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Blood-Red Moon<sup>1</sup>

### **IN THIS LETTER:**

***The Day of the Lord***



***Blood-Red Moons***

Dear Friends and Fellow Laborers,

2014 and 2015 could well be significant milestone years for prophetic Bible events heralding the second coming of Lord Jesus. The Bible tells us that, just before the great and terrible Day of the Lord, the moon will turn to blood and the sun will become dark.

#### **Acts 2:20**

*The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come:<sup>2</sup>*

The Day of the Lord has long been prophesied to be a time of great trial for God's people: modern day Israel led by Joseph (Britain, Commonwealth, and U.S.), and Judah (modern state of Israel).

It will also ultimately be a time of release and redemption, because the tribulation and persecution of God's people mark the advent of the return of Jesus.

One prominent Messianic teacher named Mark Biltz<sup>3</sup> predicts blood-red Moon lunar eclipses (*moon turns to red blood color*) in both 2014 and 2015, along with solar eclipses (*sun turns dark*). These lunar and solar eclipses will occur on annual high Sabbath days or on Nisan 1 of the Hebrew calendar.

<sup>1</sup> File:Snappers Pics - Blood Moon 28th Aug 2007 (by).jpg by Peter Gaylard

<sup>2</sup> KJV throughout unless otherwise noted.

<sup>3</sup> El Shaddai Ministries

Let's look at the dates of the predicted blood moons:

<b>Passover*</b>	April 15, 2014
<b>Feast of Tabernacles</b>	October 9, 2014
<b>Passover*</b>	April 4, 2015
<b>Feast of Tabernacles</b>	September 28, 2015

The two solar eclipses in 2015 are:

<b>Adar 29/Nisan 1</b> (Hebrew new year)	March 21, 2015
<b>Feast of Trumpets</b>	September 14, 2015

I believe it is very significant that, in addition to the heavenly signs of the Tetrads, (series of four consecutive total lunar eclipses)—the seven-year land Sabbath runs from the Feast of Trumpets, 2014, to the Feast of Trumpets, 2015<sup>4</sup>.

So, there will be a total of four blood-red lunar eclipses and two solar eclipses within a two year time span. This is an extremely rare phenomenon. Even more astonishing, they will occur on High Holy Days!

Is God telling us something? I think so.

A tetrad has happened only seven times since AD 1. The last two times they occurred were on two consecutive Passovers and holy days of the Feast of Tabernacles in 1949 and 1950—after statehood for modern Israel was declared on May 14, 1948, followed immediately by their war for independence. That war ended on July 20, 1949.

A tetrad happened again on Passover and the holy day of the Feast of Tabernacles in 1967 and 1968. That was when the Six-Day War took place. Israel recaptured Jerusalem in that war.

What is going to happen in 2014 and 2015? Why does God send us the signs of the bloody moons and solar eclipses? If we look at the last two times the tetrads have occurred in the last century, we can see it means war for Israel. This could easily happen.

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<sup>4</sup> Exodus 23:10-11, Leviticus 25:20-22

\*The Jewish Passover is an annual or High Sabbath day and the first day of a seven day period called the Days of Unleavened Bread.

The Middle East is a powder keg primed to explode. The power of the radical Islamists is growing and there is no one to stop them. In fact, in a very bazaar travesty that escapes all reason, it has been the United States that has been supplying the Muslim Brotherhood and other radical Islamists with money and weapons. Libya is now a radical Islamic stronghold. (Remember Benghazi?) Egypt is divided with a powerful army pitted against a powerful and well-financed radical Muslim Brotherhood. Just because former President Morsi has been arrested and imprisoned does not mean that the back of the Muslim Brotherhood has been broken. Syria is in a state of civil war and the radical Islamists are winning. Assad is holding onto power by a thread with the help of Iran and Russia. Iraq has broken down and the fall of Fallujah and Ramadi to Al Qaeda demonstrates the weakness and complete lack of will of the United States, which has abandoned Iraq. U.S. Marines captured Fallujah in 2004 in the bloodiest battle of the Iraq War. Now it is all for nothing.

Southern Lebanon, Gaza and parts of the Sinai Desert are held by radical Islamists who have vowed to destroy the Jews—ALL of them!

It has become so twisted and confused that no one can tell the good guys from the bad—least of all the U.S. Congress. It seems that every move the United States makes drives that dagger further into the back of Israel. There is no way any of this can be understood. It has become an insane world of treachery, double dealing, and deception. The inmates are running the asylum.

#### **Hosea 4:1**

*Hear the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land.*

Then there is Iran racing pell-mell toward acquiring a nuclear weapon. While the U.S. wants to keep talking, the Iranians are happy to keep talking—while they continue to enrich more and more uranium. And now the Turks are cozying up to the Iranians. Recently, an Iranian lawmaker and cleric proclaimed, “Having a nuclear bomb is necessary to put down Israel.”<sup>5</sup>

The armies are beginning to gather around Israel. Something is sure to happen.

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<sup>5</sup> <http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2014/01/06/iranian-cleric-having-nuclear-bomb-is-necessary-to-put-down-israel/>

John Kerry, the U.S. Secretary of State, is meeting with leaders of Israel and Palestine, trying to get the peace process kick started again. So far his efforts have been a dismal failure, despite the usual, sort of quasi-positive diplomatic doublespeak.

This year and next year we will have back to back blood-Red moons on the holy days. Are they a sign that something big is about to happen to Israel? The solar eclipses signal a much higher level of intensity.

### **Revelation 6:12**

*And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;*

Scoffers might say that we should not get involved in what they might term astrology. But God has always used the heavens to reveal His plans. He has even manipulated the heavenly bodies according to His will. It was God who honored the prayer of Joshua and the sun stood still over Gibeon.

### **Joshua 10:12-13**

*Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon. And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day.*

Remember it was a star that announced the birth of Jesus the Messiah to the Magi of Parthia. That star had appeared within the two years before their arrival in Jerusalem to worship the newborn King of the Jews.<sup>6</sup>

### **Matthew 2:1-2**

*Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.*

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<sup>6</sup> Matt 2:7

What was this star? It could have been an angel, because sometimes angels are called stars in the Bible. But the Bible does not identify this star as an angel such as it did with the angel that announced the birth of Jesus to the shepherds.

The wise men (or “Magi,” as the Bible in Greek calls them) were experts at watching the heavens for signs or portends of important events. The predecessors of these Magi were the wise men, or Chaldeans of Babylon. Who was the leader of the Magi of Babylon? Daniel! (see Daniel 2:48)

In Genesis, God tells us that the sun, moon, and stars were created to provide light and to give “signs.” The Hebrew word for “signs” is “*oth*”, which means a signal or omen. The 12 signs of the Zodiac when strung together reveal God’s plan of redemption for mankind. These star pictures were put there by God to teach Adam and his descendants about events yet to come. You can visit any number of websites for additional information about the constellations and their Biblical meaning.<sup>7</sup>

### **Psalms 19:1-2**

*To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David. The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.*

Other heavenly bodies are used to provide omens of impending events. Blood-red moons are one kind of “*oth*”—omen or sign.

Daniel was used by God to prophesy future events. Daniel could have easily taught the Magi he ruled over about the coming Messiah.

The star that announced the birth of the Messiah could have been a special conjunction of planets in the Western sky over Palestine as viewed from Babylon or Persia in the East. During May of 3 B.C. until December of 2 B.C., a spectacular conjunction of the planet Jupiter<sup>8</sup> with Venus occurred. Jupiter was called the “King Star” by ancient astronomers. Venus was called the “Morning Star.” Jesus is called the “Bright and Morning Star.”<sup>9</sup> The two very bright planets would have been seen as one very bright star as they came together in conjunction over the western sky.

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<sup>7</sup> <http://levendwater.org/companion/append12.html>.

<sup>8</sup> The ancients called planets stars.

<sup>9</sup> Rev 22:16.

Just because Satan co-opted the Zodiac and influenced men to worship the stars instead of watching them, doesn't mean that the original intent of providing signs and omens to us is any less important. Satan twists things so that we are blinded to understanding. We must wait and see what this tetrad of 2014 and 2015 means for Israel and the world.

Meanwhile, we are admonished to pray that we are accounted worthy to escape what is to come upon the world during the Day of the Lord.

We pray for you too.

In Jesus, Our Soon Coming King's Name,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Leon Sexton', with a large, stylized initial 'T' and a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

T. Leon Sexton

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