## IT MIGHT BE TODAY

## "Starry, Scarey Night"

500 end times Bible prophecies remain to be fulfilled. You'd therefore expect there to be news, and trends, that anticipate their fulfillment.

That's why each week we present what we call a Prophecy Update. This is #486 in that series.

The prophet Joel, quoted in the New Testament by the apostle Peter, said, "I WILL SHOW WONDERS IN HEAVEN ABOVE AND SIGNS IN THE EARTH BENEATH" (Acts 2:19).

We want to be careful to not make too much of wonders and signs; we don't want to draw any unwarranted conclusions.

But if we are careful students of Bible prophecy, we will make note of them, since Peter mentioned them.

Did you know that NASA recently reported they had discovered a 7-planet solar system orbiting a single star? It's a pretty big deal.

The article was posted in February of this year on <u>nasa.gov</u>, titled, *NASA Telescope Reveals Largest Batch of Earth-Size*, *Habitable-Zone Planets Around Single Star*.

Excerpts:

NASA's Spitzer Space Telescope has revealed the first known system of seven Earth-size planets around a single star.

At about 40 light-years (235 trillion miles) from Earth, the system of planets is relatively close to us, in the constellation Aquarius.

[They were discovered] around a tiny, nearby, ultra-cool dwarf star called TRAPPIST-1.

https://www.nasa.gov/press-release/nasa-telescope-reveals-largest-batch-of-earth-size-habitable-zone-planets-around

What does this have to do with Bible prophecy? Maybe nothing at all... But I did come across something very interesting from extra-biblical, ancient Jewish Messianic sources.

<u>breakingIsraeInews.com</u> immediately posted a story titled, *NASA* Discovery of 7-Planet System Conforms Exactly to Zohar's Description of Pre-Messiah "Nibiru."

## Excerpts:

Last week NASA announced the discovery of a relatively close star system, but according to one opinion, the discovery comes 2000 years after it was first described in detail by a classic Jewish text as a necessary [sign] preceding the Messiah.

Jewish sources have been discussing the appearance of a seven-planet star system preceding the Messiah for thousands of years.

2000 years ago, the *Zohar*, the foundational work of Jewish mysticism, predicted the appearance of a star with seven 'stars' orbiting it:

After forty days, when the pillar rises from earth to heaven in the eyes of the whole world and the Messiah has appeared, a star will rise up on the east, blazing in all colors, and seven other stars will surround that star. And they will wage war on it.

The Israeli filmmaker and lecturer who revealed the connection claims the new astronomical discovery goes by many names but in his video on the subject, he calls it by its most popular: Nibiru.

The belief in a planet-sized object that will catastrophically collide with or closely pass by Earth in the near future has resurfaced in recent years, with the astral body referred to as Nibiru or Planet X.

[The filmmaker] noted that the Bible [also] contains a prophecy of a star signaling the arrival of the Jewish Messiah:

Numbers 24:17. I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not nigh; there shall step forth a **star** out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite through the corners of Moab, and break down all the sons of Seth.

www.breakingisraelnews.com/84337/nasa-discovery-7-planet-system-conforms-exactly-zohars-description-pre-messiah-nibiru/#2gbk0EOARbbX81e4.99

The filmmaker draws this conclusion: "The fact that the star exists is incontrovertible. It exists. But we knew this all along. It is part of our tradition."

Stories like these about wonders in the heavens are exactly what you'd expect from reading the remaining prophecies in the Bible.

We are not looking for any particular sign, or prophecy to be fulfilled. Jesus promised He'd return to rapture His church - which entails the resurrection of the dead in Christ of the Church Age, then the translation from earth to Heaven of all living believers.

It is presented in the Bible as an imminent event.

The apostle Paul when he was teaching on the rapture, included himself as thinking it could happen any moment when he said, "we which are alive and remain."

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