

Daniel -- 13 (session 3)

in troublous times. Now ⁱⁿ Leupold's commentary on - I think it is Leupold's, it may I may be thinking
be Puseys -- one of these commentaries. In fact there are many commentaries who take the
view that these seven weeks in some way stands for the whole period ^{they say} from the time of
Daniel to the coming of Christ. They say to the coming of Christ shall be seven weeks
therefore the seven weeks in some way stands for the whole period from the time of Daniel
to the coming of Christ. And then that the 62 weeks in which the street is build again
and the wall refers to the spread of Christianity and the establishemnt of Christian
institutions in the period between the coming of Christ and the coming of Antichrist. Now
there are some who interpret it that way.

Personally I do not think that is reasonable because these 70 weeks are determined
upon thy people and ~~upon~~ ^{upon} thy holy city. He says that of course you have to take them as
the people of God rather than Jerusalem. You can take it this way, but it seems to me more
natural to take it that actually what did happen was 49 years between the destruction of
Jerusalem and the time when Cyrus gave them this right to rebuild. It does fit exactly
then with that period. Now Robt. Anderson (Sir) who was the head of Scotland Yard said
that if you take the 7 weeks and the 62 weeks together and make it 69 weeks, and then if
you take that 69 weeks and consider that they are weeks of years so that the years are
not ordinary years but ^{what they call} are/Babylonian years --- years of 360 days instead of 365, but
the Babylonians never had a year of 360 days. I never heard of any people having a year
of 360 days. A year is a time when you go from one season of the same season again. We
make it from our relation to the sun. We don't make ~~it~~ it from an artificial number of
360 which never was a year in any country I ever heard of. I have heard the Mohammedans
have I think it is 354 days in their year and so the seasons change all the time. So ~~that~~
that the Feast of Ram may be in the middle of the summer one year and a year later in
the middle of winter. But there is absolutely no foundation for considering a year of
360 days. But by figuring it that way and by making a guess as to when it started --
which we are not told when it started, he figured the 69 weeks ran exactly to the time
when Christ was at the beginning of the last week of His life. Very interesting but I
think he is juggling figures pretty ^{much} ~~hard~~ to get such an idea out of it and I certainly
do not think we have any right to combine the 7 weeks and the 62 weeks which are definitely