

The background of the image is a night sky filled with stars. A particularly bright star with a four-pointed diffraction pattern is located in the upper left. The sky transitions from a deep blue on the left to a warm orange and red on the right. In the lower third of the image, the silhouettes of three camels with riders are visible against the bright horizon. The text 'Jesus the Messiah' is written in a large, elegant, cursive script across the middle of the image.

# Jesus the Messiah

wise men still seek **HIM**



# LUKE 2:21-24, 39

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- ▶ Luke 2:21-24
- ▶ And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, -- his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb. (Leviticus 2:1-3)
- ▶ Jesus Is Dedicated in the Temple
- ▶ And when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses (33 days) were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord; (A total of 41 days) (Leviticus 2:6-8)
- ▶ (As it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;)
- ▶ And to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons. (Lamb)

# LUKE 2:39

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- ▶ Luke 2:39
- ▶ And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth.

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# THE STAR

- ▶ Matthew 2:1-2
- ▶ The Visit of the Magi
- ▶ Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,
- ▶ Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen **his star** in the east, and are come to worship him. (His Star - Numbers 24:15-19)

# GENESIS 49:9-10

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## JESUS – THE LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH

- ▶ Genesis 49:9-10
- ▶ **Judah is a lion's whelp:** from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up?
- ▶ **The scepter shall not depart from Judah,** nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.

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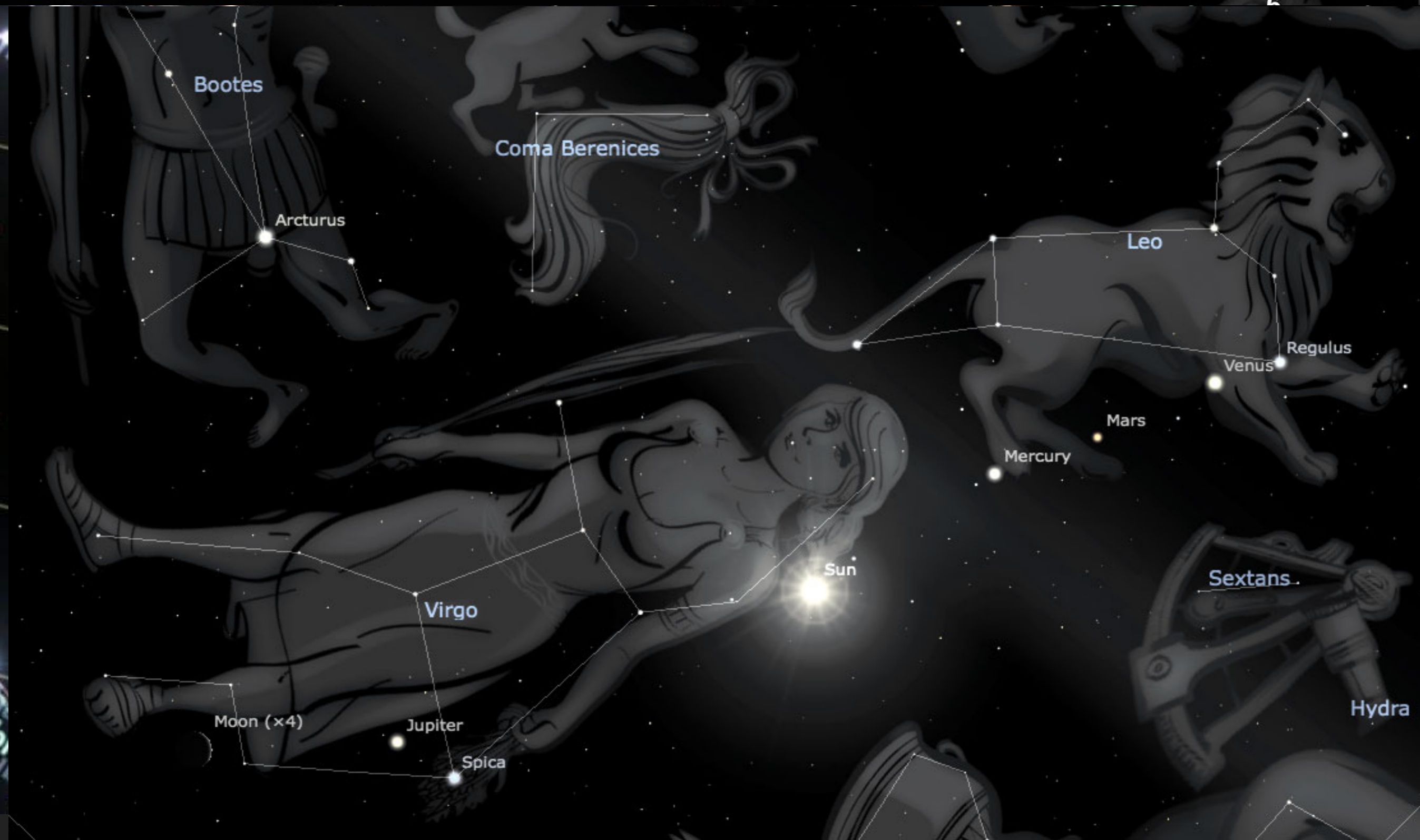
## REVELATION 5:5

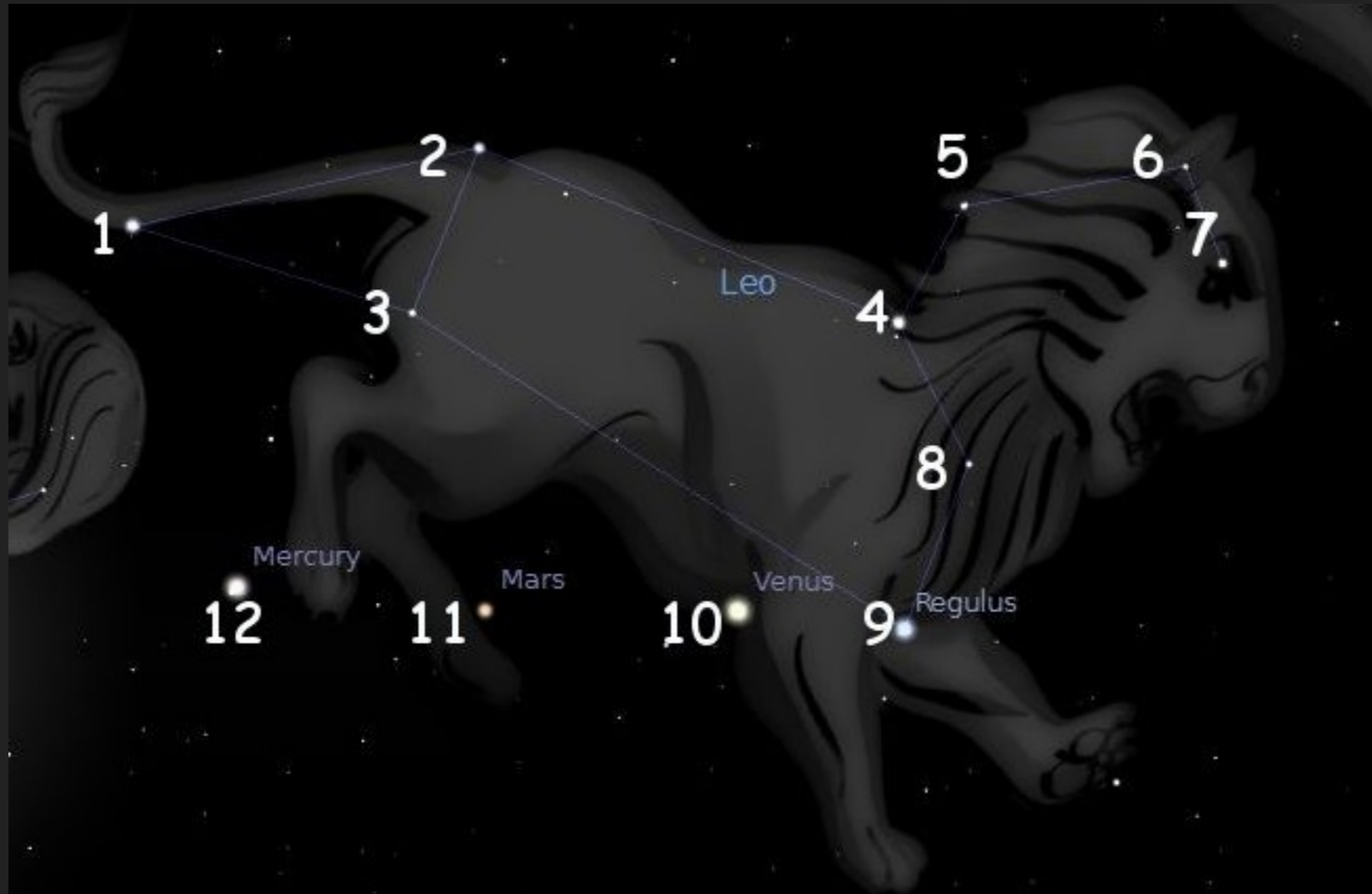
- ▶ And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, **the Lion of the tribe of Judah**, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

# REVELATION 12:1-2

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- ▶ Revelation 12:1-2
- ▶ A Woman Gives Birth to a Son
- ▶ And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a **crown of twelve stars**:
- ▶ And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.





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**CROWN OF 12 STARS ON HER HEAD**

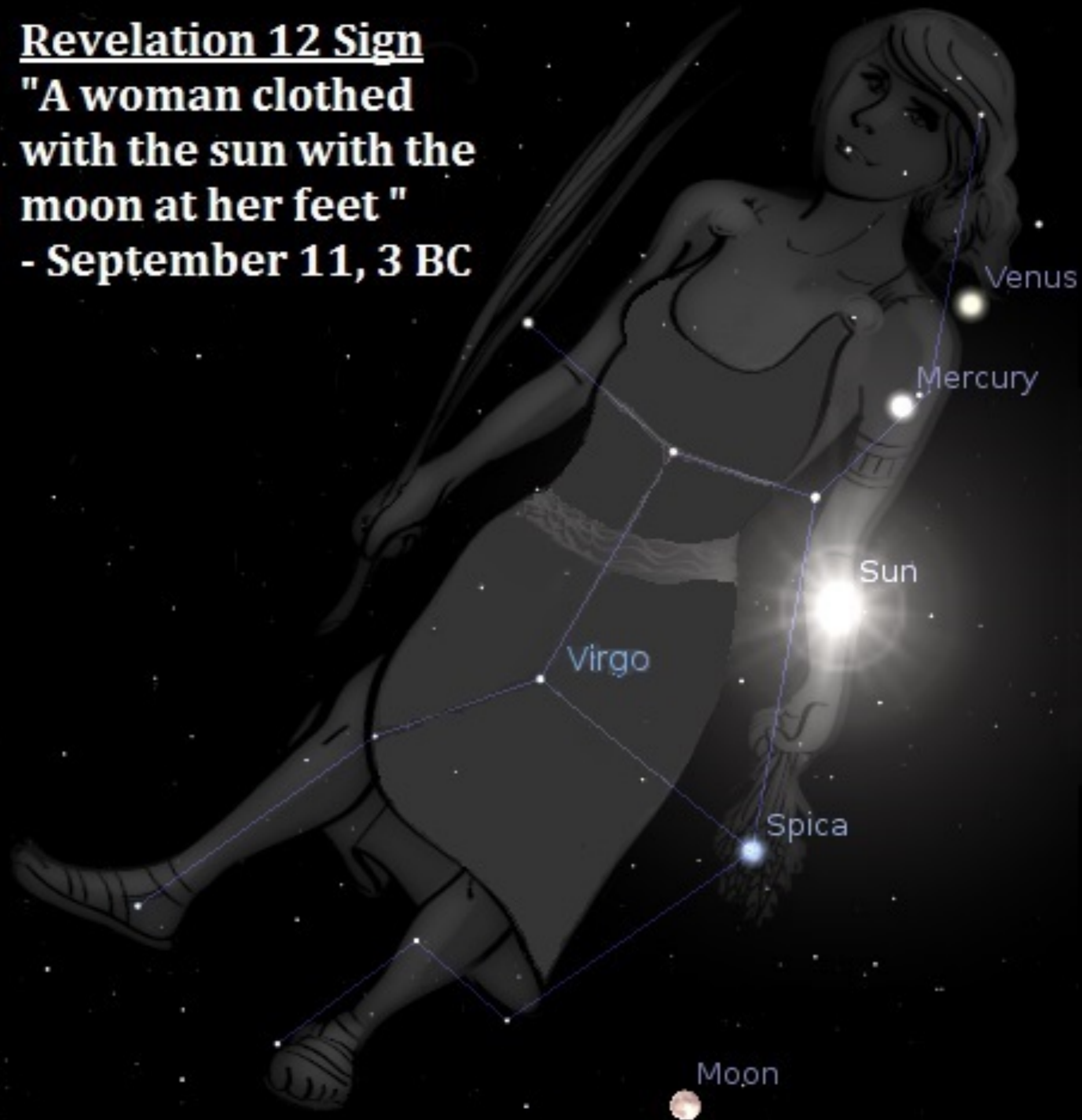
# ROSH HASHANAH 3 B.C.

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## THIS SAME SEQUENCE OF EVENTS HAPPENED IN SEPTEMBER 3 B.C.

- ▶ Revelation 12:1-2
- ▶ And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:
- ▶ And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

**Revelation 12 Sign**  
**"A woman clothed**  
**with the sun with the**  
**moon at her feet "**  
**- September 11, 3 BC**



# 9 MONTHS LATER A CHILD IS BORN

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## 2 STARS COME TOGETHER

- ▶ Jupiter and Regulas over Jerusalem in the Constellation of Leo the Lion.
- ▶ The Wisemen follow the Star to Jerusalem
- ▶ Matthew 2:1-2
- ▶ Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,
- ▶ Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

# TRADITION TELLS US

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## THE WISE MEN

- ▶ Rode camels
- ▶ There were three
- ▶ They gathered around the nativity scene in Bethlehem
- ▶ Their names were Balthasar, Melchior, and Casper

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## WHAT THE BIBLE DOESN'T SAY

- ▶ How many wise men there were. (We take it for granted that there were 3 because of the 3 gifts given)
- ▶ Doesn't mention their names
- ▶ Doesn't say they rode on camels
- ▶ The lyrics to the songs says, "We three Kings." But the Bible doesn't say they were kings (They came to see The KING)
- ▶ The Bible doesn't say they found baby Jesus in a manger

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## WHO WERE THESE WISE MEN ?

- ▶ They were from Persia (Modern Day Iran)
- ▶ These wise men would have know Daniel
- ▶ Daniel was the chief Magi
- ▶ Daniel 2:48
- ▶ Then the king made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief of the governors over all the wise men of Babylon.

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## DANIEL HAD A COPY OF THE SCROLLS IN BABYLON (TORAH)

- ▶ Daniel would have taught them about the coming Messiah
- ▶ They would have read about the Star
- ▶ Numbers 24:17 - I shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: there shall come a Star out of Jacob, and a Scepter shall rise out of Israel
- ▶ Matthew 2:2 - Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

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- ▶ As the Wise men studied the stars they saw and unusual event taking shape in the constellation of Leo.
  - ▶ They knew the Messiah would come from the Tribe of Judah.....
  - ▶ They began their journey following the Star and it took them to Jerusalem and disappeared.
  - ▶ They asked, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? (Matthew 2:2)...We have seen his star, we came to Worship!

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# KING HEROD

- ▶ Is troubled with all of Jerusalem. Mt. 2:3
- ▶ Gathered all the Chief Priests & Scribes (Jews). Mt. 2:4
- ▶ Demands to know where the Messiah should be born. My. 2:4
- ▶ In Bethlehem of Judea. Mt. 2:5, Micah 5:2
- ▶ Sends the Wisemen to Bethlehem-But THE WISE MEN WERE WISE
- ▶ The Star Appears again Mt. 2:9-10.
- ▶ They didn't go to Bethlehem, they followed the Star!

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## REMEMBER WHERE JOSEPH & MARY TOOK JESUS AFTER HIS DEDICATION?

- ▶ Luke 2:39
- ▶ And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city **Nazareth.**

# WHERE DID THE STAR LEAD THEM?

- ▶ To a House, in Nazareth, where a toddler was growing up, waxing strong in the spirit, gaining wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him. (Luke 2:39-40)
- ▶ Matthew 2:11-12
- ▶ And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshiped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.
- ▶ And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.