

The Scriptural Calendar and Reckoning of Years, Months and Days

Shalom to all truth-loving and-seeking Believers, who are willing to **test this study** against **sound Scriptural teaching**, from beginning to end. My aim through this study is to share **what Scriptures teach** regarding . . .

- **HOW do we determine the Scriptural Calendar?**
- **HOW do we determine the start of a New Year and a New Day?**
- **WHEN does a Scriptural day and Sabbath start?**
- **HOW many months, weeks and days are there in a Scriptural year?**

Many ministries teach that **some adjustments must be made to keep the solar (sun) and lunar (moon) calendars synchronized**. The easiest adjustments are to alternate between 29 and 30 days per month and to add an additional, intercalary month about every three years. Eventually the **Hebrews** adopted the Metonic cycle, a method of adding intercalary months appropriately in a 19-year cycle. **Is this ADJUSTING of The Creator's Calendar permitted?** Isn't this **interfering and tampering with His power and authority to manage His own calendar**? According to Scripture, the **sun, moon and stars (Gen 1:14)** are used to determine the **Appointed Times and Scriptural Calendar** of Almighty **אֱלֹהִים (YHUH/YHWH)**! **Let it CLEARLY be noted that I do NOT have the RIGHT, nor do I judge or condemn anyone for not believing as I do.** I also humbly confess that **I do NOT claim to know better than anyone else.** I also **do NOT proclaim to know everything, and definitely do not have all the answers**, but allow me to **share with you what I have [personally] researched and studied from Scripture over many years, sharing it with you [in love] and [humility]**. I am a truth-loving follower and servant of my First Love – Father **אֱלֹהִים (YHUH/YHWH)**, through His Son, Mashiach (Messiah) **מָשִׁיחַ (Yahusha)**, researching and studying matters of Scripture and sharing it with those who are also seeking after HIS truth. Through my years of seeking truth, I have learned to **NOT listen to man's interpretations of Scripture, nor trust in man's guidance.** **I personally test EVERYTHING against solid teaching from Scripture, being an ex-charismatic pastor, being deceived whilst studying for my Bachelor degree and in service of "the church"!** In saying this, I have experienced **how many Believers just receive [as truth] what they hear from seasoned "Torah Teachers" of Scripture, without taking the time to TEST what they witness, by searching and studying Scripture thoroughly.** We must **GUARD AGAINST coming OUT of one religion to just embrace another's traditions and doctrines.** Messiah Himself taught us NOT to be called by the title of "Rabbi" (**Mat 23:8**), as **He alone is our tested and trustworthy Rabbi (Teacher)**. All Torah observant Believers are **brothers** according to Messiah (**Mat 23:8**). Messiah also taught that we should **not call anyone "Leader"**, for He alone is our Leader (**Mat 23:10**). **We are NOT called to please, or follow man, but Almighty אֱלֹהִים Yahuah through Mashiach מָשִׁיחַ Yahusha, and Him alone!**

Gal 1:10 For do I now persuade men, or ELOhim? Or do I seek to please men? For if I still pleased men, I should **not be a servant of Messiah** (See also **Jer 17:5**).

Please **allow me your time to read and study this "witness" from Scripture.** This is all that I am required to do – be a **reliable witness of Scripture!** **What you decide after studying and testing this study is entirely between you and ELOhim!**

Let's start with the creation of account of days to determine how the first day in creation began and then proceed to the creation of the sun, moon and stars and how they are used to determine the Scriptural year and Appointed Times.

For years **I struggled to understand the evening/morning account of the six-days of creation**, firstly because **evening is not the same as night**, and **morning is not the same as day** (as we will clearly see when **studying the Hebrew words in Gen 1:3-5**), and secondly because **I came across many Scriptures that clearly teach a morning start to a new [Scriptural] day.** **What does Scripture teach pertaining to the evening/morning account of the six days of creation? What do the rest of Scriptures teach? Does a day start in the evening or morning?**

Man has many different interpretations of what Scriptures teach on this matter. How do we minimize or nullify man's many diverse interpretations/opinions?

Simply by **STUDYING Scripture and researching Hebrew root words to guide us to a clear understanding of the meaning(s) of any particular word(s) in Scripture.** The majority who believe in an evening start to a new Scriptural day, base their belief on mainly three portions of Scripture.

- 1) Two (2) of the Appointed Times of Almighty אַיָּז (YHUH) are observed between the evenings (Lev 23:5,32). What has always been very strange to me is WHY אַיָּז (YHUH) **only commanded two (2) out of eight (8) appointed times (including the weekly Sabbath) to be observed between the evenings – WHY NOT ALL of them?**
- 2) Lev 11 teaches that believers are **UNCLEAN till evening** (I believe that I have a very **valid explanation** of why they were declared unclean till evening, and not morning).
- 3) Neh 13:19 teaches that the gates of Yerushalayim (Jerusalem) had to be **shut BEFORE the Sabbath** (again, I believe I have a very **simple explanation** of what I believe this verse of Scripture teaches – it is very realistic and even logic).

I kindly and lovingly suggest to everyone WILLING to put in the time to do this study, to read this study more than once, as I did not grasp, nor understand it even after many attempts. Please note that what I share in this study is based on **sound Scriptural evidence.** If you disagree with what Scriptures teach on this matter, **I choose to still love and respect you, and trust that you will do the same.** Thank you and barak (bless) you.

The following [portion] of the study endures to **shed light on the days of creation, to determine what Scriptures teach on how the first day of creation began, and also to establish whether the following days of creation confirm the same pattern.**

KJV with Strong's Numbers

Bereshith (Gen) 1:3 And Elohim (God)H430 said,H559 Let there beH1961 light:H216 and there wasH1961 light.H216

(Hebrew Old Testament (Tanach) with Strong's Numbers)

Gen 1:3 אורH1961 יהי H430 אלהים H559 ואמר H1961 אור H216 יהי H1961 אור: H216

The LIGHT created in Bereshith (Gen) 1:3

Hebrew Strong's H216

or: a light

Original Word: אור

Phonetic Spelling: (ore)

Short Definition: light

NAS Concordance: Dawn, daylight, early morning, light, lights, sun, sunlight, sunshine.

Strong's Concordance: bright, clear, day, lightning, morning, sun

From 'owr; illumination -- bright, clear, + day, light (-ning), morning, sun.

Both the NAS and STRONG's agree that the **LIGHT created in Gen 1:3 was daylight, morning, sun (or sunlight).**

The **very FIRST thing that ELOhim (Almighty) created was LIGHT.** Just as Scripture does NOT teach that ELOhim "was created" (but that He "was"), it also teaches that **darkness "was"**. Darkness was NOT created or brought forth by a "command of ELOhim". All six days of creation was formed by a command (of the mouth) of ELOhim. **Darkness on the other hand WASN'T commanded, or spoke forth – it simply was.**

The first day (of creation) STARTED with EARLY MORNING (dawn), hence LIGHT.

This light created in Gen 1:3 (called day in Gen 1:5) is NOT dependant on the sun to reflect its light (as the sun was only created on day four). The light is visible early in the morning, even BEFORE the sun rises. This light still reflects its light even if it is heavily overcast, and when it rains, when no rays of the SUN are visible at all.

Let's continue to **study ALL six days of creation** to establish whether they CONFIRM the **same pattern** of Gen 1:3, or not.

Gen 1:5 And **ELohim** called the **light** ‘**day** (H3117)’ and the **darkness** He called ‘**night** (H3915).’ And there came to be **evening** (H6153) and there came to be **morning** (H1242), the **first day**.

Before we continue, let’s first determine the **MEANING of the words** “**day**”; “**night**”; “**evening**”; and “**morning**” from the ABOVE Scripture.

H3117

yom: day

Original Word: יום

Phonetic Spelling: (yome)

From an unused root meaning **to be hot; a day (as the warm hours)** . . .

See also **Yoh 11:9-10**, when Messiah taught that there are **12 hours in the “day (G2250)”**, which is the **Greek word hémera**, **DEFINING** the period from **sunrise to sunset**.

H3915

layil or lel or layelah: mid[night] season

Or (Isa 21:11) leyl {lale}; also laylah {lah'- yel-aw}; from the same as luwl; properly, a twist (**away of the light**), i.e. **Night**; figuratively, adversity -- ((mid-)night (season)).

H6153

ereb: evening

Original Word: עָרַב

Phonetic Spelling: (eh'-reb)

day, evening, tide, night

From arab; dusk -- + day, even(-ing, tide), night.

H6150

arab: to become evening, grow dark

Original Word: עָרַב

Transliteration: arab

Phonetic Spelling: (aw-rab')

Short Definition: close

BOTH H6153 and H6150 agree that evening is [dusk], or when [it grows dark]

H1242

boqer: morn-ing

Original Word: בֹּקֶר

Phonetic Spelling: (bo'-ker)

day, early, morning, morrow

From **baqar**; properly, **dawn** (as the **break of day**); generally, morning -- (+) day, **early**, morning, morrow.

H1242 agree that morning is [dawn], or [as the break of day], or [early (when the first light becomes visible)]

Look at the **explanations** from **The Online Dictionary** to confirm the terms **[dusk]** and **[dawn]** in more detail:

Dusk or [evening] noun

the darker stage of twilight.

synonyms: twilight, nightfall, sunset, **sundown, evening, close of day**; More literary: **semi-darkness** (not completely dark yet as with [night]).

Dawn noun

the **first appearance of light in the sky** [before sunrise].

We can thus conclude that we have **4 periods of a “Scriptural day (24 hours)** according to **Gen 1:5** . . .

Day (Yom) – **sunrise to sunset** (+-12 hours)

Night (Layil/Lel/Layelah) – it is the **period after evening (dusk) and before dawn**

Evening (Ereb) – **dusk**, or **when it grows dark**, or **semi-darkness (NOT night yet)**

Morning (Boqer) – **dawn**, or at the **break of the day**, at the **first appearance of light in the sky** before the sun rises

What is **VERY IMPORTANT to acknowledge and understand** from the six days of creation is that there is a **SPECIFIC PATTERN/ORDER** during each of the six days of creation.

We see the **SAME ORDER** (pattern) in each of the days of creation.

1. The **DAY STARTS** with **MORNING/DAWN** (**first light BEFORE the sun rises**) and then **becomes DAY** (**warm hours/sun/yom**). **ELohim** creates during the DAY-light hours [it can be compared to us going to work during DAY-light hours].
2. **ELohim COMPLETES His creation for each respective day** [much like us who **complete our work for the day** & then return home to **rest during the NIGHT-hours**].
3. Scripture teaches that **evening comes** (**dusk/when it starts to grow dark**).
4. Evening is **followed by night**.
5. Scripture teaches that **morning comes** (**dawn/when the first light becomes visible, before sunrise**).
6. The **24 hours of the day is complete and morning of the [NEXT] day commence**.

With the above in mind, let's **STUDY** the creation account of each day **in Scripture** . . .

DAY ONE of Creation (**Gen 1:3-5**)

1. **Morning to Evening** (**warm hours of the day**) in which **ELohim** creates – **ELohim** called forth **light** and the **division of day and night** were established.
2. Then came **dusk** (**when it grows dark/evening**);
3. Then came **dawn** (**first light/morning, before sunrise**), **day [one] is complete (24 hrs)**.

DAY TWO of Creation (**Gen 1:6-8**)

1. **Morning to Evening** (**warm hours of the day**) in which **ELohim** creates – **ELohim** made the **expanse**, and separated the waters which were under the expanse from the waters which were above the expanse and called it **heavens**.
2. Then came **dusk** (**when it grows dark/evening**);
3. Then came **dawn** (**first light/morning, before sunrise**), **day [two] is complete (24 hrs)**.

DAY THREE of Creation (**Gen 1:9-13**)

1. **Morning to Evening** in which **ELohim** creates – **ELohim** said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." **ELohim** called the dry land '**earth**,' and the collection of the waters He called '**seas**.' **ELohim** said, "Let the earth bring forth **grass**, the plant that yields **seed**, and the fruit tree that yields **fruit** according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth."
2. Then came **dusk** (**when it grows dark/evening**);
3. Then came **dawn** (**first light/morning, before sunrise**), **day [three] is complete (24 hrs)**.

DAY FOUR of Creation (**Gen 1:14-19**)

1. **Morning to Evening** in which **ELohim** creates – **ELohim** made **two great lights**: the **greater light (sun)** to rule the day, and the **lesser light (moon)** to rule the night, and the **stars**. **ELohim** set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth.
2. Then came **dusk** (**when it grows dark/evening**);
3. Then came **dawn** (**first light/morning, before sunrise**), **day [four] is complete (24 hrs)**.

DAY FIVE of Creation (**Gen 1:20-23**)

1. **Morning to Evening** in which **ELohim** creates – **ELohim** said, "Let the waters teem with shoals of **living creatures**, and let **birds** fly above the earth on the face of the expanse of the heavens." **ELohim** created great **sea creatures** and every **living creature that moves**, with which the waters teemed, according to their kind, and every **winged bird** according to its kind.
2. Then came **dusk** (**when it grows dark/evening**);
3. Then came **dawn** (**first light/morning, before sunrise**), **day [five] is complete (24 hrs)**.

DAY SIX (**Gen 1:24-31**)

1. **Morning to Evening** in which **ELohim** creates – **ELohim** said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: **livestock** and **creeping creatures and beasts of the earth**, according to its kind." **ELohim** said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over the livestock, and over all the earth and over all the creeping creatures that creep on the earth."

ELohim created the **man** in His image, in the image of **ELohim** He created him – **male and female** He created them.

2. Then came **dusk** (when it grows dark/evening);

3. Then came **dawn** (first light/morning, before sunrise), **day six is complete (24 hrs)**.

6 days of CREATION are COMPLETED and the weekly Seventh-day Sabbath commence.

From the above study of **Gen 1:3**, we established that **the FIRST day of creation started with [early] morning (dawn)**. We also established that **each day of creation CONFIRMED the same FIXED order (pattern), with each day starting at morning**.

If a Scriptural day [supposedly] starts [at evening], then ELohim's creation account would be in error. If [evening and morning] constitutes a day according to man's interpretation (which **only adds-up to 12 hours**), **what happened to day (yom) and night (layil or lel or layelah) – the OTHER 12 hours, totaling 24-hours per Scriptural day?**

When did ELohim perform His creative work? Is Scripture in error? It would be accurate to say that **man's interpretation of Scripture is IN ERROR, through the traditions of man handed down from generation to generation.**

ELohim created (comparing it to our daily WORK in today's terms) the heavens and the earth in six days and THEN ONLY RESTED on the seventh day. Why is this important?

He did **NOT rest first and then worked/created** – He created (worked) first and then He rested. **REST COMES AFTER WORK, NOT BEFORE.**

If a Scriptural day starts in the evening (TIME of REST), and then flows over into the morning (TIME to WORK), it would **CONTRADICT ELohim's creation account.**

Mashiach Yahusha CONFIRMED ELohim's creation account during the [day-time], as He said that it is NOT possible for man to work (create in ELohim's case) during the NIGHT.

Yoh 9:4 "It is necessary for Me to work the works of Him who sent Me **while it is DAY – night is coming**, when **NO ONE is ABLE to WORK**".

Scripture CLEARLY teaches that ELohim CREATED (WORKED) FIRST, creating for six days, and THEN ONLY RESTED on the seventh day, NOT VICE VERSA.

See further **SIGNIFICANCE** of the Word '**LIGHT**' (H216) in all the First Covenant Scriptures below, confirming the **same LIGHT that was created in Gen 1:3 [which we established was associated with morning, sun, sunlight] . . .**

LIGHT (H216) referred to as a **lamp** (Prov 13:9; Yer 25:10)

LIGHT is **life/living** (Yob 33:30; Psa 56:14)

LIGHT is for the **righteous** (Psa 97:11)

LIGHT is **Torah/Instruction** (Prov 6:23; Isa 42:6; Isa 49:6; Isa 51:4)

Prov 6:23 For the **command is a lamp**, And the **Torah a light**, And reproofs of discipline a way of life.

Yisra'el is **LIGHT** (Isa 10:17)

YHWH is **LIGHT** (Psa 27:1; Micah 7:8; Psa 43:3; Isa 60:19-20; Isa 2:5)

Mashiach YAHUSHA is **LIGHT** and **proclaims LIGHT** (Yoh 3:19; Yoh 8:12; Yoh 9:5; Yoh 12:35,46; Acts 22:6,11; Acts 26:18,23)

LIGHT overcomes darkness (Yoh 1:5; Mar 1:79; Luk 11:36)

We are commanded to **BE [the] LIGHT** and let our **LIGHT shine** (Mat 5:14,16; Luk 11:35)

Everything shall **come to the LIGHT** (Mar 4:22; Luk 8:17)

Let's have a look at what Scriptures teach about LIGHT and DARKNESS . . .

In the re-newed Yerushalayim there will be NO NIGHT – ONLY DAY!

Rev 21:25 And its gates shall not be shut at **all by day**, for **night shall not be there**.

In the following verse, we CLEARLY see that the **DAY is drawing to and END when evening (still part of a 24-hour day) came**. How much clearer do we want Scripture to be?

Yudg 19:9 And the man arose to go, he and his concubine and his servant. But his father-in-law, the young woman's father, said to him, "See, the **DAY is now drawing toward EVENING (still part of the 24-hour day)**. Please spend the night. See, the **DAY is coming to an END (evening)**. Stay here, and let your heart be glad. And you shall **rise early tomorrow (morning/dawn (when they NEW DAY starts))** for your journey, and you shall go to your tent."

Let's also examine the following Scriptures from [different translations] to CONFIRM that a Scriptural day [and thus a Sabbath-day] starts IN THE MORNING!

LBP (Holy Bible of the ANCIENT eastern texts: Aramaic of the Peshitta)

Mar 15:42 And when it was **Friday evening**, which is before the Sabbath.

Here we CLEARLY see that Sabbath does NOT START at evening (it's still preparation).

Luk 23:54 This was a **Friday**, and the **sabbath was approaching**.

Here we see that Sabbath was NOT on a Friday (evening) – it's till preparation.

GW (Gods's Word)

Mar 15:42 It was **Friday evening**, before the day of worship.

Again we see that Friday evening is reckoned to be preparation to the Sabbath-day!

ISR – The Scriptures Restored Translation

Mark 15:42 And when evening had come, because it was the Preparation Day (G3904), that is, the day before the Sabbath.

Again we see that EVENING is the day BEFORE the Sabbath.

STRONG'S Concordance

G3904 paraskeuē ► preparation, the day of preparation (for a Sabbath or feast)

Definition: the day of preparation, the day BEFORE the Sabbath, **Friday**

From Strong's **G3903**

G3903 paraskeuazó ► to prepare, make ready (or readiness), make preparations

In ALL THREE translations above we see that (Gregorian) Friday (6th day of the week), or evening (of the preparation day/Fri-day) is NOT the Sabbath day (7th day) yet – it is still preparation for the start of the actual Sabbath day (yom)!

Is it wrong for believers to have a Sabbath meal on the 6th day evening (Fr-day evening), as is the custom of many Hebrews and/or Jews?

NO it's not, because they are preparing to go into the Sabbath to ensure that their hearts and minds are prepared (for the actual start of the Sabbath day (yom)).

Let's have a look at more Scriptures pertaining to LIGHT and DARKNESS.

1Yoh 1:5 And this is the message which we have heard from Him and announce to you, that **Elohim is LIGHT** and **in Him is NO DARKNESS at all**.

1Yoh 1:7 But if we **WALK in the LIGHT** as **He is in the LIGHT**, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Yahusha Messiah His Son cleanses us from all sin.

1Thess 5:5 For you are all **SONS of LIGHT** and **SONS of the DAY**. We are **NOT of the NIGHT, nor of DARKNESS**.

1Pet 2:9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a set-apart nation, a people for a possession, that you should proclaim the praises of Him who called you **OUT OF DARKNESS into His marvellous LIGHT**.

2Tim 1:10 but now revealed by the appearing of our Saviour **Yahusha** Messiah, who indeed abolished death and brought life and incorruptibility to **LIGHT** through the Good News.

Eph 5:8 For you were once darkness, but now [you are] **LIGHT in the Master**. Walk as **CHILDREN of LIGHT**.

Rom 13:12 The night is far advanced, the day has come near. So let us **PUT OFF the WORKS of DARKNESS**, and let us put on the **ARMOUR of LIGHT**.

In ALL the verses below DAY is mentioned BEFORE NIGHT . . . coincidence?

Gen 1:5,14,16,18; Gen 8:22; Gen 31:39-40; Exo 10:13; Exo 13:21-22; Exo 40:38; Lev 6:20; Lev 8:35; Num 9:16; Num 9:21; Num 11:32; Num 14:14; Deut 28:66; Yoch 1:8; Yudg 19:11; 1Sam 19:24; 1 Sam 28:20; 2 Sam 21:10; 1King 8:59; 1Chr 9:33; 2Chr 6:20; Neh 1:6; Neh 4:9; Neh 9:12,19; Yob 3:3; Psa 1:2; Psa 19:2; Psa 22:2; Psa 32:4; Psa 42:3,8; Psa 55:10; Psa 74:16; Psa 77:2; Psa 78:14; Psa 121:6; Eccl 8:16; Isa 4:5; Isa 28:19; Isa 38:12,13; Isa 60:11; Isa 62:6; Jer 9:1; Jer 16:13; Jer 31:35; Jer 33:20,25; Isa 36:30; Lam 2:18; Hosh 4:5; Zech 14:7 = **58 VERSES in the Tanak (Old Testament)**

Luk 18:7; Luk 21:37; Yoh 9:4; Act 9:24; 1 Thess 5:5; Rev 4:8; Rev 7:15; Rev 8:12; Rev 12:10; Rev 14:11; Rev 20:10 = **11 VERSES in the Re-Newed Covenant (New Testament).**

For the sake of the [remainder] of this study, we should NOTE that **we do NOT read about a thirteenth month in SCRIPTURE!** This alone should stir us to do proper research and deep study from Scripture pertaining to this matter, as **many ministries witness to a thirteenth month.** We should also earnestly **ask the question whether the ripening of the barley in Yerushalayim (Jerusalem) affects the start of the new Scriptural year.** There is **substantial evidence from Scripture** to indicate that a **Scriptural year has a fixed twelve (12) month cycle, determined by the sun (Soli), just as every week has a fixed seven (7) days cycle,** year-in and year-out. When we study Scripture to find answers for any matter, we should always take in consideration the **value of prophetic and symbolic significance relating to the character, attributes and “deity” of the Almighty. His Word reflects His character, attributes and “deity”!**

That being said, please join me to study what the **books of Hanok (Enoch) and Yobelim (Jubilees)** teach about the luminaries and how they operate, testing whether they CONFIRM what **Bereshith (Gen)** teaches. Let it be noted that these books, especially **Hanok deal extensively on how the luminaries function, giving us CLEAR UNDERSTANDING and enabling us to correctly apply the Calendar of Almighty Father** **אֱלֹהִים Yahuah (YHUH)!**

Fragments of the **book of Hanok (Enoch)** were found **together with fragments from 28 other First Covenant (Old Testament) books** in Cave 4, Qumran region, excavated in 1952. The manuscripts date from the early 2nd century BCE to the Herodian period, and at least **the Book of Astronomy (quoted in this study) PREDATES the Book of Dani’el.** The **book of Hanok was KNOWN BEFORE the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls,** and is also recorded in Egyptian manuscripts and manuscripts of five component parts of Hanok have also come to light in Aramaic. We find several references to **Hanok (Enoch) in books of Scripture,** including **Bereshith (Gen); Luqas (Luk); Ibrim (Heb) and Yahudah (Jude)** – See **Gen 5:18-24; Luk 3:37; Heb 11:5 and Jude 1:14-15.**

What do we LEARN about Hanok through Scripture?

Let it be noted that **Hanok was a Prophet (Jude 1:14),** who **walked UPRIGHTLY** before **אֱלֹהִים** and was described as **a man who pleased אֱלֹהִים (Gen 5:24 and Heb 11:5).**

Jude 1:14 teaches that **Hanok** was the **SEVENTH** from Adam.

Is this coincidence? I believe NOT. Nothing in Scripture is mentioned without cause or meaning. Let’s consider the **prophetic and symbolic significance of the number 7.** Seven (Hebrew letter **zayin**), meaning **Completion and Spiritual Perfection.**

Zayin is a **weapon** in Hebrew. The **Word of ELOhim is the perfect weapon** to **demolish demonic strongholds,** for “the weapons of our warfare are not carnal” (**2Cor 10:4**).

Seven is the Scriptural **number of completion and spiritual perfection.** As such, Psalm 7 speaks of the two floods by which the earth is cleansed and brought to the **perfect order** of the Kingdom.

Seven days completes a weekly (and thus) Sabbath cycle. In **Rev 10:7** the mystery of ELOhim is finished when the **seventh messenger** blows his trumpet. In **Rev 16:7** “Yes, **אֱלֹהִים Ēl Shaddai,** true and righteous are Your judgments” when the **seven messengers** pours out bowls of **ELOhim’s** wrath on the earth. It took **seven days** to consecrate Aaron and his sons to the priesthood (**Lev 8:31-35**) before emerging from the tabernacle on the eighth day. Joshua and the Israelite army had to march around Jericho seven days (**Josh 6:15**) before the city fell.

In the **book of Yashar (Jasher)**, meaning **book of the “UPRIGHT”**, we read much about **Hanok’s walk with אַיָּאֵל YHUH**.

Both the books Joshua (chapter 10 verse 13) and 2Samuel (chapter 1 verses 17-18) make mention of the book of Yashar.

Yashar 3:2 And the **being of Hanok** was bound up in the **INSTRUCTION of אַיָּאֵל**, in **KNOWLEDGE** and in **UNDERSTANDING**, and he **WISELY** retired from the sons of men, and hid himself from them for many days.

In **Yashar 3 verse 3**, we read that a **Messenger of אַיָּאֵל appeared to Hanok** with an instruction – appear to the sons of men, in order that you may **TEACH them the WAY** in which they should go and the work which they must accomplish to **ENTER in the WAYS of ELOhim**. In **verse 5** we read that Hanok **made KNOWN to men the INSTRUCTION of YHUH**. In **verse 7** we read that **Hanok RULED over the sons of men** according to the Word of **YHUH**. In **verse 8** we read that The **Ruach(Spirit) of ELOhim was UPON Hanok**, and he **taught all his men the WISDOM of ELOhim and His WAYS**. In **verse 10** we read that **Hanok was made SOVEREIGN over 130 sovereigns and princes to TEACH them the ways of YHUH**. In **verse 11** we read that **PEACE was UPON the EARTH** during the life of Hanok. In **verse 17** we read that **Hanok SEPARATED himself from the sons of man in order to serve YHUH**. In **verse 20** we read that **all the sons of men were greatly afraid of Hanok because of the REVERENT AWE that remained on his appearance**, therefore no man could look at him. In **verse 23** we read that a **Messenger of YHUH called Hanok to bring him up to the shamayim (heaven) to make him REIGN over the SONS of ELOhim**. In **verses 24-25** we read that **Hanok** then **ASSEMBLED ALL the INHABITANTS of the EARTH**, and he **TAUGHT them WISDOM and KNOWLEDGE**, and GAVE them **RIGHTEOUS INSTRUCTION** before He left them to go up to the shamayim. In **verse 26** we read that **Hanok** even **REPROVED the inhabitants of the earth**, and he placed before them **LAWS and RIGHT-RULINGS** to do on earth.

Needless to say after reading all the above that **Hanok was a MIGHTY man of אַיָּאֵל**, who was **CHOSEN and SET-APART to teach the inhabitants of the earth to follow in the ways of ELOhim**. He was a **RIGHTEOUS man who walked UPRIGHTLY before YHUH** (as already mentioned in the books of **Gen and Heb**). The **same man that אַיָּאֵל chose to TEACH us His Calendar, yet the majority of learned ones in Torah overlook His RIGHTEOUS TEACHINGS and INSTRUCTION.**

Please **READ and STUDY** my teaching below about the **Scriptural Calendar – aligned to this teaching about the Scriptural year.**

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WHEN is the YEAR COMPLETED and the New Year start?

In the above study from the book of **Hanok**, we **CLEARLY determined that the SUN (solar) and the stars bring in the years accurately – NOT the moon (lunar).**

Hanok 72:32 On that day the **NIGHT** decreases and amounts to nine parts, and the **DAY** to nine parts, and the **NIGHT is EQUAL to the DAY** and the **YEAR is EXACTLY** as to its days **three hundred and sixty-four (364).**

WHEN is the night equal to the day during the reckoning of the year?

There are two equinoxes every year – in [**March**] and [**September**] – when the **sun shines directly on the equator** and the **length of day and night is nearly equal**. On the equinox, night and day are nearly exactly the same length – 12 hours – **all over the world**. This is the reason it's called an "equinox", derived from Latin, meaning "**equal night**".

UT date and time of equinoxes and solstices on Earth								
event	equinox		solstice		equinox		solstice	
month	March		June		September		December	
year	day	time	day	time	day	time	day	time
2013	20	11:02	21	05:04	22	20:44	21	17:11
2014	20	16:57	21	10:51	23	02:29	21	23:03
2015	20	22:45	21	16:38	23	08:20	22	04:48
2016	20	04:30	20	22:34	22	14:21	21	10:44

From the table of the Equinoxes above, we see that the “march” equinox occurs on more or less the same day every year (20 March), confirming what the Books of Hanok and Yobelim teach – the **SUN is the LIGHT that determines the START of every new Scriptural year, and NOT the moon as we have been taught by man for centuries, even though there is a distinct connection between the sun and moon that we cannot ignore.**

The BOOK of YOBELIM (Jubilees)

[This Book **CONFIRMS** the “Genesis Creation account”, as well as what the Book of Hanok (Enoch) teaches pertaining to the Scriptural Calendar of ELOhim].

Background:

Between 1947 and 1956, approximately **15 Yobelim scrolls were found in five (5) caves at Qumran among what are known as the Dead Sea Scrolls, all written in Hebrew.** The Book of Jubilees is considered canonical by the Ethiopian Orthodox Church, as well as Jews in Ethiopia, where it is known as the Book of Division. A comparison of the Dead Sea Scrolls with the Ethiopic version found that the Ethiopic was in MOST respects an ACCURATE and REALISTIC translation.

Chapter 2

8 And on the fourth day He **created the SUN and the moon and the stars**, and placed them in the expanse of the shamayim (heaven), to give LIGHT upon all the earth, and to rule over the **DAY** and the **night**, and divide the light from the darkness.

9 And Elohim **APPOINTED the SUN to be a GREAT SIGN** on the earth for **DAYS** and for **Shabbathoth** and for **MONTHS** and for **FESTIVALS** and for **YEARS** and for Shabbathoth of years and for Yobelim and for **ALL SEASONS of the years.**

10 And it divides the LIGHT from the darkness for GOOD, that all matters may thrive sprout and grow on the earth.

IMPORTANT to NOTE:

- **ELOhim created the SUN first**, BEFORE the moon and stars were created. It confirms the **Bereshith** account of creation (**Gen 1:16-18**)
- The **SUN is the great sign for DAYS, SABBATHS, MONTHS, FESTIVALS and YEARS**, and for **ALL SEASONS** of the years. This confirms the **Gen** account of creation, mentioning the **SUN as the GREATER LIGHT** (**Gen 1:16**), as well as what the book of **Hanok (Enoch)** teaches about ASTRONOMY (**Hanok 72:2-37**)

- In the Creation account of **Yobelim** (just as Bereshith) **DAY is mentioned FIRST** and then night (NOT night first and then day), CONFIRMING what the book of Hanok teaches (**Hanok 75:3**) – **DAY comes BEFORE night**.

BOTH the Books of Hanok and Yobelim CONFIRM that the SUN brings-in the years and is the SIGN given to mankind to determine the years, months and days, and for all seasons of the year, but also NOT ignoring and thus understanding the distinct connection between the sun (solar) cycles and the moon (lunar) cycles.

ELohim's Word affirms His Deity and His Character – thus, we should always TEST whether something aligns to **WHO He is and WHAT He teaches** through Scripture. Let's look at the **prophetic and symbolic significance** of the **numbers 12 and 13** from Scripture to CONFIRM whether the **doctrine of the lunar year** (where they add a thirteenth month to Scripture every approximately third year to ALIGN the luminaries) confirms the deity, character and attributes of The Almighty!

Twelve (12) (yod-bet)

Governmental Perfection/Authority (The Luminaries reflect the Governmental Perfection and Authority of the Almighty over His [own] creation) . . .

To write twelve in Hebrew, we write **yod-bet**.

These signify the hand (outworking) of the household in harmony, **under divine authority**.

Twelve is the number of **governmental perfection** and **divine authority**. It follows 11, which is the disorder preceding this perfection.

- There were **12 sons of Ya'aqob** in the First Covenant
- Messiah chose **12 Taught Ones (Disciples)** in the Re-newed Covenant
- There are **12 Tribes of Yisra'el**
- Solomon had **12 governors**, or deputies, ruling with responsibility in his household (**1 Kin 4:7**).
- We also read about the significance of the number **twelve (12)** in **YAHUAH's set-apart Dwelling Place . . . Num 7:84** This was the **dedication of the altar** from the leaders of Yisra'el, when it was anointed: **twelve** silver dishes, **twelve** silver bowls, **twelve** gold ladles. **Num 7:87** All the **cattle for the burnt offering** were **twelve** young bulls, the rams **twelve**, the male lambs a year old **twelve**, with their grain offering, and the male goats as a sin offering **twelve**.
- We read about the significance of the number 12 in the Tent of Meeting as well . . . **Num 17:2, 4** "Speak to the children of Yisra'el, and take from them a rod from each father's house, all their leaders according to their fathers' houses, **twelve** rods. Write each one's name on his rod". You shall then **place them in the Tent of Meeting** before the Witness, where I meet with you.
- Again we see the significance of 12 in Scripture when **YAHUAH** commanded the **children of Yisra'el to take vengeance on the Midyanites**. **Num 31:4-5** "Send a thousand from each tribe of all the tribes of Yisra'el for the campaign." So there were supplied from the tribes of Yisra'el one thousand from each tribe, **twelve** thousand armed ones for the campaign.
- 12 men were chosen to **spy-out the Promised Land . . . Deu 1:23** "And the matter was good in my eyes, so I took **twelve** of your men, **one man from each tribe**".
- We read about the significance of the **12 stones** in the book of (**Joshua**) . . . **Jos 4:7-8a** "Then you shall answer them that the waters of the Yarden were cut off before the ark of the covenant of **YAHUAH**. When it passed over the Yarden, the waters of the Yarden were cut off. And **these stones shall be for a remembrance to the children of Yisra'el forever**." And the children of Yisra'el did so, as Yahusha commanded, and took up **twelve stones** from the midst of the Yarden.
- We read about the end of the **12 months** (signifying one period of a year) in the prophetic book of **Dani'el**, chapter 4 verse 29!
- In Eze 43, we read about the **measurements of the altar** in cubits! **Eze 43:16** "And the altar hearth is **twelve cubits long**, and **twelve wide**, square at its four corners".

- In Jer 52, we read about the significance of the number 12 in the **columns that were in the house of YAHUAH** . . . **Jer 52:20** The two columns, one Sea, the **twelve bronze bulls** which were under it, and the stands, which Sovereign Shelomoh had made for the House of YAHUAH. **Jer 52:21** As for the columns, the height of one column was eighteen cubits, and its circumference was **twelve cubits** . . .
- In Est 2, we read about the significance of the number 12 in **preparation of women** . . . **Est 2:12** Now when the turn of each young woman came to go in to Sovereign Ahashwērosh after she had **completed twelve months** according to the **regulations** for the women – for the **days of their preparation were completed** as follows: **six months** with oil of myrrh, and **six months** with perfumes and with the preparations of women.
- There are **12 foundations in the New Yerushalayim (Rev 21:14)**. It also has **12 gates** and **12 messengers** at the gates (**Rev 21:12**). There are **12 pearls** at the gates (**Rev 21:21**). The wall is 144 cubits high (**Rev 21:17**), which is **12 x 12**. All of this is to portray the **concept of divine government and order**.
- Though all priests and kings were anointed, the First Covenant **specifically records 12 anointed men**. The first five are priests; the last seven are kings . . .
 1. Aharon (**Lev 8:12**)
 2. Nadab (**Lev 8:30; 10:1**)
 3. Abihu (**Lev 8:30; 10:1**)
 4. El'azar (**Lev 10:12**)
 5. Ithamar (**Lev 10:12**)
 6. Shemu'el (**1 Sam 10:1**); the sixth being **man's choice (1 Sam 8:18)**
 7. Dawid (**1 Sam 16:13**); the **seventh** being **YHUH's choice (1 Sam 13:14)**
 8. Abshalom (**2 Sam 19:10**)
 9. Shelomoh (**1 Kin 1:39**)
 10. Yehu (**2 Kin 9:6**)
 11. Yoash (**2 Kin 11:12**)
 12. Yehoahaz (**2 Kin 23:30**)
- **Yahusha** Mashiach spoke of **12 thrones** on which the **12 emissaries** would sit to judge the **12 tribes** of Yisrael (**Mat 19:28**).
- **Yahusha** said that there were **12 hours** in the day (**Joh 11:9**)!
- **Yahusha** referred to the **twelve legions** of Messengers in **Mat 26:53**!
- In **Mat 19:28**, we read what **Yahusha** said to the ones following Him in the REBIRTH – they shall sit on **12 thrones**, judging the **12 tribes** of Yisra'el!
- The **twelfth** time **Yahusha** is mentioned is in **Mat 4:10**, where He establishes the truth of divine government: **Mat 4:10** Then **Yahusha** said to him, “Go, Satan! For it has been written, ‘You shall worship **אֱלֹהֶיךָ** your **ELohim**, and Him alone you shall serve.’”

What is the significance of the **number Thirteen** (yud-gimel)?

Rebellion, Depravity

To write thirteen in Hebrew, we write **yod-gimel**.

These signify the hand (outworking) of **pride (lifting up in pride or rebuking the proud)**.

It can also mean lifting up a reward (in context of how the letter is used)!

The **number thirteen** speaks of **rebellion, pride and depravity**.

The **first occurrence** of the number 13 in Scripture is found in **Gen 14:4**, where it signifies a **time of rebellion** . . .

Gen 14:4 Twelve years they served Kedorla'omer, and in the **thirteenth year they rebelled**.

Est 3:13 And the letters were sent by the runners into all the sovereign's provinces, to cut off, **to slay, and to destroy all the Yehudim, both young and old, little children and women**, in one day, on the **thirteenth day** of the twelfth month, which is the month of Adar, and to plunder their possessions.

Jer 25:3 “**From the thirteenth year** of Yoshiyahu son of Amon, sovereign of Yehudah, even to this day, this is the twenty-third year in which the word of **אֱלֹהֶיךָ** has come to me. And I have spoken to you, rising early and speaking, but **you have not listened (Rebellion)**”.

In love and with humility – after studying and testing all the evidence from Scripture in this study and allowing the Qodesh Ruach (Set-apart Spirit) of **אֱלֹהִים** Yahuah (YHUH) to guide us, can we honestly say [without doubt] that a Scriptural day start in the evening? Can we [truly believe] that adding a 13th month to a Scriptural year is Scriptural? In suggesting this might imply that the luminaries **ELohim** created are in rebellion to Him (if we consider the prophetic significance of the number 13)! Please also read and study the PDF files below regarding whether the ripening of the barley should affect the beginning of the New Scriptural year, as well as whether the sighting of the new moon is necessary to announce the beginning of a new Scriptural month.

Read and study about the Sabbath day and when it starts, including many other studies pertaining to the Scriptural Calendar vs. the Pagan Calendar.

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Num 6:24 “אֵלֶיךָ berakah (bless) you and guard you;

Num 6:25 אֵלֶיךָ make His face shine upon you, and show favour to you;

Num 6:26 אֵלֶיךָ lift up His face upon you, and give you peace.” ’

Num 6:27 “Thus they shall put My Name on the children of Yisra’el, and I Myself shall barak (bless) them.”

All Praise and esteem to the Name
ABOVE all other!!!

אֵלֶיךָ

Hay Uau Hay Yod
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Hazon (Rev) 15:4 “Who shall not fear You, O אֵלֶיךָ and esteem Your Name? Because You alone are kind. Because all nations shall come and worship before You, for Your righteousnesses have been made manifest.”



Jer 15:16 Your words were found, and I ate them, and Your word was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart. For Your Name is called on me, O אֵלֶיךָ Elohim of hosts.

Set-Apart to my FIRST Love
YaHUah & YaHUSHa
אֵלֶיךָ O W Y אֵלֶיךָ

Deb 14:2 for you are a set-apart people to אֵלֶיךָ your Eloah, and אֵלֶיךָ has chosen you to be a people for Himself, a treasured possession above all the peoples who are on the face of the earth.

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