

## 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  
on the exact date the Jews are celebrating their  
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.

Source [Times](#) [Online](#)