

# Between the Troubles

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**25th day of the Fourth month 5845 years after creation**

**The Fourth Month in the Sabbatical Year**

**The Second Sabbatical Year of the 119th Jubilee Cycle**

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Shabbat Shalom Brethren

In the news this week here in Canada, health officials are preparing to be over whelmed by the number of H1N1 Swine flu cases expected this fall. There are not enough flu vaccines to go around, so they are going to decide who is going to get it and who is not. Are you ready? Have you ordered your face masks and hand sanitation bottles or are you going to wait until they run out? Are you getting your body healthy by eating right? Are you praying for your family? Are you obeying Yahweh?

We have been warning you now since August 2005, and very few have believed this message. The third stage is now here. Do you believe the Sabbatical and Jubilee year Prophecies yet, and do you believe the Prophecies of Abraham are going to happen, or do you still deny it? Are you telling others about this?

Two weeks ago I asked you all to plan on fasting on the 9th of Av when the curse of the 40 years of wandering was given to the Israelites after they returned from spying out the land. I am asking you to do this fast-asking Yahweh to open a door so that it will be possible for His people to return to the land now in our day. As it stands only Judah can return to the Land of Israel and Ephraim is not currently allowed. Our fast coincides with the rebellion of Israel who did not want to go into the land. In which group are you, the two who wanted to get going or the rest who were too afraid to go forward?

I have just realized something else. In the following article by Don Dalhover, that after the covenant was made at Shavuot and ratified that it was just 40 days later that the incident of the golden calf took place. This would have been on the 16th of the fourth month or July 9, 2009. This is during the time that Israel rebelled against Yahweh. These 40 days which conclude at Tish B'Av or the 9th of Av which this year is August 1, 2009, are our testing period. Please keep this in mind as you pray.

Then I recalled that one of our readers sent in an article from The Elijah Prayer Army. In that article was the following. Please note the dates used in this article are according to the Hebrew calendar and will be two days earlier than the sighted moon and Barley calendar.

## The Time “Between the Troubles”

July 9 is Tammuz 17 on the Biblical calendar. This day is described in Zechariah 8:19 as “the fast of the fourth month”. On this day begins a period of 21 days called in Hebrew Bein Hametzarim “between the troubles” or “between the dire straits.” This period of mourning ends on the 9th of Av, in the Bible called “the fast of the fifth month.” This year 9th of Av is falling on July 30.

During this season of 21 days between the fasts of the fourth and the fifth months, many tragedies have befallen the Jewish people, the latest of which was the expulsion of all Jews from Gaza in 2005. (Technically the expulsion was later postponed by Sharon until the day after 9th of Av to avoid the comparison.)

The rabbis teach that five major tragedies have happened on the 17th of Tammuz,

1. It was on this day that Moses broke the first set of the Ten Commandments because of the people’s sin with the golden calf.
2. On this day the sacrifices in the First Temple ceased because of lack of sheep under to the siege of Nebuchadnezzar.
3. The Romans breached the walls of Jerusalem before the destruction of the Second Temple.
4. A wicked Roman ruler named Apostumus burned a Torah scroll.
5. An idol was erected in the Holy Temple.

Likewise, on the 9th of Av five major tragedies have happened,

1. The ten spies returned with a bad report discouraging the people from possessing the Promised Land.
2. The First Temple was destroyed.
3. The Second Temple was destroyed.
4. The last fortress of the second rebellion against Rome, the city of Betar, was destroyed and tens of thousands of Jews died.
5. The Romans ploughed up the site of the Temple.

During the long Jewish Diaspora over the past two thousand years, many other tragedies have also taken place on the 9th of Av.

1. The first Crusade was declared on this day in 1095.
2. King Edward I expelled all Jews from England in 1290 on this day.
3. All the Jews in Spain were expelled on this day in 1492.
4. Pope Paul IV moved all the Jews in Rome into the first ghetto on this day in 1555.
5. WW I began on this day in 1914.
6. The Nazis made the decision on this day in 1942 to implement “the Final Solution” and kill all Jews in Europe.

## Times of Restoration

Zech 8:18-19 promises that one day these fast days will be turned into days of joyous festivals. “Again the word of the LORD Almighty came to me. This is what the LORD Almighty says: ‘The fasts of the fourth, fifth, seventh and tenth months will become joyful and glad occasions and happy festivals for Judah. Therefore love truth and peace.’”

This chapter in Zechariah begins by saying,

“Again the word of the LORD Almighty came to me. This is what the LORD Almighty says: ‘I am very jealous for Zion; I am burning with jealousy for her.’” (Zech 8:1)


Then it continues to outline the blessings that God will pour out on Jerusalem culminating in verse 14 and 15,

“This is what the LORD Almighty says: ‘Just as I had determined to bring disaster upon you and showed no pity when your fathers angered me [the sin with the golden calf and the evil report by the ten spies],’ says the LORD Almighty, ‘so now I have determined to do good again to Jerusalem and Judah. Do not be afraid.’”

It is usually during this time in the summer every year, between the fasts of the fourth and the fifth months, that international pressure against Israel to give up more land increases. We do not think that it is a coincidence that the G8 Summit this year begins the day after the 17th of Tammuz.

Acts 2:20 says, “The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.”

The sun turning dark, speaks of a solar eclipse and the moon turning to

 blood speaks of a lunar eclipse when the moon becomes red. A solar eclipse is usually connected to God’s judgment on the nations, while a lunar eclipse has to do with the Jewish people.

Our friend Mark Biltz from El Shaddai Ministries in Seattle, WA has pointed out that for three years in a row: in 2008, in 2009 as well as in 2010, the sun will be turned to darkness on the same date on the Biblical calendar, right in the midst of the time “between the troubles” for Israel: on the first of Av! July 22, 2009

Folks, let us sing praises unto Yahweh. He likes that! And I am happy to do it for Him.

May Yahweh watch over you and guide you in your spiritual growth and to know only the truth.

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