

A wide-angle photograph of a desert landscape. In the foreground, a dirt road with tire tracks leads from the bottom center towards the middle ground. The terrain is sandy and sparsely covered with small, dry bushes. In the background, a range of rugged, brown mountains stretches across the horizon under a pale, overcast sky. The overall mood is desolate and expansive.

The Gospel of Matthew

WHY DID THE KING COME BUT NOT THE KINGDOM?

Outline to the book of Matthew:

I. The King Has Come 1:1-13:53

1. *The Incarnation and the preparation of the King 1:1 – 4:11*
2. *The Declaration of the Principles of the King 4:12 – 7:29*
3. *The Manifestation of the King 8:1 – 11:1*
4. *The Opposition to the King 11:2 – 13:53*

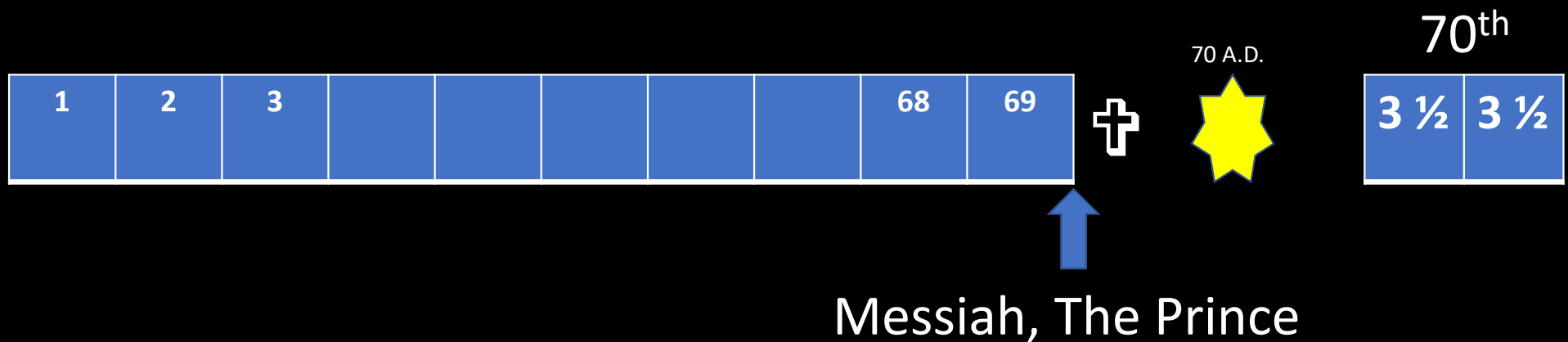
II. The Kingdom Has Not 13:54-28:20

5. *The Reaction of the King, 13:54 – 19:2*
6. *The Formal Presentation and Rejection of the King, 19:3 – 25:46*
7. *The Crucifixion and the Resurrection of the King, 26:1 – 28:20*

***Subpoints follow Stanley Toussaint's seven main divisions outlined in his commentary.

The Prophetic Time of Matthew

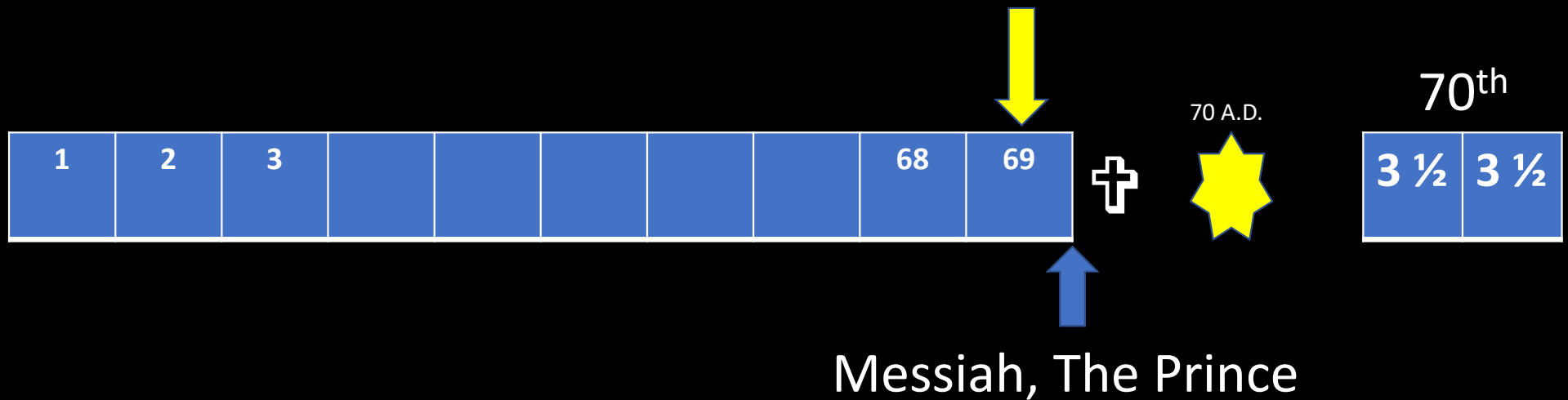
Daniel 9:24-27...Daniel's Seventy "7s"



Jesus' entire ministry was during the 69th "7" of Daniel 9...MOST of it during the last half!

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The Sermon On the Mount...



In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus wants to prepare a people who will be “fit” to receive the Messiah!

And to prepare that people for the Kingdom...and the persecution and tribulation which must precede its establishment!!!

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- Poor in spirit
Humility! Philippians 2:3-8; 1 Peter 5:5-6.
- Mourn
Weep with those who weep, Rom. 12:15; 1 Cor. 5:2.
- Gentle
Galatians 5:23; 6:1; Ephesians 4:2
- Hunger and thirst for righteousness
1 Timothy 6:11; 2 Timothy 2:22
- Merciful
James 2:13; 3:17

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Matthew 5:21-48 Jesus Corrects 6 False Teachings

Five times, “You have heard....”

Once, “It was said....”

Six times, Jesus responds, “But I say....”

[Underline 22, 28, 31, 34, 39, 44]

“I say” is λέγω

But Jesus actually said, but “ἐγὼ λέγω”

The addition of ἐγὼ makes the statement
more emphatic

Matthew 6:1...the “General Introduction”
“...to be noticed by them...”

Greek: πρὸς τὸ + infinitive ⇒ **Purpose!**

≈ “...so that...” (ὅπως) in verses 2, 5, 16
[“...that...”, “...to be...” Underline]

The problem arises when we do an otherwise “good deed,” **for the purpose** of being seen by others, to try to “impress” them with how “good” and “spiritual” we are.

That same purpose construction
(πρὸς τὸ + infinitive)
had been used in 5:28.

It should be translated as an infinitive of purpose:
“...to lust for her...”

Recent statistic:

68% of church-going men
admit to viewing pornography!

Matthew 6:19 - 34

In this passage, Jesus addresses 2 more common contemporary problems...

- Money
- Worry

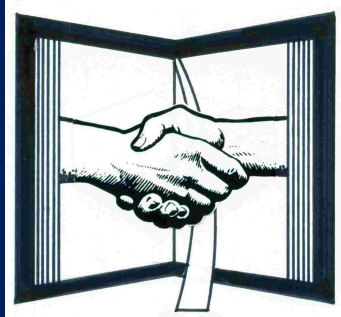
Evidently, people struggled with them in Jesus' day!

JUST LIKE WE STILL DO TODAY!!

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But it has many powerful applications to our lives, too!!!



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