

IT MIGHT BE TODAY

"I See the Blood Moon Rising, Part 2"

Week-after-week for the past seven years we have presented a Prophecy Update. This is #375 in that series.

The Bible is almost 30% prophecy, and most of the Bible's over 2500 prophecies have been fulfilled to the letter. We therefore expect the remaining prophecies of the Last Days to be literally fulfilled.

You may have heard of the blood moons that are coming, and of how they may fit into Bible prophecy. We reported on them once before; but as 2015 approaches, you're going to hear more about them, so I thought I'd bring us up to speed.

A lunar eclipse occurs when the earth passes between the sun and the moon. This blocks the sun's rays from reflecting off the moon as normal. However, some of the sun's rays curve around the earth causing the moon to appear red during a total eclipse. Because of its vivid color, a total lunar eclipse is often referred to by NASA as a Blood Red Moon.

The occurrence of blood moons is quite common, normally happening at least twice per year. When four blood moons happen in close succession, NASA refers to this as a Tetrad.

Tetrads are rather rare, only taking place fifty-five times since 1AD.

Something even rarer is the phenomenon of four consecutive blood moons coinciding with Jewish feast days. It has only occurred ten times since 1AD and only three times since 1492.

Significant events involving the Jews took place around those three blood moons:

- The Spanish Inquisition took place in 1492 just before the Tetrad of 1493-1494.
- The nation of Israel was reborn on May 14, 1948 just before the Tetrad of 1949-1950.
- The city of Jerusalem was reunited during the Tetrad of 1967-1968.

One prophecy writer says of this, "The only three tetrads matching feast days in the last 500 years have all fallen remarkably close to major events in Jewish history. Now, it's about to happen for a fourth time!"

Four blood moons on Jewish feast days are appearing for only the fourth time in the last 500 years. Two have already occurred - on Passover, April 15, 2014; and on the Feast of Tabernacles, October 8, 2014.

The next two, completing the Tetrad, will be on Passover, April 4, 2015; and on Tabernacles, September 28, 2015.

Why do we care about signs in the heavens? God uses them in Scripture:

- In Genesis 1:14, God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years." God specifically said, "Let them be for **signs**."

- It's Christmas time, and many of your Christmas cards will use the verse in Matthew about the wise men being guided to Jesus by a **sign** in the heavens.
- Most interestingly, on the Day of Pentecost, Peter quoted Joel, who said, "And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and **the moon into blood**, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come" (Joel 2:30-31).

We are simply noting that God gives signs in the heavens; and that around the time of blood moon Tetrads, significant things have occurred in the past regarding His chosen people, the Jews.

Will something significant happen with Israel this coming Passover... Or on the next Feast of Tabernacles?

Time will tell! The Lord does seem incredibly interested in the calendar He gave the Jews, with its Feast Days.

For example, The spring holidays of Passover, Unleavened Bread, and First Fruits are a portrait of the death and resurrection of Jesus:

- He sacrificed Himself on Passover.
- He was buried on the Feast of Unleavened Bread.
- He was resurrected on First Fruits.

He chose the Feast of Pentecost as the day the Holy Spirit was given to the first believers.

Many competent scholars have calculated that the true birthday of Jesus was during a Feast of Tabernacles. Appropriate - since Jesus was God tabernacling among men. It is also proposed as a time for the Second Coming of Jesus.

It would seem likely that something significant will happen, eventually, on the fall feasts of Trumpets and the Day of Atonement.

Mean time, we have the Lord's promise that He will return to resurrect and rapture us at any moment.

Since the rapture is an imminent event, each week, I ask, "*Are you ready for the rapture?*"

If not, get ready, stay ready, and keep looking up. ***Ready or not, Jesus is coming!***