## **Eclipses and the Hebrew Calendar — Handout**



New Moon-observed new moons are rarely visible earlier than 17 hours past the conjunction, usually about 30 hours. Therefore, observed new moons can vary by one or two days.

Solar eclipse can only occur during a new moon conjunction when the moon is directly between the earth and the sun. They occur on the first day of the month and can occur during the Feast of Trumpets.



Lunar eclipses can only occur during a full moon on 14/15<sup>th</sup> day of the month. They often occur on the Passover and the first day of the Feast of Tabernacles.

Length of the Lunar month = 29.53059 days X 86,400 sec = 2,551,442.9 sec

## Feasts of God

Sabbath = 7 days Passover = 1<sup>st</sup> month, 14<sup>th</sup> day (full moon) First Day Unleavened Bread = 1<sup>st</sup> month, 15<sup>th</sup> day Last Day Unleavened Bread = 1<sup>st</sup> month, 21<sup>st</sup> day Pentecost = 50<sup>th</sup> day from the wave sheaf offering Trumpets = 7<sup>th</sup> month, 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month (new moon) Atonement = 7<sup>th</sup> month, 10<sup>th</sup> day of the month Tabernacles (first day) = 7<sup>th</sup> month, 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month (full moon) Last Great Day = 7<sup>th</sup> month, 22<sup>nd</sup> day of the month

## The Sun is 400 times bigger than the Moon.

Sun = 865,000 miles Moon = 2,159 miles 865,000 ÷ 2,159 = 400

But the Moon is almost 400 time closer to the Earth than the Sun.

Distance from Earth to Moon = 238,900Distance from Earth to Sun = 93,000,00093 million  $\div 238,900 = 389$ 

## <u>389 ÷ 400 = 0.9%</u>

This ratio makes for perfect Solar Eclipses No other planet/moon in the Solar System can have perfect total eclipses