

"THE 41 PARABLES JESUS CHRIST" 28 general parables and 13 kingdom of heaven parables Parable #34 – "A KING MAKING WAR" Luke 14:25-28,29-32,33-35 The 20th of 28 general parables

BACKGROUND:

In 445BC, with **one Bible week** equating to **seven years** (a prophetic year being 360 days), God commanded that **seventy weeks** each of **7 years**, would be determined upon Israel, that is ... **70 weeks** x **7 years** = **490 years** (<u>Daniel 9:24-27</u>).

This time frame is broken into **four** time periods of (a) **7 weeks +** (b) **62 weeks +** (c) the mystery church age of about 2,000 years **+** (d) **1 week = 70 weeks** and is explained as follows:

#1. **Seven** weeks of years is $7 \times 7 = 49$ years ... the time it takes to restore and build Jerusalem from 445BC to 396BC.

#2. Sixty two weeks of years is $62 \times 7 = 434$ years ... the time from the building of Jerusalem in 396BC to Christ being cut off at the cross in 32AD.

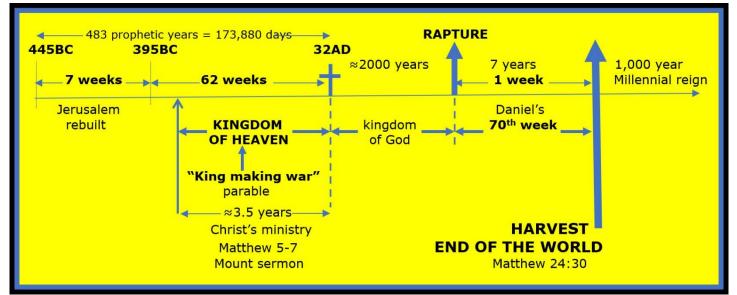
#3. The church age of approximately 2,000 years

#4. **One week** of years is $1 \times 7 = 7$ years ... this is the seven years of tribulation of God's wrath upon the earth, that takes place after the rapture ... called **Daniel's 70th week**.

The following **Timeline** will help (not drawn to scale):

DANIEL 9:24-26,27

"Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city ... from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks ... after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off ... he shall confirm the covenant with many for **one week** ..."



Luke 14:31-34,35

Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand? Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace. So likewise, whosoever he be of you **that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple**. Salt is good: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith **shall it be seasoned**? It is neither fit for the land, nor yet for the dunghill; but men cast it out. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Lesson:

Very similar to Parable #33 of "Building a Tower"

If the salt has lost its saltiness, wherewith shall the food be seasoned. The salt is then useless. Throw it out!

Christ was speaking under the kingdom of heaven dispensation, whereby some walked away as they had not counted the cost for following him (<u>John 6:66</u>) ... **they had lost their saltiness**.

Like today many Pastors have lost their saltiness, and merely go through the motions to get their money. The congregation are not being seasoned! Sound doctrine and all that!

Yes ... it all gets a bit too hard ... and indeed ... many crash off the highway into the bushes.

In common language ... "biting off more than you can chew!".

Lessons:

1. Under the dispensation of Christ and his kingdom of heaven, the message was very clear ... it will cost you your life ... literally ... it was to cost everything.

2. <u>Following Paul and not Matthew 5-7</u> ... the sermon on the mount ... will cost you dearly with Christian churches and their man-made constitutions ... yes ... the 'good godly' King James Bible using lot ... oh yes! ... many are saved ... <u>but not within a bull's roar of sound doctrine.</u>

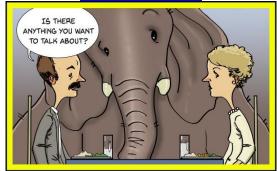
It will cost you dearly ... friends, reputation and so on ... count the cost ... or just maybe you will be quiet and walk away like the <u>John Six Sixty Sixers!</u>

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