

Astronomers prepare for blood-red moon

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This link from my friend Adam. Will be few updates today, I will be in
Annalong with my Aunt Pamela. An American group are coming over to do
some outreach here, and I am going up to help
them get settled.

Astronomers are preparing for a spectacular light show tonight, when the
earth's shadow will cross the surface of the moon. The moon is
expected to turn a blood red colour before
passing fully into earth's shadow for a [total lunar](#)
[eclipse](#) at 10:44pm tonight. Those living in the Middle
East are expected to get the best vantage point.

Quote: *"It will be the best lunar eclipse over Britain
since at least January 2001. The last one took place three years ago but few
people were able to see it. Rain is expected to clear during
today in time for a partial eclipse to begin at
8.16pm. The Moon will be completely in shadow
by 10.44pm and the eclipse will be over at 2.25am. Its brightness
will depend on dust levels in the atmosphere. The blood moon will be dimmer
than full moons, let alone the Sun, so protective
glasses are unnecessary. Astronomers said
binoculars can be used to get a better view.*

The article states that blood moons were often seen as bad omens during
ancient times. The Bible mentions that the sun, moon and stars were
created by God for *"signs, seasons, days
and years"*, Genesis
1:14.

And what a coincidence that the weather
forecast has dramatically changed in the UK

enabling us to view this eclipse. Of course this eclipse isn't news
to readers of this website, who have been

[expecting](#)

this for some time. This month's total eclipse falls
Jews are celebrating their

on the exact date the
Feast of Purim (3rd-4th of March). This is
extremely significant, for Jewish tradition holds that the moon is
representative of the Messiah. As the Jews will be celebrating their

historical deliverance from wicked Haman, God will clothe the
moon in darkness. To me, this event should be
viewed as a warning to the Jewish nation

signifying the tremendous suffering they will have to endure (Matthew
24:21). The last time a total lunar eclipse occurred was also during another

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Jewish Feast, the Jewish Feast of Trumpets or

[Rosh](#)

[Hashanah](#)

. The Bible also speaks of the moon being covered in sackcloth,
and being turned to blood during the tribulation period.

Joel 2:30-2

And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the
earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. The
sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon
into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come. And it
shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD
shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in
Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD
hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.

Revelation 6:12-14

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; And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig
tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.
And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is
rolled together; and every mountain and island
were moved out of their places.

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