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NEW MOON REPORT

Nehemia Gordon from Jerusalem, Israel compiled the following New Moon Report for the month of June 2011 and the beginning of the Third Month on the Biblical Calendar.

“On Friday June 3, 2011 the new moon was sighted from Israel. It was first sighted from Jerusalem by Daniela Cachicas at 7:35pm followed by David Cachicas, Yoel Halevi, Devorah Gordon, Rick Busenbark, Avi Frank, and Val Petroff. The moon was also sighted from Poriya by Randy Boer at 7:53pm and from a different location in Jerusalem by Miri Burgin at 7:54pm.”

The next new moon is expected to be visible from Jerusalem, Israel near sunset on July 2, 2011 when the moon will be 2.05% illuminated and 8.41⁰ above the horizon at five minutes past sunset.

PARTIAL SOLAR ECLIPSE

There was a partial solar eclipse that took place in the constellation Taurus on June 1, 2011. This eclipse was not visible from Israel or the continental United States, but was visible from the northern two-thirds of Alaska and much of northern and eastern Canada in the maritime districts where about 20 percent of the sun was covered by the moon. Maximum eclipse occurred along Russia's north coast, where 60 percent of the sun was covered by the moon.

Chart 561 shows the positions of the sun and the moon in the head of *Taurus*. The main theme of this constellation is *Messiah, the coming Judge of all the earth*. The *Reem*, or bull, represents Yahweh's wrath being poured forth. It is raging forward toward its enemies with the main brunt of the wrath in its forehead and horns.

See the November 2009 issue of *Biblical Astronomy* for further insight on *Taurus*.

BLOOD RED ECLIPSE

There was a total eclipse of the moon that took place in the constellation *Ophiuchus*, which is a decan constellation of the Sign Scorpius on the evening/morning of June 15/16, 2011. This event was seen from Jerusalem as well as across Africa and southern Asia, Australia, much of Europe and eastern South America. This eclipse was not visible from the United States.

Chart 562 shows where the moon was during the peak of the eclipse as seen from Jerusalem. The moon was in the right foot of *Ophiuchus*. The chart is a bit off here and the foot should be pointed inward with the heel to the left. The moon should be in the right heel. For a correct orientation of the constellation see the July 2005 issue of *Biblical Astronomy* where it is the feature constellation for that issue and has Michele Abraham's painting of it.

Below is a breathtaking photo of the Blood Red Moon taken on June 15, 2011 by George Tucker from Namibia. I have not yet seen any photos from Jerusalem.



This event is of particular interest since it is in the right heel of *Ophiuchus* and the moon is a

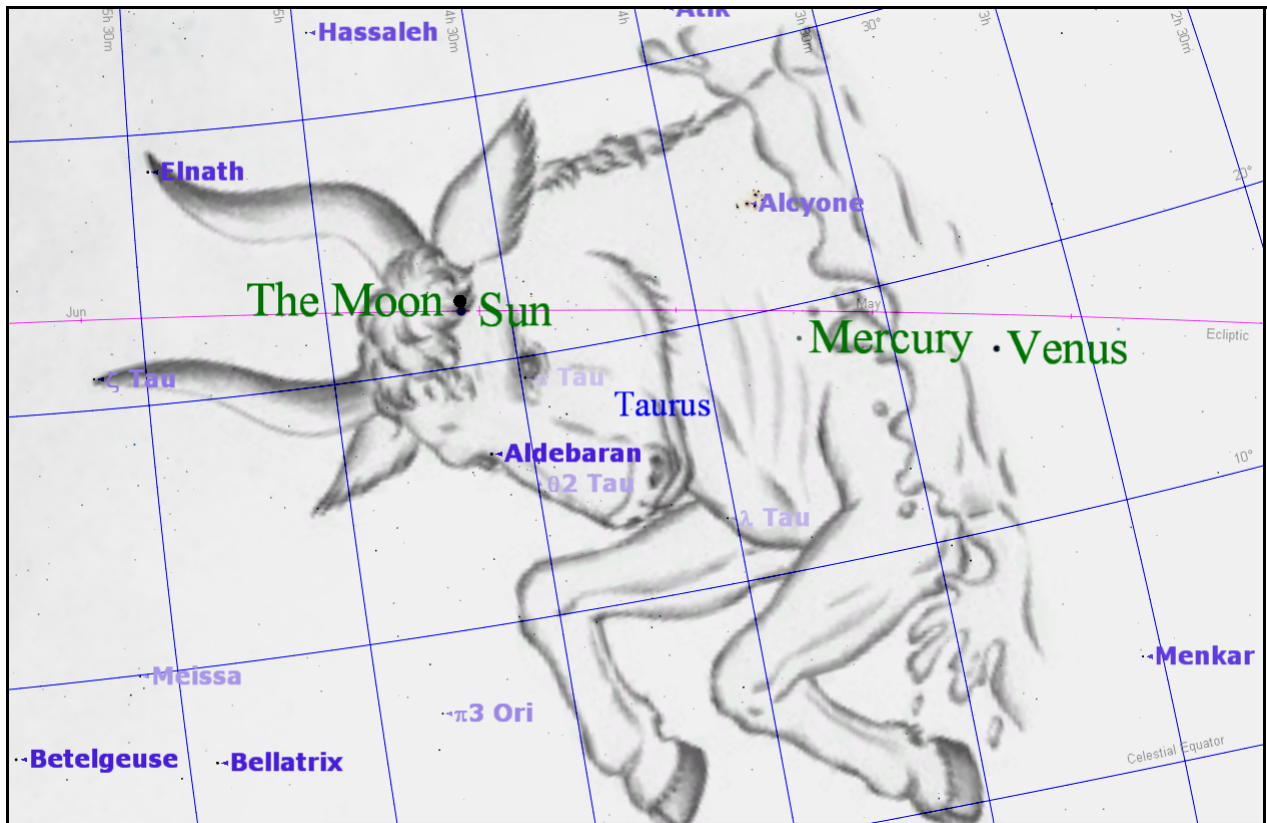


Chart 561 – Positions of the sun and the moon in the Sign and Constellation *Taurus* during the Partial Solar Eclipse on June 1/2, 2011. This will not be seen from Jerusalem.

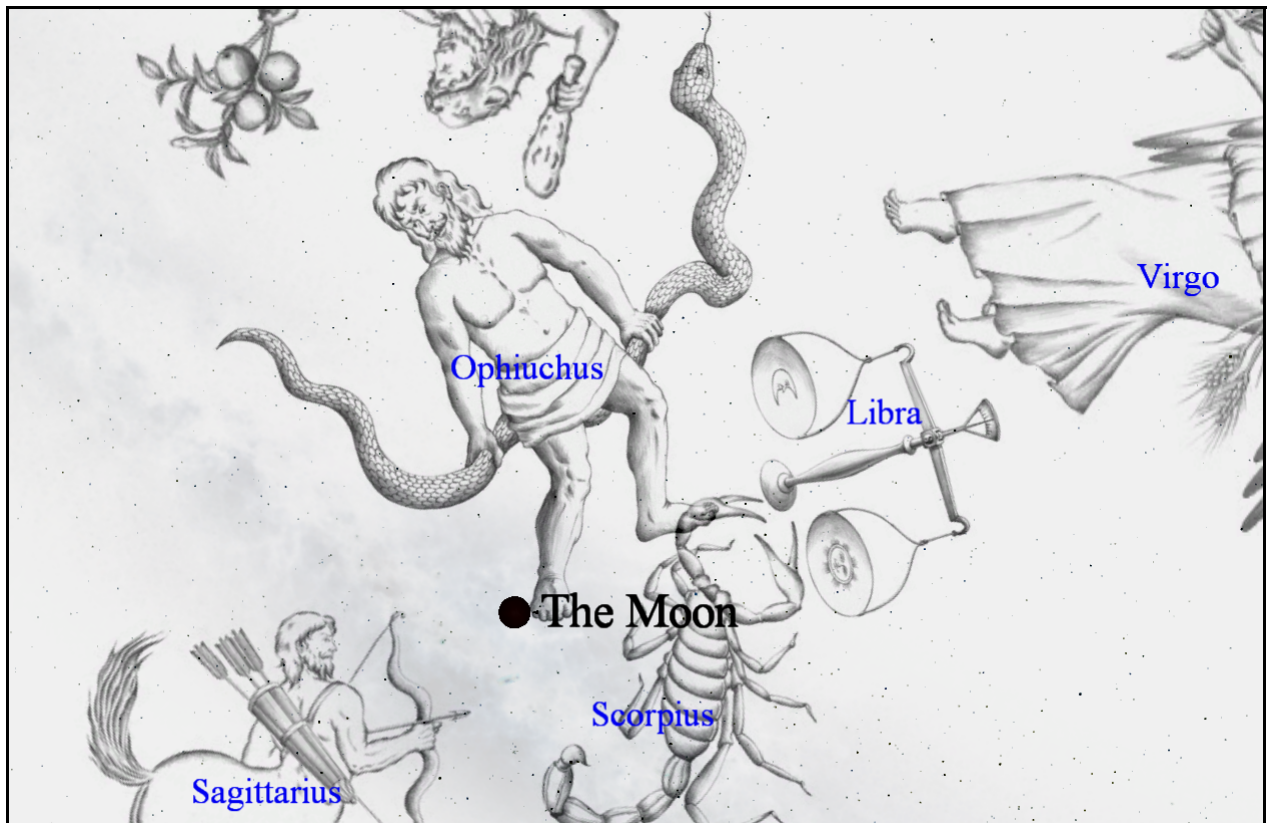


Chart 562 – Position of the moon as seen from Jerusalem during the Total Lunar Eclipse on June 15, 2011. The moon is in the right foot (heel) that is getting wounded in *Ophiuchus*.

Blood Red Moon. The constellation *Ophiuchus* represents the seed of the woman (Messiah Yahshuah or Jesus Christ) in conflict with the seed of the serpent. He is seen struggling with the serpent in his hands while the scorpion is about to sting him in the right foot and his left foot is poised to strike the scorpion in the head. Again, see the picture of *Ophiuchus* done by Michele Abraham in the July 2005 issue of *Biblical Astronomy* for a more accurate picture of the constellations and where the left foot is coming down on the scorpion's head.

These constellations (*Ophiuchus* and *Scorpius*) are a direct portrayal of the prophecy of Genesis 3:15 when Yahweh Elohim said to the serpent:

And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel. Gen. 3:15 (KJV)

At the time this prophecy was made, the Autumnal Equinox point was in the right heel of *Ophiuchus*, and the Vernal Equinox point was between the horns of *Taurus*, about where the letter "h" is in the word "The" on **Chart 561**. See the second DVD in the Biblical Astronomy DVD set, near the beginning of the presentation.

At the time of the crucifixion of Messiah, on April 28, 28 AD (Julian) or April 25, 28 (corrected Gregorian), the sun was in the constellation *Taurus* and the Paschal full moon was in the constellation *Ophiuchus*. Throughout the early evening into the early morning following the crucifixion, the Paschal Full moon passed over the heel and right foot of *Ophiuchus* or the wounded heel of Messiah. See the article *Celestial Events Surrounding the Crucifixion and Victory of Messiah* in the March/April 2009 edition of *Biblical Astronomy* for more info on this with charts. These events are also shown in the latter part of the second DVD in the Biblical Astronomy DVD Set.

Now here on June 15, 2011 there was a blood red moon in this heel representing the heel of the wounded Messiah. The blood red moon here is most likely portraying the atoning blood of Messiah that he made available through his sacrifice. It is where the enemy wounded him, but it is also through that wound (the blood of atonement) that the enemy will be destroyed. This destruction began after Yahweh Elohim raised Yahshuah

(Jesus) from the dead. Then about 40 days after that, Jesus ascended into heaven to be seated at the right hand of his Father. Then came Pentecost, ten days later, where the 12 Apostles as well as about 3,000 others received the gift of holy spirit from The Holy Spirit, Yahweh Elohim. Those events dealt a great blow to the serpent and the serpent's seed. He is about to get dealt another crippling blow sometime in the near future and then the final deathblow about a thousand years after.

At the very least, this eclipse is a sign for a memorial of Messiah's crucifixion and the sacrifice that he made on that day. It may also be a sign of certain events that may shortly come to pass, specifically Yahweh Elohim's wrath being poured forth on His enemies. It is because of the Atoning blood of Messiah that the "Gift" was poured forth upon all those who believe. It is also because of the Atoning blood, that Yahweh Elohim's wrath will be poured forth on His enemies.

To sum these events up for perhaps a clearer understanding of the events as a whole:

At the time of the prophecy of Genesis 3:15, the Autumnal Equinox point was in the right heel of *Ophiuchus* and may very well have been where the sun was when the prophecy was given. The Vernal Equinox point was in *Taurus* at that time.

At the time of the crucifixion and when the prophecy of Genesis 3:15 was mostly fulfilled, the sun was in *Taurus* and the moon was in *Ophiuchus*. The Paschal full moon passed over the right foot and heel of *Ophiuchus* on the evening following the crucifixion (starting about 3.5 hours after the crucifixion).

There was a partial eclipse of the sun in the constellation *Taurus* on June 1, 2011.

There was a Total Eclipse of the Moon, which was a Blood Red Moon in the right heel of *Ophiuchus* on June 15, 2011.

Pentecost fell on Sunday June 12, this year.

The events of the crucifixion, resurrection, ascension, and pouring forth of the gift of holy spirit is greatly portrayed by the constellations *Capricornus*, *Aquarius*, and *Piscis Austrinus* as shown in **Chart 555** in the May 2011 newsletter. I had many replies and compliments on that chart so I

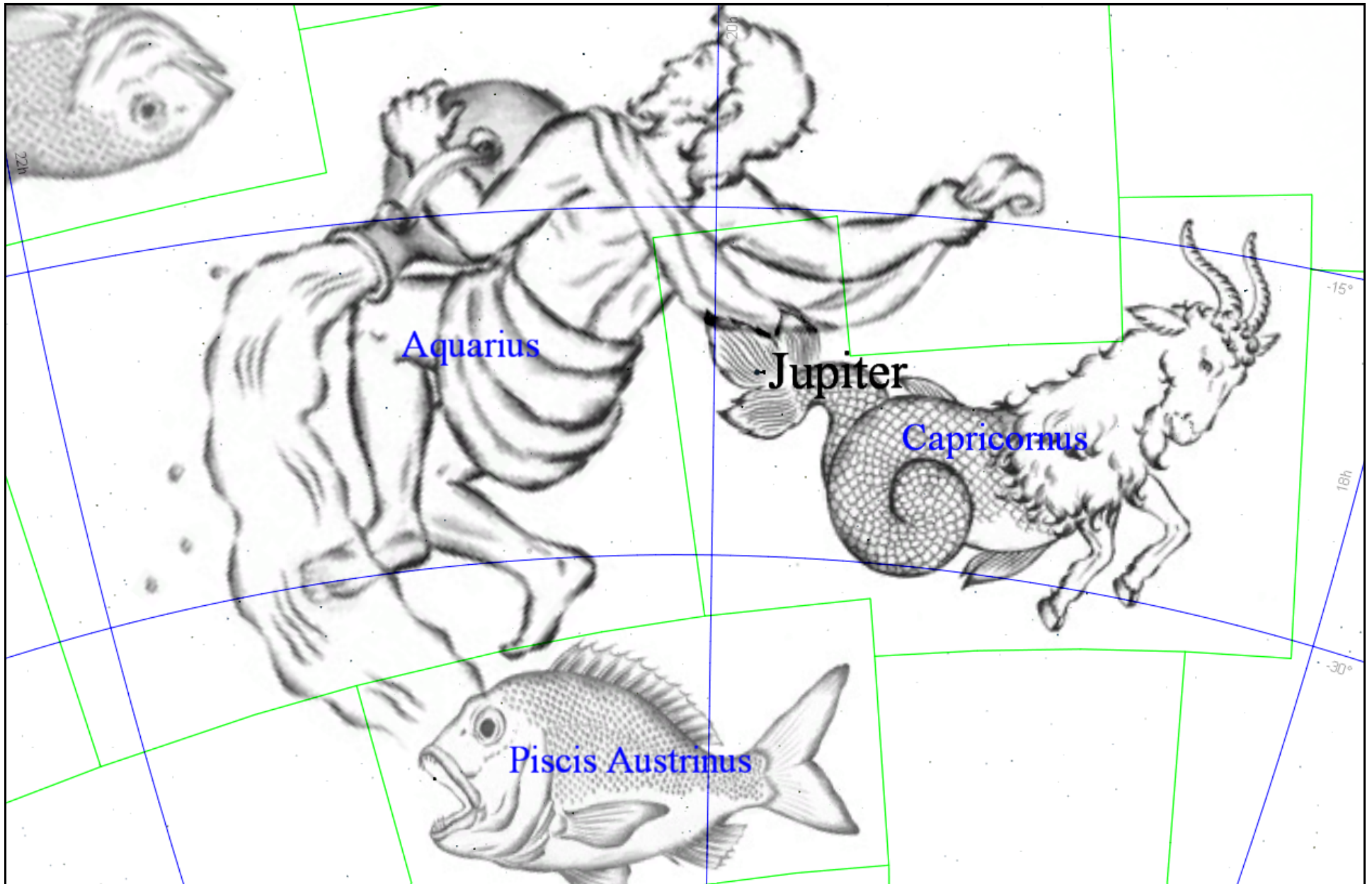


Chart 563 – The constellations *Capricornus*, *Aquarius* and *Piscis Austrinus* as seen high above the Southern Horizon from Jerusalem on June 20, 28 (Shavuot or Pentecost). *Zedek (Jupiter)* was in the tail of *Capricornus* at this time and in conjunction with (same celestial longitude) the head and arm in the constellation *Aquarius* above and the tail of *Piscis Austrinus* below. The blue lines are the celestial grid showing the longitudinal lines (vertical) and the latitudinal lines (horizontal). The green lines are the constellation boundary or borderlines.

decided to do a little more on it with a bigger chart showing these constellations.

Chart 563 shows the constellations *Capricornus*, *Aquarius*, and *Piscis Austrinus*.

Capricornus, the goat with a tail of a fish, represents the sacrificial lamb, the goat of atonement going down to his death. The tail of the fish represents life and resurrection, both Messiah's and the life he gives to those who believe in him and accept him as their Lord and Messiah. The Sign *Capricornus* along with its decan constellations *Sagitta*, *Aquila*, and *Delphinus* portray the crucifixion, resurrection and ascension of Messiah. For more in depth understanding see the November and December 2007 issues of Biblical Astronomy where *Capricornus* and its decan constellations are the feature constellations for those issues. Or you can also find this information on the first DVD in the Biblical Astronomy DVD set.

Aquarius represents the gift holy spirit being poured forth upon Yahweh's people or the congregation of Yahweh, the followers of Messiah Yahshuah, Christ Jesus.

Piscis Austrinus represents both Houses of Israel and now all who have confessed that Jesus Christ (Yahshuah Ha Mashiach) is Lord and believed in their heart that Yahweh Elohim raised him from the dead, or out from among the dead (Romans 10:9, 10). Also in Romans 10:13 – **For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.** And as written in I John 4:15 (KJV) – **Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.**

As I have mentioned in previous publications and in the Biblical Astronomy DVD set, I have learned through thousands of hours of study and observation, the simple fact that the planet *Zedek* (*Jupiter*) is always in the Sign or constellation representing major Biblical events when that particular event actually occurs on Earth. During the crucifixion on April 28, 28 *Zedek* was in the Sign and constellation *Capricornus*. That is the major sign that represents the crucifixion, and resurrection of Messiah. It was in the early morning sky on Abib 10 (April 24) in the common year 28 that *Zedek* (also known as His star) was in conjunction with the star *Deneb Algedi* in *Capricornus*. The star *Deneb Algedi* means *the sacrifice cometh*. It was later that morning or early afternoon that the sacrifice was literally entering Jerusalem. The record of this event can be found in

Matthew 21:1-10; Mark 11:1-10; and my favorite, Luke 19:28-44.

Pentecost occurred 57 days after that event or on June 20, 28. **Chart 563** shows the planet Jupiter (*Zedek*) in the fish tail of *Capricornus*. Actually, *Capricornus* and *Aquarius* run into each other and overlap. They are both part of the same theme in the completion of Messiah's works through his crucifixion, resurrection, ascension with the pouring forth and receiving of the Gift following. Though *Zedek* is in the constellation *Capricornus* at the time of the outpouring on Pentecost, it is in conjunction with the arm and head of *Aquarius*, and the tail of *Piscis Austrinus* at that time which completed of the works Jesus came to do for our righteousness. Is that cool or what!!!! I think so.

CORRECTIONS FOR MAY NEWSLETTER

I made a number of errors in the May 2011 newsletter. Below are the corrections to the errors I found and one a subscriber pointed out to me.

On the second page the phrase **“The beast is shown rising in the east over and from the Dead Sea as seen from Jerusalem during the Spring Feasts, and setting in the west over and into the Mediterranean Sea during the Fall Feasts.”** belongs to *Cetus*, not *Aries*.

Also on the second page, the last paragraph should read: **Chart 556 shows a unique massing of Jupiter, Venus and Mercury between Pisces (the nation of Israel) and Cetus (the beast from the sea) with Mars over the leg of the Lamb that is breaking the bonds binding Israel** Not between *Aries* and *Cetus*.

The date in the description below **Chart 555** should be: **May 6, 2011** not May 6, 2004. I guess I pulled an Obama there.

COMET ELENIN UPDATE

The following article and update on Comet Elenin is from Space.com.

Wimpy Comet Elenin Headed for Inner Solar System

SPACE.com Staff
Date: 09 May 2011 Time: 05:16 PM ET

“A comet first discovered just six months ago will be making a visit to the inner solar system soon, but

don't expect to be completely dazzled. This comet is a bit of a wimp, NASA says.

[Comet Elenin](#) (also known by its astronomical name C/2010 X1), was first detected on Dec. 10, 2010 by Leonid Elenin, an observer in Lyubertsy, Russia, who found the comet while using the remote-controlled ISON-NM observatory near Mayhill, New Mexico.

At the time of its discovery, the comet was about 401 million miles (647 million kilometers) from Earth. Over the past 4 1/2 months, the comet has closed the distance to Earth's vicinity as it makes its way closer to perihelion (its closest point to the sun). [[See Comet Elenin's Path Through Solar System](#)]

As of May 4, Comet Elenin's distance is about 170 million miles (274 million km).

"That is what happens with these long-period comets that come in from way outside our planetary system," said Don Yeomans of NASA's Near-Earth Object Program Office at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., in a statement. "They make these long, majestic, speedy arcs through our solar system, and sometimes they put on a great show. But not Elenin. Right now that comet looks kind of wimpy."

The comet doesn't offer much of a view and is quite dim to behold. [[Video: Where Comets Come From](#)]

"We're talking about how a comet looks as it safely flies past us," said Yeomans. "Some cometary visitors arriving from beyond the planetary region — like Hale-Bopp in 1997 — have really lit up the night sky where you can see them easily with the naked eye as they safely transit the inner-solar system. But Elenin is trending toward the other end of the spectrum. You'll probably need a good pair of binoculars, clear skies, and a dark, secluded location to see it even on its brightest night."

Comet Elenin, an icy run

Comet Elenin should be at its brightest shortly before the time of its closest approach to Earth on Oct. 16 of this year. At its closest point, it will be 22 million miles (35 million km) from us.

Even at such a distance, the comet will not be able to shift tides or tectonic plates here on Earth, as some internet rumors have suggested. Some have even wondered if the comet could possibly be pushed closer to Earth than usual.

"Comet Elenin will not encounter any dark bodies that could perturb its orbit, nor will it influence us in any way here on Earth," said Yeomans. "It will get no closer to Earth than 35 million kilometers."

Not only is Elenin far away, but it is also on the small side for comets, said Yeomans. [[Photos of Halley's Comet Through History](#)]

"So you've got a modest-sized icy dirtball that is

getting no closer than 35 million kilometers," said Yeomans. "It will have an immeasurably miniscule influence on our planet. By comparison, my subcompact automobile exerts a greater influence on the ocean's tides than comet Elenin ever will."

Fall's cosmic comet show

But just because the comet won't change much here on Earth doesn't mean skywatchers shouldn't pay attention.

"This comet may not put on a great show. Just as certainly, it will not cause any disruptions here on Earth. But there is a cause to marvel," said Yeomans. "This intrepid little traveler will offer astronomers a chance to study a relatively young comet that came here from well beyond our solar system's planetary region. After a short while, it will be headed back out again, and we will not see or hear from Elenin for thousands of years. That's pretty cool."

NASA detects, tracks and characterizes [asteroids and comets](#) passing relatively close to Earth using both ground- and space-based telescopes.

The agency's Near-Earth Object Observations Program, commonly called "Spaceguard," discovers these objects, characterizes a subset of them, and predicts their paths to determine if any could be potentially hazardous to our planet."

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