



"THE 41 PARABLES OF JESUS CHRIST"

28 general and 13 kingdom of heaven parables

Parable #4 - "NEW CLOTH ON OLD GARMENTS"

[Matthew 9:16](#); [Mark 2:21](#); [Luke 5:36](#)

The 4th general parable of 28

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** ([Daniel 9:24-27](#)).

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 x 7 = 49** years ... the time it takes to restore and build Jerusalem from 445BC to 396BC.

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

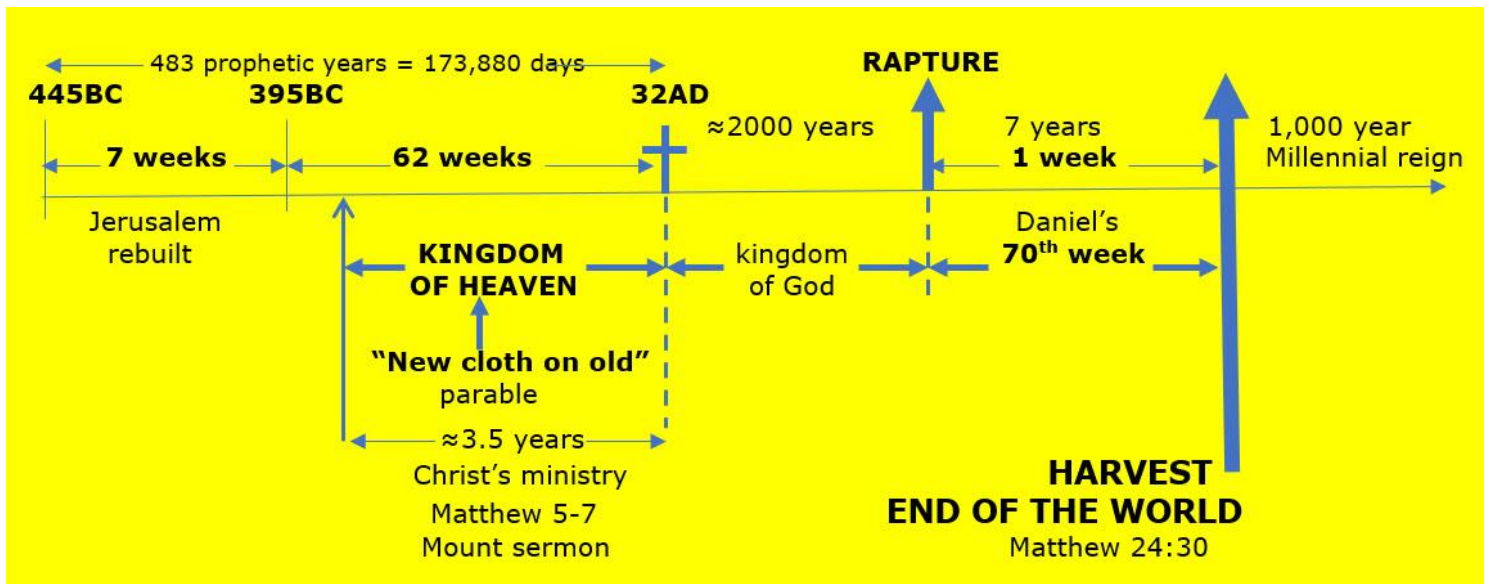
#3. The church age of approximately 2,000 years

#4. **One week** of years is **1 x 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 9:24-27](#)

*"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** ..."*



"NEW CLOTH ON OLD GARMENTS"

"And he spake also a parable unto them; No man **putteth** (seweth) a **piece of a new garment upon an old**; if otherwise, then both **the new maketh a rent**, and the piece that was taken out of the **new agreeth not with the old.**" ([Luke 5:36](#))

This parable is used to explain the new dispensation of Christ as the **new** high priest ... the new garment ... that now **replaces** the **old** high priesthood of Aaron ... the old garment.

Under the old testament we have Aaron being installed as the old high priest as follows:

1. Aaron being **anointed** with **oil** and baptised with **water** ([Exodus 29:7, 21](#); [Exodus 40:12-13](#)).

Under the new testament we have Christ being installed as the new high priest as follows:

2. God himself, Christ, being **anointed** by God with **oil** and baptised with **water** ... the oil being the descending 'dove' Spirit of God ([Matthew 3:16-17](#)).

And being the fulfilment of prophecy, the scriptures have God the Father speaking to God the Son ...

"*Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath **anointed thee with the oil of gladness** above thy fellows.*" ([Psalm 45:7](#))

"*Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath **anointed thee with the oil of gladness** above thy fellows.*" ([Hebrews 1:9](#))

Who are these fellows? They are the Aaronic priesthood under Moses.

So we have ... Christ being **God himself manifest** in the flesh ([1 Timothy 3:16](#)) and anointed by God and **Christ being God forgiving sins** ([Mark 2:7](#)).

This meant the Jews would no longer be going to the old high priest, Aaron, for forgiveness of sin.

Secondly the rules and regulations of 619 laws under the old testament were being replaced by the **new Constitution** having new laws, that, being the **Sermon on the Mount** (Matthew 5-7).

And Christ brings **new meaning to his new dispensation** as follows:

"The new dispensation that I bring you, will be this, that I, Christ, will **fulfill** the Ten Commandments on your behalf ... that is not only complete/perform the outward actions required ... but I will do it with the **added pure intent of the heart** ... which you could not perform under your old regime of doing things."

However, **animal blood** sacrifice will still be needed for the **remission** of your past sins ([Romans 3:25](#)), such that, when you die, your temporary spiritual home will still be in Abraham's bosom ([Luke 16:23](#))."

And here's the meaning of the parable of new cloth being sewed onto an old garment ...

As all seamstresses and dressmakers know ... new cloth will stay new cloth but where it is stitched to the old ... the edge of the old will become increasingly frayed and be ripped ... and so the old garment is destroyed ... it will be **rent** and destroyed... not the other way around.

The **rending** of curtains and clothes signified the **end** of an office or dispensation ([Mark 14:63](#); [15:38](#)) and the beginning of another.

APPLICATION TO THE CHRISTIAN

And Dear Reader, here's the dilemma, the conundrum, for modern day churches ... yes ... especially for your good godly King James Bible **USING** ... but not believing it ... Independent Bible Baptist churches.

The new cloth? It is the kingdom of God as explained in Paul.

The old garment? It is Matthew 5-7.

This is to ignore the differences between the dispensation of the kingdom of heaven, the old garment, with the new cloth of the kingdom of God.

And of course, let's sew on the new cloth of the English on top of the old garment of the Greek ... that's always a goodie to make sure you look like a spiritual fashion derelict.

Oh! And I did mention **Calvinism**?

Ouch! A patchwork quilt of clothes of a mixture of the **dispensations** and the **Greek** ... and **the doctrines of grace** aka **Calvinism** ... ripped, torn, holes, frayed edges.

It's like putting new Rolls Royce parts into a 1965 Volkswagen ... or painting a house riddled with termites.

So it of no surprise they find all sorts of excuses for not street preaching.

I mean, who wants to get out and street preach in this tattered garb?

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