

Remnant Life Church
September 20, 2015
Signs in the Heavens:
The Blood Moons Tetrad
Joel 2:30-31; Acts 2:17-21; Rev. 6:12

- We began this series by acknowledging an important truth:
 - God is the creator of the heavens and uses them for his purposes
 - **Gen 1:14** - *And God said, "Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years,*
- Two important words in that verse:
 - **"Signs"** (*oath*) – also translated to mean signals
- In 1860 Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wrote "The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere"
 - "One if by land, two if by sea"
 - It was referring to the secret signals that had been arranged to alert the militia to the route the British army was using from Boston to allow them time to prepare the defense of Lexington and Concord
- What sign or signal are we talking about this morning?
- **READ – Joel 2:30-31; Acts 2:17-21; Rev. 6:12**
- Since the beginning of recorded time an eclipse has fascinated man
 - Early man believed they were caused by spirits bringing omens of either blessing or catastrophe – because they did not understand how they happened
 - Def - Eclipse – a falling into decline
 - The light of the sun or the reflected light of the moon falls into decline
 - Lunar eclipse is when the earth passes between the sun and moon blocking the light
 - + The orbit of the earth means there are 2 lunar eclipses each calendar year (either partial or full)

- A solar eclipse is when the moon is between the earth and the sun blotting out its light (either partial or full)
 - + A solar eclipse can only occur during the new moon phase or once about every 18 months
- **Tetrad** – is 4 consecutive full or blood moon eclipses within a 2 year period of time – a rare event that we are in right now
 - + April 15 and October 8, 2014 – April 4 and September 28, 2015
- We are coming to the end of one of those rare times as next Monday the fourth and final eclipse or blood moon will occur (Supermoon – 14% larger and nearly 30 times brighter)
- Second Important word from **Gen. 1:14**
 - **“Times”** (*Moh-aid*) – translated to mean seasons or “feasts”
- The events we are witnessing in the heavens become important to God’s people when the 4 consecutive blood moon eclipses occur or fall on Jewish feast days
- The Jewish Feasts are set in conjunction with the lunar calendar (the Jewish calendar) and the seasons; each New Moon is the beginning of a new Jewish month
 - There are 7 feasts that were given by God to Moses while on Mt. Sinai
 - Read all these in **Leviticus 23**