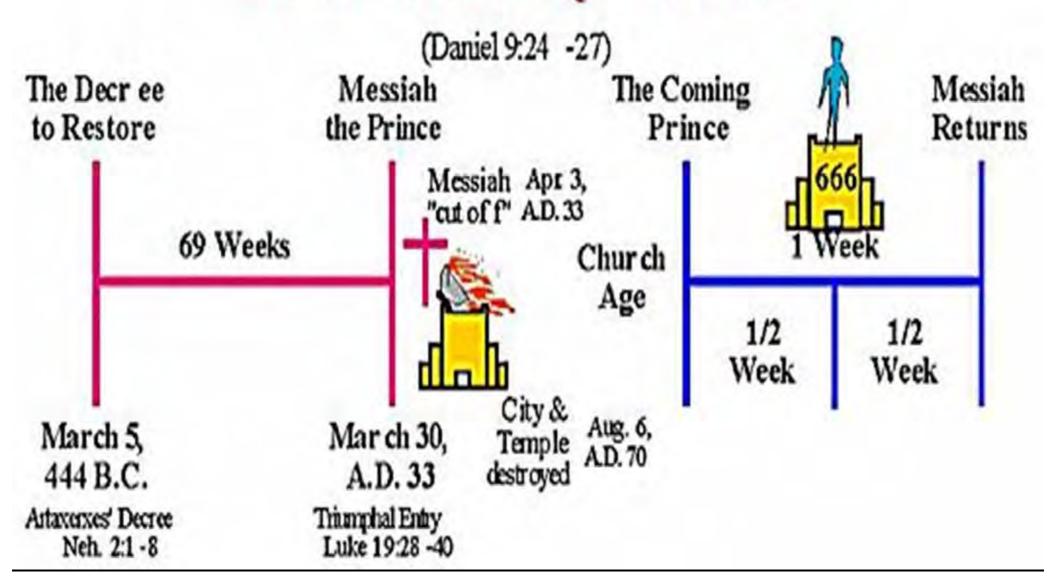
#### Disciples - Come See, Come Follow Matthew 4: 18-25

### Jesus is offering the Kingdom to Israel Daniel 9: 24

#### Daniel's Seventy Weeks

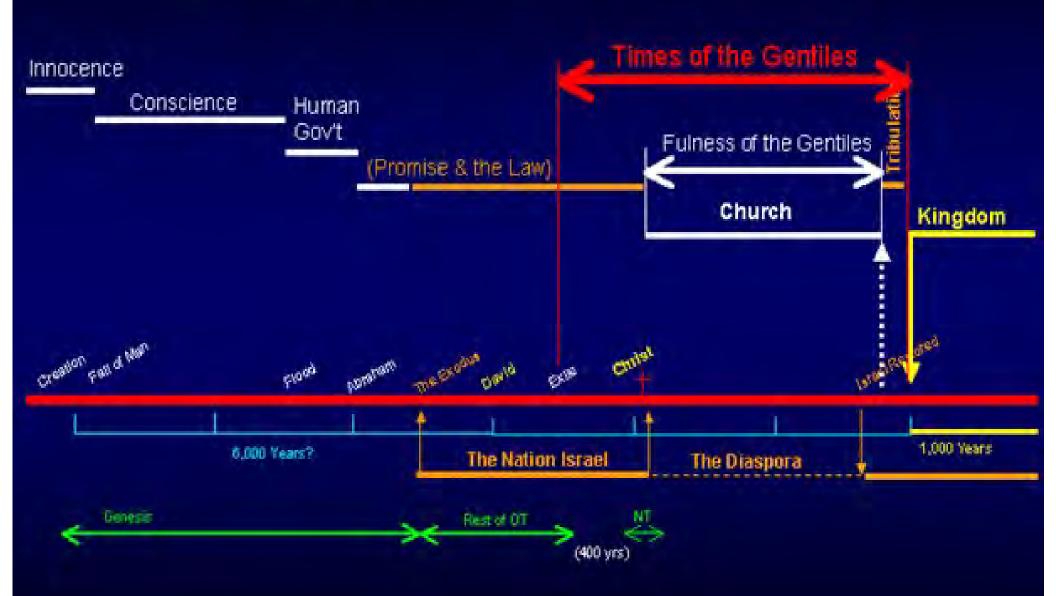


## The gap between the 69th and 70th week is called the "Church Age"

What is the fullness of the Gentiles?

From Pentecost to the Rapture of the Church, a fixed number will be saved - Romans 11: 25

#### The Seven Dispensations



#### Jesus is the Savior of all people!

#### Nicodemus and Samaritan Woman

- He was a Jew a Pharisee
- He was a man
- He was learned a teacher in Israel 3:1
- He was morally upright seeking Jesus
- He was a wealthy man from upper class of society

- She Was a hated Samaritan
- She was a lowly woman
- She was ignorant and unlearned
- She was of a sinful character 4:17-18
- She was poor and probably an outcast

#### **Verse 18 - 22**

# The Discipleship Call - Leave the Old Life, Come and Follow

### Peter and Andrew's lives "CHANGED" when they followed Jesus

A mark of genuine salvation is "CHANGE"!

- No one is saved to remain the same

Jesus to Peter and Andrew:

Come "Follow Me"

Their response was <u>IMMEDIATE</u> – no hesitation

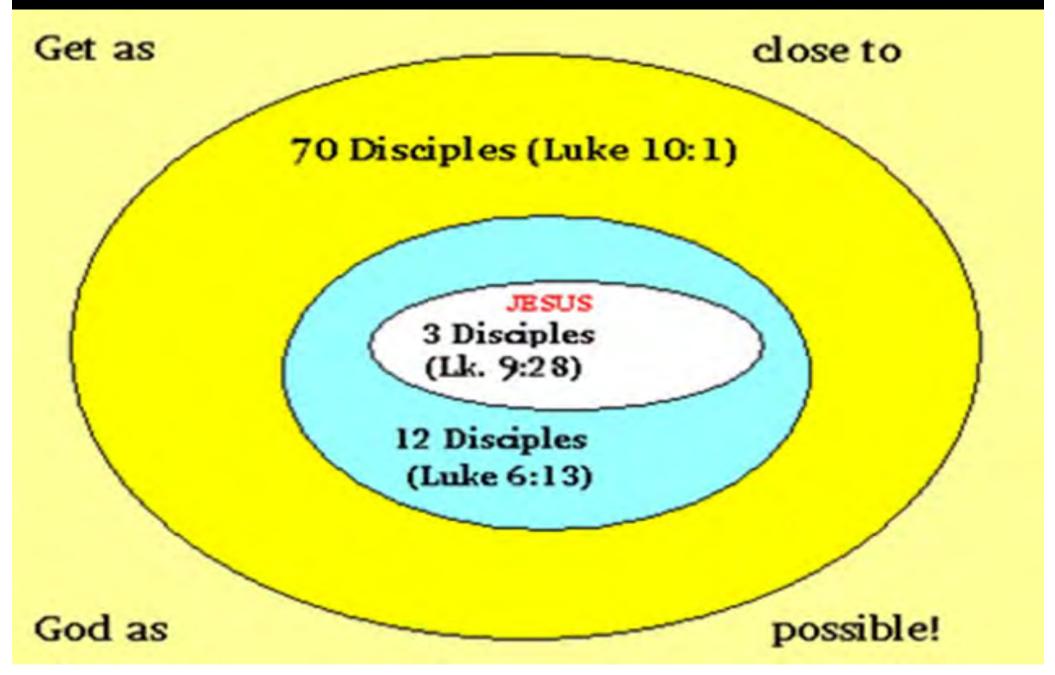
# James and John <u>IMMEDIATELY</u> left their boat and their father and followed Jesus!

True disciples are willing to leave everything and sacrifice everything to follow Jesus

#### The call to discipleship defined:

The immediate detachment from everything in this world that holds you back from following Messiah

### Jesus is calling His inner circle, Peter, James and John



#### <u>Disciple</u>:

A learner, a pupil; one who accepts instruction and makes it his rule of conduct NO MATTER WHAT!!

# Being a disciple is not simply saying "I am a disciple"

#### It will require:

Sacrifice > Courage > GRIT

You will not be marching in step with the world!

THE TRUTH: Those men and women of GRIT will come see, come follow, will come suffer!

Anyone who follows Jesus, and makes a difference in their world, must count the cost - Luke 14: 25

### Like the 12, disciples today are in for an extraordinary journey!

Life with Jesus is dynamic, exciting, fulfilling, purposeful!

Come and see the impossible!!

#### **Verse 23 - 25**

# Disciples Witness the Impossible - Come See!!

Jesus made it clear:
His primary mission was preaching
Mark 1: 38

What did His miracles demonstrate?

Jesus is the promised Messiah

Isaiah 35: 5-6

Jesus proved His dominion over the demonic realm by casting out demons

Jesus could reverse the results of the fall by healing sickness, disease, and death

Miracles are wonderful, but temporal (temporary) - a here and now thing!

The Word preached brings people to eternal life:

An eternal, forever thing!
The greatest of all miracles!
BORN AGAIN!

#### **CLOSING THOUGHTS:**

Come see Jesus, Come follow Jesus!

**COME AND SEE!** 

It is a startling discovery when we realize who Jesus is!

Jesus changes lives, changes eternities, changes our present conditions!

JESUS CHANGES EVERYTHING!!

#### Have you been there?

The "Only God" can do this place!

The place where miracles happen!

And God makes a way when there seems to be no way!!

From time to time, God can and does break in and change the impossible!

We call these miracles, not regulars, not dailies, but miracles!

The unusual, the impossible!!

#### Hear the prophet Jeremiah:

"Then the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying, "Behold I am the LORD, the God of all mankind. Is anything too hard for Me?"

Jeremiah 32: 26-27

### Nothing is impossible with God! Luke 1: 37

You never know when you will be surprised by God!

So . . . . . . . . .

Keep believing and keep trusting!!

"I will trust in the Lord until I die!"

#### DISCIPLES OF CHRIST . . . .

COME SEE!

COME FOLLOW!!

COME AND BE AMAZED!!!

WE KNOW THAT FOR ETERNITY
WE WILL BE AMAZED!!