

The Sun Will Be Darkened... - Part One  
Joseph Herrin (07-06-2010)



### Solar Eclipse

Some of the greatest signs of the age are being observed in the heavens at this hour. We live in truly momentous times when many Scriptures are being fulfilled. I had thought to be spending these days in catching up on editing audio files from recent messages that I might post them to the Internet, but my mind has been so arrested by signs occurring in the heavens at this hour that I felt it necessary to first relate these things to the people of God.

Thousands of years ago Yahweh prophesied of the hour in which you and I are now walking. In the Old Testament the prophet Joel spoke in the following way:

Joel 2:30-32

And I will display wonders in the sky and on the earth, blood, fire, and columns of smoke. *The sun will be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood*, before the great and awesome day of Yahweh comes. And it will come about that whoever calls on the name of Yahweh will be delivered; For on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be those who escape, as Yahweh has said, even among the survivors whom Yahweh calls.

It is evident that the *signs* are *signaling* that most prophesied hour that is to

fall upon the earth and all its inhabitants. This hour is “the great and awesome day of Yahweh.” It will be a time of such great tribulation that, unless the Father had shortened those days, no flesh would survive. But for the sake of *the elect* He has shortened those days.

I have shared this truth recorded in Mark 13:20. It is plainly revealed in these words of Christ that the elect will be present during this time of great tribulation. Joel echoes the same sentiment as he declares that “on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be those who escape.” These expressions are symbolic. They refer to two groups of Yahweh’s people. The overcomers, the firstborn, and anointed firstfruits are those who are pictured as being on Mount Zion. The latter born sons of God are those pictured as being in Jerusalem. There will be those from both groups who will escape and survive those days.

Would you not think it to be a critically important matter to know whether the days spoken of are upon you, even at the door? Our Father thinks it to be a very important matter, and for this reason He has appointed signs, *major signs*, to declare to His watchful sons that hour they are entering. That there would be such signs was also declared by Yahshua to His disciples.

Luke 21:25-28

*"And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars and upon the earth, dismay among nations in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, men fainting from fear and the expectation of the things which are coming upon the world; for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these things begin to take place, straighten up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.*

Do not be misled by preachers of popular escapist theories who are proclaiming that the church will be raptured out of this hour. No! The people of God must pass through the birth pangs and tribulations of these last days. An abundance of false teachings have conditioned the people of God to expect a fulfillment of things that will not occur, or will occur completely different than they imagine.

This was the situation 2,000 years ago when Christ first appeared. The people of God to whom the prophets and the forefathers had spoken were

anticipating Christ to appear as a political champion to loose them from the yoke of Rome. Because they had adopted false understandings of the Scriptures they did not recognize the hour of their visitation and they crucified the Lord of glory.

Do not think that a similar lapse could not occur in this hour. Indeed, the church is fully primed to repeat the errors of the Jewish people. When reading the Scripture cited from Luke's gospel, has not the church been taught to anticipate Yahshua appearing upon the literal clouds of the sky for all the world to behold Him? Because they have been instructed in error, repeated ad infinitum, they will not recognize the fulfillment of these words when Yahshua appears IN A REMNANT OF HIS PEOPLE. The overcomers are the clouds in which He will appear with glory and power.

II Thessalonians 1:9-10

And these will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, *when He comes to be glorified in His saints on that day*, and to be marveled at among all who have believed...

I invite you to examine and test this truth yourself if you have not already done so. I have a writing posted titled *The Next Appearance of Christ*. It sets forth this understanding of the manner in which Christ must soon appear.

[http://parablesblog.blogspot.com/2009/01/next-appearance-of-christ\\_09.html](http://parablesblog.blogspot.com/2009/01/next-appearance-of-christ_09.html)

Could it be possible that at this very hour Yahweh is showing forth the very signs in the heavens of which the prophets and the Messiah spoke? Could it be that the vast majority of the saints in the church today are so earthly minded that they are not observing these things, nor making themselves ready? Indeed it is.

Ecclesiastes 1:9

That which has been is that which will be, and that which has been done is that which will be done. So, there is nothing new under the sun.

It seems prescient that Solomon in speaking of man's experiences as being repetitious would link this thought to a mention of the sun. Before Christ came the first time there were signs in the heavens attesting to His appearing, yet

we read only of foreigners far removed from the land of Israel who observed and understood the signs. In this hour there are GREAT SIGNS being given. Among the tens of thousands of churches at which Christians gather week after week, where are the pastors and teachers who are telling them to look up and understand that which is at hand?

Some of you may be aware that beginning in 2008, and concluding in 2015, there began a string of unprecedented signs in the sun and the moon. The heavenly signs are far from random. They are precise, statistically improbable, and hold great portent for the people of God. In each of the years 2008, 2009 and 2010 there are total solar eclipses that fall on the same day on the Hebrew calendar. This date is the 1<sup>st</sup> of Av. Following is a table of this occurrence.

Gregorian Calendar	Hebrew Calendar
August 1, 2008	1 <sup>st</sup> of Av
July 22, 2009	1 <sup>st</sup> of Av
July 11, 2010	1 <sup>st</sup> of Av

### **Dates of Total Solar Eclipses**

Note that although the eclipses fall on three different dates on the Gregorian Calendar, they all fall on the same date of the Hebrew Calendar. Yahweh has ordered that this be so to bring forth an important testimony.

Romans 3:1-2

Then what advantage has the Jew? Or what is the benefit of circumcision? Great in every respect. First of all, that they were entrusted with the oracles of God.

An oracle is an individual or thing that speaks forth the words of another. Yahweh has appointed the Jews to be the instrument through which He speaks in the earth. The Scriptures were delivered through Jewish men. Even the New Testament was authored by Jewish believers. (Some would argue that Luke may not have been a Jew, but there are good arguments pointing to his being Jewish.)

It should not surprise the Christian today if the Father continues to speak through that people, with their calendar and appointed times (moedim) that He long ago appointed to be His oracle in the earth. I want you to consider the rarity of three total solar eclipses occurring in three consecutive years on the same day on the Hebrew calendar.

After much searching I can find no evidence that since Adam was created 6,000 years ago there have ever been three total solar eclipses in three consecutive years all occurring on the same calendar date. NASA has a table listing all solar eclipses between the years 1999 B.C. to 3000 A.D.. It would be a very tedious matter to go through all the years to verify this information for yourself, but if any are interested, the table can be found at the following link:

<http://eclipse.gsfc.nasa.gov/SEcat5/SEcatalog.html>

## The Sorrows Cycle

Astronomers group solar eclipses into cycles. These cycles that repeat every 18 years (18 being 6+6+6) are called Saros Cycles. This is pronounced in the same way you would pronounce Sorrows Cycles. You can read about the scientific aspects of the Saros Cycles at the following link:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saros\\_cycle](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saros_cycle)

To learn about the spiritual aspect of the Sorrows Cycle we must look to another source, the Bible.

### Matthew 24:3-13

Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be? *And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?*" And Yahshua answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. *All these are the beginning of sorrows.* Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name's sake. And then many will be offended, will betray one another, and will hate one another. Then many false prophets will rise up

and deceive many. And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold. But he who endures to the end shall be saved.

Yahshua told His disciples that there would be a time of Sorrows before His return. Our Father is at this time revealing that this time of Sorrows (Saros) is at hand. Solar eclipses have long been viewed by the Jews as an indicator of tribulation and calamity and judgment coming to the Gentile nations, while Lunar eclipses have been viewed similarly as pertaining to Israel.

As I have been traveling across this nation speaking to Yahweh's scattered remnant, I have shared frequently of that form of symbolic speech utilized by Yahshua to describe this present hour. He spoke of the last days before His return as a woman in labor to give birth. The sons of God must come forth in this hour, yet their unveiling will be attended by birth pangs and much sorrow.

Revelation 12:1-3

And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars; and she was with child; and she cried out, being in labor and in pain to give birth.

In October of 2003 a great sign occurred in the Sun as a solar flare aimed directly at the earth sent forth enough radiation to saturate the instruments on the satellite NASA had stationed to record the radiation from Coronal Mass Ejections. This solar flare originated from Sunspot 486. The Father directed me to an understanding of this sign by leading me to a Scripture that corresponded with this number.

Psalms 48:6

Panic seized them there, anguish, as of a woman in childbirth.

This is the hour we now live in. It is a time for spiritual sons to be revealed. These must be matured through much tribulation. The earth must experience birth pangs, and a multitude of signs are pointing to these things.

153 Fish

Before continuing to declare the message of the sign of the solar eclipses, I will share a discovery the Father led me to yesterday. Those who read my blog and who have attended recent meetings, or listened to the audios from them, are aware of the significance of the number 153. In February of 2008 the Father

spoke to me, directing me to leave the rescue mission that I had been at for the previous three years. He said it was time for me to embark on a new phase of the ministry He has appointed to me.

After departing from the mission, I spent some time camping and seeking the mind of the Father to know specifically what He was calling me to do. As I tarried before Him, He spoke to me through the Scripture in which we read of the disciples pulling up 153 large fish in their nets on the right side of the boat. This occurred after the resurrection of Christ.

Yahshua was on the shore, having a fire kindled and fish laid on the coals. He told the disciples to bring some of their fish, which were also laid on the coals. What the Spirit revealed to me is that Christ is to appear this last time in a manner in which many will not recognize Him. He will be leading His people to fiery experiences for their purification.

The story relates that the disciples dared not ask Yahshua who He was, indicating that there was some question in their minds. This is recorded for our benefit, having great design. Many Christians will not recognize the presence of Christ in the fiery trials ahead. Those who have been conditioned to believe that Christians will be raptured out of this earth before tribulation, or believe that it is never God's will for His children to suffer, will deny that this is Christ. Yet those who know their Lord will recognize Him.

If you have not read the article I refer to, you can find it here:

<http://parablesblog.blogspot.com/2008/04/third-appearance-of-christ.html>

The 153 large fish represent those appointed to salvation. The nets of the disciples did not break as they had three years earlier when Christ first called them. Now, the nets held and no fish were lost. In the same way, Christ will bring an appointed number of His sons through the fire in this last hour. They will be made ready by these means to rule and reign with Him.

Yesterday, the Father revealed to me that the very same month that He called me out to begin this ministry to those people of God typified by the 153 large fish, there was a profound sign in the heavens that bore witness to this work. Following is an excerpt I took from an Internet website.

Lunar Eclipse in Virgo: February 21, 2008

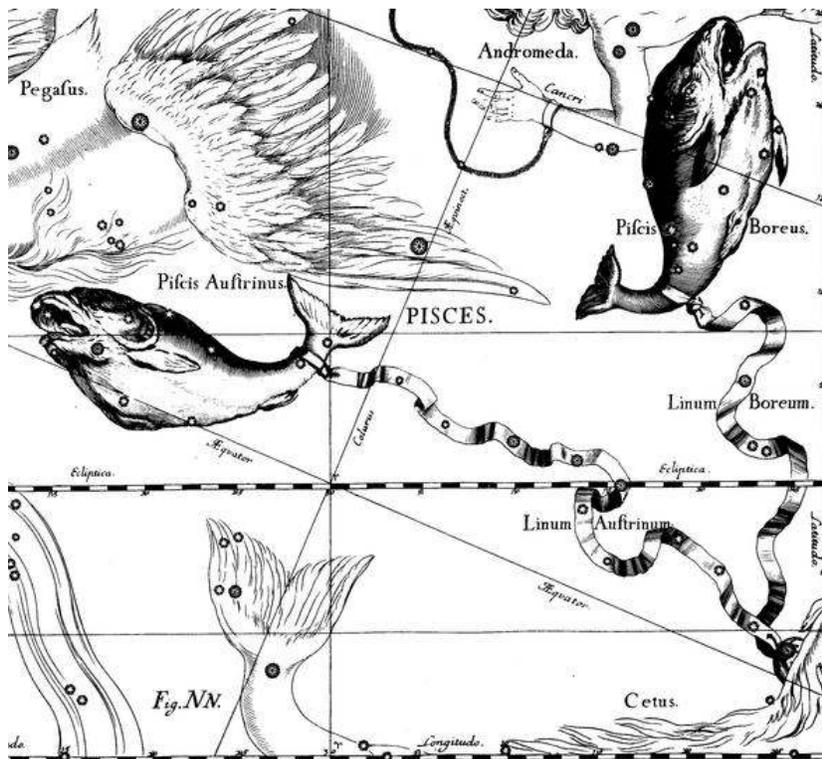
A Full Moon total lunar eclipse in the constellation of Virgo is occurring on February 20/21, 2008.

February 21, 2008 1°53' Virgo 4:27 am CET

At exactly 4:27 am CET the Sun will be moving opposite the Moon through the constellation of Pisces 1°53'. The Earth will align exactly between the Moon in Virgo and Sun in Pisces, blocking the light of the Sun to the Moon.

[End excerpt]

Do you see how the Father has set this testimony in the heavens. Pisces is the Latin plural word for fish. The constellation Pisces is depicted as great fish in the heavens.



## Pisces

On February 21, 2008 the earth aligned exactly between the Sun and the Moon. On that date the moon was full, leading to a spectacular lunar eclipse. The Moon was in the constellation Virgo while the Sun was in the constellation Pisces. What is symbolized by this?

The Father was declaring through this sign in the heavens the very same thing

He was speaking to me through the voice of His Spirit as He opened to me the understanding of the event when the disciples drew the 153 large fish to shore and placed them in the fire.

The Sun is a source of fire, and the fire had entered the constellation Pisces. The Moon is a type of the church. In the same way that the Moon has no glory of its own, but reflects the light of the Sun, so too does the church have no glory of its own, but it reflects the glory of Christ. Even as the moon waxes and wanes in glory, so too has the church over the last 2,000 years.

An hour is at hand for the church to pass through an hour of darkness. They will go through great tribulation in the same way that Christ placed the fish over the fire. Satan will be granted authority to wage war with the saints, and even to overcome them. But by their patience they will preserve their souls.

Revelation 13:3-10

And the whole earth was amazed and followed after the beast; and they worshiped the dragon, because he gave his authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?" And there was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies; and authority to act for forty-two months was given to him. And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, that is, those who dwell in heaven. *And it was given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them... If anyone has an ear, let him hear. If anyone is destined for captivity, to captivity he goes; if anyone kills with the sword, with the sword he must be killed. Here is the perseverance and the faith of the saints.*

This sign in the heavens occurred precisely at 1 degree 53 minutes in the constellation Virgo. There are those signified by the 153 fish who come out of the virgin church who will pass through the fire, yet none of them will be lost. Christ has testified:

John 6:38-39

"For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that of all that He has given Me I lose nothing, but raise it up on the last day."

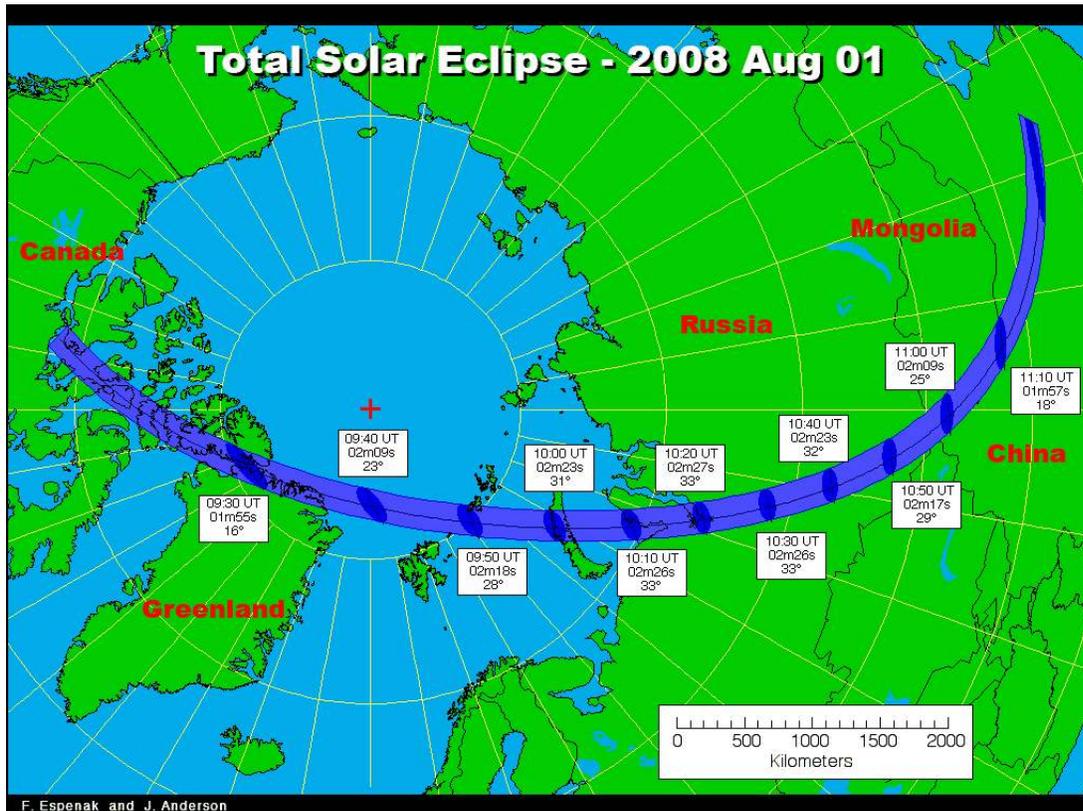
Did some of the disciples of Christ suffer imprisonment, persecution, and even

loss of life? Yes! Yet Christ brought them through these things victoriously. They held fast their confession and did not shrink back when faced with suffering. They have entered into better things, and will stand with Christ in glory on that day.

So too must the people of God in this hour pass through many tribulations. Christ is able to take the weakest members of His household and cause them to stand. He will provide all grace to those whose hearts are wholly His. He will strongly support them. He will bring them forth to glory, overcoming Satan by the word of their testimony, the blood of the Lamb, and loving not their lives even to the death.

I have many more things to write to you concerning these signs in the heavens, and the phenomenal messages being declared through them. I will continue this teaching in the next post. Please consider that it is only a week from now that this third total eclipse will be observed. It too will fall on the 1<sup>st</sup> of Av on the Hebrew calendar. Our Father is speaking. Great things are at hand. Look up, and behold, your redemption is drawing nigh!

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Path of Solar Eclipse August 1, 2008 (1<sup>st</sup> of Av)

Is not the Father signifying great things when He has a total solar eclipse occur on the earth three years in a row, falling on the same date of the Hebrew calendar? The improbability of these being *chance occurrences* (there is no such thing in Yahweh's creation) becomes even more staggering as one realizes that the last two years of this seven year period (August 1, 2008 - September 28, 2015) contain four lunar eclipses (blood red moons) and two more solar eclipses, all falling on significant dates in the Jewish Calendar.

The Lunar eclipses break down as follows:

Passover	April 15, 2014
Feast of Tabernacles	October 8, 2014
Passover	April 4, 2015
Feast of Tabernacles	September 28, 2015

The Solar eclipses in 2014-2015 occur:

Adar 29/Nisan 1(new year) March 20, 2015

Feast of Trumpets September 13, 2015

*Says J. R. Church, in a letter accompanying the magazine issue, "Four lunar eclipses occurring on the Feast of Tabernacles and Passover in two successive years are phenomenal. But add to them two solar eclipses on the two days that open the Jewish year – Adar 29/Nisan1, just two weeks before Passover, and Tishri 1 (Rosh Hashannah) – is uncanny. On each of these six Jewish Holy Days, the sun will be darkened and the moon will not give her light. Will this happen again in the 21st century? No. Did it happen in the 20th century? Yes, in 1949/1950, the year following Israel's statehood, and 1967/1968, the year Jerusalem was liberated in the Six-Day War! Before that, you have to go back to 1493 for four successive lunar eclipses on Passover and the Feast of Tabernacles" (May 2008 letter).*

[ S o u r c e :  
<http://www.triumphpro.com/blood-red-lunar-eclipses-and-solar-eclipses.htm>]

From August 1, 2008, the date of the first of the three total solar eclipses, to September 28, 2015, the date of the lunar eclipse on the Feast of Tabernacles, we have a seven year period or very remarkable heavenly signs. It is incumbent upon the sons of God to apply themselves to discerning what our Father in heaven is testifying through His heavenly scroll.

Peace and Safety

One need not look to the heavens to see signs that the hour of tribulation is now upon the earth. The following words of the apostle Paul have never seen a greater fulfillment than at this very hour. Please read them carefully.

I Thessalonians 5:1-6

Now as to the times and the epochs, brethren, you have no need of anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night. While they are saying, "Peace and safety!" then destruction will come upon them suddenly like birth pangs upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day should overtake you like a thief; for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness; so then let us not

sleep as others do, but let us be alert and sober.

A reader posted a comment to the blog today providing links to the G-8 and G-20 summits. Both of these international forums have as part of their meetings an emphasis on “Peace and Security.” This is a fulfillment of the prophetic words of Paul. While they are saying “Peace and Safety (Security)” THEN destruction will come upon the suddenly like birth pangs upon a woman. Following are excerpts and the links to the sites of these two international gatherings.

### International Peace and Security

*The G-8 has a solid record of providing leadership and action in responding to a range of international peace and security challenges including conflict, terrorism, weapons of mass destruction and transnational organized crime.*

*Peace and security issues will figure prominently at the G-8 in Muskoka as leaders discuss pressing security vulnerabilities, including terrorism, piracy, organized crime, trafficking in drugs, natural disasters and how regional conflicts can affect the security of all nations. The issues of nuclear non-proliferation will be of considerable interest to all leaders in light of continuing challenges in Iran and North Korea.*

[ S o u r c e :  
<http://g8.gc.ca/for-media/other-services/media-briefing-books/priorities-for-the-g-8-summit-in-muskoka/>]

*Here in Toronto, the G-20 Summit will give global leaders the opportunity to discuss ways to restore the health of the global economy, and lay the foundations for strong, sustainable and balanced growth in the years ahead.*

[ S o u r c e :  
<http://g20.gc.ca/address-by-minister-van-loan-at-munk-school-of-global-affairs-g-20-conference/>]

It sounds like the nations are planning not only for peace and safety going forward, but also a renewal of global prosperity. People of God, the Spirit testifies that quite a different future lies ahead for the nations. Days of great tribulation are at hand. Are you attentive to the voice of the Spirit so that you may know what Yahweh would have you to do for yourself and your family to be properly positioned for coming days? Are you even entertaining the idea that He may call you to a radical obedience that your neighbors and Christian

friends may deem to be fanatical?

The Spirit has testified to me that the things He has walked me through in the past 11 years are a pattern of that which His obedient people must experience in days ahead. In 1999 the Father called me to leave my employment as a computer professional and to look to Him for all the provision of my wife and children. We were directed to follow wherever He led, and to do whatever He said.

Many in the church declared me to be delusional, and even in great disobedience, yet we were directed faithfully by the Father and His provision was constantly manifested on our behalf. Miracles of provision occurred, many of which have been set down in the autobiographical book *Evidence of Things Unseen*. (You can read this book freely on the Heart4God website - just as soon as it is back online.)

I am hearing from brothers and sisters in Christ who are being directed at this hour to make great changes in their lives. Some are being led out from very good jobs to follow the Spirit wherever He leads. One brother was recently instructed by the Spirit to leave his home in the Los Angeles area and begin preparing a ranch he owns in a remote area for he and his wife to be able to move. Only those who are giving an attentive ear to the voice of the Spirit, coupled with a willing obedience, will avoid much loss and calamity that the Father would have delivered them from.

## Discerning the Heavenly Signs

In previous posts on signs in the heavens I have testified that in order to understand a heavenly sign one must look at it in its context. Our Father is the One who established the stars in their courses, and Who formed the constellations that make up the heavenly testimony. Many Christians today have been conditioned to fear, or even despise, the witness of the heavens, associating their testimony with pagan astrology. Satan, however, has merely sought to corrupt that which Yahweh has established as a true witness.

If you have not read the previous post where I revealed the Scriptural basis for Christians to be attentive to heavenly signs, and to not fear them, I would recommend that you read it here:

<http://parablesblog.blogspot.com/2008/12/message-in-heavens.html>

The Scriptures themselves name numerous constellations, and Yahweh ascribed four purposes to the stars of the heavens. The first, and foremost purpose is that they are given for signs.

Genesis 1:14-15

Then God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and *let them be for signs*, and for seasons, and for days and years; and let them be for lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so.

The birth of Christ was announced with signs in the heavens. Wise men who understood the true testimony of the heavens, saw the star in the East that gave testimony that the king of the Jews had been born, the long promised Messiah. They acted upon this witness and were led faithfully to the Son of God that they might worship Him.

Yahshua testified that before His return there would be more "signs in sun and moon and stars." The child of God should therefore not despise that testimony that Yahweh has established. They should seek to move past the fear of Satanic corruptions, while pressing in to discern Yahweh's true testimony.

There are three books in my possession that have been very helpful in my own study of the heavenly testimony. They are as follows:

*The Gospel in the Stars* by Joseph A. Seiss  
*The Heavens Declare* by William D. Banks  
*The Witness of the Stars* by E. W. Bullinger

This last book can be read freely online.

[http://philologos.org/\\_\\_\\_eb-tws/](http://philologos.org/___eb-tws/)

All three of the authors cited above refer to the voluminous research conducted by Frances Rolleston. Her writing titled *Mazzaroth, or the Constellations* can also be accessed online.

[http://philologos.org/\\_\\_\\_eb-mazzaroth/](http://philologos.org/___eb-mazzaroth/)

To discern the meaning of a heavenly sign, one must understand the message contained in the heavens at the location which the sign occurs. For example, in the last post I mentioned that an eclipse of a full moon occurred while the

Moon was in Virgo and the Sun was in Pisces. Understanding this gives needed details to discern the meaning of the sign.

In looking into the three total solar eclipses occurring in 2008, 2009, and 2010 I have understood that they occur in the following constellations.

Total Solar Eclipse August 1, 2008

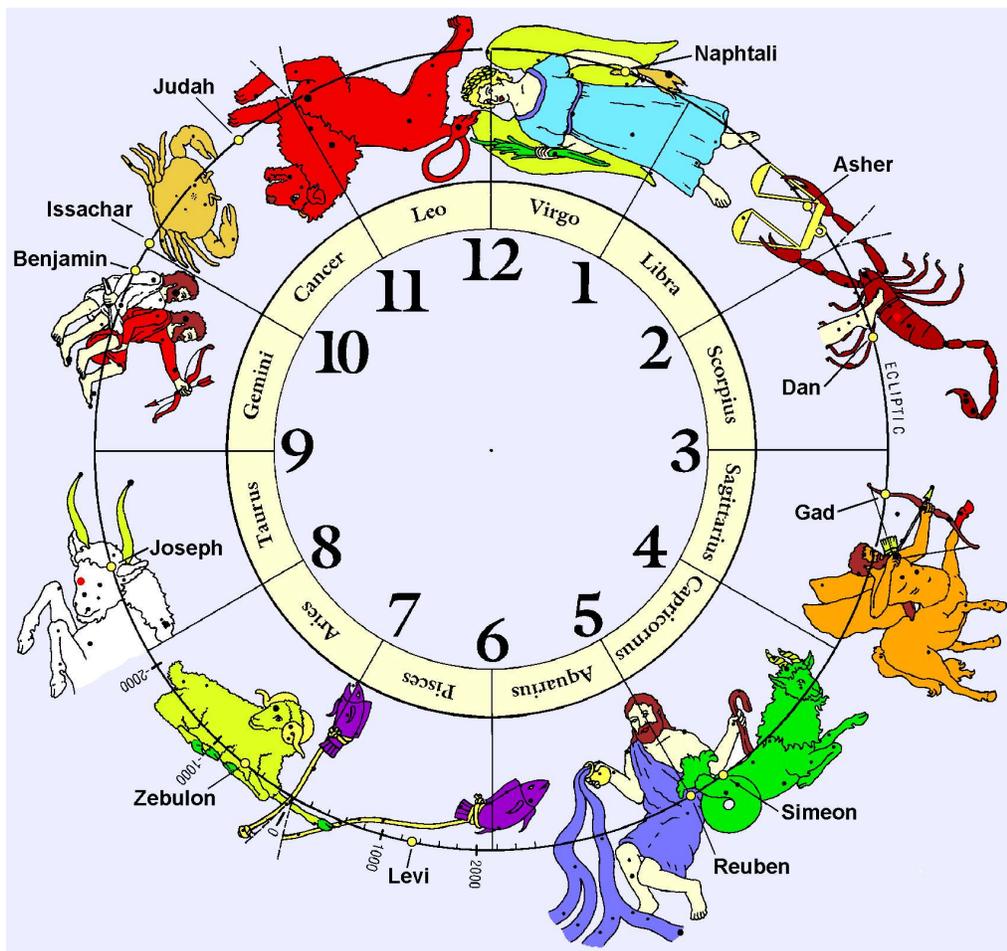
The Solar Eclipse on August 1, 2008 occurs at 9°32' of Leo.

Total Solar Eclipse July 22, 2009

The Solar Eclipse on July 22, 2009 occurs at 29°27' degrees of Cancer.

Total Solar Eclipse July 11, 2010

The Solar Eclipse of July 11, 2010 occurs at 19°24' of Cancer.



As one can see from the graphic above, Cancer and Leo are the last two constellations of the heavenly Zodiac (Hebrew Mazzaroth). The word Zodiac, according to some, means “animal sign.” Frances Rolleston differs with this origin of the word. She writes: “*Those who derive zodiac from Zao, to live, as composed of living creatures, instead of from the primitive root Zoad, way, going on by steps, not only overlook the balance in Libra, but the vase for Aquarius, and the bow for Sagittarius...*” Mrs. Rolleston contends that the word originally was intended to denote a way, or path followed by steps. The Hebrew word equivalent for Zodiac, is Mazzaroth. The word is recorded as having been spoken by God in the book of Job.

### Job 38:31-33

Can you bind the cluster of the Pleiades, or loose the belt of Orion? Can you bring out Mazzaroth in its season? Or can you guide the Great Bear with its cubs? Do you know the ordinances of the heavens? Can you set their dominion over the earth?

Unfortunately, most Bible translators have very little education in the heavenly host and its ancient testimony. They have therefore rendered certain constellations according to their corrupted pagan forms, rather than the originals that Yahweh intended. It takes some study to delve back to the original testimony established by Yahweh. That the constellation Cancer is depicted as a Crab is unfortunate, for its more authentic original appears to be the scarab that begins life as a worm, then transforms into a winged beetle, following a metamorphosis similar to that of the caterpillar into a butterfly. Two of the decans (minor constellations) associated with Cancer are Ursa Minor and Ursa Major, the Lesser Bear, and the Greater Bear. These are also corruptions, for these constellations in antiquity were not featured as bears, but rather as sheepfolds, a fact to which the names of the stars in the constellations attest.

### The Mazzaroth by Degrees

You will note that the graphic of the major signs above is arranged in the shape of a circle, or a wheel. This relates to the course of the Sun in the heavens. The sun travels along a circuit known as the ecliptic. The sum of degrees of any circle is 360. Since there are 12 major signs along the circle, each one is allotted 30 degrees.

Each major constellation has three minor constellations associated with it.

These three minor constellations are all allotted ten degrees, by which they derive their name “decans.” Thus, each constellation actually has four constellations associated with it; a major constellation, and three minor constellations known as decans.

Following is a table listing the decans for each constellation, and the degrees they occupy in their respective groups.

Sign	0-10 degrees	10-20 degrees	20-30 degrees
Virgo	Coma	Centaurus	Bootes
Libra	Crux - the cross	Lupus or Victima	Corona
Scorpio	Serpens	Ophiucus	Hercules
Sagittarius	Lyra	Ara	Draco
Capricornus	Sagitta	Aquila	Delphinus
Aquarius	Piscis Australis	Pegasus	Cygnus
Pisces	The Band	Andromeda	Cepheus
Aries	Cassiopeia	Cetus	Perseus
Taurus	Orion	Eridanus	Auriga
Gemini	Lepus	Canis Major	Canis Minor
Cancer	Ursa Minor	Ursa Major	Argo
Leo	Hydra	Crater	Corvus

With this information in hand, we can determine the context for each of the three solar eclipses by looking at the constellation and decan in which they occurred. Interestingly, each of the occurrences were positioned in the last degree of its particular decan. You will note that each one is marked by the number 9, a number denoting judgment.

### Total Solar Eclipse August 1, 2008

August 1, 2008 occurs at 9°32' of Leo. Leaving Hydra, entering Crater.

Total Solar Eclipse July 22, 2009

July 22, 2009 occurs at 29°27' degrees of Cancer. In Argo.

Total Solar Eclipse July 11, 2010

July 11, 2010 occurs at 19°24' of Cancer. Leaving Ursa Major, Entering Argo.

Let us begin with the first eclipse of August 1, 2008.

Sign of Leo, Decan of Hydra and Crater

E.W. Bullinger shares the following information on these constellations.

*Here we come to the end of the circle. We began with VIRGO, and we end with LEO. No one who has followed our interpretation can doubt that we have here the solving of the Riddle of the Sphinx. For its Head is VIRGO and its Tail is LEO!*

*In LEO we reach the end of the Revelation as inspired in the Word of God; and it is the end as written in the heavens.*

[End Quote]

So here we have a great sign in the heavens in the constellation that marks the end of Yahweh's work of redemption among mankind. Truly we are at the time of the end. We therefore observe the Father drawing the attention of those who are looking to the heavens to the fact that the time of the end is now upon them.

Bullinger continues...

*In the Denderah Zodiac he is treading upon a serpent (Hydra), as shown in Mr Edward Cooper's Egyptian Scenery.*

*Its Egyptian name is Pi Mentekeon, which means the pouring out. This is no pouring out or inundation of the Nile, but it is the pouring out of the cup of Divine wrath on that Old Serpent.*

*This is the one great truth of the closing chapter of this last Book. It is*

*THE LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH AROUSED FOR THE RENDING OF THE PREY.*

*His feet are over the head of Hydra, the great Serpent, and just about to descend upon it and crush it.*

[End Quote]

For those Christians excited to learn of the nearness of Christ's judgment upon Satan and all his works, the following Scripture should be kept in mind.

I Peter 4:17-19

For it is time for judgment to begin with the household of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And if it is with difficulty that the righteous is saved, what will become of the godless man and the sinner? Therefore, let those also who suffer according to the will of God entrust their souls to a faithful Creator in doing what is right.

The people of God must also pass through days of tribulation. It will be "with difficulty" that the righteous is saved. Let all Yahweh's people put on a heart of humility as they approach these final days. What will Yahshua accomplish as He rouses Himself up at this hour as The Lion of the Tribe of Judah? We read of His end-time work in the following Scriptures.

Genesis 49:8-9

"Thy hand shall be on the neck of thine enemies;... Judah is a lion's whelp; From the prey, my son, thou art gone up. He stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up?"

Numbers 24:8-9

"He shall eat up the nations his enemies, and shall break their bones, and pierce them through with his arrows, He couched, he lay down as a lion, and as a great lion; who shall stir him up?"

Amos 3:4, 8

"Will a lion roar in the forest when he hath no prey? Will a young lion cry out of his den, if he hath taken nothing?... The lion hath roared, who will not fear?"

The prophet Amos has testified of the days at hand. Those Christians who

declare with satisfied smugness that they are looking forward to the Day of Yahweh, believing they will be raptured out, and only the godless nations will be subjected to tribulation, need heed the prophet's words.

Amos 5:18-20

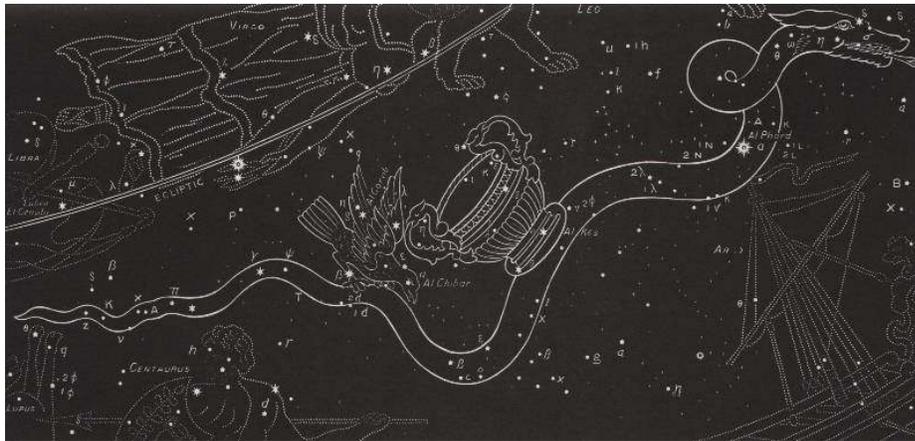
Alas, you who are longing for the day of Yahweh, for what purpose will the day of Yahweh be to you? It will be darkness and not light; *As when a man flees from a lion*, and a bear meets him, or goes home, leans his hand against the wall, and a snake bites him. Will not the day of Yahweh be darkness instead of light, even gloom with no brightness in it?

The hour is at hand when the Lion of Judah will roar. Many will flee, but they will not be able to escape. Those sons of God who discern the hour should be sober and vigilant, clothing themselves in humility and righteousness.

Zephaniah 2:3

Seek Yahweh, all you humble of the earth who have carried out His ordinances; Seek righteousness, seek humility. Perhaps you will be hidden in the day of the Lord's anger.

Let us pass on to look at the decan of Crater.



Constellation Crater - The Cup Poured Out

Bullinger writes the following concerning this constellation.

The Cup of Divine Wrath Poured Out

*Psalm 75:8*

*"God is the Judge. He putteth down one, and setteth up another, FOR IN*

*THE HAND OF THE LORD THERE IS A CUP, and the wine is red; it is full of mixture, and He poureth out of the same: But the dregs thereof, all the wicked of the earth shall wring them out and drink them."*

*Psalm 11:6*

*"Upon the wicked he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, and a horrible tempest: THIS SHALL BE THE PORTION OF THEIR CUP."*

*This is no fabled wine-cup of Bacchus; but it is "The cup of His indignation" (Rev 14:10); "The cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath" (Rev 16:19). This is what we see set forth in this constellation. The Cup is wide and deep, and fastened on by the stars to the very body of the writhing serpent. The same stars which are in the foot of the Cup form part of the body of Hydra, and are reckoned as belonging to both constellations.*

*This Cup has the significant number of thirteen stars (the number of Apostacy). The two stars - Al Ches (a), which means the Cup, and (b) - determine the bottom of the Cup.*

[End Quote]

I am mindful that as one speaks of a cup of divine wrath that a Scripture and a prophecy have been much in my mind of late. The Scripture relates to the Great Harlot, Babylon, and those people of God who have entered her embrace. There is a harlot church at this hour that refuses all suffering. She declares, "I will not know mourning." She lives for pleasure and sensuality, yet Yahweh who judges her is strong. He will pour out His plagues upon her in this hour, and all His people who remain in her will partake of them. It is time to heed the call to come out of Babylon.

Revelation 18:4-9

Come out of her, my people, that you may not participate in her sins and that you may not receive of her plagues; for her sins have piled up as high as heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities. Pay her back even as she has paid, and give back to her double according to her deeds; in the cup which she has mixed, mix twice as much for her. To the degree that she glorified herself and lived sensuously, to the same degree give her torment and mourning; for she says in her heart, 'I sit as a queen and I am not a widow, and will never see mourning.' For this reason in one day her plagues will come, pestilence and mourning and famine, and she will be burned up with fire; for the Lord God who judges her is strong.

The prophecy of A.A. Allen has been distributed much in this hour, especially with news of the poisoned waters of the Gulf of Mexico, and area featured prominently in this vision given back on July 4, 1954. Those interested in reviewing it can find it here:

<http://www.harvestnet.org/prophecies/aaallenvision.htm>

A cup is being poured out. Both the nations and the apostate church will drink up the judgment of Yahweh.

What is signified by a total solar eclipse occurring in this constellation on the Hebrew Date of the 1<sup>st</sup> of Av? The 1<sup>st</sup> of Av falls toward the center of a three week period of infamy in Jewish history. For three weeks the Jews mourn. These days are known as “the dire straits.” They conclude on the 9<sup>th</sup> of Av, a day in which great judgments and terrible calamities have befallen the people of God. Following is a summary of some of the events that have occurred on this date taken from an Internet website:

Tisha b’Av (9<sup>th</sup> of Av)

It was on this day of the Hebrew Calendar in 586 BC that Solomon’s Temple was destroyed. It was on that day in 70 AD that the second (Herod’s) Temple was destroyed and on it goes.

August 4, 135 AD (9<sup>th</sup> of Av), the Bar Kochba revolt was crushed by the Roman Emperor Hadrian. Over 100,000 Jews were slaughtered; Jerusalem was plowed under and later rebuilt as a pagan city forbidden to Jews.

Pope Urban II declared the First Crusade. Tens of thousands of Jews were killed, and many Jewish communities were obliterated.

July 25, 1290 [9 Av 5050] marked the first nation-wide rejection of Jews when the official decree expelling them from England was signed.

In 1492, [9 Av 5252] King Ferdinand of Spain issued the expulsion decree, setting Tish B’Av as the final date by which not a single Jew would be allowed to walk on Spanish soil.

August 6, 1555 [9 Av, 5315] Jews were first ordered into a ghetto when the Jews of Rome were ordered to live in a district near the Tiber.

August 1, 1914 [9 Av, 5674] W.W. I broke out on when Germany declared war on Russia. German resentment from the war set the stage for the Holocaust. A total solar eclipse occurred on August 21st of that year. (*This agrees with the theory that solar eclipses occurring within the proximity of Tish B' Av effect gentile nations more than Israel which bases their dates on a lunar calendar*).

August 2, 1941 [9 Av 5701] Reinhardt Heydrich was ordered to carry out the "final solution" on European Jewry.

August 14, 2005 [9 Av 5765] 8,000 Jewish settlers were forcefully expelled from their homes in Gush Katif, the Southern Gaza strip.

That brings us up to the current trifecta of TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSES that occur around the 1st of Av on each of the year's 2008, 2009 and 2010.

[ S o u r c e : <http://thefundidriveby.blogspot.com/2009/07/total-solar-eclipse-and-ninth-of-av.html>]

Observing that judgment upon the nations is signified, what occurred soon after this solar eclipse? On Rosh Hashanah - The Blowing of the Trumpet on September 29, 2008 the Dow Jones Industrials experienced their greatest single day point decline in history. The Stock Market fell 777 points, equating to 7% of the market's value, and losing an estimated \$700 billion dollars in value. These sevens denote the time of the end.

The sign in the heavens had been given. The trumpet had sounded. Yet this is just the beginning of the birth pangs. A sudden collapse will occur when people are saying peace and safety and predicting a return to prosperity.

Let me now conclude this teaching with a look at the final two solar eclipses that occurred in Cancer. E.W. Bullinger writes the following concerning Cancer and its decans.

Sign of Cancer, Decans of Ursa Major and Argo

*With regard to the sign of CANCER, one thing is certain, that we have not got the original picture, or anything like it.*

*It does not agree with the names either of its three constellations which have*

*come down to us, or of its stars.*

*In the ancient Denderah Zodiac it is represented as a Scarabaeus, or sacred beetle. \* In the Zodiac of Esneh and in a Hindu Zodiac (400 BC) it is the same.*

*\* The Scarabaeus, passing its early existence as a worm of the earth, and thence issuing as a winged denizen of heaven, was held sacred by the Egyptians as an emblem of the resurrection of the body...*

*The Denderah name is Klaria, or the cattle-folds, and in this name we have the key to the meaning of the sign, and to the subject of this chapter.*

*The Arabic name is Al Sartan, which means who holds or binds, and may be from the Hebrew to bind together (Gen 49:11). There is no ancient Hebrew word known for the crab. It was classed with many other unclean creatures, and would be included in the general term "vermin."*

*The Syriac, Sartano, means the same. The Greek name is Karkinos, which means holding or encircling, as does the Latin, Cancer, and hence is applied to the crab. In the word Khan, we have the traveller's rest or inn; while Ker or Cer is the Arabic for encircling. The ancient Akkadian name of the month is Su-kul-na, the seizer or possessor of seed.*

*The sign contains 83 stars, one of which is of the 3rd magnitude, and seven are of the 4th magnitude, and the remainder of inferior magnitudes.*

*In the centre of the Sign there is a remarkably bright cluster of stars, so bright that they can be sometimes seen with the naked eye. It looks like a comet, and is made up of a great multitude of stars. Modern astronomers have called it the Beehive. But its ancient name has come down to us as Praesepe, which means a multitude, offspring.*

*The brightest star, z (in the tail), is called Tegmine, holding. The star a (or a1 and a2), in the lower large claw, is called Acubene, which, in Hebrew and Arabic, means the sheltering or hiding-place. Another is named Ma'alaph (Arabic), assembled thousands; Al Himarein (Arabic), the kids or lambs.*

*North and south of the nebula Praesepe are two stars, which Orientalists*

*speak of by a name evidently of some antiquity. Asellus means an Ass, and one was called Asellus Boreas, the northern Ass; while the other, Asellus Australis, is the southern Ass...*

*This connects it with the Tribe of Issachar, who is said to have borne upon the Tribal standard the sign of two asses.*

*This is doubtless the reference in Jacob's blessing (Gen 49:11, RV):*

*"Issachar is a strong ass, couching down between the sheepfolds; And he saw a resting-place that it was good; And the land that it was pleasant; And he bowed his shoulder to bear, and became a servant under task work."*

*Have we not here the gathering up of the teaching of this sign--*

*MESSIAH'S REDEEMED POSSESSION HELD FAST.*

*Here we come to the completion of His work. In CANCER we see it with reference to His redeemed, and in the next (the last) Sign, LEO, with reference to His enemies.*

*The three constellations develop the truth. What is now called Ursa Minor is the Lesser Flock; Ursa Major gives us The Sheepfold and the Sheep; while Argo, The Ship, shows the travellers and the pilgrims brought safely home--all conflict over.*

[End Quote]

Cancer represents Yahweh's redeemed held fast. The lesser sheepfold represents Israel. The greater sheepfold represents the Ekklesia, the called out from all nations. Argo is the ship representing the great journey of many trials that the redeemed of the Lord must experience.

People of God, the Spirit is declaring that the time of the end is at hand.

John 12:31

"Now judgment is upon this world; now the ruler of this world shall be cast out."

The Spirit would lead me to close with the following words applied to this hour.

### Revelation 12:12-17

"For this reason, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has only a short time." And when the dragon saw that he was thrown down to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male child. And the two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, in order that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she was nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent. And the serpent (Hydra) poured water like a river out of his mouth (what do you get from a hydrant?) after the woman, so that he might cause her to be swept away with the flood. And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and drank up the river which the dragon poured out of his mouth. And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and went off to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Yahshua.

The Sun Will Be Darkened - Part Three  
Joseph Herrin (07-10-2010)

Let's Play Baal



Special Jabulani Ball for Current World Cup in Johannesburg  
(Note name under Adidas logo.)

Tomorrow, July 11 2010, is the date of the third of three total solar eclipses to occur in consecutive years on the same date of the Hebrew calendar (the 1<sup>st</sup> of Av). In the previous two posts on this series I spoke of what this heavenly sign is testifying. In this post I will look at a remarkable sign on the earth that brings remarkable affirmation of the hour we live in.

Tomorrow, July 11, 2010 is also the date that has long been pre-selected for the final of World Cup Football (soccer to Americans). Adidas is the world's largest supplier of football equipment and clothing and have the authority to produce soccer balls of their own design for the games. For this year that designed a soccer ball that has been extremely controversial due to its erratic play due to changes in the ball's design that have affected its aerodynamics.

What I would point out, however, is what is symbolized by the World Cup of Football being held in Johannesburg, and the meaning of the name assigned to the ball.

Last year I did research to prepare for a series that I never finished or published. This series was tentatively titled “Baal Worship in America.” The name Baal, although pronounced as “Bay-el” by many Americans, is more accurately spoken as “Bah-all.” Strong’s Concordance lists it in the following way:

OT:1168 Ba`al (bah'-al); the same as OT:1167; Baal, a Phoenician deity: -Baal, (plural) Baalim.

As I was researching this subject last year I came across a thought provoking series that examines the rules and play of major sports, observing in them symbolism relating to Baal worship. These “Ball games” (pronounced similarly to Baal Games) are reminiscent of the ancient sporting events held in honor of pagan deities, and have many associations with the sensual and idolatrous religions attached to false deities.

Alexander Hislop in the book *The Two Babylons* reveals that Nimrod, the founder of Babylon (Genesis 10:9-10) was an original of the god called *Baal*, which in the Hebrew means “Lord,” “Master,” or “Mighty One.” The ancient Babylonian mystery religions were fertility cults attended with all manner of symbols of fertility and procreation, which continue to this day. We see this symbolism brought even into the churches on Easter (A name synonymous with Ishtar, Astarte, Ashtoreth, Isis, etc.). This date set aside for the worship of the pagan goddess of fertility, whose original was Semiramis, the wife of Nimrod, includes symbols of fertility such as colored eggs, bunny rabbits, baskets of grass and flowers, and much more. I will not go into this detail here as I have covered it at length in the following writing:

<http://parablesblog.blogspot.com/2009/04/cup-of-christ.html>

Interestingly, I titled this much earlier post “The Cup of Christ.” This is in contrast with “The World Cup” that is now in focus. When the church and the world choose the World Cup over the Cup of Christ, the result is that the Cup of Divine Wrath is poured out on the nations.

Going back to the subject of Ball Games and their relationship to Baal Games, many of the ancients would hold sporting events in conjunction with the worship of local deities. This was the origin of the Olympics, and the reason for the construction of many stadiums throughout ancient civilizations such as Phoenicia and Rome. The games would be dedicated to the gods, and

indeed they continue to do so, although stealthily in many instances.

The article I mentioned, (sorry, I cannot find the link) examined the rules of play of many sports that utilize a ball, showing their relationship to the ancient fertility rites, which were renowned for their debauchery, being attended with orgies and all manner of sexual sin. The language of these sporting events today are employed similarly in the language of sex. For example, those who are sexually promiscuous are called “players.” A man will speak of a sexual conquest of a female as “scoring.” Even the word ball has come down to us as a slang term denoting the act of intercourse.

I do not want to belabor this point, but these examples merely scratch the surface of the correlation between ball games and the sexual transgressions associated with fertility rites. A case in point, that brings this to the modern era is that one of the widely broadcast news items in the lead-up to the World Cup Football games in Johannesburg was the report in the thousands of prostitutes that would be descending upon Johannesburg for this event.

Following is an example of an excerpt from *The Telegraph*, a major UK media source.

World Cup 2010: 40,000 prostitutes to enter South Africa

*We've been told by event organisers that they are aware of about 40,000 new prostitutes being recruited to come into the country for the World Cup.*

*The women are expected to travel from countries all over the world, especially from eastern Europe.*

[ S o u r c e : <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/sport/football/world-cup-2010/7374301/World-Cup-2010-40000-prostitutes-to-enter-South-Africa.html>]

You cannot have the world’s largest celebration of Baal Worship without a massive influx of prostitutes, for this is a debauched fertility religion. Indeed, there were hundreds of thousands of more coming for the purpose of sex who are not classified as prostitutes. The men and women in attendance at this event are extremely promiscuous and their dress and actions are sensual and provocative. There is a very unclean spirit over the entire event.

As I have pondered this, the following Scripture has come powerfully to mind.

Isaiah 60:2

For behold, darkness will cover the earth, and deep darkness the peoples...

On the very date when the earth is experiencing a third consecutive total solar eclipse, people of the world are gathered in South Africa to engage in acts of deep darkness. IDOLS (the players are referred to often as *sports idols*) and sexual promiscuity are once again front and center even as they were in ancient days when the fertility cults were the rage of the nations.

Yet, the most profound testimony of this event and its link to Baal worship has not yet been touched upon. It is the name given to the ball created by Adidas for this event. Jabulani.

Having been led of the Lord to research the subject of Freemasonry some years ago, I am familiar with the name that Freemasonry ascribes to the deity that they worship. Albert Pike, Sovereign Grand Commander of Scottish Rite Freemasonry, and author of the masonic manual titled *Morals and Dogma*, divulged that Freemasonry was devoted to Lucifer and taught the 'Luciferian doctrines' to those at the highest levels, those above the 30<sup>th</sup> degree. At the lower levels the novices were deliberately fed deceptive explanations of all the rites and symbols of Freemasonry.

For more information see the writing *Freemasonry - The Spirit of Babylon*.

In one rite of Freemasonry, considered by them to be extremely sacred, three men come together to proclaim the name of the god they serve. This act is performed by men who reach the level known as Royal Arch Freemasons. Each man will come together, join hands in a convoluted form (similar to the patterns on some soccer balls) and proclaim the name of the deity they serve.

The name given to the deity of Freemasonry is actually a joining of the names of three deities. These are Jah, Bul, and On. The following information is provided by the website Wikipedia.

*According to Stephen Knight..., the word is a compound of the names of three gods worshipped in the ancient Middle East.*

\* *Jah (= Yahweh)*

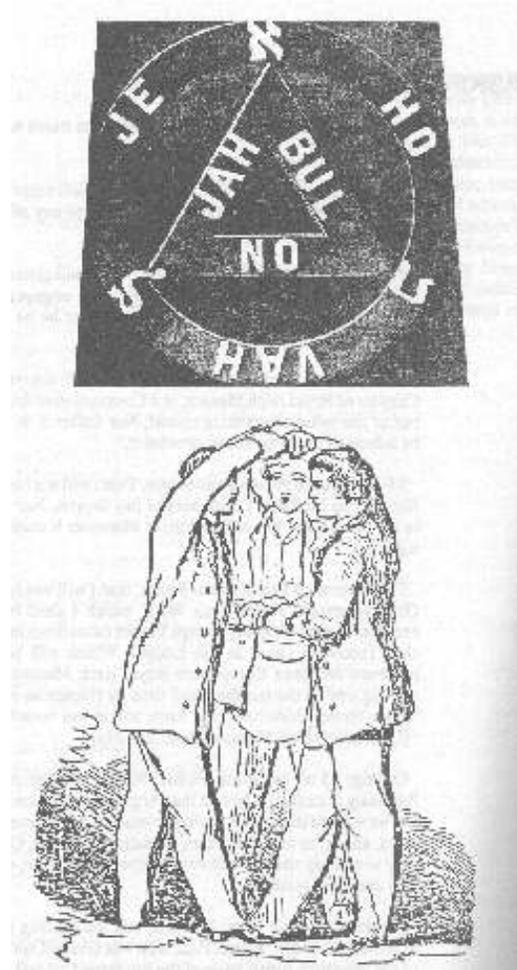
\* *Baal*

\* *On, a name in Genesis in the Bible (in "Potiphar priest of On"), thought*

*in older times to be a name of Osiris (but now known[by whom?] to be the Hebrew form of the Ancient Egyptian name of the city of Heliopolis).*

[Source: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jahbulon>]

This becomes the name ascribed to Lucifer who ever desires to make himself like the Most High.



Note that in this depiction of the ritual being performed by Royal Arch Freemasons, the delta (curved triangle) is formed multiple times as the name of their god, Jahbulon is pronounced. Consider now the changes Adidas made to this soccer ball, and the shapes formed on its surface. Rather than using the common design of a soccer ball that uses 32 hexagonal panels, this ball has only 8 panels, and the design on the ball is that of three 3dimensional rounded triangles.



## Jabulani Ball

When compared to the design of the Royal Arch of Freemasonry, and knowing the name they are proclaiming as they form the arch, it is easy to see the influence of Satan, the god of this world, in this event.

A similar practice of deception is practiced here as it is with Freemasonry. A seemingly innocent explanation is given for the design of the ball and the name assigned to it. Adidas offers this explanation of the name.

*Jabulani - meaning 'to Celebrate' in the isiZulu language - is the name of the new ball for the FIFA World Cup 2010™.*

[Source: <http://www.jabulaniball.com/>]

Before going further, let me mention that Baal is a title ascribed to Satan. Even though it was used to denote Nimrod, there is both a human and an angelic counterpart to this being. Even as we read of Satan giving his authority to a world ruler in the last hour called The Beast and the Antichrist, this human agent is merely an emissary of the fallen heavenly ruler that stands behind him.

That Satan is known as Baal, is revealed in the words of Christ.

Mark 3:22-24

And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebub," and, "By the ruler of the demons He casts out demons." So He called them to Himself and said to them in parables: "How can Satan cast out Satan?"

In this passage we see that the name Beelzebub and Satan are equated with one another. Beelzebub is described in Strong's Concordance in the following manner:

OT:1176 Ba`al Zebuw (bah'-al zeb-oob'); from OT:1168 and OT:2070; *Baal of (the) Fly*; Baal-Zebub, a special deity of the Ekronites:

Is it not interesting that the ball above has also been described as resembling the eye of a fly? Look closely at the following two images together.



(Click on image for larger picture)

Note that Adidas has even formed the pattern of the triangles by using a much touted 3D technology. This 3D technology gives the appearance a much enhanced look, making it appear even more as the eyes of a fly.

Adidas website devoted to the Jabulani ball provides this further information.

*The number 11 carries heavy symbolism - the tribes of South Africa, the players in a football team. In honour of this, there are 11 colours used on the ball.*

[Source: <http://www.jabulaniball.com/>]

Indeed, the number 11 does carry great symbolism in the occult, but not the symbolism described here. It is not by chance that this ball dedicated to Baal (Satan) is marked by the number 11. Occultists, higher level Freemasons, Illuminati, and others consider the number 11 to be the Master Number. Remember, the word Baal is translated as Master. Much can be read on this number at the following link:

<http://www.theforbiddenknowledge.com/wtc/index02.htm>

I will however, focus on the meaning Yahweh associates with this number. E.W. Bullinger in the book *Number in Scripture*, shares the following information.

## ELEVEN

*If ten is the number which marks the perfection of Divine order, then eleven is an addition to it, subversive of and undoing that order. If twelve is the number which marks the perfection of Divine government, then eleven falls short of it. So that whether we regard it as being  $10 + 1$ , or  $12 - 1$ , it is the number which marks, disorder, disorganization, imperfection, and disintegration.*

[Source: [http://philologos.org/\\_\\_\\_eb-nis/eleven.htm](http://philologos.org/___eb-nis/eleven.htm)]

It should be noted that there has been a large outcry from the Football community, including many athletes participating in these games, regarding the unpredictable, chaotic flight characteristics of this ball. Art, a brother in Christ, has written a blog that includes information on this topic. Following is an excerpt.

*To say that the ball has been controversial would be a gross understatement. Just this morning, the UK Telegraph notes NASA's confirmation of the ball's unpredictability. (NASA also does the eclipse predictions. Not a surprise. Their expertise centers on spherical things moving around in space).*

*Analysis compiled by NASA's Ames Investigation Centre experts, who specialise in the field of aerodynamics, revealed that the Jabulani becomes unpredictable at speeds in excess 44 mph\*.*

*Further criticisms voiced by a host of World Cup players, before and during the tournament, of the ball's inconsistent flight patterns have been attributed*

*to it's ultra light weight of just 440 grams which makes it vulnerable to a force known as the 'knuckle effect' [i.e., its tendency to change direction suddenly, without notice].*

[Source: <http://newine.wordpress.com/2010/07/08/rejoice/>]

Note that the key numbers here are multiples of 11, and they are related to disorder and chaos. One might also describe the flight of a fly with similar terms. Flies are not known for traveling in straight lines. They bob and weave and change directions unpredictably.

Art quotes a man named Craig Johnston, who wrote a 12 page open letter to the world Football federation officials. Following is an excerpt.

*...a new, perfectly round match ball...the players won't like it at all...there will be more mistakes made than in any other World Cup... less control by players....and roughly 70% of crosses and shots on goal will miss wide and go way over the crossbar...*

*the Jabulani ball issue... could ruin the game as we now know it...*

*the word disaster is on a lot of players and managers lips...*

*the best players and teams in the world are struggling to control this ball to their own satisfaction...*

*statistics are showing that is the worst passing, shooting and controlling of the ball of any World Cup in history...*

*The problems with this ball will not go away and they need to be understood...before there are any more on field disasters...*

*"It makes world-class players look like drunken sailors"*

*The erratic behavior of this ball is ruining the flow of the game...*

*This is an absolute disaster...*

[End Excerpt]

I believe what is stated here is a parable of that which is coming upon the world. On a SUNday when the world will witness a rare total eclipse of the

SUN for the third year running on the same Hebrew calendar date, much is being signified. Baal was a solar deity. He was represented by the SUN. The day we call Sunday received this designation as it was the name set aside for worship of the Sun. Satan would represent himself by this same Sun, for it is the most glorious object in the heavens.

What I believe is near to fulfillment is the following.

Isaiah 24:20-21

The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall be removed like a cottage; and the transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it; and it shall fall, and not rise again. And it shall come to pass in that day, that Yahweh shall punish the host of the high ones that are on high, and the kings of the earth upon the earth.

Revelation 12:10-13

"Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down... For this reason, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has only a short time." And when the dragon saw that he was thrown down to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male child.

Days of great trouble are coming to the earth. Things that were once predictable will be completely unpredictable. The words, "Ruin" and "Disaster" will be the *buzzwords* of the day. Yet, through all of this, Yahweh will bring forth a remnant who are purified and brought into a mature conformity to the image of Christ. These will overcome, as described in the words of this same passage of Scripture.

Revelation 12:11-12

"And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even to death."

People of God, we live in momentous days. Much is at hand. Truly darkness is over the earth, and gross darkness upon the people. Yet the glory of Yahweh will be seen to arise upon a remnant who are wholly devoted to Him.

It is a time to be vigilant, be sober.