

Big Picture Bible Study

The Sanctuary truths, cast down by the RCS, were restored by God's leading.

The Restoration of the Sanctuary Truths

Through a slow and methodical process, the truths of the Sanctuary were restored, one by one, during the Protestant Reformation. However, it would not be until the end of the 2,300 days that the Sanctuary would be understood.

- 1300s: **John Wycliffe** "Morning Star of the Reformation"
 - Teaching: the Bible needs to be accessible for all people to read themselves.
 - Truth Restored: _____
- 1400s/1500s: **Martin Luther** "Founder of the Lutherans"
 - Teaching: justification comes through personal faith in Jesus as the Savior.
 - Truth Restored: _____
- 1500s: **John Calvin** "Founder of the Presbyterians"
 - Teaching: prayer needs to be a personal and direct encounter with God.
 - Truth Restored: _____
- 1600s: **John Smyth** (Eng.) & **Roger Williams** (USA) "Founders of the Baptists"
 - Teaching: baptism is a personal choice that cannot be forced on anyone.
 - Truth Restored: _____
- 1700s: **John Wesley** "Founder of the Methodists"
 - Teaching: the light of truth cannot be compelled or be mandatory.
 - Truth Restored: _____
- 1800s: **Ellen White** "One of the Key Founders of the Seventh-day Adventists"
 - Teaching: the 10C is the moral law as is the standard for judgment.
 - Truth Restored: _____

Each rediscovered truth became part of the platform for deeper truth. Those who rejected the new light were left in darkness and were not able to accept any further light as it was revealed later on. The Millerites discovered that the 2,300 days prophecy pointed us back to the yearly Day of Atonement process to learn the symbolism that pointed forward to the literal work that Jesus Christ, the High Priest, would begin in the Heavenly Sanctuary at the end of the 2,300 days.

From Disappointment to Discovery: the Investigative Judgment

- Where: **Hebrews 8:1-5** – there is a literal _____ in Heaven
- Who: **Hebrews 10:20-22** – Jesus is our _____ before God
- What: **Hebrews 9:23-28** – He is making _____ for our sins
- When: **Leviticus 16:16-20** – the Day of Atonement was _____
- Why: **Revelation 11:18** – the _____ began at the end of the 2,300 days
- Standard: **Revelation 11:19** – the _____ found in the Ark in Heaven
- Detail: **Exodus 20:8-11** – the _____ is a non-optional command

The Millerites had the correct _____ but had the wrong _____. In discovering their mistake, they saw the Heavenly Sanctuary, Christ's heavenly priestly mission after His earthly sacrificial mission, the work of the Israelite high priest on the Day of Atonement, and finally the true Day of Atonement when all the confessed sins would be removed from the Heavenly Sanctuary.

- **Revelation 3:12-13** – in John's day, Jesus was in the _____
- **Revelation 11:18** – in 1844, Jesus entered the _____

The investigative judgment of the world began in 1844.

- Two Distinctive Attributes of the Little Horn**
1. **Daniel 7:25** – He would seek to change the _____ or the 10C.
 2. **Daniel 8:10-12** – The _____ of the Sanctuary were cast to the ground.
- Distinctive Attribute #1** is a decisive component in the identification of the RCS as the antichrist power (*II Thessalonians 2*), the Little Horn (*Daniel 7*), the Miry Clay (*Daniel 2*), and the Beast from the Sea (*Revelation 13*). Only one group in all of history has attempted to change the law of Self-Sacrificing Love (the 10C): the RCS.

- The 2C "Do not worship images"
- The 4C "Keep holy the Sabbath"
- The 10C "Do not cover"
- Commandment was _____
- Commandment was _____
- Commandment was _____

Distinctive Attribute #2 is a decisive component to establish how the RCS has attacked the Sanctuary. It was NOT by destroying it physically; it was by casting the truth down to the ground.

- Alter of sacrifice – **Hebrews 10:12** – Christ's _____ sacrifice for us
- Layer – **Acts 2:38** – the individual _____ to repent and be baptized
- Table of Showbread – **Romans 15:4** – the Word gives us _____ and truth
- Alter of Incense – **Philippians 4:6** – prayer requests go _____ to God
- 7-Branch Candlestick – **Matthew 28:20** – we _____ others of Jesus
- Ark of the Covenant – **Hebrews 10:19** – we _____ by the blood of Jesus

The Destruction of the Sanctuary Truths

- Which teaching undermines the one-time sacrifice of Christ being sufficient?
 - The _____: Christ must be sacrificed over and over again for the forgiveness of sins to be granted; once was not enough.
- Which teaching undermines the personal choice to be baptized into new life?
 - The _____: newborns must be baptized with physically holy water to erase the traces of inherited sin.
- Which teaching undermines the Bible's availability for all to read and study?
 - That _____: regular people could not grasp the "mysteries of the faith" so the priest must interpret them for them.
- Which teaching undermines the ability of anyone to pray directly to God?
 - The _____: we cannot go directly to God with our prayers, that we must go to a priest in order to receive forgiveness.
- Which teaching undermines our witness to the free choice to come as we are?
 - The _____: all were forced to obey the teachings of the church or be burned at the stake as a heretic.
- Which teaching undermines the 10C law of love as the standard for judgment?
 - The _____: the destruction of the Sabbath and the uplifiting of the pagan day of sun worship.

While the RCS still teaches these things, the protest will not end.

1,260 Days Prophecy

This time period is mentioned more than any other time prophecy: _____
By comparing these texts using the study concepts of contextual relativism and Hebrew parallelism, and by using a bit of biblical algebra, we can deduce some very stunning, compelling, scientific, advantageous, and convincing conclusions.

- Rev. 11:2 _____
 - Rev. 11:3 _____
 - Rev. 12:6 _____
 - Rev. 12:14 _____
 - Dan. 7:25 _____
 - Dan. 12:7 _____
 - Rev. 13:5 _____
- **1,260 days = 42 months**
 - $42\ mns + 12\ mns =$ _____
 - $1,260\ ds + 3.5\ yrs =$ _____
 - **1,260 days = time, times, 1/2 a time**
 - $3\frac{1}{2}\ yrs = time, times, half\ a\ time$
 - "time" must equal _____
 - **3 1/2 yrs = time, times, div of time**
 - "div of time" = _____

We do not have to guess. This time period proves that each prophetic year is made up of 360 days. This is a time period of 1,260 literal years when the RCS ruled with *political* authority through an established civil law. Full power was _____ to the Little Horn for both ecclesiastical and civil enforcement.

- **Revelation 13:5-7; Daniel 7:25** – power was given into the hand of the church
- This is a time when the **true church** of God was officially and politically given to the Míry Clay, the church that professed to serve Jesus but really sought to cast down His truths and uplift Lucifer: the RCS. So the question is, "In what year was the RCS given _____ authority to enforce _____ laws by governmental law?" The answer will give us the starting point for the 1,260 years.

Power Obtained by Eastern Help

The RCS (Lombards) destroyed three tribes with help from Justinian of the Eastern (Byzantine) Roman Empire.

- Heruli destroyed _____
- Vandals destroyed _____
- Ostrogoths destroyed _____

With the capture of Rome, the seat and authority were handed over to the Bishop (Pope) of Rome.

- **Justinian code of law** declared:
 - Pope as _____ of all churches
 - _____ against all heretics
 - Established in Rome in _____

The 1,260 spanned the bulk of the Middle Ages, a time characterized by the persecution of anyone who disobeyed the dictates of the Pope of Rome, wherein historians estimate around 75,000,000 people were martyred for truth. The RCS ruled with secular (temporal) authority to enforce ecclesiastical (religious) law.

The RCS ruled for exactly 1,260 years (538 A.D. – 1798 A.D.).

Power Taken Away By the West

Napoleon's army (France) invaded and defeated the Vatican during the French Revolution.

- Pope was taken _____
- Pope died in _____
- Loss of _____ power

With the capture of the city of Rome, the authority and seat of the RCS were taken away from the Pope.

- **Napoleonic code of law** declared:
 - Separation of _____ > _____
 - Established in Rome in _____

2,300 Days Prophecy

To rightly understand the 2,300 days, we must revisit the antichrist and his goals. Remember, the trick about the "anti" christ figure is that he is not one who violently _____ but one who subtly _____ Jesus:

- **Matthew 12:6** – greater than the greatest _____, even the Temple
- **Matthew 12:41** – greater than the greatest _____, Jonah
- **Matthew 12:42** – greater than the greatest _____, Solomon

The antichrist power, the Pope, says, "You have to pray to me as *prince*, I will interpret the word of God for you as *prophet*, and you must obey me as *king*."

In Daniel 8, Gabriel gives Daniel more information on the religious events that happened during the Persian, Grecian, and Roman Empires. He reintroduces the Little Horn power: altering the law of God, usurping the threefold office of Jesus Christ, persecuting God's people, and casting down the truths of the Sanctuary!

- **Daniel 8:13** – How long with the Little Horn be allowed to rule like this?
- **Daniel 8:14** – For 2,300 days then the Sanctuary will be cleansed and restored.

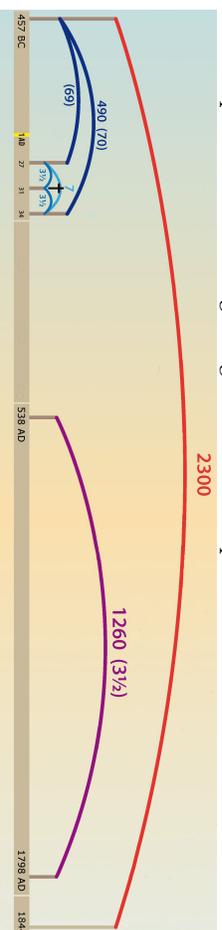
The question was asked, "How long shall this power of both pagan and papal control be allowed to cast down the truths of the Sanctuary? How long will God's people be in the dark; how long must the understanding of the *king* of God be lost?" And then the answer was given, "The truths of the Sanctuary will be unknown for 2,300 prophetic days. In 2,300 years, all the truths of the Sanctuary will be restored and the Sanctuary message will be spiritually and symbolically cleansed." The typical Sanctuary was cleansed on the Day of Atonement: the yearly judgment for literal Israel; the antitypical Sanctuary of Heaven will be cleansed on the true Day of Atonement: the judgment of Spiritual Israel – when Heaven investigates every case.

Joining Daniel 8 and 9

In Daniel 8, Gabriel gives the interpretation for the entire vision, but right when he is about to tell Daniel how to understand the 2,300 days, Daniel _____.
After 12 years, Daniel finds the 70 _____ prophecy from Jeremiah.

- **Daniel 9:24** – Gabriel tells Daniel to _____ the vision.

The only vision in context is Daniel 8 and the only thing that Gabriel did not make Daniel to understand was the starting point of the 2,300 days. The first 70 weeks that are _____ for Israel and point to the coming of the Messiah is the first portion of the 2,300 days when the Sanctuary truths will be cast down. The _____ of Jesus, and _____ of Jesus, and _____ of Stephen confirm the beginning date of this time period.



The 2,300 days and the 70 weeks start on the same day!