

IT MIGHT BE TODAY

"AstroTheology"

Each week we present what we call a Prophecy Update. This is #470 in that series.

The Bible accurately foretells specific events - in precise detail - sometimes even centuries before they occur.

Approximately 2500 prophecies appear in the pages of the Bible. About 2000, or 80%, have already been fulfilled to the letter, with no errors.

Because we know that the remaining 500 or so prophecies will definitely be fulfilled, we look for news, and trends, that you'd expect to be taking place.

You might call them the signs of the times.

There's been a lot of talk about a unique alignment of constellations on or around September 17th of this year. It is the exact alignment that is described in Revelation 12:1&2,

Rev 12:1 Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars.

Rev 12:2 Then being with child, she cried out in labor and in pain to give birth.

I found this explanation on a reputable astronomy site:

On September 23, 2017 the sun will be in the zodiac constellation Virgo - corresponding to "a woman clothed with the sun." The moon will be at the feet of Virgo - corresponding to "with the moon under her feet." The 'nine' stars of the zodiac constellation Leo, plus three planets (Mercury, Venus, and Mars), will be at the head of Virgo - corresponding to "on her head a crown of twelve stars." The planet Jupiter will be in the center of Virgo, and as the weeks pass after September 23 Jupiter will exit Virgo to the east, past her feet, so to speak - corresponding to "She was with child and wailed aloud in pain as she labored to give birth." Jupiter is the largest of the planets, the "king" of the planets, so to speak - corresponding to "She gave birth to a son, a male child, destined to rule all the nations with an iron rod."

How rare is this alignment? Again quoting:

The sun is in Virgo every September... In one month the moon goes through its cycle of phases, and travels the entirety of the ecliptic, and thus passes through every constellation of the zodiac... [So] there is always a day or two every year when the sun is in Virgo and the moon is just to the east of Virgo (just past the "feet"). So, the celestial "woman clothed with the sun with the moon at her feet" is... common in September...

... Multiple planets being at Virgo's head while Jupiter is in Virgo's center and the moon is at Virgo's feet is somewhat unusual. But it is not that unusual. The period of Jupiter's orbit is a little less than twelve years, and therefore Jupiter will be in Virgo (with the sun there, too, and the moon at the feet) once every eleven or twelve years.

This leaves the planets at the "head" (the number depending on the number of stars granted to Leo) as the determining factor in making a "momentous" celestial arrangement... [Searching back one thousand years you find that] This basic arrangement [has]

happened before - in September 1827, in September 1483, in September 1293, and in September 1056.

<http://www.vofoundation.org/blog/biblical-signs-sky-september-23-2017/>

It is, therefore, somewhat rare. Is it anything?

It's interesting.

We don't talk about it too much, but conservative biblical scholars like Dr. Henry Morris, and Donald Grey Barnhouse, used to point-out that the Gospel is preached in the constellations.

God definitely uses heavenly signs - and it would seem more so in the Last Days.

As a footnote, I read an article that claims, "UFO sightings have reached an all-time high." The US seems to be the most prone to UFO sightings all year round, reporting 300 times as many sightings than the the global average.

<https://www.indy100.com/article/ufo-sightings-extraterrestrials-aliens-space-america-x-files-7594936>

While more-and-more astronomers and scientists are looking up to discover alien life, they are ignoring God's witness in the heavens.

We're not looking up to see the constellations, or aliens.

Jesus promised He'd come in the clouds to resurrect the dead in Christ, and rapture living believers.

There are no prophecies needing to be fulfilled prior to the rapture. It is presented in the Bible as an imminent event.

Are you ready for the rapture? If not, get ready, stay ready, and keep looking up. ***Ready or not, Jesus is coming!***

