

Catching Fire – 2

Acts 1:4-5, 8

4 And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; 5 for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." NKJV

- Power to live righteous
- Power to tell others
- Power to Heal, deliver and save
- Power to Catch Fire

Matthew 3:11

11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. NKJV

We are living in a time when all believers should not be weighted down with believing we are not good, smart, and rich enough to spread the Gospel

Our life is for Him and He has provided all we need to succeed!

Will I allow the fire of God to purify, sanctify and glorify the Lord in my life?

2 Timothy 2:1, 4

1 You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

4 No one **engaged** in warfare **entangles** himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier. NKJV

- Most people are not burning with the fire and passion of the Holy Spirit because we have allowed life to weigh us down

When I catch fire with the presence of God He consumes me from the inside out

I don't have to work at being righteous His presence burns off the chaff in my life

He purifies me as a living sacrifice

Romans 12:1-2

1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a **living sacrifice**, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but **be transformed** by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. NKJV

Titus 2:11-12

11 For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, 12 **teaching** us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age. NKJV

- Chasten, instruct, learn or teach – Holy Spirit

When I meditate on who He created me to be – I become that person

He has made my **spirit** perfect, I start to believe it in my **mind** – I start to live differently (**body**)

My focus changes – If He gives eternal life wont He give me everything I need – I live on fire for Him

Acts 2:12-18 NKJV

12 So they were all amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "Whatever could this mean?"

13 Others mocking said, "They are full of **new wine**."

14 But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and heed my words. 15 For these are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. 16 But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: 17'And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, That **I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your young men shall see visions, Your old men shall dream dreams.** 18 And on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days; And they shall prophesy.

- The Spirit is for all who believe – New Wine
- To prophesy
- To see visions
- To dream
- Men, Women, Sons, Daughters
- “The Last Days” are here
- Am I drunk with God?
- Enjoying, craving His sweet presence?

– **Hebrews 11:6 Seek – to crave or investigate**

Don't cast off restraint – remain steadfast

Hebrews 6:11-12

11 And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope until the end, 12 that you do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises. NKJV

- Sluggish – (slothful) (dull) to loose my passion and purpose

2 Peter 3:8, 11, 17-18

8 But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

11 Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness?

17 You therefore, beloved, since you know this beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked; 18 but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. NKJV

- Don't allow the spirit of this age or complacency to extinguish the fire of God
- Don't stop growing in Grace
- The Grace of God empowers us to live a Spirit filled life!
- Growing in Grace, peace and the knowledge of Jesus will cause us to not live shortsighted lives

– 2 Peter 1:2-9

Acts 2:19-21

19 I will show wonders in heaven above and signs in the earth beneath: Blood and fire and vapor of smoke. 20 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD. 21 And it shall come to pass that **whoever calls on the name of the LORD Shall be saved.**' NKJV

“The Sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood”

America’s best scientists are in agreement that signs in the heavens are dramatically increasing in number and intensity here on planet earth

The moon being turned to blood, known as a blood moon or more commonly known as a lunar eclipse is somewhat rare

A solar eclipse is even rarer

4 consecutive blood moons is very rare – A Tetrad (4)

4 consecutive blood moons with a total solar eclipse occurring somewhere in the sequence is extremely rare

Add to this, falling in line with 2 Jewish feasts; Passover and Feast of Tabernacles, linked to Jewish history have happened only 3 times in more than 500 years

Blood Moons 1493-94

Passover – April 2, 1493

Solar Eclipse – September 28, 1493

Feast of Tabernacles – September 25, 1493

Passover – March 22, 1494

Feast of Tabernacles – September 15, 1494

The Spanish Inquisition – surpassed the Medieval Inquisition of 1233 in scope, intensity, and atrocities. Physical torture was used to extract confessions. Jews were allowed to confess and do penance, although those who relapsed would be burned at the stake.

King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella took increasingly drastic measures to persecute Jews and on **March 30, 1492** signed a decree ordering the Jewish people to leave Spain if they refused to convert to Catholicism known as

“The Edict of Expulsion” – some 200,000 expelled

In the same Month the King and Queen commissioned Christopher Columbus to undertake his expedition of discovery to the Indies

The US is the only place where more Jewish people live than Israel herself.

Spain has been ruled by dictators since the expulsion and today is controlled by radical Islamists who blow up their trains and plot to kill anyone who resists them.

They went from the **Spanish Golden Age** to this.

Genesis 12:3

3 I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." NKJV

Blood Moons of 1949-50

Passover – April 13, 1949

Feast of Tabernacles – October 7, 1949

Passover – April 2, 1950

Solar Eclipse – September 12, 1950

Feast of Tabernacles – September 26, 1950

Ezekiel 36:24, 28 NKJV

24 For I will take you from among the nations, gather you out of all countries, and bring you into your own land.

28 Then you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; you shall be My people, and I will be your God.

The rebirth of the State of Israel began in 1948 with their first permanent government taking office on January 25, 1949. Right in the middle of that we see another Tetrad.

The People of Israel had not been able to dwell in their homeland since they were scattered across the earth when Titus besieged Jerusalem in AD 70.

Isaiah 66:8

8 Who has heard such a thing?

Who has seen such things?

Shall the earth be made to give birth in one day?

Or shall a nation be born at once?

For as soon as Zion was in labor,

She gave birth to her children. NKJV

Blood Moons of 1967-68

Passover – April 24, 1967

Feast of Tabernacles – October 18, 1967

Solar Eclipse – November 7, 1967

Passover – April 13, 1968

Feast of Tabernacles – October 6, 1968

Israel was at war from the moment they declared statehood. The war of independence of May 15, 1948 – March 10, 1949 occurred the day after Israel's rebirth. 7 Arab nations came against her.

The bloodiest of Israel's wars – 6,373 killed

The Sinai war of October 29 – November 7, 1956

Psalm 83:2-4

2 For behold, Your enemies make a tumult;

And those who hate You have lifted up their head.

3 They have taken crafty counsel against Your people,

And consulted together against Your sheltered ones.

4 They have said, "Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation, that the name of Israel may be remembered no more." NKJV

The Six Day War

Even though the complete timeline takes place between

1955- 1967 the 6 day war itself was a war of miracles

With 6 Arab nations, Jordan and Egypt allied to destroy Israel there was no military reason for the victory; it was simply the hand of God.

Day 1 – Israel destroys most of Egypt’s air force
Day 2 – Fighting continues with Jordan, Syria and Iraq
Day 3 – Jerusalem taken – Straits of Tiran broken
Day 4 – Israel consolidates hold on west bank
Day 5 – Heavy fighting with Syria on the Golan Heights
Day 6 – Israel gains control of the Golan Heights

21,000 of Israel’s enemies killed – Lost only 779 soldiers
There are many eyewitness accounts of the miracles that took place during the war.

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2 Chronicles 6:6 NKJV

6 Yet I have chosen Jerusalem, that My name may be there, and I have chosen David to be over My people Israel.'

Four Blood Moons of 2014-15

Passover – April 15, 2014

Feast of Tabernacles – October 8, 2014

Passover – April 4, 2015

Feast of Tabernacles – September 28, 2015

Total solar eclipse March 20, 2015

2 Peter 3:11

11 Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness? NKJV