

WHY SAY 70 WEEKS INSTEAD OF 490 YEARS?

Dan. 9:24-27

The only answer that is verified in scripture is we are not given a reason for His choice of 70 weeks verses 490 years.

One possible answer is to remind the nation Israel of their continuous rebellion against the God who brought them out of the land of Egypt.

- The commandments concerning the Sabbath:
 - The 4th commandment – Ex. 20:8-11
 - The sabbatical year for the land. – Ex. 23:10-11
- Promises of blessings and curses – Lev. 26:1-46
 - Blessings for obedient living – 26:1-13
 - See verses 1-3
 - 11-13
 - Punishments for disobedience – 26:14-46
 - See verses 14-18
 - Verses 21, 24 & 28
 - Verses 33-35
 - A future reconciliation: Lev. 26:40-46
- Compare with Dan. 9:1-3 (Jer. 29:10, 2Chr. 36:20-21)
- Compare the accomplishments of the 70 weeks of years (Dan. 9:24) with Lev. 26:40-46.