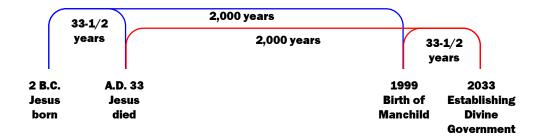
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The Dates 1999 and 2033 – A Study in the Prophetic Psalms

In my previous study, "Time is of the Essence," I attempted to show the comprehensive view of the entire 8,000-year time line of the Plan of God for man. Today let's focus on one small section of that vast time line – the Pentecost Age. In fact, let's narrow it down even further and deal with the two 33-1/2-year intervals which mark the beginning and ending of that 2,000-year span. These are, namely, the 33-1/2-year span of the earthly life of Jesus, and the parallel 33-1/2 years of the time of his return. The diagram below illustrates this 2,000 years, beginning and ending with parallel spans of 33-1/2 years each.



From the birth of Jesus in the autumn of 2 B.C. to the autumn of A.D. 1999 is 2,000 years. Likewise, from the death of Jesus in the spring of A.D. 33 to the spring of A.D. 2033is also 2,000 years. Today we are in the midst of the 33-1/2-year span which parallels the earthly life of Jesus, defining the events of his return and the establishing of Divine Government in the earth.

All of the prophets of the Old Testament spoke of the time when Divine Government would be established in the earth. In my previous studies, I have quoted from many of those prophets, and the message is beautiful! But today I will show prophecies only found in the Psalms.

Yes, Psalms is indeed a prophetic book. However, its prophecies are discretely hidden to the casual reader. One of the methods of uncovering those secret prophecies is by finding the numbers hidden within the Hebrew text.

What numbers?

For starters, let's take the numbers from the above diagram: they are 2,000, 1999, and 2033. These come from the 2,000-year span from Jesus' first advent to his return; and it ends with a 33-1/2-year span beginning in the autumn of 1999 and ending in the spring of 2033. These are numbers from our Gregorian calendar. However, to make the search complete, these same dates must also be taken from the Hebrew calendar. The autumn of 1999 on the Gregorian calendar is the same as 5760 on the Hebrew calendar. So

the numbers we are looking for are 2,000, 1999, 2033, 5760 and 5793.

But how do we begin the search?

For about fifty years I have searched for the hidden numbers with a little hand-held calculator. (I still do.) But a couple of years ago a very generous gentleman who works at Microsoft wrote a program for me that will do the type of search needed for this kind of study. Without this program it would have taken many many years to do the search, and always with the chance of human error. With this marvelous program, it only took a few hours – and what I found is absolutely astounding in the depth of its beauty and revelation.

First, a word of explanation is necessary. We must take the number equivalents of the Hebrew text, in the exact order in which it was written. Often, when translations from Hebrew to English (or other languages) the words of the sentence have been transposed to make the understanding clearer. However, the original sequence of letters and words will be the only one with authentic meaning. Also we must not be influenced by modern punctuation or word breaks, as these did not exist in the original Hebrew text. We are looking for contiguous words only, just as they would have appeared in the original Hebrew text.

This is a study of the prophecies of the coming of earth's new King – Jesus Christ – and the overthrow of man's governments, and the establishment of Divine Government in the earth – as has been given to us in the Psalms.

We will begin the search with the number 2,000. It is not a "date" – it is a span of time. Let's begin with Psalm 2:

"I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill. I will proclaim the decree of the Lord.... Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession. You will rule them with an iron scepter..."

The portion underlined in red adds to 2,000 in the Hebrew text. It is revealing to us the length of time from his first advent to his second advent.

Now let's go to a beautiful prophecy in Psalm 96 which describes the time when God's righteous government is ruling in the earth. It speaks of Divine judgment as a precious and beautiful thing (not a condemnation but as works of righteousness).

"Say among the nations, 'The Lord reigns.' The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity. Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it; let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them. Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy; they will sing before the Lord, for he comes, he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and his people in truth."

Again, the portion of this beautiful prophecy that is underlined in red adds to 2,000. It is giving us the time span between when he was killed because his followers proclaimed him to be a king, and the time when he will actually fully be a King. On his cross they nailed the words "King of the Jews." But they killed him. Two thousand years later he comes in glory and power, and they rejoice in his righteous rulership.

This time span of 2,000 years is described in Psalm 110:1

"The Lord said unto my Lord: 'Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet."

This began to be fulfilled at the time of the resurrection of Jesus in the spring of A.D. 33. He was raised to sit at the right hand of the Father. However, it is not until 2,000 years later, in the spring of 2033, that his enemies are subjected "under his feet."

The Apostle Peter explained this in the second chapter of Acts. He said,

"God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact. Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said 'The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.' Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."

Peter stated it as past tense – that Jesus had already been raised and was sitting at the right hand of the Father. But his enemies have not yet been subdued under his feet. Those enemies are the wicked, sinful governments of man. When they are subdued, then the Divine Government of the Kingdom of God can be set up in the earth. It follows logically (and mathematically) that the establishing of Divine Government will be in the spring of 2033.

But let's go back to Psalm 110 and see "the rest of the story," which was encoded within its Hebrew text – the span of 2,000 years.

"The Lord will extend your mighty scepter from Zion; you will rule in the midst of your enemies. Your troops will be willing on your day of battle. Arrayed in holy majesty, from the womb of the dawn, you will receive the dew of your youth."

This is describing the royal position of earth's new King that will be given to Jesus at the dawn of earth's Millennium.

But the Psalm ends with a strange statement that appears to be totally out of context with the rest of this Psalm. Because the translators did not understand the prophetic meaning of the Psalm, they rendered it thus:

"He will drink from the brook beside the way, therefore he will lift up his head."

The translators of the NIV Bible were not satisfied with this, and so they suggested how it really should be translated in a Text Note at the bottom of the page. They suggested it should be translated thus:

"The One who grants succession will set him in authority."

Amazingly the Hebrew text has a number value of 2,000. It is really telling us that 2,000 years after Jesus sat down at the right hand of the Father, he would be granted authority to establish Divine Government in the earth.

Psalm 89 is another prophetic Psalm. It speaks of David as having received a kingdom that will last forever. Some have suggested that this was a failed hope, because David died, and eventually his kingdom was conquered by the Babylonians. But this Psalm speaks of David prophetically, as the ruler of a kingdom that will endure as long as the sun and moon.

"I have found David my servant, with my sacred oil I have anointed him. My hand will sustain him; surely my arm will strengthen him. No enemy will subject him to tribute; no wicked man will oppress him. I will crush his foes before him and strike down his adversaries. My faithful love will be with him, and through my name his horn will be exalted. I will set his hand over the sea, his right hand over the rivers. He will call out to me, 'You are my Father, my God, the Rock my Saviour. I will also appoint him my firstborn, the most exalted of the kings of the earth. I will maintain my love to him forever, and my covenant with him will never fail. I will establish his line forever, his throne as long as the heavens endure."

The portion underlined in red adds to 2,000, suggesting the 2,000 years from the time when he was invited to sit on the right hand of the Father to the time when all power and authority is given to him over the kingdoms of this world.

Psalm 98:1 is another prophecy, written in the future perfect tense, as if it had already happened. But when the scholars translated it into English, they turned the phrases around to conform with English sentence structure. If we go back to the original Hebrew text it will read:

"Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things; he worked salvation by the right hand of him and his holy arm. The Lord has made his salvation known and revealed to the nations his righteousness."

The portion of the Hebrew text underlined in red adds to 2,000.

The many prophecies of the Old Testament tell us that Jerusalem will be the seat of Divine Government. They are consistent in this, but sometimes use the name Zion to describe Jerusalem. Psalm 102 is an example when it says, "*The Lord will rebuild Zion.*" It is not necessarily talking about a physical rebuilding (although that is indeed happening) but a rebuilding as a government under God. Thus Psalm 102:15-16 declare:

"The nation will fear (holy reverence) the name of the Lord, all the kings of the earth will revere your glory. For the Lord will rebuild Zion and appear in his glory."

The portion underlined in red adds to 2,000. It is suggesting that 2,000 years from the time when Jesus said to Jerusalem "*Your house is left unto you desolate*," Jesus, as their conquering King will rescue and re-establish Zion. Verse 19-21 of this same Psalm confirm the 2,000 years:

"To declare in Zion the name of the Lord, and his praise in Jerusalem when the peoples and the kingdoms assemble to worship the Lord."

The portion underlined in red has a number value of 2,000.

2,000 years from the birth of Jesus in the autumn of 2 B.C. brings us to the autumn of 1999. From there to the spring of 2033 is 33-1/2 years. The brief span of 33-1/2 years saw the earthly lifetime of Jesus. It's parallel span of time, 2,000 years later, is from the autumn of 1999 to the spring of 2033. It is during this parallel span that Jesus is placed in his position of King on David's Throne, overthrows the kingdoms of this world, and saves Israel from her enemies – then he sets up Divine Government in the earth. It is a process of time. Just like the little stone that was cut out of the mountain (in Nebuchadnezzar's dream), grew and grew until it filled the whole earth – so the Kingdom represented by the Little Stone first comes small and unnoticed by the world, but as it grows it strikes the great image on its feet, causing it to crumble, then it is driven away as dust in the wind.

Some of the scriptures describing the fall of man's governments have imbedded within them the date 1999, and some have the date 2033. Some have both, because the overthrow of man's governments is a process of time -33-1/2 years.

Psalm 96 describes this period of time: verses 9 through 13 describe the transition.

"Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him all the earth. Say among the nations 'The Lord reigns.' The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity. Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it; let the fields be jubilent, and everything in them. Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy; they will sing before the Lord, for he comes, he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with his truth."

The portion underlined in blue adds to 1999. It is telling us the year when this work begins.

Yet, Psalm 18 records both ends of this 33-1/2 year span.

"You made my enemies turn back in flight, and I destroyed my foes. They cried for help, but there was no one to save them – to the Lord – but he did not answer. I beat them as fine as dust borne on the wind; I poured them out like mud in the streets."

The portion underlined in blue adds to 1999 and the portion underlined in green adds to 2033.

This is amazing! The text for the two dates overlaps, giving us the idea that the period of time during which the Little Stone does his work is from 1999 to 2033 – but by 2033 he has beaten them into fine dust which the wind drives away.

Psalm 72 also has the dates 1999 and 2033 imbedded and overlapping within it. This is a beautiful Psalm describing the blessings of life, peace and righteousness in the Kingdom that will be established in the earth. Verses 6 - 8 tell of the righteousness and peace of that Kingdom, and the world-wide rule of Jesus Christ.

"He will be like rain falling on a mown field, like showers watering the earth. In his days the righteous shall flourish; prosperity will abound till the moon be no more. He will rule from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth."

The portion underlined in green bears the date 2033; and the portions underlined in blue each add to 1999.

The date 2033 can be found in many of the prophetic Psalms. It appears to be the pivotal date that brings in the new administration – the Kingdom of God. The spring of 2033 will have brought mankind 6,000 years from the time when Adam sinned and was driven out of the garden of perfection. The spring of 2033 will also be exactly 2,000 years from the day when Jesus hung on the cross and died to pay the price for the sin of Adam. It is an exciting date, because it ushers in Divine Government in the earth. The prophet Micah wrote concerning this eventful date, "The Law shall go forth from Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem."

Jerusalem will be the seat of Divine Government in the earth! But before this can be a reality, Israel must be saved, by divine intervention, from her enemies who come to wipe her off the face of the earth.

Let's look at some of the marvelous uses of the date 2033 in the prophetic Psalms.

Psalm 56:9 "On no account let them escape; in your anger, O God, bring down the nations. Record my lament; list my tears on your scroll – are they not in your record? My enemies will turn back when I call for help. By this I will know that God is for me."

The portion underlined in green has a total value of 2033, suggesting the year by which this will be fully accomplished.

Many of the other Old Testament prophets have told us the same thing – that when the other nations come to annihilate Israel, God will intervene and save them from destruction: however, this study is in the prophetic Psalms, so this is where we will search.

The date 2033 can be found twice in Psalm 79:9-10, as if for emphasis.

"Help us, O God our Saviour, for the glory of your name; <u>deliver us and</u> atone for our sins for your name's sake. Why should the nations say, 'Where is their God?' Before our eyes, make known among the nations that you avenge the outpoured blood of your servants."

Both portions underlined in green each add to 2033.

The 33-1/2 years between the autumn of 1999 and the spring of 2033 are very eventful years. This short span of time is 2,000 years from the first advent of Jesus (2 B.C. – A.D. 33). During these years Israel's enemies make many boasts and threats against her – threatening to wipe Israel off the face of the earth. The little nation of Israel, without God's help, is about as secure as a bug under the feet of a giant. Their only real security is God who loves them.

Psalm 45:8 "As we have heard, so have we seen, in the city of our God: God makes her secure forever."

The underlined portion of this beautiful promise adds to 2,000, giving us the number of years from Jesus' first advent (when he cast off Israel) to his return (when he comes to save them).

Psalm 97:1-6 is a beautiful description of the transition from the darkness of the night to the longed-for sunrise.

"The Lord reigns, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice. Clouds and thick darkness surround him; righteousness and judgment are the foundation of his throne. Fire goes before him and consumes his foes on every side. His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles. The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth. The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the people see his glory."

The portion underlined in green adds to 2033 – the year of transition from man's 6,000 years of sin to the administration of Divine Government in the earth.

These dates – 1999 and 2033 – are, of course, from our Gregorian calendar, based upon the sequence of the sun and moon. According to the Hebrew calendar, the year 5760 is the same as our Gregorian year 1999. And the Hebrew year 5793 is the same as our Gregorian year 2033. Are these Hebrew dates also to be found in the prophetic Psalms?

Yes!

Here is an example of the Hebrew date 5760.

Psalm 89:19-21 "I have bestowed strength on a warrior; I have exalted a young man from among my people. I have found David my servant; with my sacred oil I have anointed him. My hand will sustain him, surely my arm will strengthen him."

This is, of course, a reference to the antitypical David – Jesus Christ. The portion underlined in yellow adds to 5760. This is the year 1999 when the right of rulership was bestowed on him.

Yet, in Psalm 99:1-8 we see King Jesus in full power and authority over all nations.

"The Lord reigns, let the nations tremble; he sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake. Great is the Lord in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations. Let them praise your great and awesome name. He is holy. The King is mighty, he loves justice – you have established equity."

The portion underlined in purple adds to 5793. It is the same as the Gregorian year 2033.

We have seen the very special time from autumn 1999 to spring 2033 as the planned "take-over" of man's unrighteous governments by the Divine Government of Jesus Christ – earth's new King – from some of the prophetic Psalms. The promise that Jesus would reign as King on David's Throne was given to Mary at the time of the conception. Its fulfillment came 2,000 years later, in the autumn of 1999 when Jesus was given his legal position as King on David's Throne. But man's governments have not willingly given up their power and authority. Psalm 2 says that God "laughs" at them, He "scoffs" at their attempt to retain their rulership. God says to the nations, "I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill."

Then God turns to His royal Son and says:

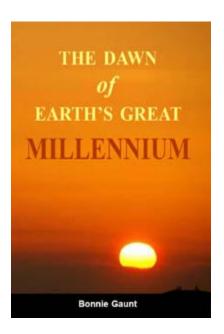
"You are my Son ... I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession. You will rule them with an iron scepter, you will dash them to pieces like pottery." These prophecies are being fulfilled before our very eyes. We are living today in this transition period -1999 - 2033. We are witnesses to the destruction of the infrastructure of the nations by monetary collapse, by natural disasters, by greed, and by the evil hearts of men. Terrorism is the order of the day.

But take heart, and have confidence in the promises of God – He will save Israel out of this melee, and will establish Divine Government in the earth, under the authority of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. He has promised, and He has given us the assurance of its fulfillment by the dates He has encoded into the prophetic Psalms.

"All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him, for dominion belongs to the Lord and he rules over the nations." (Psalm 22:27-28)

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