

Columbus' Blood Moon Voyage: A Key to Revival Today?

This week, the celebrations of Columbus Day and the Feast of Tabernacles overlap each other, reminding us of the launching of Christopher Columbus' second voyage to the New World, on the same day as the second blood moon of the 1493-1494 tetrad, which occurred on the Feast of Tabernacles.

It was on his second voyage that Columbus had been given the mission and resources to create a Christian society in the New World. The Native American people he found were descendants of ancient Siberian immigrants but had lived in isolation from the rest of mankind for about 3,000 years. Nevertheless, their pyramids, their religions and their culture still contained the stamp of their origins with the rest of mankind in ancient Babylon. Unfortunately, they also retained some of the worst pagan practices of Babylonian religions, as the Aztecs demonstrated by sacrificing 50,000 human victims every year.

Our study of history shows that human sacrifice is a flash point for God's judgment, and we believe that the Aztec, Inca and other Native American civilizations were judged and destroyed by God through the technology and diseases of the Europeans. Sadly, the conquistadors enslaved the survivors and forced them to "convert" to Christianity, thus losing the opportunity to achieve a real Christian society. Those sins were compounded by bringing in African slaves to replace the decimated populations working the European plantations.

The establishment of a Christian society did finally occur when a small group of English Christians landed in New England. Over time, the English settlers in eastern North America adopted the concept of religious freedom and went on to build the greatest Christian society on earth, the United States. And, despite all its failures, backsliding and flaws,

the United States, with its 250 million who claim to be Christians, remains the world's most powerful beacon of the Christian dream.

Christianity has also flourished in Latin America, thanks to revival and renewal from the Catholic charismatics and the evangelical Christians. Today Latin America is 92.5 percent Christian, the highest proportion of any continent. And the Catholic Church, in recognition of this fact, selected the Cardinal of Buenos Aires, Pope Francis, as its leader.

As we have discussed in our book *The Mystery of the Blood Moons*, blood moons are signs of revival and expansion of the church. Today there are over 800 million Christians in the New World, a testimony to the evangelization of the New World launched by Columbus on his blood moon voyage of 1493.

Already there are signs of revival following the blood moon tetrad of 2014-15, as the Pope from the New World has instituted a great wave of unity and reconciliation among Christians. Let us pray that Christian unity will cause a lost and dying world to believe our message, as Jesus prayed (John 17:22), and ask the Lord to pour out His Spirit in our time.

We urge you to seek out brother Christians in your city or in meetings like the upcoming Kairos 2017 meeting (See) to participate in the Christian unity revival.

And may the fruit of the blood moon voyage of Christopher Columbus continue to grow. {eo}

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