



# The Zion Letter

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## Super Blood Moon: Signs in the Heavens

In January a rabbi in Israel prophesied/predicted that the super blood moon of January 20, 2019, (visible over North and South America and Western Europe, but not Israel) is both a sign of the **“Increasing of swords,”** war according to the Talmud (Sukkah 29a). This is a common understanding to both Jewish and Christian interpretations of a blood moon. I spoke on the four blood red moons of 2014-15 to a thousand people at an international conference. The major theme of my message back then was about war and judgment of the nations. Since the recent super blood moon was visible only in the West, Rabbi Yekutiel Fish (a non-believer who studies Old Testament prophecy) was predicting a time of war and tragedy for Western nations (including the USA). In an article published by *Breaking Israel News*, Rabbi Fish stated, **“Western nations are about to enter an extremely challenging era. “There will be great tragedies that will bring down governments and great human suffering...For the Jews who are still in the exile, the only way they can avoid tragedy is by coming to Israel.”**<sup>1</sup>. His message to Jewish people in Europe and the Americas is to come home to Israel in fulfillment of Biblical prophecy.

I don't believe in coincidences, but eighteen years ago I wrote an article entitled, **“The Second Exodus, Part I”**. I eventually wrote a series of three articles predicting a time of great distress soon to come upon the Jewish people living in the West. We have entered a time of increased anti-Semitism. Anti-Semitic hate crimes are up over sixty percent from a year ago (go to ADL.org for statistics and google anti-Semitism in the Woman's March to see what I'm talking about). Eighteen years ago I predicted a time of distress and tribulation, but I also



pointed out that such a time would mean distress and trouble for Christians too! For example, after the 9/11 terrorist attacks, a realtor friend in Baltimore told me that thousands of New Yorkers, both Jews and non-Jews alike, were leaving because of the terrorism. Today, hundreds of thousands of middle-class Americans are leaving cities like Los Angeles, New York City, Boston, Baltimore, Chicago, and other cities because of the high cost of living. People are leaving due to natural disasters. There is a major population redistribution going on. I even heard one Maryland politician say that illegal immigrants from south of the border were welcome in Maryland because citizens have left the state and they need workers to build a better tax base. Some speculate it is also to enable immigrants to vote along the popular party line that has run those cities for decades. Today I would add natural disasters such as hurricanes, wild fires, earthquakes, and economic collapse to the mix as causes for Jewish people to leave the USA.

Did you know that with the government shutdown hundreds of thousands of “snap card” (food stamp) recipients are about to lose their benefits? This may cause riots in the streets and looting in some places. A former government analyst told me that when people go without food for a few weeks they may do whatever is necessary to eat. Then of course there are more wars likely on the horizon with Iran, possibly North Korea, and even a new arms race with Russia and China. Did I mention the great divide amongst Americans that could lead to great violence in the USA? Violent protests have already been going on since the day of President Trump's inauguration and even before at pro-Trump rallies where I recall seeing news footage of protestors wearing masks and beating Trump supporters with clubs and spraying them with pepper spray. In one headline they cornered a poor woman who was just trying to leave a Trump rally, but she found herself cornered, pelted with eggs, and threatened as the police just stood by and watched.

If you are a Bible-believing, Church/Synagogue attending, Pro-Life supporter, believer in a traditional marriage between a man and a woman, and if you believe in the Constitution, the right to bear arms, the right to free speech, a supporter of immigration control with a border wall/fence, then you have been labeled a racist, a Nazi, worthy of being eliminated (killed), and having no rights to your property or wealth. White males are now also being labeled as “toxic white males”. According to those on the far left, there is no place for “privileged middle age and older white males” Jewish or not. Did I mention that they want to raise your taxes? There is talk on the far left of raising taxes on the wealthy to seventy percent. They tried that sort of thing under President Obama and they did raise taxes, but not just on the rich; they raised taxes on the middle class. I’ll tell you now, if you’re middle class and Trump is removed, you will be taxed. Even the Supreme Court defined “Obama Care” as a tax! My employees who couldn’t afford to buy insurance for \$700 a month (or \$1,200 if they had a family), were forced to pay a tax! Why am I telling you this? Because God is calling the Jewish people back to Israel in accordance with Biblical prophecy!

Bible teachers and theologians marvel at the rebirth of the nation of Israel and the return of many Jews during the last century. They say God has fulfilled this prophecy, but did you know that the Bible says God will gather every Jew back to Israel? I have a question for you: If God already fulfilled His promise to bring the Jewish people back to Israel, then why are there still nearly seven million Jews living in the USA alone (self-included)? What are we still doing here if the prophecy has been fulfilled? We Jews call our return to Israel from the nations “Aliyah”. Let me read to you God’s word on this. Here is a verse promising to take us all home to Israel: **(Ezekiel 39:23-29) “The nations will know that the house of Israel went into exile for their iniquity because they acted treacherously against Me, and I hid My face from them; so I gave them into the hand of their adversaries, and all of them fell by the sword. According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions I dealt with them and I hid My face from them. Therefore thus says the Lord God, Now I shall restore the fortunes of Jacob and have mercy on the whole house of Israel; and I shall be jealous for My Holy name. They shall forget their disgrace and all their treachery which they perpetrated against Me, when they lived securely on their own land with no one to make them afraid. When I bring them back from the peoples and gather them from the lands of their enemies then I shall be sanctified through them in the sight of the many nations. Then they will know that I am the Lord their God because I made them go into exile among the nations, and then gathered them again to their own land; and I will leave none of them there any longer. For I shall have**

**poured out My Spirit on the house of Israel, declares the Lord God.”** Jeremiah 31:10 says, **“Hear the Word of the Lord O nations and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He who scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him as a shepherd does His flock.”** That’s exactly what I’m declaring to you “from afar off” because God called me to tell you!

Friend, there is coming such a fantastic Exodus (Aliyah) of the Jews from the West that Jeremiah spoke of it **(Jeremiah 16:14-16) “Therefore behold the days are coming says the Lord, that it shall no more be said, The Lord lives who brought up the children of Israel from the land of Egypt, but, the Lord lives who brought up the children of Israel from the land of the North (Russia) and from all the lands where He had driven them. For I will bring them back into their land which I gave to their fathers. Behold I will send for many fishermen, says the Lord, and they shall fish for them; and afterward I will send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain and every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks,”** The prophet Hosea wrote, **“They (the Jews) will walk after the Lord, He will roar like a lion; indeed He will roar and His sons will come trembling from the west... And I will settle them in their houses, declares the Lord.”** Hallelujah!

Jacob, in prophecy, is one of God’s affectionate names for the Jewish people - the twelve tribes. The prophet Isaiah wrote of Aliyah saying to Jacob, **(Isaiah 43:5-7) “Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and gather you from the west. I will say to the north give them up! And to the south, do not hold them back. Bring My sons from afar and My daughters from the ends of the earth, Everyone who is called by My name, and whom I have created for My glory,”** Do you know that when I was a boy we (the Jewish community) used to have annual phone-athons to raise money to buy a Jewish person freedom from the Soviet Union? For Every \$1,000 we raised they would release one Jew... *How sick is that?* I remember making calls for several years. There are many more verses I could share, but for lack of space I will just give some chapter and verse at the end.

### **What about Christians?**

If you read 1Corinthians 10, Paul said Moses is our pattern for those of us upon whom the ends of the age have come. Why Moses? Because God operates in patterns **(Exodus 25:40) “See to it that you make them after the pattern for them, which was shown to you on the mountain.”** God was referring to the pattern of the Tabernacle. God also spoke of patterns in Acts 7:44 and Hebrews 8:5. In Exodus 12:38 we are told, **“A mixed multitude also went up with them, along with flocks and herds.”** These were Gentiles who joined with the Israelites and left Egypt! This will happen again. How you say? God will make a way, only believe and obey. Many Christians will return to Israel along with Messianic Jews! Why? It fits the pattern, not to mention, who would want to stay in a country where portraits of Christopher Columbus are

covered up at universities such as Notre Dame, statues of founding fathers are considered being removed and history is being revised like it was in Nazi Germany. Who would want to live in a country without a free press, or a press that only presents one point of view? Who wants to live in a country without free speech, without freedom of religion or constitutional rights? Who wants to live in a country where your hard earned money goes to pay welfare for people who don't want to work and for better benefits to illegal aliens than U.S. citizens get? Who wants a country where you are demonized, threatened and even shot (Congressman Steve Scalise) for having conservative values?

### **What about the Super Blood Moon?**

There were four blood moons called a tetrad between 2014 -15 that occurred on the Biblical holidays of Passover and Sukkot during both years. God said in Genesis 1:14, ***“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.”*** In Luke 21:27, Yeshua/Jesus said, ***“There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth dismay among nations, in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, men fainting from expectation of the things which are coming upon the world; for the power of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.”*** Friends the most important thing that happened Sunday, January 20, 2019, was not the AFC-NFC Football championship, (although I am a fan). It was not the daily hate spewed against our President in the media. It was not even the ridiculous childish failure of our government to do the people's work and resolve the government shutdown and work out a solution to immigration. **The most important thing on that day was the blood moon.** It was “super-moon” meaning that the moon appeared larger since it was as close to the earth as it can get and it was also a total lunar eclipse. But it was a sign to us for certain!

### **The Sign of the Blood Moon:**

I began this article quoting a traditional Jewish rabbi in Israel, warning of war, trouble in the West, and warning the Jewish people to make Aliyah back to Israel. The Prophet Joel wrote, ***“The sun will be turned into darkness and the moon into blood before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes,” Joel 2:31.*** I need to explain something here: The blood red moons are lunar eclipses where the earth fits perfectly between the sun and the moon; however since the earth is smaller than the sun, light from the sun goes around the earth and when that refractory light hits dust in the atmosphere, it causes the moon to turn blood red. Notice that the Bible makes reference to a blood moon that

takes place when the **sun** is darkened. All other blood moons are signs of a final one, the real thing. When the sun is darkened and the moon turns to blood red, the only light that could possibly turn the moon red is the glory of the Lord coming from behind the earth and His light causing that great prophetic blood moon sign of His return! There are many scriptures that make reference to a blood moon and the sun being darkened, even to the moon being darkened before the Lord comes (Isaiah 13:10, 34:4, Joel 2:10, 3:15, Matthew 24:29, Mark 13:24, Luke 21:25, Revelation 6:12 to name most of them).

### **Conclusion:**

I have been preaching Aliyah and the return of the Jewish people to Israel from the nations, and particularly the West, for eighteen years! Finally, I am starting to see Rabbis in Israel, who don't believe in Jesus (yet), beginning to preach it too and it's making the news!

The Blood moons are signs from the Lord, 1. That He is preparing to come back soon. 2. That the Jewish people, and many Christians too, must return to Israel before He does come back. 3. That the Great and terrible Day of the Lord, judgment, is coming upon **the nations**, not Israel (see Isaiah 13:10, Isaiah 34 followed by Isaiah 35, the restoration of Israel. Joel 2 followed by Joel 3, again judgment of the nations followed by the restoration of Israel). So we see a pattern in scripture of judgment of the nations, just as Rabbi Fish said, followed by the return of the Jewish people to Israel and the restoration of the Jewish people.

Lastly, the blood moon signs like January 20th are a call for the Jewish people to return to Israel! Aliyah from the West is a precursor, a forerunner, to the final Blood Moon. ***(Matthew 24:29-31) “But immediately after those days the Sun will be darkened and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds with power and great glory. And He will send forth His angels with a great shofar (trumpet) and they will gather His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.”*** Aliyah is a forerunner to the catching up in the clouds to meet the Lord when He returns at the final Blood Moon! God always has a forerunner: Moses and Joshua, Elijah and Elisha, John the Baptist and Yeshua, (etc.). But when the real (final) blood moon comes, God Himself will gather all His people up to the clouds (1 Thessalonians 4:13-16). This will be the final resurrection and our reunion with the Lord in the clouds!

What will you do? Will you sit silently like the German and Polish Christians did as their Jewish neighbors were dragged off to the death camps? Or will you speak out and act like Bonhoeffer, Schindler, Ten Boom, and perhaps a few hundred other brave souls who stood up to evil? Would you take

a Jewish family in at the risk of your own family's lives? What would Jesus do? If you wish to connect and participate in this great Aliyah I invite you to connect with us. Come, participate, volunteer, pray, and support your local Messianic Jewish community. God will bless you.

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