

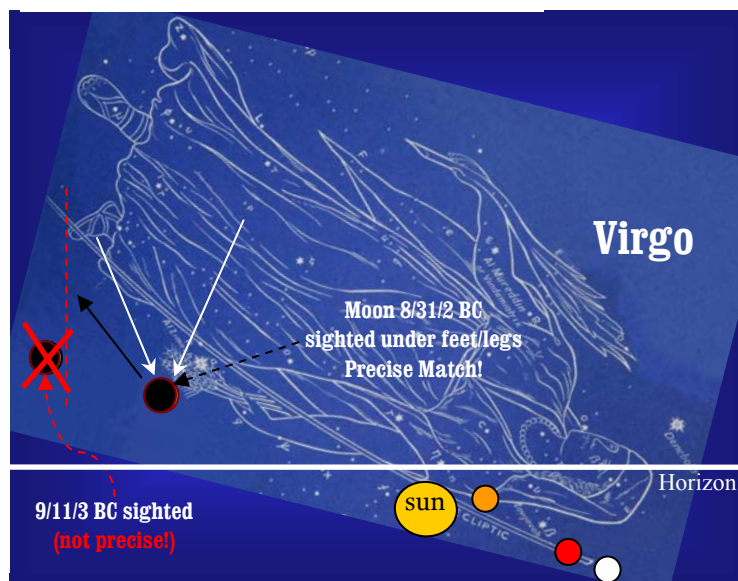
THE SIGN OF BETHULAH

The seventh sign is given in Revelation 12:1-3:

And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet [*or* legs],²⁰⁸ and on her head a crown of twelve stars; and she was with child; and she cried out, being in labor and in pain to give birth.

The seventh sign presented is this:

Figure 53: Revelation 12:1-3 Sign in Heaven



The moon was under the legs of Virgo as a viewer on earth might see it at 6:14 p.m. on August 31, 2 B.C. in conjunction with Spica (Al Zimach = Tsemeh), which means the “branch,” in Hebrew, and then it moved to just under the feet on the new moon day at 3 p.m. *Spica* is also associated with “seed,” hence the sheaf of grain in the left hand. The movement of the moon suggests the labor of birth pains, and finally the caught newborn when the moon reaches the feet.²⁰⁸ I believe the correct time to calculate for the birth is in the new moon day during daylight, because it is said, “Today in the city of David there has

²⁰⁸ The Hebrew word for “her feet” (רַגְלֶיהָ), Delitzsch NT, also means the legs (cf. Ezek. 16:25; Isa. 7:20: שֵׁר הַרְגְלִים =LXX: τριχας τῶν ποδῶν; 1Sam. 17:6: נְחֻשֶׁת עַל-רַגְלָיו).