## SUNRISE, SUNSET, QUICKLY FLOW THE DAYS

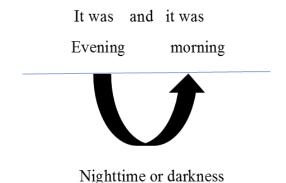
### When does YHWH's day begin?

I am going to present another subject which is also in the category of cognitive dissidence. The examination of the beginning of YHWH's day. There are those of you who already understand this subject. But maybe there are some who need to research this more.

Let's start off by reading the account in Genesis. I will be using the name of Elohim for it is the name used in the Hebrew in these verses. It encompasses the Father, Word and Ruach in the creating. The full personage of YHWH.

Gen 1:1 In the beginning Elohim created the heavens and the earth. 2 And the earth came to be formless and empty, and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of Elohim was moving on the face of the waters. 3 And Elohim said, "Let light come to be," and light came to be. And Elohim saw the light, that it was good. And Elohim separated the light from the darkness. 5 And Elohim called the light 'day' and the darkness He called 'night.' And there came to be evening and there came to be morning, the first day.

The end of verse 5 is where everyone goes to in making the point of the day starting in the evening. Let's take a look at what this would look like on a chart.



This drawing is just what is being claimed. What are the Hebrew meanings for evening and morning? I think that is something we need to learn.

First – it says it was evening: eh'-reb dusk: - + day, even (-ing, tide), to grow dusky at sundown: - be darkened, (toward) evening.

And then it says it was morning: **bo'-ker** properly dawn (**as the break of day**); generally morning: - (+) day, early, morning, morrow.

So, what is it really saying? - *It was dusk, to grow dusky at sundown: be darkened, toward evening. And it was dawn, early, as the break of day toward a new morrow.* 

What are these two times of the day - evening and morning? What are they for? These are the separators of the light and the darkness. *And Elohim separated the light from the darkness*. One at the end of the day (evening) and one at the beginning of the day (morning).

Some say they mean it was night and it was day. Does it? Let's look at the Hebrew meanings for light, day, darkness, and night.

Let's start with "light" *ore - Illumination or (concretely) luminary (in every sense, including lightning, happiness, etc.): - bright, clear, light (-ning), morning, sun, shine.* 

Next look at "day" yome - To be hot; a day (as the warm hours)

On to "darkness" *kho-shek'* - the dark; hence (literally) darkness; figuratively(or spiritually) misery, destruction, death, ignorance, sorrow, wickedness: - dark (-ness), night, obscurity. to be dark (as withholding light); be black, hide.

And the final word "night" *lah'-yil*, - properly a twist (away of the light), that is, night; figuratively (or spiritually) adversity: - ([mid-]) night (season). to fold back;

Each one of these words have a specific meaning which defines their individual function.

In order to fully understand the implications of the first 5 verses of the Torah – (Genesis 1:1-5), we must dissect each verse down to the Hebrew meaning of the key words describing what is taking place. I know this may seem somewhat tedious to walk through, but I feel it is necessary in order to remove the covering the enemy has placed over this subject.

## Gen 1:1 In the beginning Elohim created the heavens and the earth.

This first verse is making known what was produced by Elohim from the start. The beginning here is referring to the first fruits "head of the family" of the creating or "the fattening or filling up" of the heavens and the earth. But something happens after this creating.

Gen. 1:2 And the earth came to be formless and empty, and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of Elohim was moving on the face of the waters.

Other versions use the word "was" instead of "came to be". However, **came to be** is a better translation for the understanding of that Hebrew word, for the next word

"formless followed by empty" describes a state much different than being fattened up and filled. What has happened to cause this state of the earth?

Let's examine the word for "formless" - *to'-hoo - formless* - *To lie waste; a desolation (of surface), that is, desert; figuratively a worthless thing; - confusion, empty place, without form, nothing, waste, wilderness.* 

And the word for "empty" - *bo'-hoo* (*pronounced* - *vohoo*) - *empty* (*meaning to be empty*); a vacuity, that is, (superficially) an undistinguishable ruin: - emptiness, void.

The next sentence in verse 2 reads: and darkness was on the face of the deep

Recall again what "darkness" means in the Hebrew.

**The spiritual meaning is** - misery, destruction, death, ignorance, sorrow, wickedness: - hence - dark (-ness), night, obscurity.

The meaning of "deep" in the Hebrew is: *teh-home' – deep* an abyss (as a surging mass of water), especially the deep. To make an uproar, or agitate greatly:

The last sentence of this verse is:

And the Spirit of Elohim was moving on the face of the waters.

Look at the word "moving": *raw-khaf' – moving* to brood: - flutter, move, shake. The stirrings and shakings of a bird in the nest.

The use of this word has the implication of preparing to change the condition of and take possession of the current situation by stirring up the nest. *On the face of the waters* can read: over the countenance of the tumult.

What was Elohim preparing to do? The very next verse declares -

3 And Elohim said, "Let light come to be," and light came to be.

Elohim was preparing to change the status of the current dark chaotic condition the earth had turned into. – the tohoo va vohoo. He began His transformation with the first words spoken - *Let light come to be*. All that we are seeing around us to this day is from the spoken word of YHWH.

Joh 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with Elohim, and the Word was Elohim. 2 He was in the beginning with Elohim. All came to be through Him, and without Him not even one came to be that came to be. 4 In Him was life, and the life was

the light of men. 5 And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Who is the word? Who holds dominion over all creation? Who is the light? In these verses you are being told exactly what was happening with that statement – Let light come to be. Elohim's **Word** took His place of dominion.

And what had caused the dark chaotic status of earth?

Eze 28:12 "Son of man, take up a lamentation for the king of Tyre, and say to him, 'Thus says the Lord God: "You were the seal of perfection, Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. 13 You were in Eden, the garden of God; Every precious stone was your covering: The sardius, topaz, and diamond, Beryl, onyx, and jasper, Sapphire, turquoise, and emerald with gold. The workmanship of your timbrels and pipes Was prepared for you on the day you were created.14 "You were the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; You were on the holy mountain of God; You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones. 15 You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, Till iniquity was found in you. 16 "By the abundance of your trading You became filled with violence within, And you sinned; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing Out of the mountain of God; And I destroyed you, O covering cherub, From the midst of the fiery stones.

Isa 14:12 "How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, you who weakened the nations! 13 For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of Elohim; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.' 15 Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, To the lowest depths of the Pit.

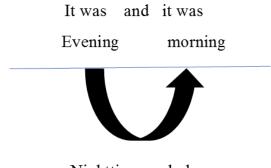
This is what was taking place in verse 2 of Genesis 1. The rebellious one, the nephal – fallen one had rose up with great pride to try to overthrow YHWH Himself. And Elohim put a stop to it right there. Now we see Elohim's hand in the rebuilding of His creation of earth. Do we really understand what was being done at those first words spoken? The **Word** of YHWH was put in place. His eternal light was set over the darkness for eternity. The bringing of light or day was now supreme over darkness or night.

4 And Elohim saw the light, **that it was good**. And Elohim **separated** the light from the darkness.

Here is the next step to removing the dominance of the influence of the darkness. Elohim pronounced the light that it was good. He then separated the light from the darkness. From the very start of Father's making things right, light is always mentioned before darkness.

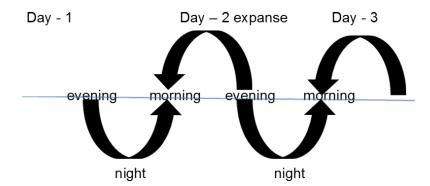
Elohim said, let **light** come to be, Elohim saw the **light**, that it was good. Elohim separated the **light** from the darkness. And Elohim called the **light** 'day' and the darkness He called 'night.

The words for morning, light, and day are written 2,577 times. The words for evening, darkness, and night are written a total of 445 times. Which do you think has dominion and favor from YHWH? Let's look at the first picture I had up once again.



Nighttime or darkness

Examine this first picture carefully. What's missing? Now let's add the next day of creation to the picture.



Half of the first day is missing. What was happening that first day of creation before evening was declared? It's blank. All of verses 2 through the first half of verse 5 is what was happening.

I have rewritten these verses using the Hebrew meanings. It really is quite fascinating. Starting with verse 2:

2 And the earth came to be lying in waste, a worthless thing, confusion and empty, an undistinguishable ruin and void. And misery, destruction, sorrow and wickedness was on the face of the uproar of the abyss. And the Ruach of Elohim was brooding and stirring over the countenance of the tumult. And Elohim said "Illumination and happiness come to be", and illumination and happiness came to be. And Elohim saw the illumination, that it was good, beautiful, and well favored. And Elohim divided asunder and made

separate the illumination (light) from the obscurity and wickedness (darkness). And Elohim called the illumination or light - day of warm hours to hot and the obscurity or darkness - night to twist away and roll up from the illumination or light.

The whole creation of this first day centered on the light taking over and Elohim declaring it good, beautiful, and well favored. My question to everyone is – how did He separate these two opposite factors? How is the distinction between the day and night seen to change over each time? Let's finish verse 5 with the Hebrew meanings also.

Gen. 1:5b. And there came to be dusky eventide and a darkening toward evening and there came to be early dawn as the break of day to a new morrow, the first day.

The first separation He set in place was – and it became evening – dusk, to grow dusky or dark, eventide, sundown. You have to have light first for it to become dusky or grow dark - Going into the nighttime. When you come to the end of the day, what do you see happen in the sky above? If you take time to observe this transition, you will see the shadows of night coming into position. This is called evening or dusk or eventide, sundown.

The same happens when day takes its place again. The sky begins to lighten and take over the darkness of night. This is called morning or dawn or the break of day.

Notice anything interesting? **Nothing** is ever said about the night hours. **Nowhere** is darkness ever called good. Darkness is always in the second position to light. Is it correct as children of the Most High to place the darkness supreme over His light? If you will notice, the very next thing that takes place after verse 5 is verse 6.

Gen 1:6 And Elohim said, "Let an expanse come to be in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters."

Again, Elohim speaking begins the creating – after the morning begins from verse 5, the next day of creating commences. That is the pattern for all six days.

Gen 1:9 And Elohim said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear'......Gen 1:11 And Elohim said, "Let the earth bring forth grass, the plant that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind,.....Gen 1:14 And Elohim said, "Let lights come to be in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night.......Gen 1:20 And Elohim said, "Let the waters teem with shoals of living creatures,......Gen 1:24 And Elohim said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind......Gen 1:26 And Elohim said, "Let Us make man in Our image

Each time right after the statement of – and it was evening and it was morning, day 1,2,3, and so on, Elohim commands the start of more creating.

I am aware that some want an answer as to why the sun and moon are not mentioned until the fourth day. It is not that complicated if you study what has been written in Genesis 1. **The first light was the Word taking dominion over the darkness**. The making of the two great lights is the setting in place of YHWH's timepiece. Even more important for us to look at is **the day position of the creation of the luminaries**.



The 4<sup>th</sup> day is a special position. If you look at the seven-branch menorah designed by YHWH and apply the first 7 letters from the Hebrew aleph bet, you will see the 4<sup>th</sup> candle stick is the middle branch. That is called the servant candle. The one that is used to light the rest of them. That candle represents our savior, Yeshua. The Hebrew letter is the dalet – the fourth letter. It means door. The picture is as a door flap on a tent that swings back and forth. So, you can see the correlation to Yeshua. We know that He (the Word) - is the door. All things depend on Yeshua (the Word) and turn or pivot on Him. Now **compare this information** with the 4<sup>th</sup> day of creation - the sun, moon, and stars. Can you see the picture of them being **the signs that all time pivots or centers on in this 4<sup>th</sup> position?** Isn't it interesting that this would be the very day that our Father spoke and set His time piece in place?

We live in time right now and Father has put a limit on how long that will be. The sun, moon, and stars, tick off that time till time is no more.

Isa 60:19 "The sun shall no longer be your light by day, nor for brightness shall the moon give light to you; But the Lord will be to you an everlasting light, And your God your glory. 20 Your sun shall no longer go down, nor shall your moon withdraw itself; For the Lord will be your everlasting light, And the days of your mourning shall be ended.

Rev 21:23 The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light.

Rev 22:5 There shall be no night there: They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. And they shall reign forever and ever.

Back to the day issue. Let's just check out some scriptures that mention evening and morning, day, and night.

Exo 10:4 Else, if thou refuse to let my people go, behold, tomorrow will I bring the locusts into thy coast: ...... Exo 10:12 And YHVH said unto Moses, stretch out thine hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, even all that the hail hath left. 13 And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and YHVH brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all that night; and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts.

Num 11:32 And the people stood up all that day, and all that night, and all the next day, and they gathered the quails

Jos 6:15 But it came to pass on the seventh day that they rose early, about the dawning of the day, and marched around the city seven times in the same manner.

Jdg 19:8 Then he arose early in the morning on the fifth day to depart, but the young woman's father said, "Please refresh your heart." So they delayed until afternoon; and both of them ate. 9 And when the man stood to depart--he and his concubine and his servant--his father-in-law, the young woman's father, said to him, "Look, the day is now drawing toward evening; please spend the night. See, the day is coming to an end; lodge here, that your heart may be merry. Tomorrow go your way early, so that you may get home."

**Psa 104:21** The young lions roar after their prey, And seek their food from God. 22 When the sun rises, they gather together and lie down in their dens. 23 Man goes out to his work and to his labor until the evening.

Jer 6:4 "Prepare war against her; arise, and let us go up at noon. Woe to us, for the day goes away, For the shadows of the evening are lengthening.

Luk 24:29 But they constrained Him (Yesha), saying, "Abide with us, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent." And He went in to stay with them.

This is just a small sample of scripture verses showing the way morning, evening, day, and night were understood position wise.

If after reading these verses, any still believe that the day begins in the evening, then **how** do we understand the verses talking about the crucifixion? Reading in Mark 15 we see Yeshua was crucified at the **third hour of the day**. **If the belief** is still that the day starts at evening, then that third hour would be 9 at night **by the reckoning** of the day beginning at sundown, for the first hour of the day would start at 6 in the evening. Then He cried out at the 6<sup>th</sup> hour which would have been 12 midnight and died at the

9<sup>th</sup> hour which would have been 3 o'clock heading towards morning. **Has anybody thought about this?** 

There is also another point to consider. When referring to the night hours in the Bible, they wrote – first watch, second watch, third watch – not hour. Let's read Mark 6:48

Mar 6:48 Then He saw them straining at rowing, for the wind was against them. Now about the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea, and would have passed them by.

Notice the word "watch" for the night. The first part of the watch for night is 6-9 p.m., this is **not the first hour of the new day, it is the first watch for the beginning of the night.** The second watch is 9-12 midnight, the third watch is 12 midnight to 3. And the fourth watch is 3-6 a.m. The ancient Hebrews had only three watches at night. The Romans added another for a fourth watch which is why it says the 4<sup>th</sup> watch in Mark 6.

So far, I have been staying in the scriptures to prove the way the day was viewed. What I would like to do now is to quote a few different sources on the matter. I have 8 different quotes in my first book, but these three will give you something to chew on.

#### THE JEWISH FESTIVALS: HISTORY AND OBSERVANCE

"In order to assure against profanation of the Sabbath the Jews added the late Friday afternoon hours to the Sabbath." p.13

## JUDAISM: BETWEEN YESTERDAY AND TOMORROW KUNG, p.518

"If we look at the essentials of a day of rest and reflection which has a religious orientation, it is possible to justify the shifting of the Sabbath worship to Friday evening [the celebration of which was moved back to the eve of the feast] as early as the Middle Ages."

# JEWISH ENCYCLOPEDIA p. 591-597

"In order to fix the beginning and ending of the Sabbath-day and festivals and to determine the precise hour for certain religious observances it becomes necessary to know the exact times of the rising and setting of the sun. According to the strict interpretation of the Mosaic Law, every day begins with sunrise and ends with sunset...

In these last days the enemy has set many traps and pits in place for YHWH's people. Father has all the true answers and directions for all His days, feasts, Sabbaths, timepiece, and calendar setup. We need to stay on guard and recognize the deceptive ways of Satan and turn away from them and follow YHWH **to be able to determine** when His signal is given for one of His events to happen. That means being on Fathers scheduled calendar, not the world's.

I have one more scripture verse to close with.

Isa 5:20 Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; Who put darkness (night) for light (day), and light (day) for darkness (night); Who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

Next article – going deeper into Enoch.