under circumstances more favorable”. Prophets and Kings 405.

“In his days Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up, and Jehoiakim [Josiah’s son] became his servant three years: then he turned and rebelled against him. And the LORD sent against him bands of the Chaldees, and bands of the Syrians, and bands of the Moabites, and bands of the children of Ammon, and sent them against Judah to destroy it, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by his servants the prophets. Surely at the commandment of the LORD came [this] upon Judah, to remove [them] out of his sight, for the sins of Manasseh, according to all that he did;” 2 Kings 24:1-3.

Hiram Edson taught the 2520 Began with the captivity and imprisonment of King Hoshea of the Northern Kingdom in 723 BC.

"For the children of Israel walked in all the sins of Jeroboam which he did; they departed not from them; until the Lord removed Israel out of his sight as he had said by all his servants the prophets. So was Israel carried away out of their own land to Assyria unto this day. And the king of Assyria brought men from Babylon, and from Cutha, and from Ava, and from Hamath, and from Sepharvaim, and placed them in the cities of Samaria instead of the children of Israel: and they possessed Samaria and dwelt in the cities thereof." 2 Kings 17:22-24.

“Thus in 2 Kings xvii, is found the inspired record of the fulfillment of what God has said by his servant Isaiah, Chap.x,5,6, and by Moses in Lev. xxvi, and by David in Ps.lxxviii,59-62, and 1Kings xiv,15,16. It is in fact the inspired historical record of the fulfillment of what God had said by ALL his servants the prophets on this point of giving Israel over into captivity to be trodden down of the Gentiles like the mire of the streets." The validity of the above testimony cannot be invalidated or impeached; hence there can be no room left for further doubt on this so clear a point. This, then, is the inspired historical event; and its chronology, which is 723 B. C., is the point from which to reckon the 2520 years captivity. Instead of reckoning from the taking of Manasseh, the King of Judah to Babylon in the year 677 BC., we reckon from the shutting up and binding in prison Hoshea, the king of Israel, which was 723 BC...

“From whatever point in the year 723 BC we must reckon, the same corresponding point in the year 1798, must be reached to fill up 2520 full years; the same as in the case of the 2300 days, dating from the Fall of 457 BC and ending in the Fall of 1844 AD. The year 723 BC is the true beginning, and 1798 is the true terminus of the 2520 years captivity of the people of God. And we have a historical record of a corresponding event transpiring in the year 1798, which perfectly answer the fulfillment of the predictions of the prophets which have foretold the events which mark the end of the 2520 years indignation and captivity.” Hiram Edson RH January 10, 1856.

“Hoshea, the 19th and last king of Israel (2 Kings 15:30; 17:1-6; 18:1,9-10). Hoshea became king after he assassinated the former king, Pekah. Hoshea did evil in God's sight, but not to the extent of former kings. While he did not wipe out idolatrous worship, he

at least did not give official approval to the practice. When Hoshea took the throne, he served as a puppet king under Assyria. But he eventually quit sending tribute money to Assyria and began negotiating an alliance with Egypt. When the Assyrian king, Shalmaneser V, learned of Hoshea's rebellion and conspiracy, he advanced toward Israel. Hoshea tried to buy off the king with tribute, but the capital city of Samaria was besieged and Hoshea was captured and imprisoned. After two years, Assyria finally captured Samaria, and its inhabitants were carried away to new locations in the Assyrian Empire (2 Kings 17:18-23." Nelson's Illustrated Bible Dictionary, Copyright © 1986, Thomas Nelson Publishers.

Scripture verifies that both views are correct.

"Israel [is] a scattered sheep; the lions have driven [him] away: first [northern king Hoshea] the king of Assyria hath devoured him; and last [Manasseh, southern king of Judah] this Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones. Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will punish the king of Babylon and his land, as I have punished the king of Assyria. And I will bring Israel again to his habitation, and he shall feed on Carmel and Bashan, and his soul shall be satisfied upon mount Ephraim and Gilead. In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and [there shall be] none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I will pardon them whom I reserve." Jeremiah 50:17-20.

The Bible says that First, the king of Assyria; and Last, the king of Babylon; that is first Assyria and second Babylon, two breaking of the covenants and two 2520 curses! And this is not all, it ties it together even tighter.

The First Scattering: The Northern Kingdom Dispersed.

"In the twelfth year of Ahaz king of Judah began Hoshea the son of Elah to reign in Samaria over Israel nine years. (Samaria: the capital city of the northern kingdom of Israel) And he did [that which was] evil in the sight of the LORD, but not as the kings of Israel that were before him. Against him came up Shalmaneser king of Assyria; and Hoshea became his servant, and gave him presents. And the king of Assyria found conspiracy in Hoshea: for he had sent messengers to So king of Egypt, and brought no present to the king of Assyria, as [he had done] year by year: therefore the king of Assyria shut him up, and bound him in prison

"Then the king of Assyria came up throughout all the land, and went up to Samaria, and besieged it three years. In the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Assyria took Samaria, and carried Israel away into Assyria, and placed them in Halah and in Habor [by] the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes." 2 Kings 17:1-6.

The first six verses tell about the siege of Samaria, but the rest of the chapter tells us why this happened.

"For [so] it was, that the children of Israel had sinned against the LORD their God, which had brought them up out of the land of Egypt, from under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and had feared other gods. And walked in the statutes of the heathen,

whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel, and of the kings of Israel, which they had made." 2 Kings 17:7, 8.

17:9 "And the children of Israel did secretly [those] things that [were] not right against the LORD their God, and they built them high places in all their cities, from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced city...

17:13 "Yet the LORD testified against Israel, and against Judah, by all the prophets, [and by] all the seers, saying, Turn ye from your evil ways, and keep my commandments [and] my statutes, according to all the law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you by my servants the prophets.

17:14-16 "Notwithstanding they would not hear, but hardened their necks, like to the neck of their fathers, that did not believe in the LORD their God. And they rejected his statutes, and his covenant that he made with their fathers, and his testimonies which he testified against them; and they followed vanity, and became vain, and went after the heathen that were round about them, concerning whom the LORD had charged them, that they should not do like them. And they left all the commandments of the LORD their God, and made them molten images, even two calves, and made a grove, and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served Baal."

They had left all the Commandments and followed the ways of the heathen; so what happened?

17:18, 19 "Therefore the LORD was very angry with Israel, and removed them out of his sight: there was none left but the tribe of Judah only. Also Judah kept not the commandments of the LORD their God, but walked in the statutes of Israel which they made."

So the Bible first shows the Northern tribes: 10 tribes gone; taken by Assyria, then it leads us to the understanding that Judah did the same thing.

First 2520 years starts at 723 BC and extends to 1798 AD. Northern Kingdom.

Second 2520 years starts at 677 BC and extends to 1844 AD. Southern Kingdom.

Judah's 2520 Time starts when Manasseh is Taken Prisoner 46 Years Later.

The Second Scattering: The Southern Kingdom Dispersed.

"So Manasseh made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to err, [and] to do worse than the heathen, whom the LORD had destroyed before the children of Israel. And the LORD spake to Manasseh, and to his people: but they would not hearken. Wherefore the LORD brought upon them the captains of the host of the king of Assyria, which took Manasseh among the thorns, and bound him with fetters, and carried him to Babylon." 2 Chronicles 33: 9-11.

Now because of Manasseh's wicked reign, the Southern Tribe was carried to Babylon. 2 Kings 21:1-16 tells the story of Manasseh's wickedness:

"Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign, and reigned fifty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Hephzibah. 2 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, after the abominations of the heathen, whom the

LORD cast out before the children of Israel. 3 For he built up again the high places which Hezekiah his father had destroyed; and he reared up altars for Baal, and made a grove, as did Ahab king of Israel; and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served them. 4 And he built altars in the house of the LORD, of which the LORD said, In Jerusalem will I put my name. 5 And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD. 6 And he made his son pass through the fire, and observed times, and used enchantments, and dealt with familiar spirits and wizards: he wrought much wickedness in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.

7 “And he set a graven image of the grove that he had made in the house, of which the LORD said to David, and to Solomon his son, In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all tribes of Israel, will I put my name for ever: 8 Neither will I make the feet of Israel move any more out of the land which I gave their fathers; only if they will observe to do according to all that I have commanded them, and according to all the law that my servant Moses commanded them. 9 But they hearkened not: and Manasseh seduced them to do more evil than did the nations whom the LORD destroyed before the children of Israel.”

Notice that Manasseh got caught up in the occult, witchcraft, enchantments, necromancy (talking with the ‘dead’), and wizardry! He caused Israel to take part in satanic rituals. He did worse than the heathen! And it is the same today, if Advent Believers turn from the light they have and go out into the world, they do WORSE than the people of the world. Remember, when an angel falls, he becomes a demon!

“And the LORD spake by his servants the prophets, saying, 11 Because Manasseh king of Judah hath done these abominations, and hath done wickedly above all that the Amorites did, which were before him, and hath made Judah also to sin with his idols: 12 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Behold, I [am] bringing [such] evil upon Jerusalem and Judah, that whosoever heareth of it, both his ears shall tingle. 13 And I will stretch over Jerusalem the line of Samaria, and the plummet of the house of Ahab: and I will wipe Jerusalem as a man wipeth a dish, wiping it, and turning it upside down.” 2 Kings 21:10-13.

Notice how the Bible Ties the Two “Seven Times” Curses Together. God Says He is going to Stretch the Line of the Northern Kingdom over the Line of the Southern Kingdom.

Now God declares that because of this wickedness, He is going to do something so terrible to the Southern Kingdom that it would make the ears tingle to hear about it, He was going to lay the line of Samaria over the line of the Southern Kingdom. The Bible says that the 2520 of the Northern Tribe is going to be laid over the Southern Tribe. The Bible ties the two together.

“And I will forsake the remnant of mine inheritance, and deliver them into the hand of their enemies; and they shall become a prey and a spoil to all their enemies; 15 Because they have done that which was evil in my sight, and have provoked me to anger, since the day their fathers came forth out of Egypt, even unto this day. 16 Moreover Manasseh shed innocent blood very much, till he had filled Jerusalem from

one end to another; beside his sin wherewith he made Judah to sin, in doing that which was evil in the sight of the LORD.” 2 Kings 21:14-16.

God said he would stretch the one line over the other and we can see it as we draw it out. Not only does Jeremiah say there was two, there was the Assyrian captivity and the Babylonian captivity, the first and the second, but 2 Kings 21 says there was going to be a line stretched over them both and it ties it all together.

Notice also these clues from the Spirit of Prophecy concerning our last message:

“The judgments of God are in the earth, and, under the influence of the Holy Spirit, we must give the message of warning that He has entrusted to us. We must give this message quickly, line upon line, precept upon precept. Men will soon be forced to great decisions, and it is our duty to see that they are given an opportunity to understand the truth, that they may take their stand intelligently on the right side. The Lord calls upon His people to labor—labor earnestly and wisely—while probation lingers.” 9 Testimonies 126.

“Prophecy has been fulfilling, line upon line. The more firmly we stand under the banner of the third angel's message, the more clearly shall we understand the prophecy of Daniel; for the Revelation is the supplement of Daniel. The more fully we accept the light presented by the Holy Spirit through the consecrated servants of God, the deeper and surer, even as the eternal throne, will appear the truths of ancient prophecy; we shall be assured that men of God spake as they were moved upon by the Holy Ghost. Men must themselves be under the influence of the Holy Spirit in order to understand the Spirit's utterances through the prophets. These messages were given, not for those that uttered the prophecies, but for us who are living amid the scenes of their fulfillment.” 2 Selected Messages 114.



Now let's look at what Isaiah 7 tells us; and by the way, this is something that we haven't seen in the past. This doesn't mean that it wasn't there; for hundreds, even thousands of years it was there in the Bible, it was read time and time again, but God had His hand over it and over the 1843 chart. That means until His hand was removed it could not be understood. Right now we are living in the time when God is removing His hand off the chart. We are living in the time when God is empowering the message again and He is using the same foundational message that was used in the 1840s. It hasn't changed; it's the same message that brought them out of the churches in 1842-44 and it is right there on the 1843 chart.

“And it came to pass in the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, king of Judah, [that] Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up toward Jerusalem to war against it, but could not prevail against it. 2 And it was told the house of David, saying, Syria is confederate with Ephraim. And his heart was moved, and the heart of his people, as the trees of the wood are moved with the

wind. 3 Then said the LORD unto Isaiah, Go forth now to meet Ahaz, thou, and Shearjashub thy son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field; 4 And say unto him, Take heed, and be quiet; fear not, neither be fainthearted for the two tails of these smoking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Rezin with Syria, and of the son of Remaliah.

5 "Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah, have taken evil counsel against thee, saying, 6 Let us go up against Judah, and vex it, and let us make a breach therein for us, and set a king in the midst of it, [even] the son of Tabeal: 7 Thus saith the Lord GOD, It shall not stand, neither shall it come to pass. 8 For the head of Syria [is] Damascus, and the head of Damascus [is] Rezin; and within threescore and five years shall Ephraim be broken, that it be not a people. 9 And the head of Ephraim [is] Samaria, and the head of Samaria [is] Remaliah's son. If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be established." Isaiah 7:1-9.

If You Don't Believe that Within 65 Years Ephraim will be Broken, You will Not be Established.

When Isaiah uttered this prophecy, it was in the year 742 BC. Nineteen years later in 723 BC Samaria was broken. According to the prophecy, he said 'within 65 years' Ephraim would be broken and 19 years was within the 65 years.

Though both William Miller and Hiram Edson recognized what we are seeing here, they could never tie the two together; again God was waiting for a specific point in time to unseal this truth, and we are living in that time period.

William Miller: "Isaiah prophesied that within sixty-five years Ephraim should be broken and be not a people. Is.vii..8.

This was in the days of Pekah and Rezin, 742 years before Christ. Sixty-five years afterwards, BC 677, Esarhaddon, king of Assyria and Babylon, came with a large army into the land of Israel and Judah, carried away the last remnant of Israel, and they have not been a nation since. Then he also made war against Jerusalem, took Manassh and carried him to Babylon; which begins the Southern Tribes' "seven times"

Judah was to be in bondage to the kings of the earth, and also the "seven years" Israel should be a captive, robbed and spoiled people; both beginning and ending at one time, 2520 years, beginning BC 677, ending AD 1843. To 1843 add 677, and the sum equals 2520." Miller's Works, vol. 1, 80

Hiram Edson: "Instead of reckoning from the taking of Manasseh king of Judah to Babylon, 677 BC, we reckon from the shutting up and binding in prison Hoshea king of Israel, which was 723 BC. This was 19 years after Isaiah's prophecy, record in Chap. vii. 8, which was 742 BC; hence Ephraim was broken from being a people literally within three-score and five years." Hiram Edson, The Times of the Gentiles, RH January 10, 1856

So they both saw it didn't tie in the two. The Bible texts show that there were two 'scatterings', two 2520s. Then we saw that God said He was going to lay the lines over. Now we can tie them in by what Isaiah says, that within that time Samaria would be

Seven Times: The 2520

broken. The Bible ties it all together for us. A Hand was Held Over this so They Could Not Understand in Their Day.

- 723 BC Hoshea a prisoner; Northern Tribes Dispersed
- 2520 years divides exactly in half at 538 AD. 538 AD - 1798 AD when the Pope is taken prisoner 1798 to 1844 is 46 years.
- The Time Frame (2520) of the Northern Kingdom is a Plummet for the (2520) Line of the Southern Kingdom! 2 Kings 21:13
- Prophecy of Isaiah 7:8 given in 742 BC to Ahaz.
- 19 yrs. to 723. 46 yrs. to 677 BC
- 677 BC Manasseh a prisoner
- Southern Tribes Scattered for 2,520 years
- 1831-1844 Prison door of knowledge unlocked,
- Gathering taking place: 1844.

Two Themes are Represented

1. The first theme is the Scattering or the Trampling Down.
2. The second theme is the Gathering (which really began in 1798), but on October 23, 1844, the day after the disappointment, God gathered another people, few as they were.

Both these Themes are mentioned in the Bible in Connection with the 2520.

“September 23, the Lord showed me that He had stretched out His hand the second time to recover the remnant of His people, and that efforts must be redoubled in this gathering time. In the scattering, Israel was smitten and torn, but now in the gathering time God will heal and bind up His people. In the scattering, efforts made to spread the truth had but little effect, accomplished but little or nothing; but in the gathering, when God has set His hand to gather His people, efforts to spread the truth will have their designed effect. All should be united and zealous in the work. I saw that it was wrong for any to refer to the scattering for examples to govern us now in the gathering; for if God should do no more for us now than He did then, Israel would never be gathered. I have seen that the 1843 chart was directed by the hand of the Lord, and that it should not be altered; that the figures were as He wanted them; that His hand was over and hid a mistake in some of the figures, so that none could see it, until His hand was removed.”
Early Writings page 74.

We are living in the Gathering Time, when the message Will have its effect!

“And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste.” Leviticus 26:33.

But the promise is here:

“If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me; And [that] I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the

land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity:"

42 "Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land. The land also shall be left of them, and shall enjoy her sabbaths, while she lieth desolate without them: and they shall accept of the punishment of their iniquity: because, even because they despised my judgments, and because their soul abhorred my statutes.

44 "And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them: for [am] the LORD their God. But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God: I [am] the LORD." Leviticus 26:40-45

The Bible promises, 'Yes, they broke My covenant and I'll scatter them! But if they repent, if they come back to My covenant and keep My commandments, I'll gather them back to Me.' The Bible teaches two themes in the 2520—the 'Scattering and the Gathering'.

Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin.

Belshazzar saw the message that the Hand had written on the wall, and the message troubled him. Now why did it trouble him? Could he understand the message on the wall? In part he did. It wasn't just the hand writing on the wall, it was the message that he wanted to understand because it was written in his language. What was actually written there was a number.

Each of the words written there was a measurement of weight.

Daniel 5:25 "And this [is] the writing that was written, MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN." MENE: 50 Shekels, MENE: 50 Shekels, TEKEL: 1 Shekel, UPHARSIN: 25 Shekels.

The Total Equaled 126 Shekels.

The Bible says in Ezekiel 45:12, "And the shekel shall be twenty gerahs:..."

The Shekel is 20 Gerahs:

Exodus 30:13; Leviticus 27:25; Numbers 3:47; Numbers 18:16; Ezekiel 45:12;

20 Times 126 is 2520 Gerahs, or Seven Times.

He saw the number on the wall and he didn't understand what it meant. Daniel comes in and he saw that this was not a good thing. You see, Daniel understood what the 2520 meant; scattering. He knew it meant God's judgment on the kingdom. That's why he said, 'Your kingdom is weighed and wanting, divided, numbered and finished!'

That Night Belshazzar's Kingdom was Finished and He was Scattered. He had transgressed passed the point of return. His kingdom would be rent from him.

MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN = 2520 The Scattering.

But the Gathering is also shown in the book of Daniel in chapter 4:10-17. Nebuchadnezzar had a dream.



“Thus were the visions of mine head in my bed; I saw, and behold a tree in the midst of the earth, and the height thereof was great. The tree grew, and was strong, and the height thereof reached unto heaven, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth: The leaves thereof were fair, and the fruit

thereof much, and in it was meat for all: the beasts of the field had shadow under it, and the fowls of the heaven dwelt in the boughs thereof, and all flesh was fed of it.

“I saw in the visions of my head upon my bed, and, behold, a watcher and an holy one came down from heaven; He cried aloud, and said thus, Hew down the tree, and cut off his branches, shake off his leaves, and scatter his fruit: let the beasts get away from under it, and the fowls from his branches: Nevertheless leave the stump of his roots in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and let his portion be with the beasts in the grass of the earth: Let his heart be changed from man's, and let a beast's heart be given unto him; and let seven times pass over him. This matter is by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones: to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men.” Daniel 4:10-17.

He was told that the tree would be cut down and around the stump would be wrapped bands of Iron and Brass.

Iron in the Bible represents severe servitude. Some say that Iron represents the Civil Power; but under the Civil Power what do you have? Severe Servitude!

“God had said that His people should be saved, that the yoke He would lay upon them should be light, if they submitted uncomplainingly to His plan. Their servitude was represented by a yoke of wood, which was easily borne; but resistance would be met with corresponding severity, represented by the yoke of iron.” 4 Testimonies 172.

Brass in the Bible represents affliction and judgment.

So what is being said here is that during this ‘scattering’ time, the 2520, there would be severe servitude, affliction and judgments, but there would be a time when God would gather them back.

Now look what it says about what would happen in the Gathering Time:

“The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws.

34 “And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation: And all the inhabitants of the earth are

reputed as nothing; and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?

“At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me; and I was established in my kingdom, and excellent majesty was added unto me. Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.” Daniel 4:33-37.

During those Seven Times, 2520, Nebuchadnezzar’s reason was taken away. He couldn’t think clearly. But at the end of that Seven Times he received his understanding back.

1. He was Enlightened at the end of this 2520 Period.
2. Excellent Majesty was added to the Kingdom.
3. 1798 represents the end of the Scattering.
4. In 1844, two things happened to the Church:
 - A. Wisdom and Understanding increased.
 - B. Excellent majesty was added.

Part One Summary:

We have seen the basic structure of this prophecy of the 7 Times. The Word of God plainly ties things together and how cryptically it has all been laid out in the Word. Mene, Mene, Tekle, Upharsin, something not understood for many years is made plain to us. The deeper meaning of the story of Nebuchadnezzar is brought together now. We now see Both the Scattering and Gathering brought together. Never before in history has this understanding been made plain. We are in the very end time where we can start understanding clearly the role of the 144,000 in the last events of this world’s history.