

The Sun: What It Governs

The sun is not just light it governs structure in time.

According to Scripture, the sun determines:

- The daily cycle
- The seasonal cycle
- The yearly cycle

Sunrise & Sunset

The sun creates the division between light and darkness.

Genesis 1:14

“...to divide the day from the night...”

Genesis 1:5

“And the evening and the morning were the first day.”

What this means:

A biblical day follows this pattern:

Evening to Morning

So:

- Sunset begins a new day
- The next sunset ends that day

This is observable.

When the sun disappears below the horizon a new day begins.

You don't need a digital clock to know this.

The Biblical Day (Evening to Evening)

Many modern calendars begin the day at midnight.

The Torah pattern begins the day at sunset.

Leviticus 23:32

“...from evening to evening, you shall celebrate your Sabbath.”

This confirms:

The daily cycle follows sunset to sunset.

The sun governs when a day begins and ends.

Seasonal Shifts

The sun's movement across the sky changes throughout the year.

You can observe this by:

- Where the sun rises
- Where the sun sets
- Length of daylight

These shifts create seasons.

Spring to Summer to Fall to Winter

This is the solar cycle.

Equinox

An equinox happens twice a year.

It is when:

- Day and night are almost equal in length
- The sun crosses the midpoint of the sky's seasonal shift

Spring equinox marks the transition into spring.

This matters because:

Exodus 12:2

“This month shall be the beginning of months...”

Deuteronomy 16:1

“Observe the month of Aviv...”

The first month must occur in spring.

The equinox helps identify the seasonal window but it does not alone start the year.

It signals that spring has arrived.

Solstice

A solstice happens twice a year:

- Longest day (summer solstice)
- Shortest day (winter solstice)

This shows the peak of light or darkness.

Solstices mark seasonal extremes not feast days.

They are solar markers.

Agricultural Alignment

The biblical year is agricultural.

Exodus 23:15

“...in the month of Aviv...”

Aviv refers to ripening grain (barley stage).

That means:

The year is tied to seasonal harvest readiness.

The sun controls:

- Crop growth
- Temperature
- Seasonal timing

Without the sun's seasonal cycle, agriculture would not align.

The sun determines:

- When a day begins
- When seasons change
- When the year cycle resets

The moon marks months.

But the sun determines the season of those months.

The first month must occur in the proper season which the sun reveals.

The sun governs the daily rhythm and the yearly season.

It sets the boundaries of light and darkness and signals when spring begins.

The biblical calendar cannot exist without the sun's seasonal cycle.