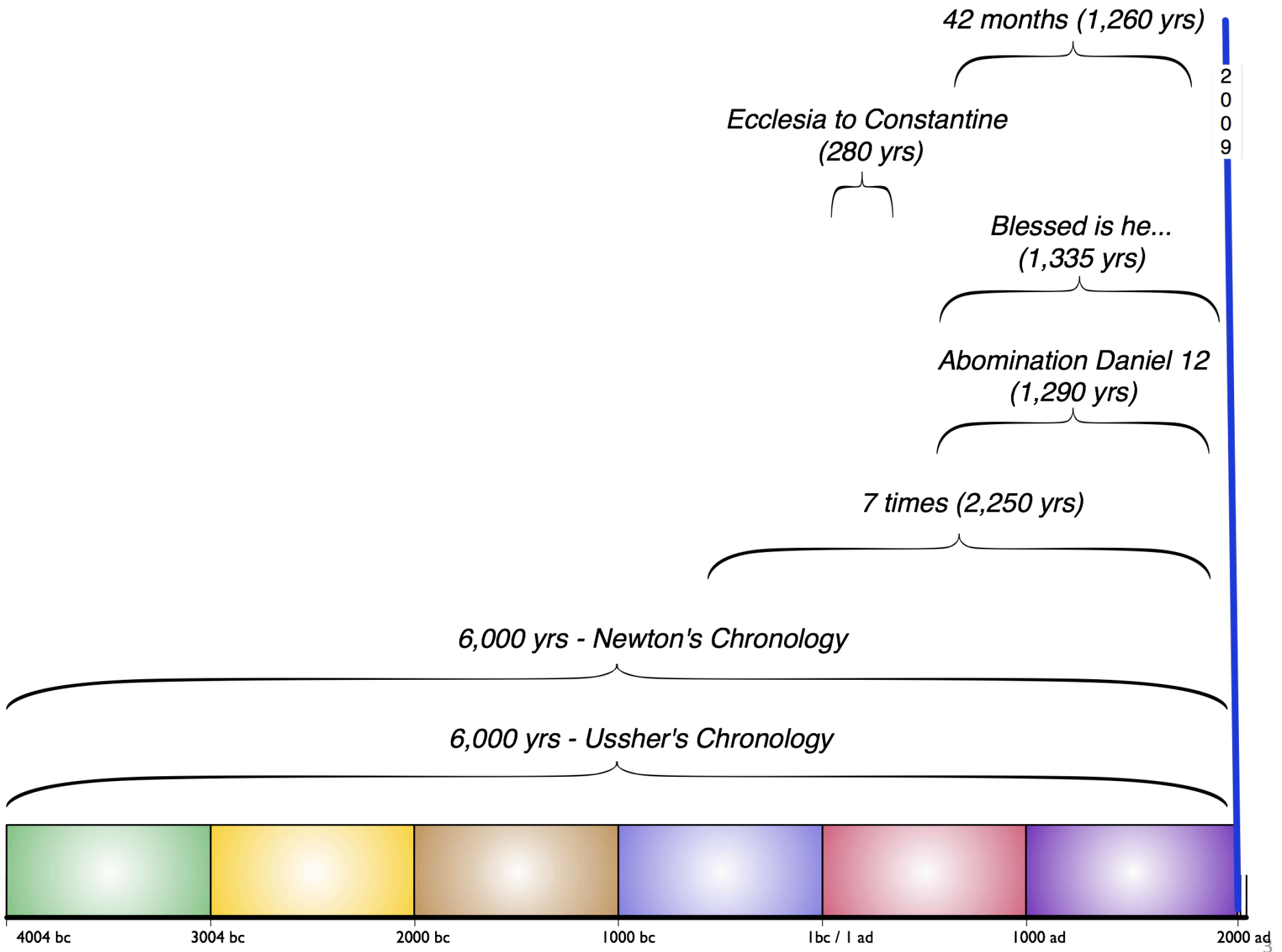


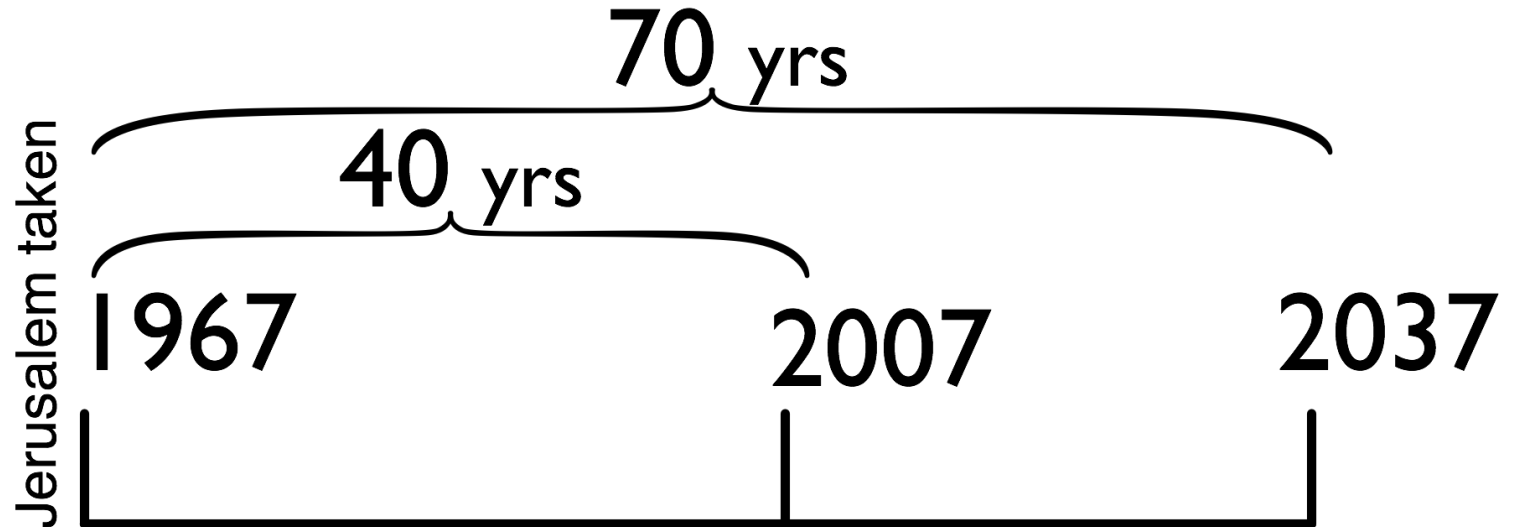
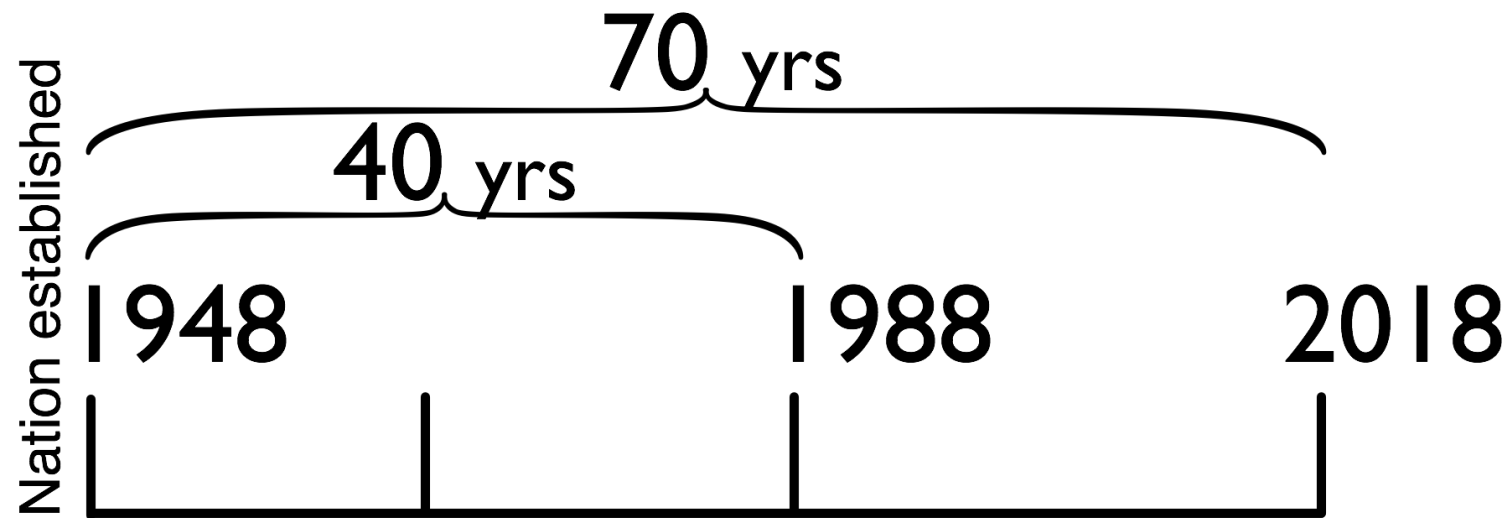
1. Introduction to latter day prophecy

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"The conviction that we are living in days which have about them a character of finality deepens in the minds of thoughtful men. From the most unlikely quarters there come...expressions of this feeling...It is in reality a well grounded conviction; the Word of God leaves no room for doubt that we are living in the last days of the dispensation, and have well-nigh reached the close of the existing state of things. It leaves no room for doubt that a change - a change greater than any the world has ever seen - is impending. Bible readers have a clearer and deeper impression on the subject than others, though in too many cases even they would find it difficult to give any solid reason for their opinion. But students of the prophetic Scriptures have no such difficulty; to them the fact that these are, in the most literal sense the last days is one capable of fullest demonstration.

- Grattan Guinness





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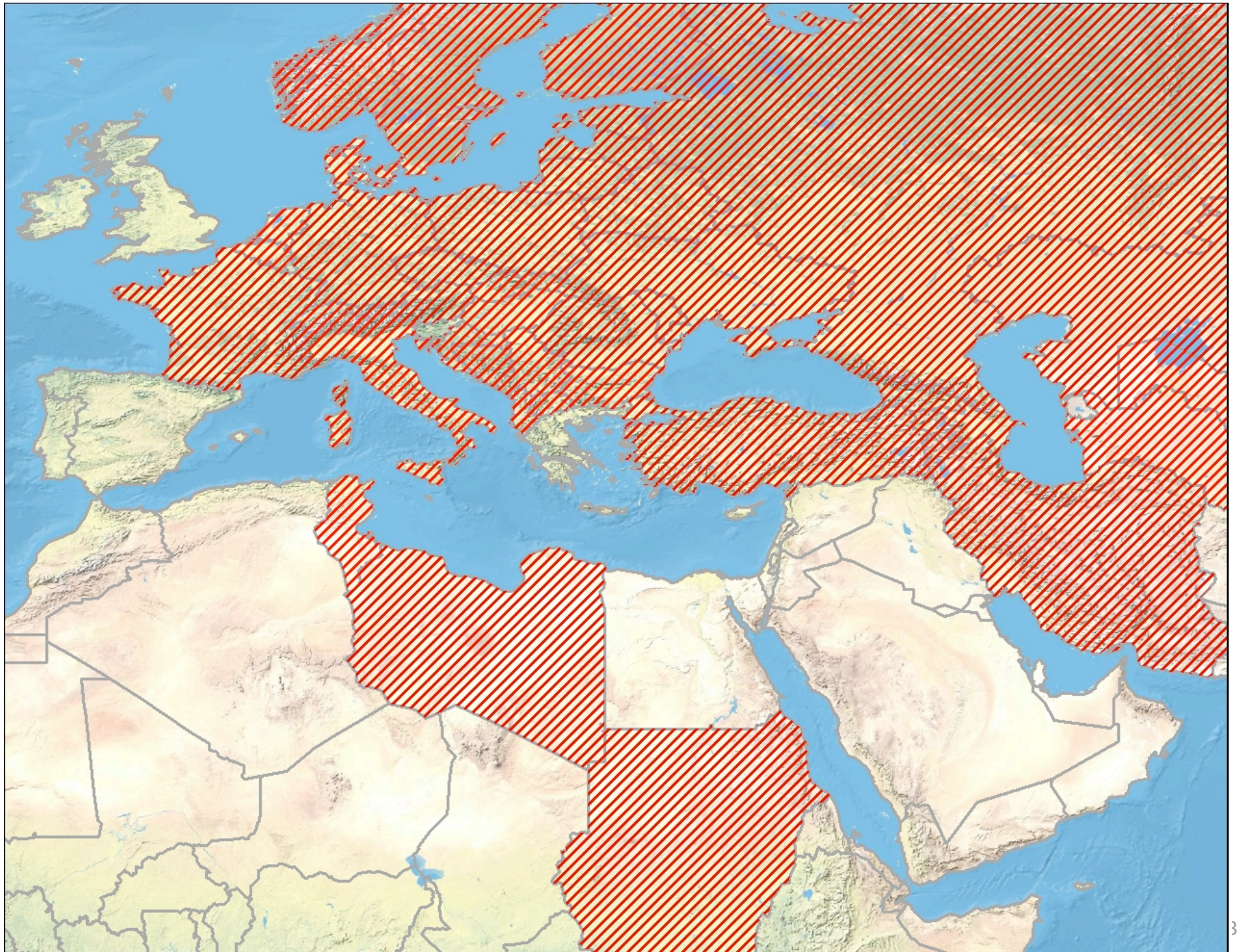
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A time has been appointed by God for the coming of Messiah. Yet if Israel but repent his sins, the glorious redemption will be hastened, and Messiah will make His appearance before the appointed time.

- Midrash

A rather disturbing trend among some evangelical groups in the past decade is the rise of Christian Zionism. Among those who are among their number there are some radical elements which think that they can help hasten the Apocalypse by means of forcing the fulfillment of prophecy. This, they believe, can be done by helping Orthodox Jews to raise red heifers and assist in rebuilding the Temple that was destroyed by the Romans in the first century in Jerusalem. Several evangelical groups are actually raising and shipping red heifers to Israel in the belief that the birth of a red heifer in Israel will signal the rebuilding of the Temple.

- PBS Frontline

Israel a Disappointment to Christians

The modern nation of Israel, blessed with a divine restoration to their ancient Holy Land home, has been a great disappointment to believing Christians. If they had enthusiastically incorporated all the territory that they captured in 1967, under God's guidance, into sovereign Israel, if they had recognized their God given heritage and coming destiny and left the Arab problem for God to solve, if they had behaved morally and provided a good example to other nations, it is likely that Jesus Christ would be here now.

The Bible is the only authoritative rule of faith, and membership in the group requires a profession of faith and baptism by immersion. Orthodox views of the Trinity are rejected, and the theology is strongly millennialist.

- Encyclopedia Britannica