

Does the
Moon have
any Part in
defining the
Biblical
Month?



Just for clarification: In my presentations I am using YHVH (Yahweh) instead of LORD, which is a title and not a name and I am using Y'shua instead of Jesus, which is not a translation but a transliteration and really has no meaning, either in Hebrew nor in English! YHVH (Yahweh) and Y'shua are the actual original names and the true nature and character of them.

Introduction: True or False?

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Truth does not fight to have a place in the heart of man. It simply presents itself - take it or leave it.

On the other hand, error - especially pagan errors that specifically counter Yahweh's truths, resist at all costs of being replaced by truth.

What is the truth about the moon?

Is it really in charge of determining when Yahweh's Biblical month begins?



This is a short version of a much longer presentation proving that the moon has absolutely nothing to do with the start of a biblical month.

If all this is new to you, please ask for the mountain of information supporting this study.



Phases of the Moon

**So, when
does the
Biblical
month
begin?**

It depends on who you ask!



Some claim that The biblical month Starts:

At the first sliver of the moon! Some at the full moon, some at the combination of the first sliver of the moon and the ripening of the barley, others claim it starts at the spring equinox. **Would you be surprised that the moon has absolutely nothing to do with the start of the biblical month?**



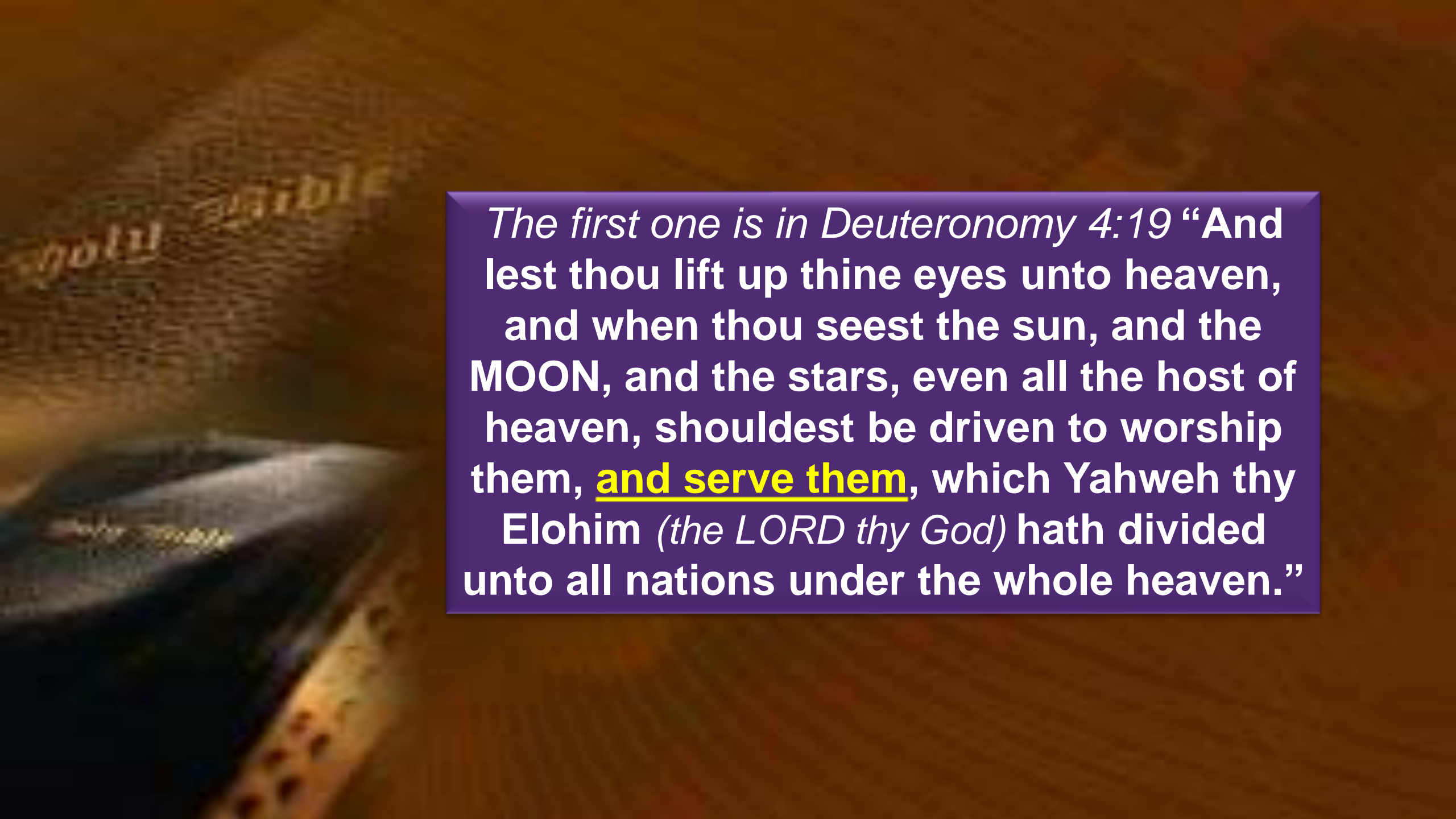
If you are following the lunar cycles to mark appointed times of worship, perhaps this study will challenge your beliefs to see **if they really are based in the Torah**. Blessings as you study and contemplate.

Here is something that concerned me personally.

I have been reading several warnings in the Bible saying "NOT TO WORSHIP THE MOON."

There are two commands in the Torah stating that:



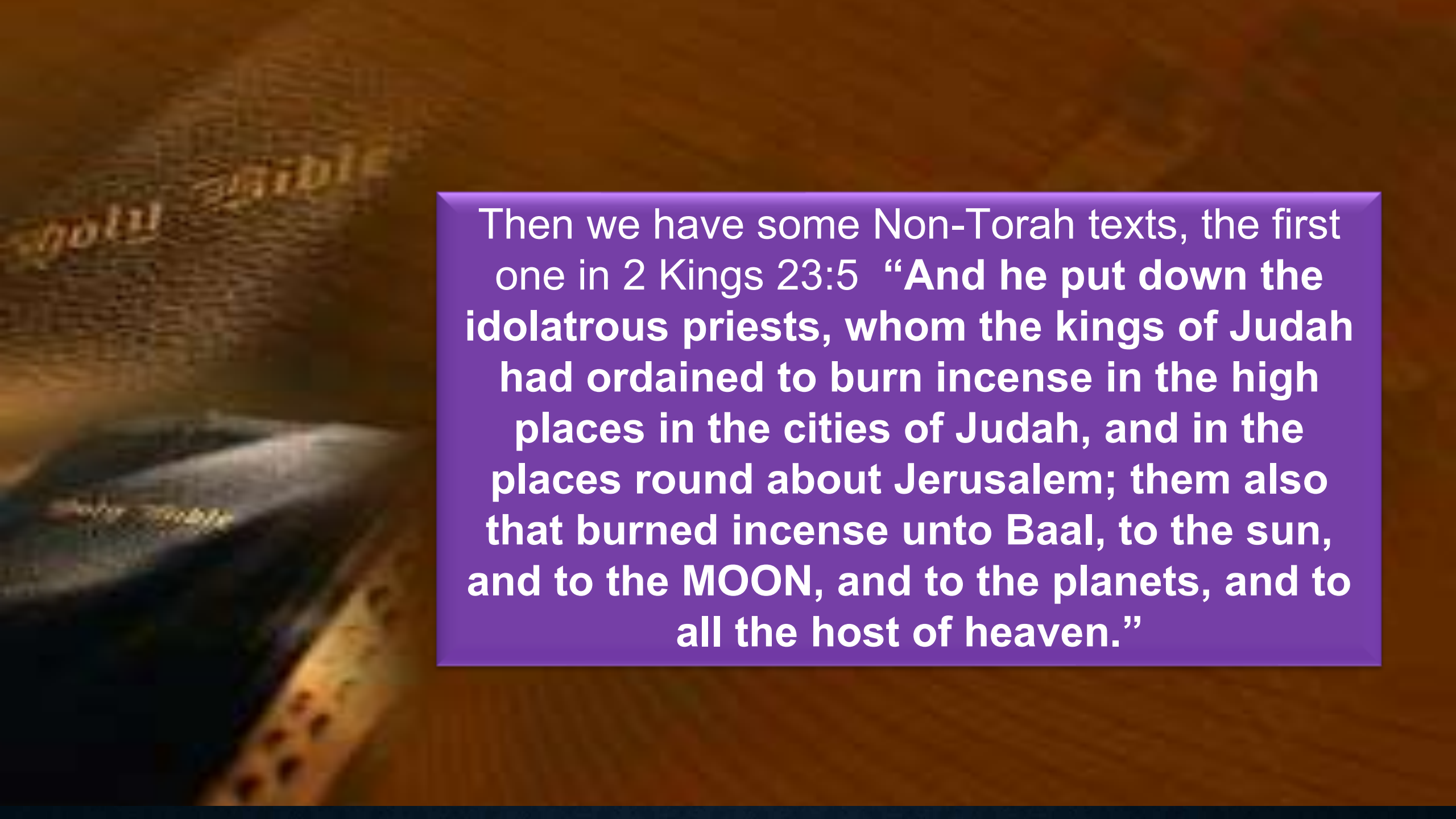


The first one is in Deuteronomy 4:19 “**And lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the MOON, and the stars, even all the host of heaven, shouldest be driven to worship them, and serve them, which Yahweh thy Elohim (*the LORD thy God*) hath divided unto all nations under the whole heaven.”**”

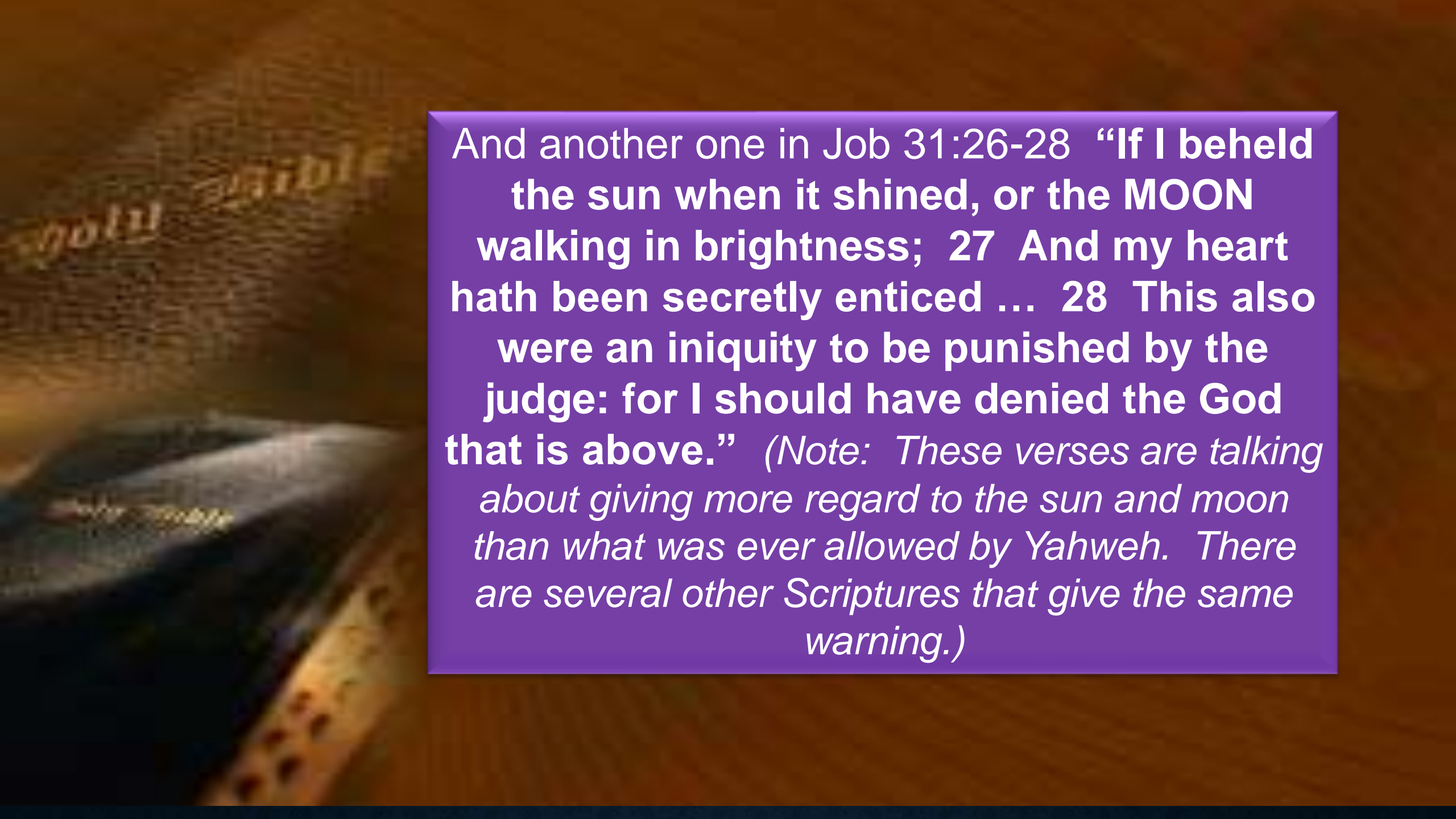


The second text is in Deuteronomy 17:3

“And hath gone **and served other gods**, and worshipped them, either the sun, or MOON, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded.”



Then we have some Non-Torah texts, the first one in 2 Kings 23:5 **“And he put down the idolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense in the high places in the cities of Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem; them also that burned incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the MOON, and to the planets, and to all the host of heaven.”**



And another one in Job 31:26-28 **“If I beheld the sun when it shined, or the MOON walking in brightness; 27 And my heart hath been secretly enticed ... 28 This also were an iniquity to be punished by the judge: for I should have denied the God that is above.”** *(Note: These verses are talking about giving more regard to the sun and moon than what was ever allowed by Yahweh. There are several other Scriptures that give the same warning.)*

Jeremiah's Wisdom in Chapter 8:1 & 2

At that time," declares " **יהוה**, (YHVH) they shall bring the bones of the sovereigns of Yehudāh (Judah), and the bones of its heads, and the bones of the priests, and the bones of the prophets, and the bones of the inhabitants of Yerushalayim, out of their graves, 2 and shall spread them **before the sun and the moon and all the host of the heavens**, which they have loved and which they have served and **after which they have walked**, which they have sought, and to which they have bowed themselves. They shall not be gathered nor buried, they shall be for dung on the face of the earth." *The*



Yahweh tells us unequivocally that the moon is **NOT** TO BE FOLLOWED! He destroyed **Jericho** and placed a curse on the one who rebuilds it. The Hebrew language reveals a deeper understanding that the curse is placed upon the one who **REBUILDS THE WORSHIP PRACTICES OF THE MOON!** That is why the moon of Revelation 12 is placed **UNDER** the feet of the Bride! What does mean?



Jericho, the city of the Moon!

Here is Revelation 12:1 “And a great sign was seen in the heaven: a woman clad with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.”

The Bride is illuminated by the LIGHT of the sun! The LIGHT of the sun provides the glory. The moon has been trampled under foot and is no longer of value because the Bride of Yahshua has RISEN ABOVE AND TRAMPLED THE FALSE DECEPTION OF THE MOON DETERMINED FEASTS AND FESTIVALS, - BELOW HER FEET.



Why is the moon, which has been deemed by man the identity for determining time, located under the feet of the woman of Revelation 12?



For the answer of what that means, we need to look at some Bible verses:

Genesis 24:2 **"And Abraham said to the oldest servant of his house, who ruled over all that he had, "Please, put your hand under my thigh."** *The Scriptures*

Or Genesis 47:29 **“And the time for Yisra’ēl (*Israel*) to die drew near, and he called his son Yosēph (*Joseph*) and said to him, “Now if I have found favour in your eyes, please put your hand under my thigh, and show kindness and truth to me. Please do not bury me in Mitzrayim (*Egypt*).” *The Scriptures***



These “under” positions are not of power and strength. They are but positions of submission to superior authority.

Some more Scriptures about being under the feet:



2Kings 9:33 "And he said, 'Throw her down.' And they threw her down, and some of her blood spattered on the wall and on the horses, and he trampled her under foot." *The Scriptures*

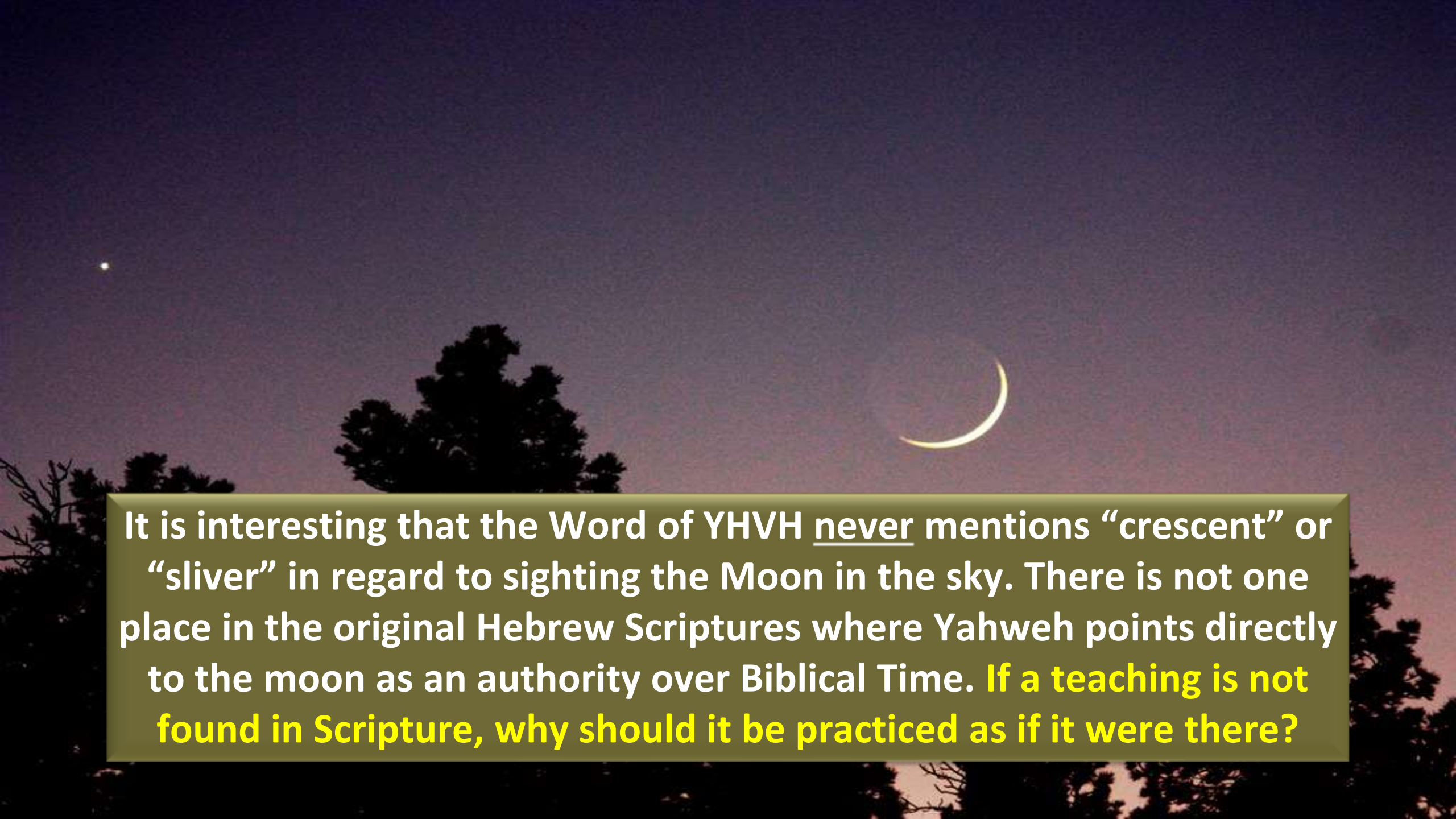
Lamentation 1:15 "YHVH (*The Lord*) hath trodden under foot all my mighty men in the midst of me: he hath called an assembly against me to crush my young men: the Lord hath trodden the virgin, the daughter of Judah, as in a winepress." KJV

Mathew 5:13 "Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men." KJV

These are some very clear indications of the authority of being - under the feet. Under the feet is **NOT** a position of power and authority as man has taught pertaining to the moon being located under the feet of the bride of Y'shua in Revelation 12. Quite the contrary. **Being under the feet is a sign of non volunteered relinquishment of power and authority.**



Again, the moon in Revelation 12:1 has no authority whatsoever.

A photograph of a crescent moon in a twilight sky. The moon is a bright, thin arc in the upper right quadrant. The sky is a gradient of dark purple and blue. In the foreground, the dark silhouettes of trees are visible against the sky.

It is interesting that the Word of YHVH never mentions “crescent” or “sliver” in regard to sighting the Moon in the sky. There is not one place in the original Hebrew Scriptures where Yahweh points directly to the moon as an authority over Biblical Time. **If a teaching is not found in Scripture, why should it be practiced as if it were there?**

But there are “**crescent ornaments**” mentioned in the Bible, called saharonim that were and are still in common use on camels.





They are mentioned in Judges 8:21:
“Then Zebah and Tsalmunna said, ‘Rise yourself, and fall on us. For as a man is, so is his might.’ So Gideon arose and slew Zebah and Tsalmunna, and took the crescent ornaments which were on their camels’ necks.” *The Scriptures*

The word Saharonim in Judges 8:21 and in Isaiah 3:18 describes the ornaments on the camels of foreigners, not Yahweh’s people.

One source claims that certain sects developed a procedure that involved the sighting by two witnesses, and this is believed to be correct by many today. This sect is called today
“Karaites”



**The source of this practice is from the Mishna,
NOT THE TORAH!**

THE KARAITE CONNECTION

Anan Ben Daud is widely believed to be the founder of the Karaite Sect. **In the mid-8th century CE under Islamic rule**, he started a movement which broke away from Rabbinical Judaism.

It was Anan's hope to become the head Rabbi, but he was passed-over by his younger brother who held more closely to the Torah and "oral law," the traditions of the fathers.

Still, Anan's followers installed him in the position of "exilarch."

The Caliph Al-Mansur viewed this argument as rebellion, and arrested Anan in 767, and set his execution date.

While in prison, Anan met an Islamic teacher who gave him advice that saved his life. Anan was to establish a new religious sect.

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The pre-Islamic moon deity called Allah is symbolized by a crescent moon and star. The origin comes from the Hindu culture and the worship on Shiva. The crescent moon was also venerated in the Egyptian culture with the moon below a solar disc. Because Christianity sprang from Alexandria Egypt, these objects in the sky were also adopted for veneration. *(Emphasis mine)*

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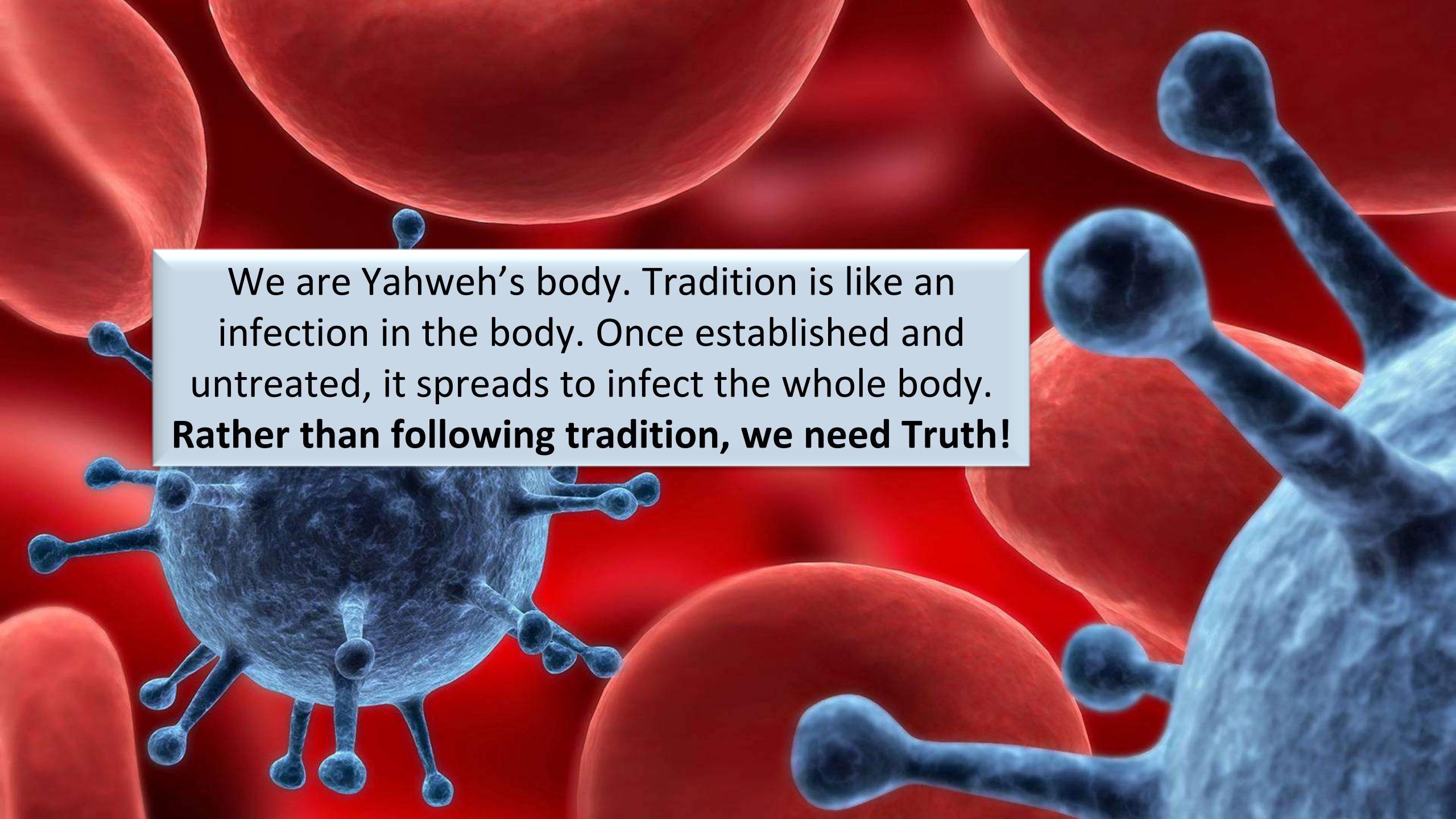


Islam's most prominent symbol is the crescent moon, Shiva's symbol.

The pre-Islamic Arabs worshipped 360 sky-deities, one of which was the “greatest” called “Allah.” Allah is represented by the crescent moon, and was the most favored of all deities by Muhammad’s clan. The 360 deities means the Kaaba was originally a Hindu shrine dedicated to the worship of the host of heaven.



YHVH is not represented by any kind of symbol, and certainly He is not using the objects seen in the sky to determine His appointed times!



We are Yahweh's body. Tradition is like an infection in the body. Once established and untreated, it spreads to infect the whole body. **Rather than following tradition, we need Truth!**

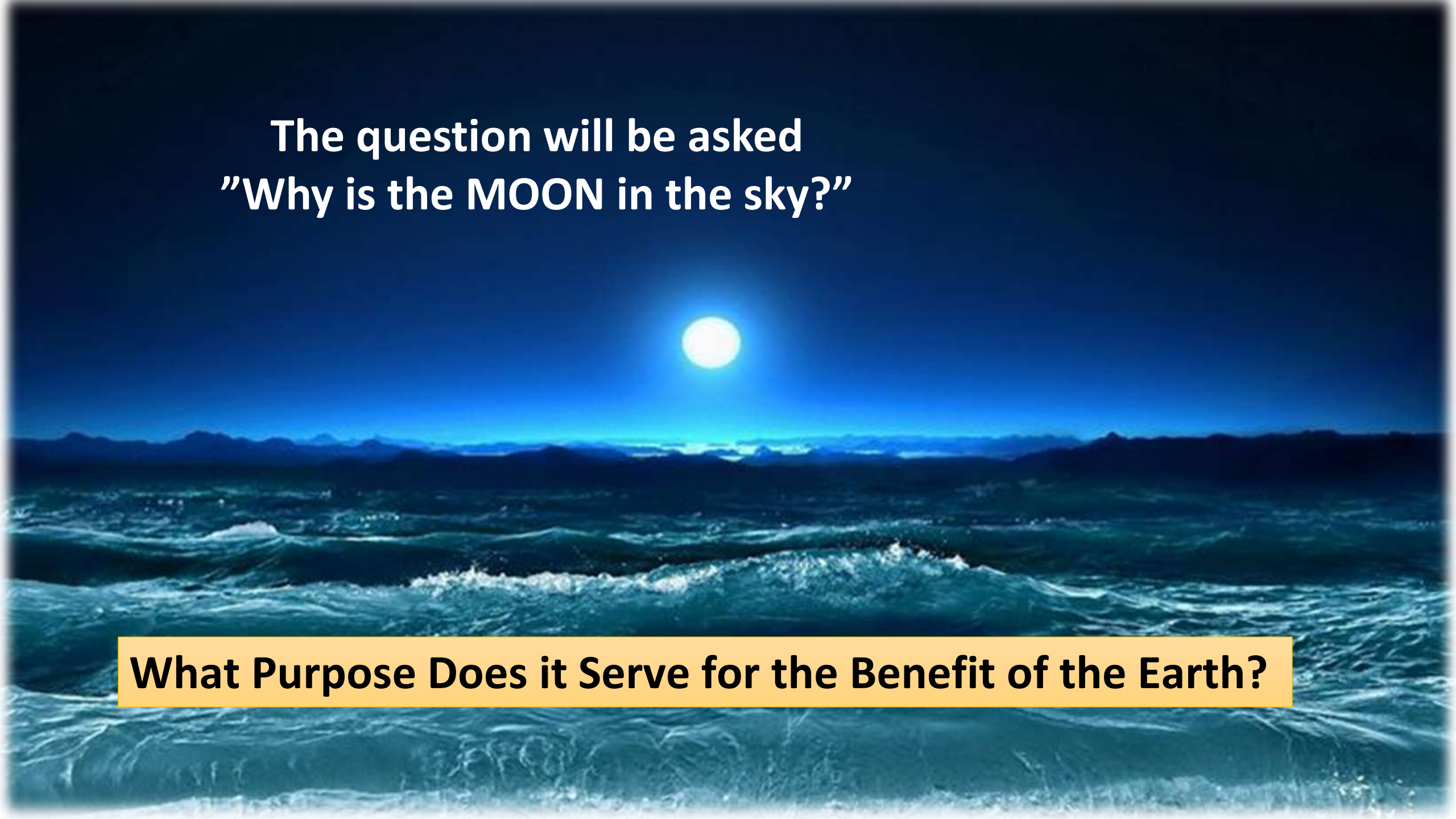
Again, if a person researches into THE HEBREW TEXT, the words – “new moon,” as found in our present received text Scriptures, CANNOT BE FOUND. The words “new moon,” promoting allegiance given to the moon, simply do not exist in the original Hebrew script.

The words “NEW MOON” have been infused into our modern Scriptures. The Masoretic rabbis saturated their belief patterns into their version of the Scriptures of which is where we get our many editions of the Scriptures today.



The question will be asked
"Why is the MOON in the sky?"

What Purpose Does it Serve for the Benefit of the Earth?



What are the Job Descriptions of the Moon?

Has “mankind” added job descriptions to the moon outside of what the Creator has given?

Does the moon have a prominent position which it does not deserve when it comes to observance of holy feasts and festivals?

Does an “Ordinance” of the Moon determine the commencement of appointed Feasts & Festivals (mo`eds)?

Let's examine Ps 104:19.



Ps 104:19 “He appointed the moon for seasons [H4150]” ...

This is a verse that is often used to place the moon in a position to commence the months and related appointed worship times. Why? Let's examine the definition.

Let's look at Strong's H4150 as in Genesis 1:14

Seasons – Strong's H4150; **moed`**; ... properly, an **appointment**, i.e. a fixed time or season; specifically, a **festival**; conventionally a year; by implication, **an assembly** (as convened for a definite purpose); **technically the congregation**; by extension, **the place of meeting**; also a signal (as appointed beforehand).

- The terms **moed`**, **appointment, a festival; an assembly, technically the congregation; the place of meeting**, are rightly understood in the context of appointed festivals in Gen 1:14.
- **However, the moon does not appoint these festival seasons.**

The 2nd definition for H4150 as in Psalm 104:19

- **The 2nd definition for H4150 is a fixed time or season**; rightly understood in the context of the four seasons of the year. These seasons are fixed; they do not vary.
- One of the ordinances of the moon is to maintain these fixed seasons for agricultural purposes that happen to coincide with the harvests of the appointed festivals.
- When the moon is used to appoint the month commencement, the festivals are NEVER fixed, as they vary between 1-5 weeks dependent on the arrival of the crescent moon after the equinox.
- **Lets remember Ps 104:19 is not a Torah verse.** Yahweh appointed the moon for H4150 seasons from spring to winter. This is one ordinance of the moon.

H3394 Ordinances of the Moon

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Ps 104:19 He appointed the moon [H3394] for seasons [H4150] ...

This word "seasons" can mean festival appointments and agricultural seasons. However, as we are discovering, **the moon is not appointed to define the timing of the appointed festivals**, but it certainly does play a part in the agricultural seasons we enjoy on this earth.

The definition of "mo-ed` appointed seasons" is not given to the moon in the Torah.

However, remember: the "appointed seasons" do align with the agricultural harvests.

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Ordinances

Ordinances H2708 chuqqah (khook-kaw'); feminine of H2706, and meaning substantially the same: KJV - appointed, custom, manner, ordinance, site, statute. [These ordinances are feminine meaning they are given to the Bride.]

Ordinances H2706 choq (khook); from H2710; an enactment; hence, an appointment (of time, space, quantity, labor or usage): KJV - appointed, bound, commandment, convenient, custom, decree (-d), due, law, measure, necessary, ordinance (-nary), portion, set time, statute, task. [These masculine ordinances are managed by the Bridegroom to bless the earth and mankind.]

H2710 chaqaq (khaw-kak'); a primitive root; properly, to hack, i.e. engrave; ... by implication, to enact (laws being cut in stone or metal tablets in primitive times) or (gen.) prescribe: -appoint, decree, governor, grave, lawgiver, note, pourtray, print, set. [The primitive root ensures the Creator's ordinances of the moon are unchangeable.]

Ordinances of the Moon [H3394]

To Bless the Earth

i. The Moon Stabilizes the Tidal Activity and Sustains Life in the Ocean:

The gravitational pull causes the tidal flow in the ocean waters establishing a fresh supply of oxygen to the ocean plants and animals.

ii. The Moon Stabilizes the Earth's Seasons:

For the advancement of life to plants, animals and mankind, regular stable seasons are absolutely necessary.

Ordinances of the Moon [H3394]

To Bless Mankind

1. **The Moon is for Agricultural Seasons:** This gives mankind yearly harvests at the agricultural appointed time.
2. **The Moon is given for Prophetic Utterances:** Eclipses, for instance, are like mileposts in human history, marking off certain dates. We can study events in ancient history because the eclipses have been recorded. The moon is involved in signs for great miracles and prophecy.
3. **The Moon is given for Warnings Against “moon” worship:**
See Deut 4:19; 17:3; 2 Kings 23:5; Jer 8:2.
4. **The Moon is given as a Reminder of Creation and our Creator:**
See Ps 8:3; Ps 136:9; Ps 148:3.

Yahweh's People & Pagan Worship

Upon return to Jerusalem (536 BC), Judah was to leave the pagan ways behind.

Did they?

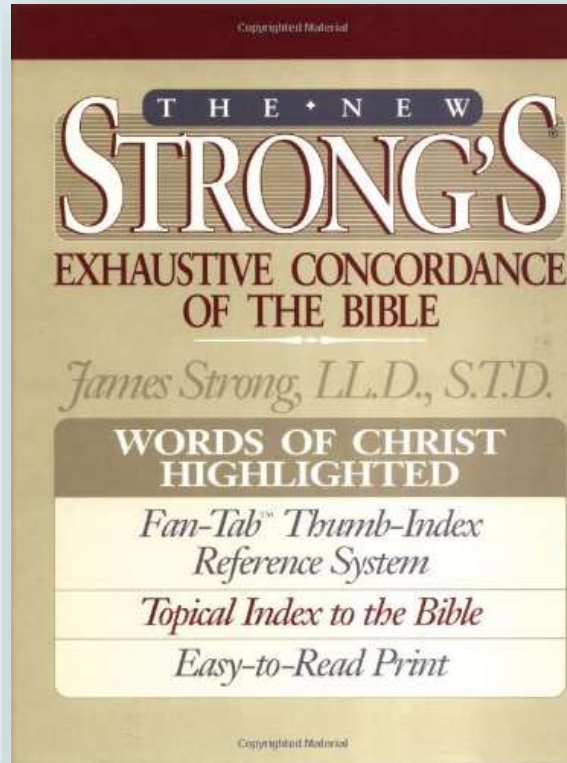
The "so called Jews" of today (Orthodox/Messianic, etc.) **are still gazing at the moon** just as Babylon, Egypt and other pagan nations have been practicing for eons of time.

Rabbi's attempting to sight the moon through an astronomical telescope.

Main Point of This Study

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- Pagan **moon worship crept in early** amongst Yahweh's people.
- Yahweh gave them a sign. **Would they recognize the sign** was for them?
- Question: **Will we follow** their apostasy, or will we heed the Torah worship guidelines?
- Challenge: If you are following the lunar cycles to mark "any type of worship" perhaps this study will test your belief system.



Getting Started with Simple Bible Tools

The **Strong's Concordance** searches by Hebrew “words.”

The **Englishman's Concordance** searches by Hebrew “number.”

There are five different Hebrew words with a total of 52 references that have been translated as moon or moons as we can see on this chart:

1. H3394 = 26 listings <yareach>

It means the actual “**literal moon**” itself. – THIS IS A NOUN

2. H3391 = 2 listings <yerach> This is the root of H3394

It means the “**cycle**” of the moon or a “**month on the calendar.**”

THIS IS A VERB

3. H3842 = 3 listings <lebanah>

This means the “**color**” of the moon. - THIS IS AN ADJECTIVE

4. H7720 = 1 listing <saharon>

A “**simile comparison**” of “another object” to the moon.

THIS IS A COMPARISON – Round like the moon

5. H2320 = 20 listings <chodesh> THIS IS AN ACTION WORD

A “**repetitive occurrence**” that can have similarities to the moon.

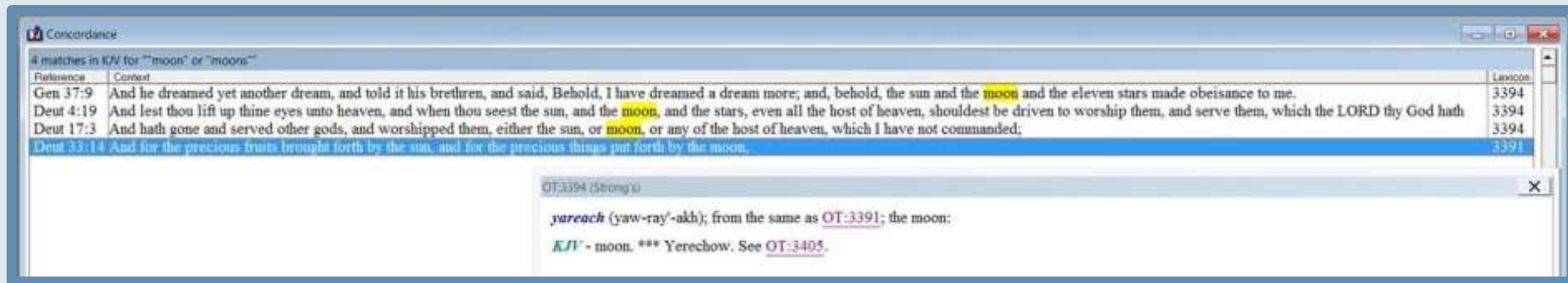
Total of 52 references.



In this presentation we will focus mainly on H2320 “chodesh” because it has been falsely translated as moon in 20 cases.

Torah Scriptures Using “moon/moons”

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There are **only** 4 Scriptures between the **Strong's** and **Englishman's** Concordances that use the word H3394 as the general **“moon”** or **“moons”** in the Torah.

We start out with H3394 “Yareach”

1. Gen 37:9
2. Deut. 4:19
3. Deut 17:3
4. Deut 33:14

Does the first use of the word “moon H3394” in the Torah have anything to do with the commencement of the month?

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Torah Scriptures

1. **Gen 37:9** And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and the **MOON** [H3394] and the eleven stars made obeisance to me.

Definition of Usage

- H3394; This means the literal moon.
- The first usage of the word “moon” in Torah has to do with a prophetic utterance (from Joseph).



This has nothing to do with the Biblical month.

2nd & 3rd Usage of “Moon H3394” in the Torah

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Torah Scriptures

2. **Deut 4:19** And lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the **MOON**, [H3394] and the stars, even all the host of heaven, **shouldest be driven to worship them, and serve them**, which the LORD thy God hath divided unto all nations under the whole heaven.

3. **Deut 17:2-3** If there be found among you ... that hath wrought wickedness in the sight of the LORD thy God, **in transgressing his covenant**, 3 And hath gone and served other gods, and worshipped them, **either the sun, or MOON**, [H3394] or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded;

Consequence in verse 5: Then shalt thou bring forth that man or that woman, which have committed that wicked thing, ... and **shalt stone them with stones, till they die.**

Definition of Usage

- Two more usage of H3394; Literal moon.
- The 2nd and 3rd usages of the word “moon” in Torah has to do with **TWO stern warnings to not worship the moon.** Transgression of this covenant was death by stoning.



This has nothing to do with the Biblical month.

Here is the 4th Usage of “Moon” in the Torah

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Torah Scriptures

4. **Deuteronomy 33:14** And for **the precious fruits** brought forth by the sun, and **for the precious things put forth by the MOON** [H3391].



Definition of Usage

- H3391; of **uncertain** **signification**.
- The 4th usage of the word “moon” in Torah has to do with the **harvest brought forth by the moon through the agricultural seasons**.

This has nothing to do with the Biblical month.

There are No Torah Commands!

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There are **no**
Torah **Commands**
that instruct
us **to follow any**
phase of the moon
to determine the
beginning of
any month.



*So, where did this
idea come from?
Man-made!*

Then there are two Non-Torah Usage of “moon H3394”

Definition of Usage

Josh 10:12 & 13 have the 1st and 2nd usage of “moon” after Torah.

So, where has the problem come from?

Moon is used as a sign in the sky.

Non-Torah Scripture

- **Joshua 10:12** Then spake Joshua to the LORD... and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still over Gibeon; and the MOON, [H3394] in the valley of Ajalon.
- **Joshua 10:13** And the sun stood still, and the MOON stayed, ... and hasted not to go down about a whole day.



Which Scripture Has Authority?

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Torah Scripture

Num 10:10 Also in the day of your gladness, and **in your solemn** [feast] **days**, and **in the beginnings of your months** [H2320], **ye shall blow with the trumpets** over your ... [offerings & sacrifices].

Non-Torah Scripture

Ps 81:3 **Blow up the trumpet** in the **new moon** [H2320], in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day. [1000 BC].

- The correct Hebrew word number **for the literal moon** is **H3394**, not **H2320**. How do we know?

The Torah said so, and as we will see when we look at H2320 “Chodesh” in this presentation!

The Hebrew word H3394 “Yareach” means the literal moon and is used 26 times in the Bible.



In each and every case “yareach” H3394 is correctly translated into the English word “moon” and never as “month” or a derivative of the word “month”. I gave some samples in the previous slides of Genesis 37:9 and Joshua 10:12 & 13

It is important to keep in mind that the Hebrew word for “moon” is “yareach,” It does NOT mean month! You can look up the other 24 verses in Scripture and you will find that all these were properly translated as “moon!”

Then we have H3391 <yerach> as MOON (ONLY 2 verses)

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THIS IS A AGRICULTURE REFERENCE TO MOON

12. **Deut 33:14** And for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the MOON H3391.

PROPHETIC REFERENCE TO MOON

13. **Isa 60:20** Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy MOON [lunation?] withdraw itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

- ❖ **Note:** Between these two verses only one is a Torah reference using “moon.” Question: **Is the context:**
- a) beginning of the month with a lunar cycle?
 - b) beginning of the month on the 1st day of 30 days?
 - c) or neither?

Isa 60:20 will be addressed later in detail.

H3391 Final Conclusion <yerach >

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The
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MOON
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- The very first **H3391** reference aligns with a **month** of 30 days (as do 11 of the 13 verses).
- For 3300 years the "moon month" had 30 days in its cycle, but not one moon/month reference gives instruction to commence Yahweh's feasts.
- Only 2 references use the word **MOON** instead of **MONTH** referring to the agricultural or prophetic aspect of the **MOON**.
- However, not one of the 13 **H3991** verses lends any support for the Biblical month to commence with any phase of the **MOON** in the sky.



Taking a Closer Look

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at #3 H3842 MOON <lebanah>

The color or whiteness
of the moon.

The moon as white!

References Found:

Strong's: 3

Englishman's: 3



Here are the 3 Scriptures of H3842

- **Song of Solomon 6:10** Who is she that looketh forth as the morning, fair as the [white] moon **H3842**, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners?
- **Isaiah 24:23** Then the [white] moon **H3842** shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when YHVH (*the LORD*) of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients gloriously.
- **Isaiah 30:26** Moreover the [white] light of the moon **H3842** shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven days, in the day that YHVH (*the LORD*) bindeth up the breach of his people, and healeth the stroke of their wound.

What is the Conclusion of H3842 <lebanah>

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The
H3842
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color
cannot
commence
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month.

In all three verses, "white or whiteness" - the "color" of the moon - is the context of the verses.

The definition for MOON in these three verses lends no support to the Biblical month being calculated to any phase of the MOON in the sky.



Taking a Closer Look

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At #4 **H7720** MOON <saharon>

A simile/comparison of something that is round like the moon.

References Found:

Strong's: 1

Englishman's: 3



Here are the four verses of H7720 <saharon>

1. **Judges 8:21** And Gideon arose, and slew Zebah and Zalmunna, and **took away the ornaments [H7720]** that were on their camels' necks.
2. **Judges 8:26** And the weight of the golden earrings ... beside **ornaments [H7720]**, and collars, and purple raiment ... and beside the chains that were about their camels' necks.

H7720 MOON <saharon>

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3. **Isa 3:18** In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of their **tinkling ornaments** [H5914] about their feet, and their cauls, and their round tires like the **MOON**.

❖ **Isa 3:18** (extra definitions) tinkling ornaments [H5914] - an anklet cauls H7636 - [round] netting for the hair round tires [H7720] - round neck pendant

How do these definitions link to the Hebrew definitions for **H7723** and **H7722**?

What is the Final Conclusion of H7720

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The
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month.

All definitions compare the “roundness” of ornaments to the “roundness” of the MOON.

These verses lend no support to the Biblical month being calculated to any phase of the MOON in the sky.

Now we take a look at the Hebrew word for "month", which is "Chodesh", #H2320 in Strong's!



If you had an **Englishman's Concordance**, and searched H2320 (chodesh) you would have 283 hits, 20 hits for moon and 263 hits in 225 verses for month, because sometimes "month" appears 2, 3, 4 or more times in one verse.

*In the ***Strong's Concordance**,* when you search For "moon" or "moons" you find 20 listings of H2320, which is **incorrectly** translated as either "moon" or "moons".

Chodesh could be translated as "new month", but should never be translated as "new moon".

Notice the definition in Strong's that is given for the word "chodesh":

"From 2318; the new moon; **by implication a month:** month (-ly), new moon". The primitive root is telling us that H2318 is 'something' that is renewing, rebuilding or repairing!

The Hebrew root word of "chodesh" (month) is "chadash" which is 2318 as noted above. "Chadash" is translated into English as "**to renew**", hence the term "new month".

So H2320 <chodesh> has a definition that may seem like the most confusing. However, it refers to a **“repetitive occurrence”** of some sort. (Eating, working, praying, etc., are all daily repetitive occurrences.)

The definition of the word “chodesh”, the English word “moon” has been mysteriously included. There is absolutely no evidence of any reference to the word “yareah” (moon) in the Hebrew word “chodesh” ([new] month or renewal).

The Hebrew word “chodesh” simply means “month” (2320) or “new month/renewal” (2318, 2320). As mentioned before, there are 20 instances in the Bible where the word “chodesh” has been erroneously translated into the English language as “new moon”!

Whenever the word "chodesh" is translated as "moon" (*instead of month*) it is a gross mistranslation? Satan has used this gross error to mislead Judaism and Christianity with regards to the Truth about Yahweh's calendar and the beginning of the month. Satan has led people to wrongly focus on the various phases of the moon to determine the months and His Feast days! Because of wrong preconceived ideas based on an allegiance to false religion, physical and spiritual Jews today have a calendar based on the wrong premise! As a result, people are keeping God's Feast days on the wrong days! By inserting the word "moon" in the translation of the word "chodesh", Satan has deviously focused the attention onto the moon to calculate the months! This has led to the calendar being built on a false premise!

Again, 20 of the 283 references in the Bible have been translated incorrectly with the word “moon(s)” instead of “month(s)” probably because of this **“repetitive occurrence”** definition.

I want to look at three random examples of the word “chodesh” (Strong’s 2320), as it is correctly used in Scripture and had been correctly translated in the remaining 263 references:

“And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month^{H2320}: in the tenth month, on the first day of the month^{H2320}, were the tops of the mountains seen” *Gen. 8:5 KJV.*

“In the fourteenth day of the first month^{H2320} at even is Yahweh’s passover.” *Leviticus 23:5 RSB*

“In the third month^{H2320}, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai.” *Ex. 19:1 RSB*



Taking a Closer Look at H2320

#5 H2320 <chodesh> does NOT refer to the moon!

H 2320 is something that refers to a **repetitive occurrence, but not to the moon.**



Seasons are Repetitive

Why is H2320
translated 263
times as
“month“ also in the
Englishman’s
Concordance?



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We need to find the answer to this question:

Strong's H2320 says this:

(FROM H2318); **the new moon ...**

- We must pose the question of why *Strong's* is inserting the words "**the new moon**" after the root word definition which says nothing about a "new moon."
- Why didn't *Strong's* use a different word number for the primitive root that would have definitely indicated "the new moon"?

Why didn't Strong's say the following?

❖ (FROM H3394); which means the "literal moon"?

Or: Why didn't Strong's say this?

❖ (FROM H3391); which he lists

(1st) as **lunation** (no Scripture support)

(2nd) as **month** (11 Scriptures)

(3rd) as **moon** (2 Scriptures)

-- even though he says the meaning of H3391 is of uncertain signification. Either choice of H3394 OR H3391 would have been closer to meaning the "new moon" than H2318 would have been!



SOME ANSWERS ARE:

- The primitive root of H2320 (chodesh) is not H3394 nor H3391. H3394 <yareach> and H3391 <yerach> are:
 - 1) family words
 - 2) close in "number sequence"
 - 3) <yareach> and <yerach> are close in "phonetics."
- H2320 <chodesh> and H2318 <chadash> are not family words with H3394/3391, nor close in number or phonetics.



Finishing the H2320 Definition

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We know “the new moon” doesn't belong in the H2320 definition, we can move to the last part of H2320s information which is:

H2320 CHODESH (kho'-desh); FROM H2318; [CHADASH (khaw-dash'); a primitive root; TO BE NEW; CAUSATIVELY, TO REBUILD: KJV - renew, repair.]; ~~the new moon~~; by implication, a month: month (-ly), **new moon.**

Question: IF the 1st “new moon” doesn't belong in the definition, what about the 2nd “new moon”?



Let's look at the Meaning of "Implication"

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- **by implication (means)** insinuation, inference, suggestion, association!
- These are very strong synonyms that do associate the term "month" as being renewed, rebuilt, restored - a repetitive occurrence.

There are:

- 9 Verses using **H2320** as new "moon" (singular)
- 11 Verses using **H2320** as new "moons" (plural)

Therefore, we need to be clear on the Hebrew definitions.

Understanding “Implication”

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The “month” is implied.

That means

H2320 is not referring to the rebuilding of

“the new moon,”

but is

implied as first in
rebuilding the month!

H2318 and “Implication”

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- ❖ H2320 comes from the root word H2318 which simply means to “renew.”
- ❖ This is exactly what every month does.
- ❖ There is nothing in H2318 that implies the definition refers only to the **new moon** or that it should have 1st place in the definition.

The idea that “month” has to mean “moon” because of the words “rebuild, renew and repair” is a traditional teaching that has been handed down to us from the “moon gazers.” **Who would adopt such a pagan teaching except the apostate Jewish Rabbi moon-gazers themselves?**

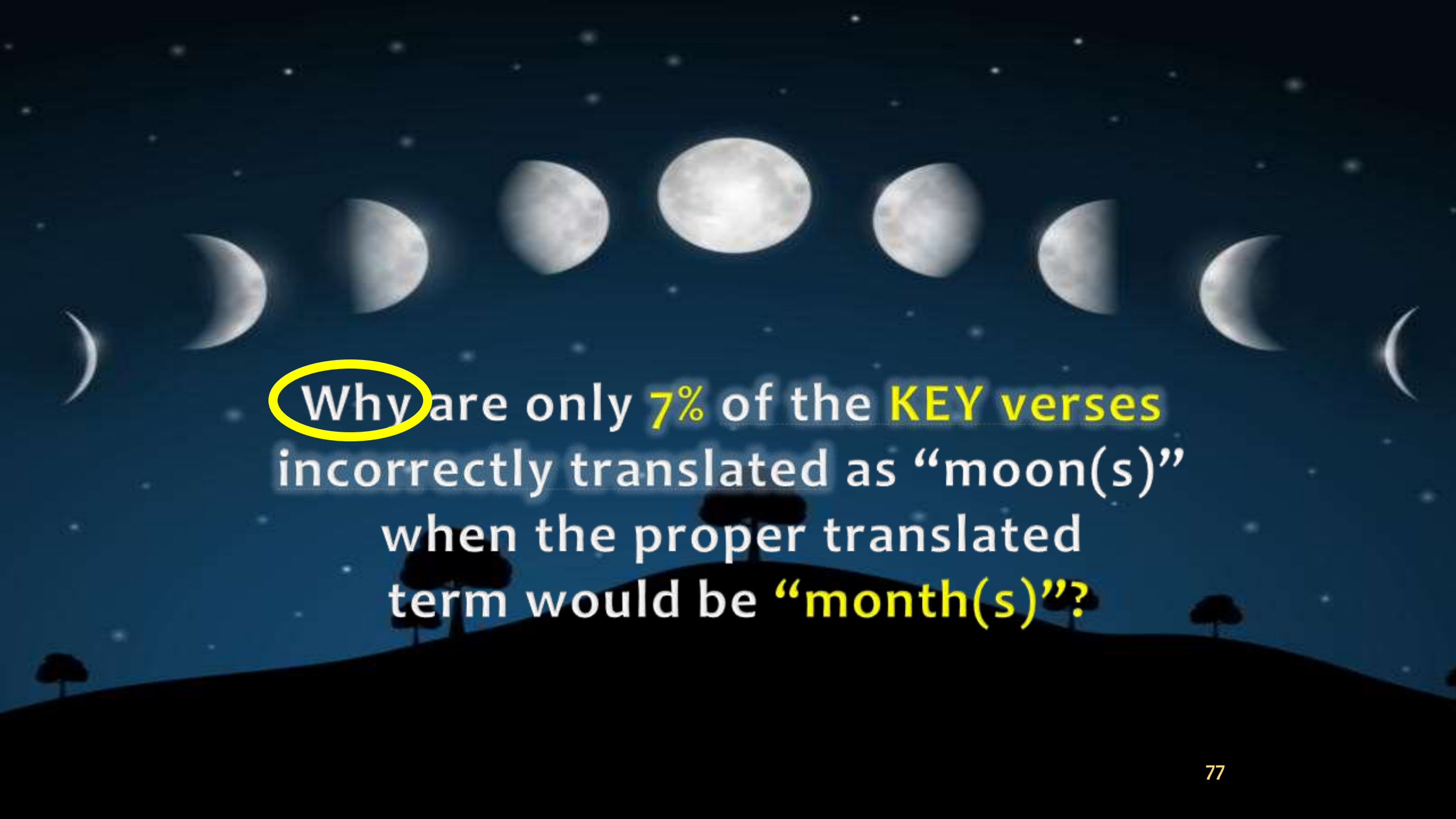
To Consider: There are some things that could have happened to cause such a problem in only 7% of the Scriptures.



There are two possibilities for how the term "new moon" was inserted into the text rather than "new month."



1. The translators **ignorantly** made a mistake by following the Jewish traditions.
2. The translators **deliberately** erred causing allegiance and sacred regard to be given to the moon for the month start.



Why are only **7%** of the **KEY verses** incorrectly translated as “moon(s)” when the proper translated term would be “**month(s)**”?

**The prophet Isaiah in
Chapter 47:13 talks
about the “monthly
Prognosticators.”**



Let's examine that term:

Isaiah 47:13 KJV

Thou [Babylon] art wearied in the
multitude of thy counsels.
Let now the astrologers,
the stargazers, the
monthly [H2320] prognosticators [H3045],
stand up, and save thee
from these things that shall come upon
thee.



Monthly here is correctly translated:

Isaiah 47:13 KJV

The meaning of:
monthly [H2320]
prognosticators [H3045]

Those that ascertain
by “seeing.” Or:
Every month the
astrologers are gazing
at the heavenly bodies.



Is the KJV
the best
translation?

Other Translations Of Isaiah 47:13

#1 English Standard Version

You [Babylon] are wearied with your many counsels; let them stand forth and save you, those who divide the heavens, who gaze at the stars, **who at the NEW MOONS make known what shall come upon you.**

#2 New American Standard

... Those who prophesy by the stars, **Those who predict by the NEW MOONS** ...

#3 International Standard Version

... those who conjure the heavens and gaze at the stars, **predicting at the NEW MOONS** ...

Continued Other Translations Of Isaiah 47:13

#4 Jubilee Bible 2000

... Let now those that contemplate the heavens, those that speculate regarding the stars, **those that teach the courses of the MOON ...**

#5 Darby Bible Translation

... Let now the interpreters of the heavens, the observers of the stars, **who predict according to the NEW MOONS ...**

Continued Other Translations of Isaiah 47:13

#6 New World Translation

... the lookers at the stars, **those giving out knowledge at the NEW MOONS** ...

#7 Revised Standard Version

... who gaze at the stars, **who at the NEW MOONS predict what shall befall you.**

#8 Common English Bible

... let the astrologers stand up and save you, those who gaze at the stars, **and predict what will happen to you at each NEW MOON.**

Continued Other Translations of Isaiah 47:13

#9 Lexham English Bible

You struggle with your many consultations; let them stand, now, and save you - those who see the stars, divide the celestial sphere, **who inform by NEW MOONS - from those things that are coming upon you.**

#10 New Century Version

... those who tell the future **by looking at the stars and the NEW MOONS.**

Isaiah 47:13



Let's check out what
other Bible
Commentators have
to say about these
monthly
prognosticators!



Isaiah 47:13 ~ Barnes' Notes

The thing referred to in the passage before us, and which **was practiced in Babylon**, was, probably, that of forecasting future events, or telling what would occur by the observation of the positions of the heavenly bodies.

[**The star-gazers**] Those who endeavor to tell what will occur by the contemplation of the relative positions of the stars.

[**The monthly prognosticators**] '**That give knowledge concerning the months.**' That is, at the commencement of the months they give knowledge of what events might be expected to occur during the month; **perhaps from the dip of the moon, or its riding high or low, etc.** ... **This whole passage would have been more literally and better translated by preserving the order of the Hebrew.**

'Let them stand up now and save thee, who are astrologers; who gaze upon the stars, **and who make known at the new moons what things will come upon thee.**'

Isa 47:13 ~ Jamieson, Fausset & Brown

Let ... the **monthly prognosticators** ... save thee from (these things) that shall come upon thee - those who at each new moon profess to tell thereby what is about to happen.

Maurer joins, not as the English version, 'Let them that give knowledge **concerning the months** (margin) save thee from those things that shall come upon thee; but, 'They that at new moons make known part of the things that shall come upon thee, let them (also) save thee (from them).' If they can foretell calamities, they ought also to be able to save from them; because both are the work of God.

Isa 47:13 ~ Keil & Delitzsch

... to look with pleasure or with interest at anything; hence Luther has rendered it correctly, die Sternkucker (Eng. ver. star-gazers).

They [Babylon's star-gazers] are described still further as those who make known with every new moon, ... things which, ... is used in a partitive sense: out of the great mass of events they select the most important, and prepare a calendar or almanac ... for the state every month.

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Summary for Isa 47:13

1. There are even many other Bible translations that translate Isa 47:13 according to the ways of Babylon – that of star-gazers and those that watch for every new moon – a monthly event.

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Summary for Isa 47:13

2. There are several other Bible **Commentaries** that also interpret **Isaiah 47:13** according to what was really happening in Babylon.

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Summary for Isa 47:13

3. Because the translators for the KJV used the term the **monthly prognosticators**, rather than **those who predict by the new moons**, did they actually remove important context from this verse?

Yes, the word **monthly** is H2320 meaning a “**repetitive occurrence.**” Yes, the “**new moon**” is also a “repetitive occurrence.”

Summary for Isa 47:13

4. This ONE verse wasn't tampered with at all! Here **H2320** could have been **incorrectly** translated as **“new moon”** (as the previous 11 verses were).

The verse would still have been in alignment with the pagan cultures and their worship practices! Yet, it was left untouched! Why?



**Conclusion for
Isa 47:13**

**A mis-translation of the verse
would still have been in alignment
with the pagan cultures and their
worship practices!** Yet, it was left
untouched!

Why?



Comparing Ps 81:3 to Num 10:10

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Scripture Facts

[1450 BC] **Num 10:10** ... **in your solemn** ^[feast] **days**, and **in the beginnings of your months** ^[H2320], **ye shall blow with the trumpets** ...

[1000 BC] **Ps 81:3** **Blow up the trumpet** in the **new moon** ^[H2320], in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day.

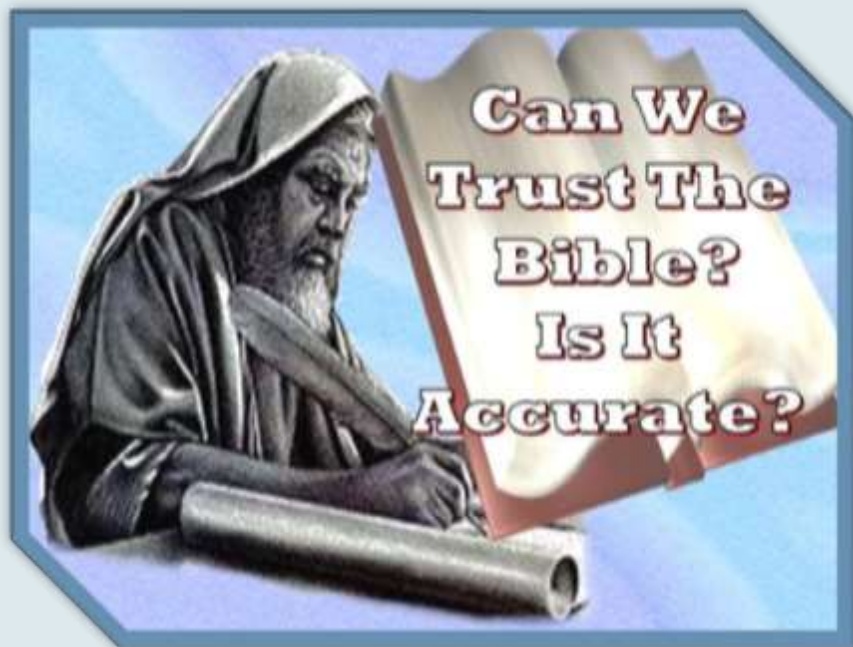
Comparison

- Numbers dates at least 450 years before Psalms.
- Numbers is Torah; Psalms is not.
- King David taught according to Torah.
- **Ps 81:3** must come into alignment with **Num 10:10**.
- **“moon”** in Ps 81 is **H2320**. This word should be translated as **“month.”**

Has there been a deliberate attempt by the 1611 translators to save the new moon?

1611 KJV Translators

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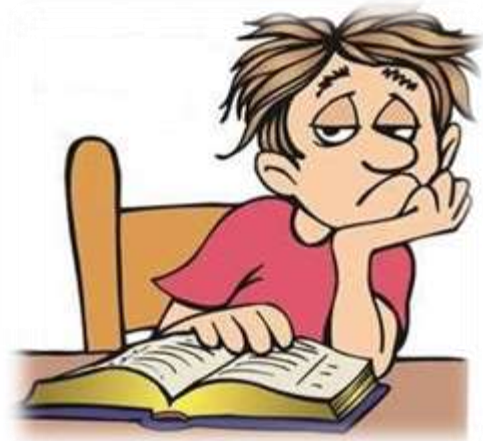


Isa 28:10

- ❑ 1611 KJV was completed less than 100 years after Luther.
- ❑ Translators did their best.
- ❑ Likely highly influenced by Jewish traditions – the new moon month being one.
- ❑ **The Bible will be accurate with a proper study.**

For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little.

So, What's the Point?



There are 20 key **"feast and festival" verses** in the Old Testament that have been manipulated and tampered with **to lead one to believe** the Feast Months really do begin with the "new moon."

We must recognize this glaring counterfeit.

There are NO New Moon for Yahweh's Months

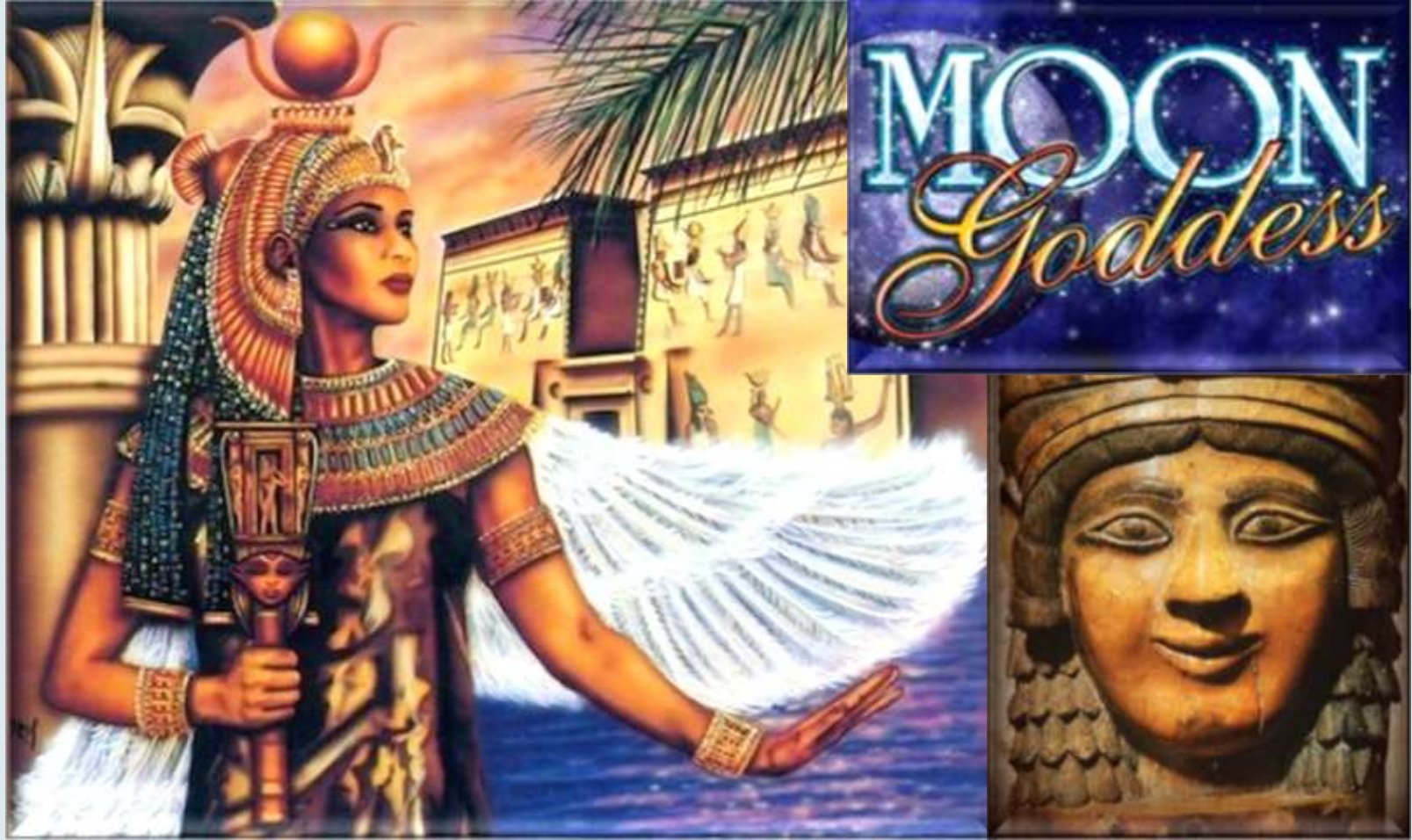
This error has been accepted as a truth likely because most people just examined 20 verses. Many are set in the context of Sabbaths, new moons, and Feasts and Festivals.

As mentioned before 20 verses represent only 7% of the 283 references that must be searched out.

Question:

If the translators would have translated H2320 as "new month" instead of "new moon" would that have made a difference in understanding the commencement of Yahweh's Biblical month today?

NO question!



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Egyptian & Babylon History of Moon Worship

The Roots of Moon Worship!

No wonder Yahweh said not to give sacred regard to the moon!

Egyptian Calendar History

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- In the 8th century many civilizations discarded the 360 day calendar, that was in use for 1000 years.
- The addition of 5 extra days to the calendar changed the month start.
- Priests were assigned the duty of sighting the new moon for month start, a practice also observed by Babylonians and the Hebrews.



Egyptian Day & Month Start

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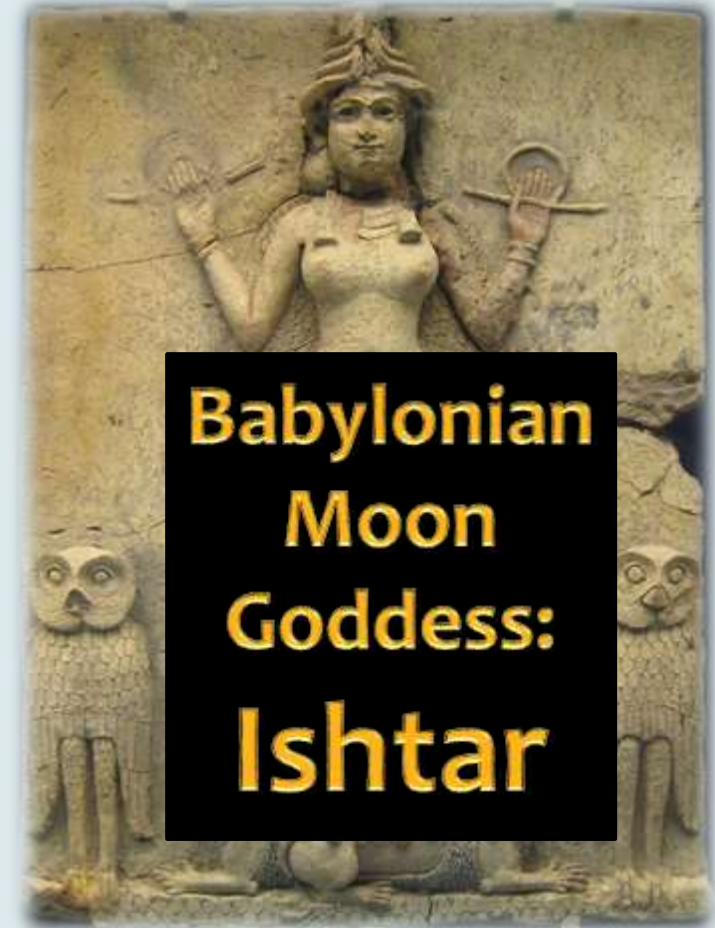
- Egyptians began their day with sunrise and the new month began with the disappearance of the old moon just before dawn.
- Their civil calendar was 360 days with an additional 5 days grouped together at the end of the year.
- **The lunar calendar followed the moon cycles to regulate religious affairs.**
- The lunar calendar also corresponded with the seasons.



Babylonian Calendar History

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- 5000 years ago, Sumerians had a calendar that divided the year into 30-day months. [360 day year]
- **The months began at the first visibility of the new moon.**
- In time, they found a calendar using the luni-solar cycle of over 19 years, with 7 intercalations [as the Jews do today].
- **The months were truly lunar.**
The “new moon day” began at sunset when the new moon was first visible.



**Babylonian
Moon
Goddess:
Ishtar**

7th Month

Jewish History of Moon Worship

Is this picture a familiar sighting?

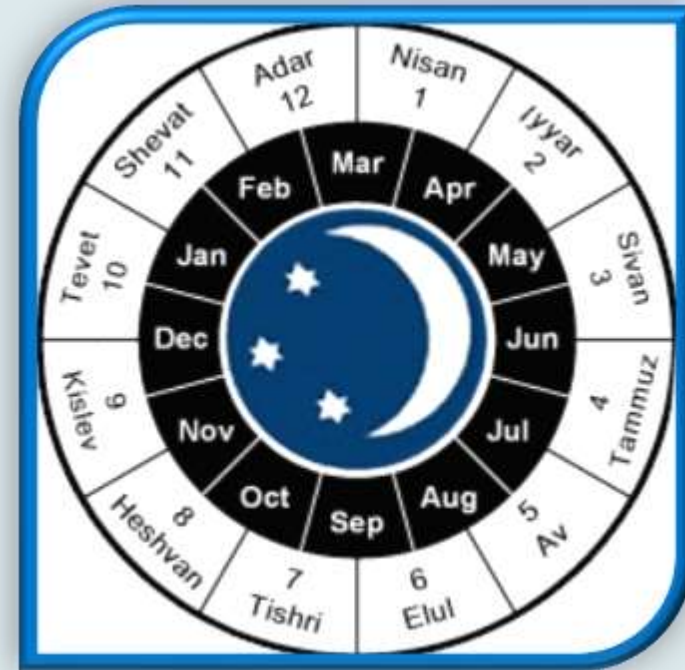
Many watch for the crescent moon to establish the 1st day of the 7th month as the Feast of Trumpets.



Jewish Calendar History

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- It is not known how the lunar year of 354 days was adjusted to the solar year of 365 days. Why?
- **The Scriptures do not mention a 13th month, nor intercalation – a system straight from Babylon.**
- From 587 BC to 70 AD the Jewish civil year was Babylonian except for a short time under Greece.
- **The commencement of the month was determined by the observation of the crescent new moon.**



Jewish Calendar is Luni-solar

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- By **200 AD** visual observation of the moon was supplanted by secret astronomical calculation.
- **8th Century AD: Karaites follow Muslim practice and return to the actual observation of the crescent moon, instead of some secret calculations.**
- **Much is also determined according to the Talmud.**
- **The Luni-solar calendar (and its Metonic cycle) forms the basis for the computation of the date of Easter each year.**



The Jewish Calendar is not Scriptural.



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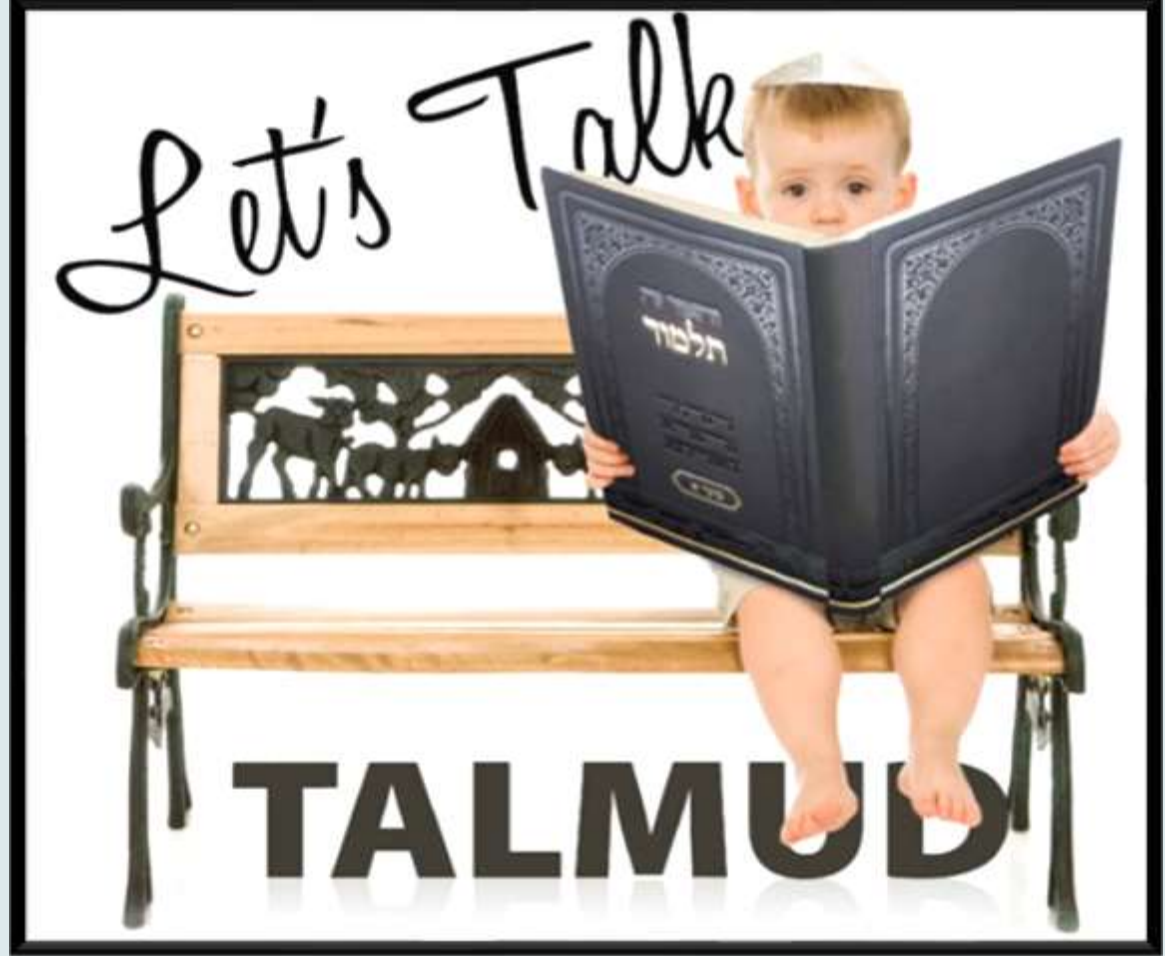
Who Muddled With the Divine Calendar?

Answer: The ones who were to preserve it!

WE have Zero Scriptural Permission

- Consider this website quote:
https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Hebrew_Roots/New_Moon
- “There is zero scriptural evidence for sighting new moons to determine the beginning of new months. It is based 100% on teachings within the Talmud.”
- **The ancient [pagan] Greeks** recognized the visible new moon as the beginning of the month when they celebrated the “sickle of the new moon” with offerings and meals. This was also the case with the ancient Babylonians who worshipped the new moon as the goddess Isis, and had her wearing a horns, which resembled the new moon.” (TDNT, vol. 4, p. 639.)

The
Talmud
Has NO
Authority
Over
“the”
Scriptures!



Who's Responsible For Upholding the Moon?

When you read all these quotes from the Rabbis under the given website, you will notice that starting the month with the sighting of the moon has **no scriptural authority**.

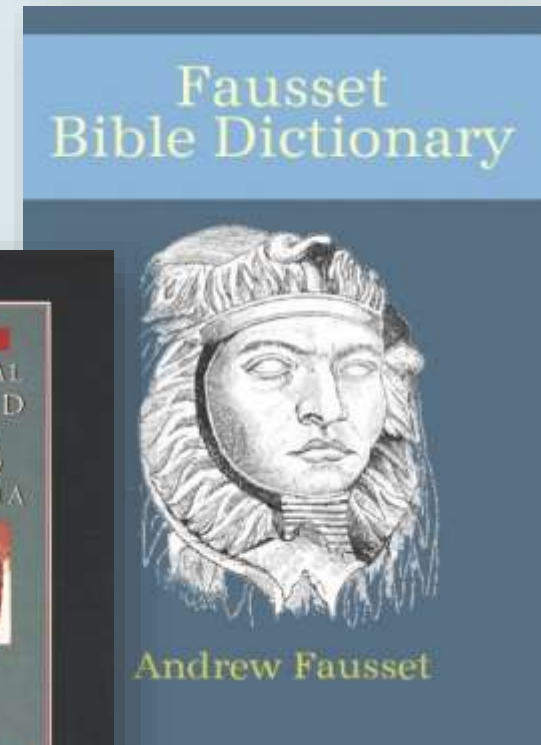
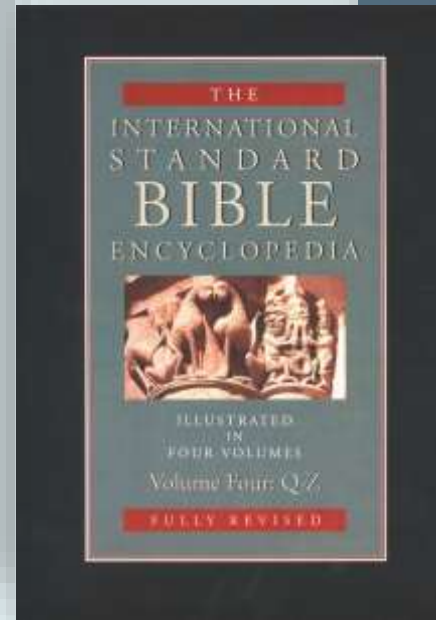
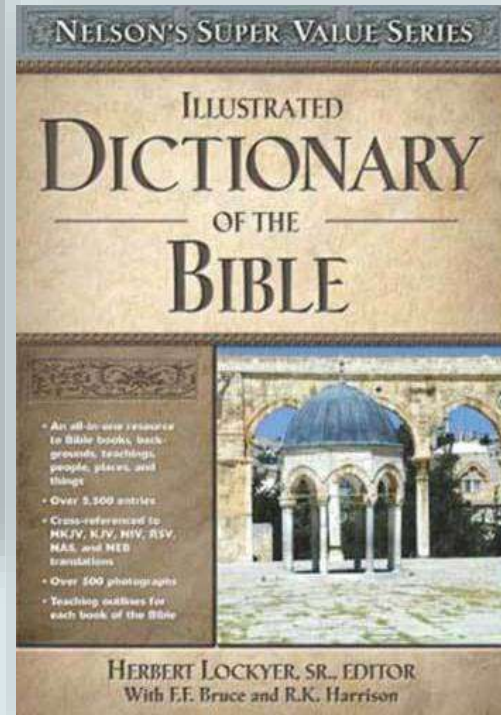
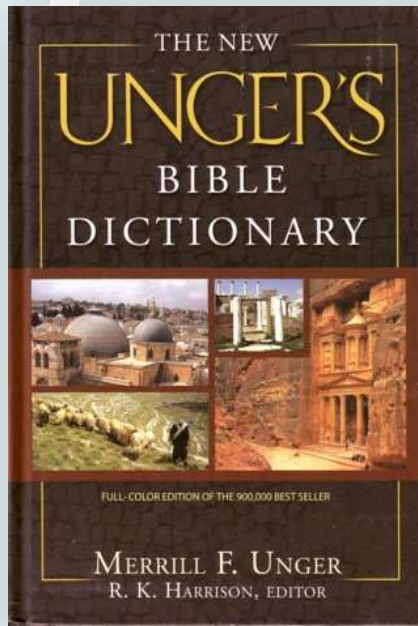
Let's remember the following:

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Just because the Rabbis can be quoted, and just because the Talmud has written instruction on rules following the crescent moon ... this is hardly a reason to accept the new moons as the beginning of the month.



Torah has priority!



Moon Comments from Bible Dictionaries

All of the commentaries recognize the fact that Yahweh's people were easily influenced by the pagans that worshipped the moon.

1) New Unger's Bible Dictionary

- The worship of the moon was extensively practiced by the nations of the East. Ur in lower Mesopotamia, Abraham's birthplace, was an important center of the worship of Sin, the moon god, as was Haran in Upper Mesopotamia, where Abram and Terah emigrated. In Egypt the moon was honored under the name Isis and was one of the only two deities that commanded the reverence of all the Egyptians. In Syria the moon was represented by one of the Ashtaroth surnamed "Karnaim," from the horns of the crescent moon by which she was distinguished. There are indications of the early introduction into the countries adjacent to Palestine of a species of worship distinct from any that we have described, namely, the direct homage of the heavenly bodies-sun, moon, and stars-characteristic of Sabianism. The first notice we have of this is in: **Job 31:26-28** If I beheld the sun when it shined, or the moon walking in brightness;
27 And my heart hath been secretly enticed, or my mouth hath kissed my hand:
28 This also were an iniquity to be punished by the judge: for I should [would] have denied the God that is above.

1a) New Unger's Bible Dictionary

- ... and it is observable that **one warning of Moses is found in Deut 4:19 ...** is directed against this nature worship rather than against the form of moon worship that the Israelites must have witnessed in Egypt. **At a later period, however, the worship of the moon in its grosser form of idol worship was introduced from Syria.**
- In **2 Kings 23:5** we read that Josiah did away with those “who burned incense to Baal, to the sun and to the moon.”
- Except for a brief period under Josiah, **Manasseh** appears to have been the **great patron of this form of idolatry, for he "worshipped all the host of heaven"** (21:3, 5). **From his reign down to the captivity, moon worship continued to prevail among the Jews.**

2) Nelson's Illustrated Bible Dict.

- **The moon had a special significance for the ancient Israelites. Their festival CALENDAR, which began each month **with the rising of the new moon, was known as a lunar calendar.****
- The accurate recording of the new moon as it arrived each month was important, because **the moon governed the dates for other religious festivals.**
- The prophet Amos condemned Israel's merchants for their impatience with the interruption to business caused by the festival of the New Moon as seen in **Amos 8:4-6.**
- Speaking through the Prophet **Isaiah** [1:13-15] ... **God condemned the formal, but empty, observance of the new moon festival.**

3) International Standard Bible Ency.

- The moon was very early worshipped by the nations of the Far East as a divinity or the representative of one or more deities.
- This personification and worship of the moon among the nations who were neighbors to Palestine was but part of an elaborate Nature-worship found among these people. **Nor was this worship always separated from Palestine by geographical lines. It crept into the thought and customs of the Hebrews and in a sense affected their religious conceptions and ceremonies. They fell into the habit of making direct homage to sun, moon and stars.**
- **The actual worship of the moon and the idolatry consequent thereon seems to have touched the Hebrews,** though this is disputed by some. **It would seem difficult to explain 2 Kings 21:3 upon any other supposition, and in 2 Kings 23:4-5 we have a clear statement that Josiah put down the worship of the moon among the people and silenced the priests of this form of worship.**

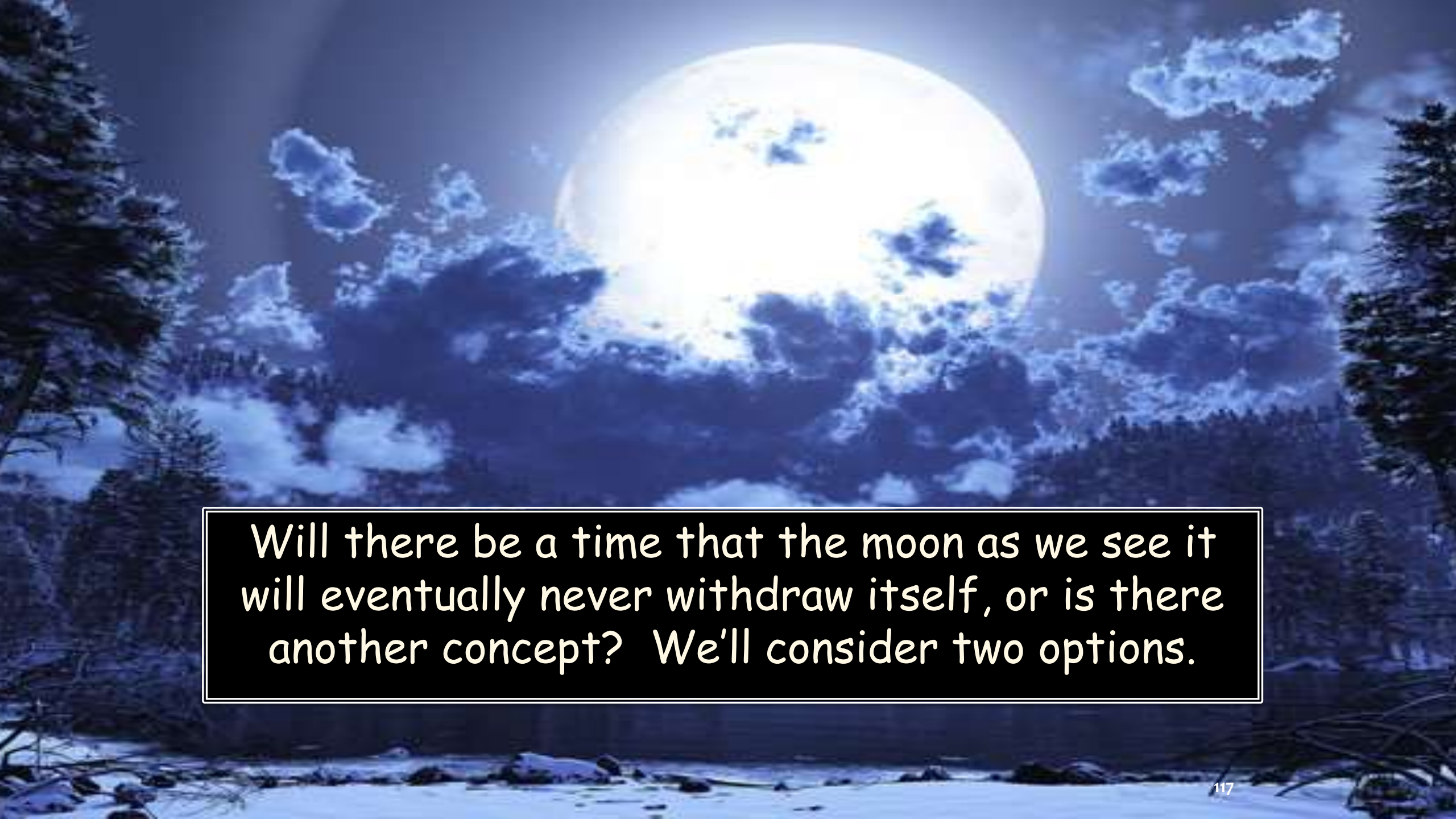
4) Fausset's Bible Dictionary

- **MOON.** Instead of being regarded as a person and worshipped, as it was by the surrounding nations, in Scripture it is God's creature "made for [prophetic] signs, [agricultural] seasons, days, and years" (Ps 104:19). The brightness of the moon in the East, guiding the traveler by night when the heat of day is past, gives it a prominence which it has not with us (Ps 8:3). In Ps 89:37 however the moon is not the "faithful witness," but God is witness to His own oath; translated "and the witness [God] in heaven is faithful," Ps 89:35.
- It influences vegetable growth; Deut 33:14, "moons," namely, its phases, others explain "months" as the times of ripening fruits. [These are ordinances of the moon.]
- The moon was worshipped as Isis in Egypt; as Karnaim ... in Syria; as Sin, "lord of the month," in Babylon.

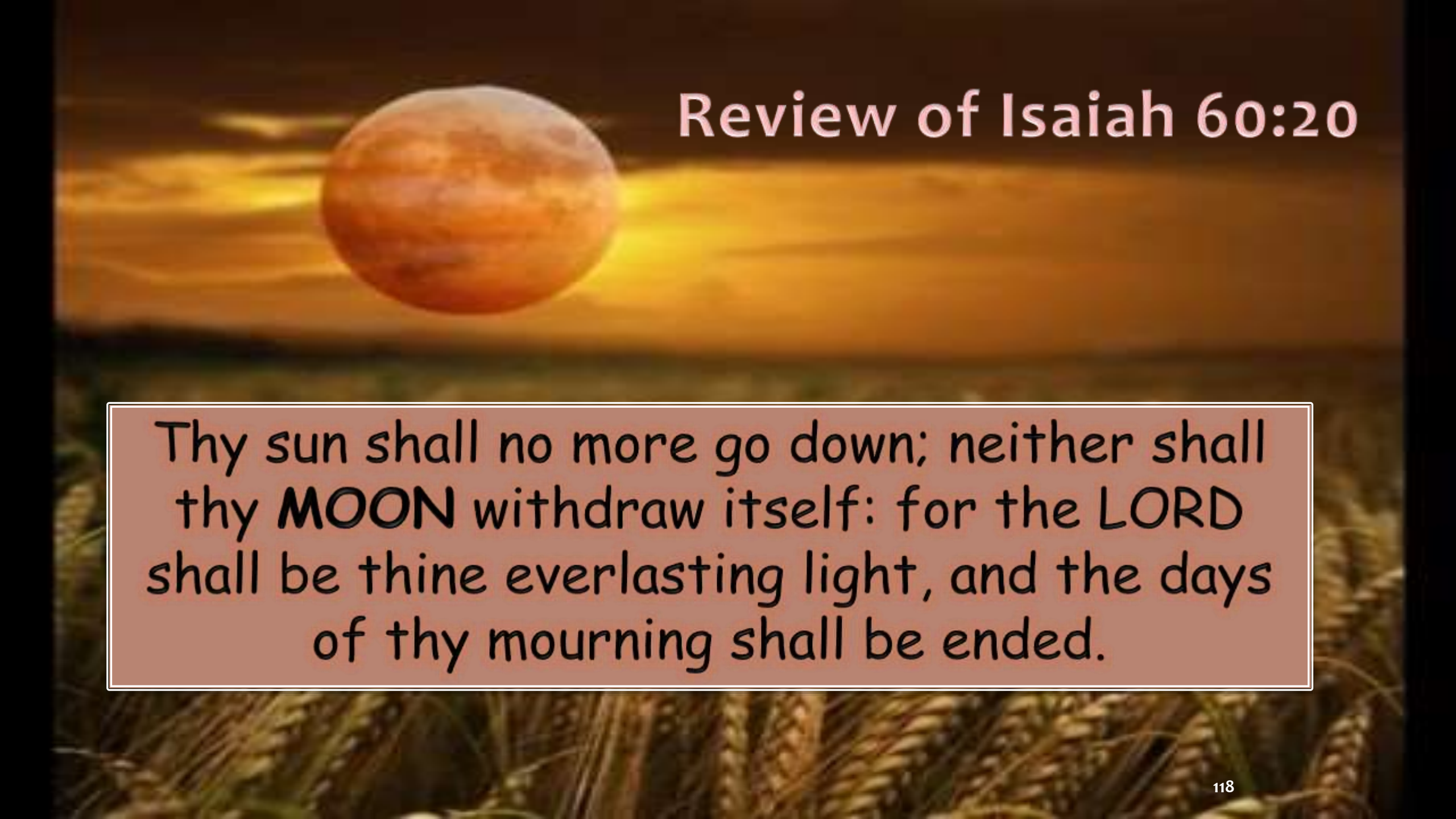
**The MOON
will not
Withdraw
Itself!**



**What does Isa 60:20 mean that
the moon will not withdraw itself?**



Will there be a time that the moon as we see it will eventually never withdraw itself, or is there another concept? We'll consider two options.

The background of the slide features a large, glowing orange sun or moon in a golden sky, positioned above a field of wheat. The sun/moon is on the left side, and the wheat field is in the foreground, extending to the bottom of the frame.

Review of Isaiah 60:20

Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy **MOON** withdraw itself: for the **LORD** shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

Isa 60:20 & H3391 <yerach> MOON

This verse is a PROPHETIC REFERENCE TO the H3991 MOON:

Isa 60:20 Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy MOON withdraw itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

- ❖ **Context: Yah's people are in His Glory.**
- ❖ **Could the phrase "the moon will no longer withdraw itself" mean ... no longer changing phases?**
 - ❖ **If** there is no withdrawing process there will be no changing phases of the moon.
 - ❖ This would make it **very difficult** to observe any worship statutes with **Yahweh** "from New Moon to New Moon" (Isa 66:23). Therefore any understanding of a new moon in this context would be an **impossibility!**

Worship in the Holy City

“And it shall come to pass, that from one **New Moon** to **another**, and from one **Sabbath to another**, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith Yahweh.”



Did not Isaiah 60:20 just inform us that the moon will no longer withdraw itself, indicating the strong possibility of completely eliminating the phases of the moon forever? **How can** Isaiah first tell us that the moon will no longer go through the phases creating the renewing of the moon, and then just a few chapters later, tell us that we will be worshipping according to the “new moon”?

IS THERE A PROBLEM HERE SOMEWHERE?



All the problems are eliminated, when we realize we are not to be following any phase of the moon in the first place.


This also means the moon should not receive any sacred regard.

Review: Jeremiah tells us about consequences for Turning Away From Torah Commands



By HikingArtist.com

Jeremiah 8:2 "and shall spread them before the sun and the moon and all the host of the heavens, which they have loved and which they have served and after which they have walked, which they have sought, and to which they have bowed themselves. They shall not be gathered nor buried, they shall be for dung on the face of the earth." *The Scriptures*



Isaiah then begins to document
(Isa 1:10-17) the traditions that insidiously
infiltrated and contaminated the worship
services of the Hebrew nation.

**Paying allegiance to the Moon as the
marker for feasts & festivals is the**



**TOP ALARM
OF THE LIST!**

Many other prophets sound the same message



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Questions to Ask & Thoughts to Ponder

**We've travelled through a lot of material.
Where do we go from here?**

Concluding the Moon/Month Study

There are still some unanswered questions for this study.

Let's ponder over some of them.



what
do YOU
think

DAY 1 OF CREATION!

1. Is the 1st day of creation in the 1st month [Abib] of the sacred year, or the 1st month [Tishri] of the civil year? Would that information affect the following questions?
2. Is the 1st day of creation, also the 1st day of the month of the 1st year for this earth? (It's not a trick question.)
3. We know the "lights" are brought forth on Day four of creation week.

The Moon – Then & Now

4. Today our moon has NO light of its own - only reflected light from the sun. In fact the moon never did have its own light because of this verse:



Jeremiah 31:35 “So says Jehovah, who gives the sun for a light by day, the laws of the moon, and the stars for a light by night, who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar, Jehovah of Hosts is His name.”

LITV – Literal Translation of the Holy Bible


Let's re-arrange Jeremiah 31:35

“Thus saith YHVH, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the stars for a light by night, and the ordinances of the moon [*H3394 yareach*] which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar.”

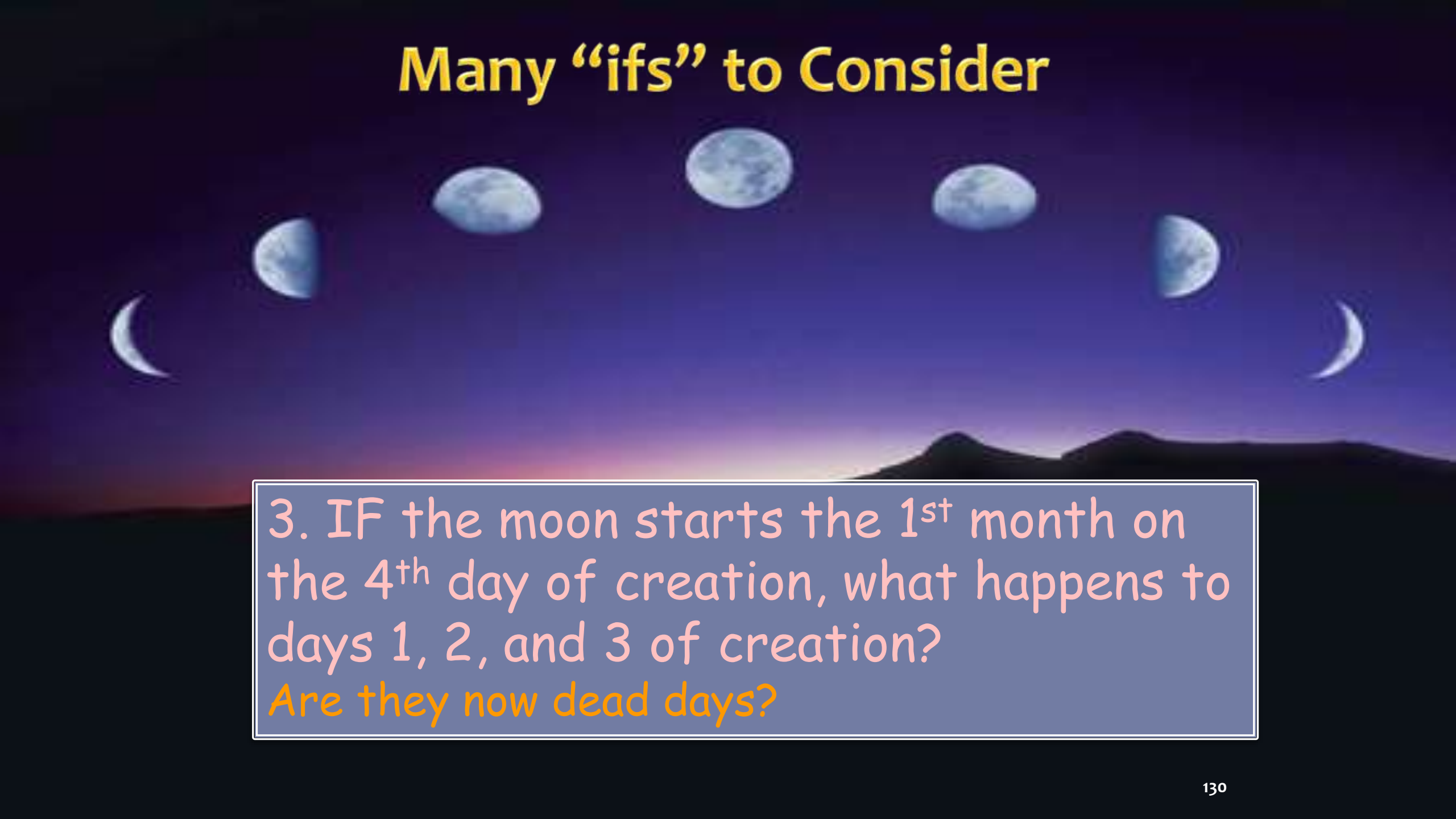


When the verse is organized this way, it makes sense and aligns with Gen 1:16 perfectly ... because the stars have nothing to do with tides of the sea. It is the moon that stabilizes the tidal activity. Also the verse is very clear about the two lights given to the earth: the sun being the light-giver by day, and of the stars being the light-givers by night. **Nothing can be found about the moon being a "light-giver" at all.**

Many “ifs” to Consider

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1. The "lights" are not found in the firmament until Day 4 of creation, THEN: was the moon's phase at conjunction, crescent, or **full moon** in Gen 1:14-18?
 2. Those that believe the month was supposed to start with the moon, would that have been on the **1st day** of creation, or the **4th day** of creation?

Many “ifs” to Consider



3. IF the moon starts the 1st month on the 4th day of creation, what happens to days 1, 2, and 3 of creation?
Are they now dead days?

Everyone should know which day of creation is actually the 1st day of the 1st month?

Is the following thought logical?



In the first week of creation the moon did not begin the first month on the 4th day!

How could that be a Torah teaching?

Can Creation Solve the Problem?

The moon/month issue seems to have a huge problem with the creation account. If the moon is to begin the months "today" – then doesn't the moon have to follow some kind of a pattern from the creation week in order to begin the creation month?

Do you think Yahweh's restoration of the lights in the sky on DAY 4 was deliberate? Why not Day 3? (Again, pay attention to the meaning of Ps 104:30.)

Is it even possible for Day 4 to be the beginning of the first month? If not, then does that mean the moon can never begin Yahweh's months?



What About Other Arguments?

Many say the moon was in conjunction for days 1, 2, & 3; then the crescent appeared on Day 4 of creation.

How could that happen when there were no visible lights in the firmament until Day 4?

Is it possible that a conjunction would last three full days on the first week of a perfect creation?

Did the moon even have any phases?

How many people can give confirmation about how the month begins by using Gen 1? Do they know there are 2 types of months?

Or, do most of them default to Ex 12 – the 14th day of the 1st month? They say the Scriptures support the 14th day with a full moon in the month of Abib.

The Same Old Argument!

Most people default to Ex 12 – the 14th day of the 1st month.

They say this Scripture supports the 14th day as having a full moon in the month of Abib. HOW?

Where's the Scriptural proof for this?

This is 2550 years after creation!



What About This Thought?

Maybe there's no need to find answers if the moon has nothing to do with ushering in the months anyway!



Full Moon on the 14th day of the Month?

Where in the Scriptures is there even one witness that the 14th day of the 1st month must be attended with a full moon?

How are these conclusions found in Torah?

Is it possible that what most feast keepers have been taught about the moon is nothing but a strong traditional belief handed down from the Rabbis?



Full Moon on the 14th day of the Month?

At the cross the sun “blackened out” from noon to the 9th hour on what is considered the very darkest day of the universe!

How do we reason that the night sky of Y'shua's Passover had a bright full moon?



If the Passover of Exodus 12 had a bright full moon, then why did the people need the "Pillar of Fire" by night to guide their steps when they left Egypt?



There is a lot of light when travelling at night under the light of a full moon. Could it be the Exodus 12 Passover night really was a very dark night because

- 1) the moon was not full,
- 2) or it was in full conjunction?!



Is it Time to Leave Doubt Behind?

- There are many people searching for Yahweh's Covenant Calendar. The complete moon/month study shows **beyond a shadow of any doubt** that **the moon is not involved with the calculation** or the **commencement** of Yahweh's annual feasts and festivals. The moon/month is connected to the agricultural ordinances to bless this earth and mankind.
- **Satan will use every possible method to place our sacred regard - for the moon - where it does not belong.**



Deut 4:23

Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget
the covenant of Yahweh your *Elohim* (the LORD your God) ...

With this study, it is hoped many will grasp the fact that
Yahweh's Elegant not only:

- follows Biblical patterns;
- It's simple, orderly and easy to understand.
- You don't have to worry about the moon anymore!

Blessings to everyone on your studies!

A photograph of a forest path. The path is covered in fallen leaves and pine needles, leading through a dense forest of evergreen trees. The lighting is soft, suggesting an overcast day or early morning. The trees are tall and thin, with some showing signs of autumn change in the background.

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