

A Study on Yahuah's
“Book of the Covenant” Calendar

Rightly Divide

the WORD
of

TRUTH

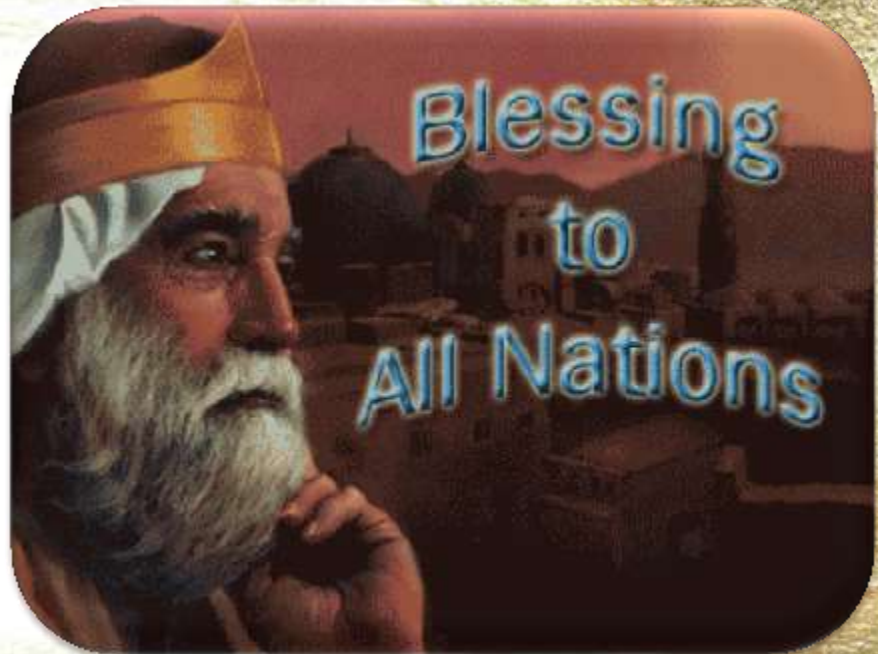


Gen 15

**Yahuah's Covenant
to Abram**

After Gen 1 ~ Gen 15

Abram's Covenant with Yahuah



... is the next Bible Testimony
for the day commencement.

- ❖ The only true way to search the Scriptures is to lay down every prejudice, every preconceived opinion, at the very door of investigation, and then enter into the work with an eye single to the glory of Yahuah, with an understanding open to conviction, and a heart softened to believe what Yahuah says to you.



Words of Wisdom

Requirements for Calendar Studies

- i. Learn to read the content of the Scriptures very carefully.
- ii. Learn to read in context.
- iii. Learn to pay attention to grammar.
- iv. Learn to keep the events of these Bible stories in order, according to the order of the verses.
- v. Learn to use our logic and common sense more than ever before.
- vi. **Remember:** There is not one idle word in Scripture – that everything is written according to Divine Inspiration, and for the edification of truth.
- vii. Learn how to use the Hebrew (and Greek) definitions properly, and consistently.
- viii. **Expect** (and insist) to establish at least 2-3 firm witnesses to establish this new truth.
- ix. **Expect** the “sunset tradition” to be clearly exposed for the darkness that it represents.
- x. **Understand** there is a fuller restoration of all “Sabbaths” according to the Torah, the Prophets, and our Melchizedek Priest.



Scriptural Order [or] **Babylon's Confusion?**

1 Cor 14:33 For Yahuah is not the author of confusion ... KJV

- confusion — Strong's; NT:181 from NT:182; instability, i.e. disorder: KJV - commotion, confusion, tumult.



in other words...

Yahuah is the author of ORDER!

- Today's study will provide a very strict comparison between order and confusion with the use of charts. **Will Babylon's confusion be exposed and become extremely evident?**

Guidelines for Melchizedek Covenants

Genesis 15 is a study on when the day begins, but it also has components for Yahuah's covenant between Himself and Abram. Watch for these points:

- 1) **Proposal** [by Yahuah]
- 2) **Acceptance** [by Abram]
- 3) **Blood ratification** [Abram's portion; Yahuah's portion.]
- 4) **Covenant Confirming Meal** [Is there one in this study?]

Genesis 15 links to the exact day of the Exodus 12 Passover 400/430 years later. These two great testimonies occur on the 14th day of the 1st month.



Why is Genesis 15 so Important?

Abram's seed did end up in the strange land of Egypt. In the Exodus 12 account Abram's seed was delivered from bondage on the exact same day 400 (or 430) years later.

That day is known as Passover – the same day **Yahuah's** promise was fulfilled to Abram and his posterity. Therefore, **Yahauh's** Covenant with Abram in Gen 15, (through the day and the night) - was on Abib 14, Passover.



Many are now asking,
“When does Yahuah’s Day Begin?”

Can you
REALLY
explain this
using Bible
testimonies?



Using Gen 1:5, many Sabbath Keepers have come to the conclusion that the **last 10 words in this verse:**

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

determine the beginning of every new day.

Is this your thinking, your conviction?

Many assume, (based on tradition), that evening is the same event as sunset which is where each new day begins.



Do you believe this?

Can this be proven from Scripture with at least 2-3 witnesses?

Through the Gen 15 study with Abram and Yahuah's Covenant, we will see how this traditional teaching is actually not Biblical.

Let's not be
SURPRISED!

It's Time
For Some
Serious
Research!




Remember:



We must be fair and **first look at the evidence from the Scriptures and history.** After that a decision can be made. Also remember:

- (1) **we can't go by tradition,**
- (2) **or the opinions of man,**
- (3) **or by the way we have been taught.**
- (4) **We must lay down every prejudice.**

Where did this problem start?



Lucifer, Yahuah's adversary, has tried to usurp the worship our Creator deserves, by convincing many through human agencies, the idea that "sunset commencement for all Sabbaths" is correct, and midnight is error.

However, Scripture clearly reveals when the day begins.

**It is neither midnight
nor sunset!**

1. The Roman Calendar begins a new day at “midnight” – the very darkest part of the 24 hour cycle, on the Roman calendar day.



2. The Jewish reckoning begins a new 24 hour calendar day at “sunset” according to what they have honored for centuries (this is just before the evening/night phases begin). Most have been convinced the Jews have been admirable keepers of Yahuah’s oracles (Rom 3:1-2) including the commencement of all weekly and annual Sabbaths.
3. Some Sabbath-keepers started out reckoning the beginning of Sabbath at 6 PM on Friday (whether there was a sunset or not).

4. Will Yahuah's instructions in His inspired Word agree with any of these options?

Most People Likely Think:

“Does it really matter, how one calculates the beginning of a **new** day?”

1. To the majority of the world, it certainly doesn't matter.
2. To the lukewarm Christians, it doesn't **seem** to matter.
3. To those who search the Scriptures for truth, it **DOES matter when the Sabbath begins.**
4. To our **Creator**, ... it matters a **LOT!**
He has not written any idle words in Scripture.

What Do You Think?

Is it possible the enemy has counterfeited
Yahuah's truth on this very point
4 and 5 times over?

If so, Scripture must provide the truth!
Therefore, consideration will be given to
the Hebrew definitions of “**evening**” – (H6153).

- The **1st** Hebrew meaning of “evening” is **DUSK** – that is **AFTER** sunset!
- The **2nd** Hebrew meaning of “evening” is **DAY** – that is way **BEFORE** sunset!
- The **3rd** Hebrew meaning of “evening” is **TWILIGHT** – about the same as **dusk**!
- The **4th** Hebrew meaning of “evening” is **NIGHT**!
NOW WHAT? Sunset is NOT one of the definitions!




What Is Sunset?



Sunset, is a moment of time in the evening when the sun begins to fall below the horizon. The sun can no longer be seen with the physical eye. The time between sunset and night is called dusk or twilight, which is a mixing of light and darkness.

What Is Sunrise?



Sunrise occurs for only an instant, the moment at which the upper limb of the sun appears tangent to the horizon. However, the term sunrise commonly refers to periods of time both before and after this point. **Twilight**, the period in the morning during which the sky has light but **the sun is not yet visible**, is called dawn – another mixing of light and darkness.

A Good Berean Will Search

There are many examples in the Scriptures to support every new day begins with Dawn twilight. This study will carefully examine the Gen 15 testimony.

Examine ALL the Evidence!

In **Gen 15** [vss 1-4] Yahuah tells Abram in a vision there is nothing to fear; he will be protected like a shield.



Then [vs 5] Abram was taken outside and told to count the stars, with the promise “so shall thy seed be.”

Next [vss 9-10] Abram receives the command and agrees to a formal treaty contract, which consisted of a certain selection of animals and birds, to be prepared in a specific manner.

Abram's Part of the Covenant

During the Day Season

Gen 15:9-10 And he said unto him, Take me an heifer of three years old, and a she goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon.

10 And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another: but the birds divided he not.



Sacrifices Prepared During Daylight Hours

When one studies carefully other Scriptures (Exo 12), the discovery is made that this covenant between Yahuah and Abram was made during the start of the Biblical year, more specifically on the 14th day of the first month - Passover.

Abram prepared five sacrifices, likely for the set time of the evening sacrifice. While Abram was waiting for Yahuah to fulfill His part of the covenant agreement, birds of prey hovered continually over the sacrifices (vs 11) indicating this was indeed the Daylight Season.

Gen 15:11 And when the fowls came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

Note: It was not yet dark as the birds had not gone to roost yet.



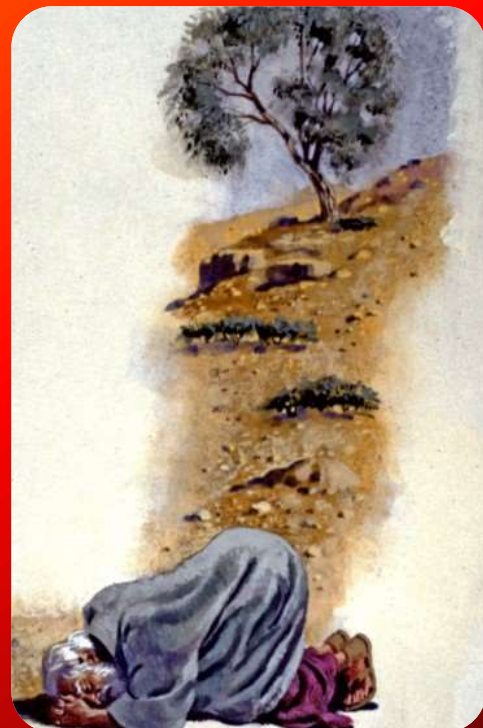
Abram Falls Into A Deep Sleep

Then in Gen 15:12 it states:

And when the sun was going down,
a deep sleep [as a trance] fell upon
Abram; and, lo, an horror of
great darkness fell upon him.

Question:

Did Abib 14 change to Abib
15 when the sun was going
down or went down?



Abram Receives a Vision

... telling him that his descendants would be foreigners and immigrants in a land that does not belong to them for 400/430 long years. After that Yahuah will judge the nations and bring his offspring forth with much wealth.

Gen 15:13-16 And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;

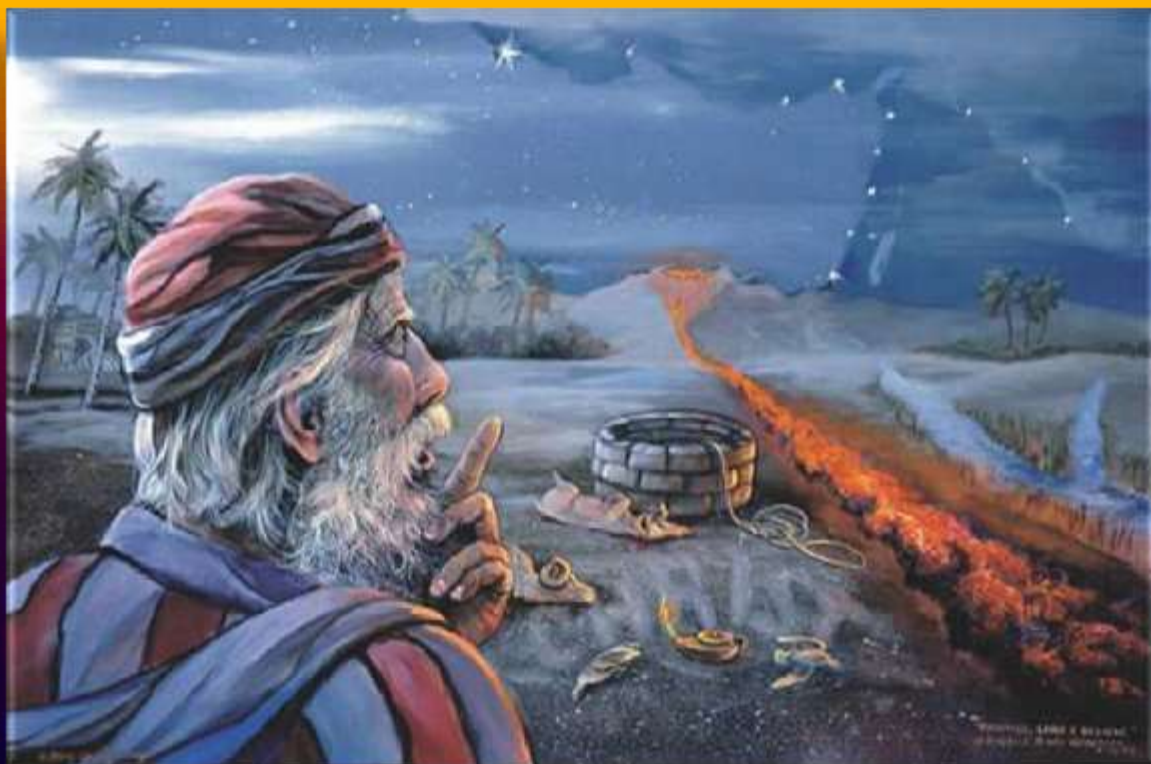
14 And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.

15 And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.

16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full.



Yahuah's Part of the Covenant During the Night Season



Then in **Gen 15:17** Yahuah completes the covenant, for it states ... **“And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking furnace, and a burning lamp that passed between those pieces.”**



Now it's
definitely
DARK!

Question:

Is it
Abib 15
now?

Two Parties In This Covenant

This was the two part covenant (agreement):

1) One part (Abram's) performed during the Light Season (Abib 14).

2) One part (Yahuah's) performed during the Night Season (Abib ??).



Questions:



1. Was Abram's portion on Abib 14? ... and
2. Yahuah's portion on Abib 14 or 15?

The Answer is Found in:

Gen 15:18 In the same day Yahuah made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land ...

This two part covenant took place on the **SAME** (24 hour Cycle) **DAY** (Abib 14); not over a period of 2 days. This proves the night **following the evening sacrifices** was part of the same 24 hour cycle.

Abib 14 did not change to Abib 15 at sunset!

Genesis 15: Dawn Format Chart

Keeping the events IN order ON the SAME day of Abib 14.

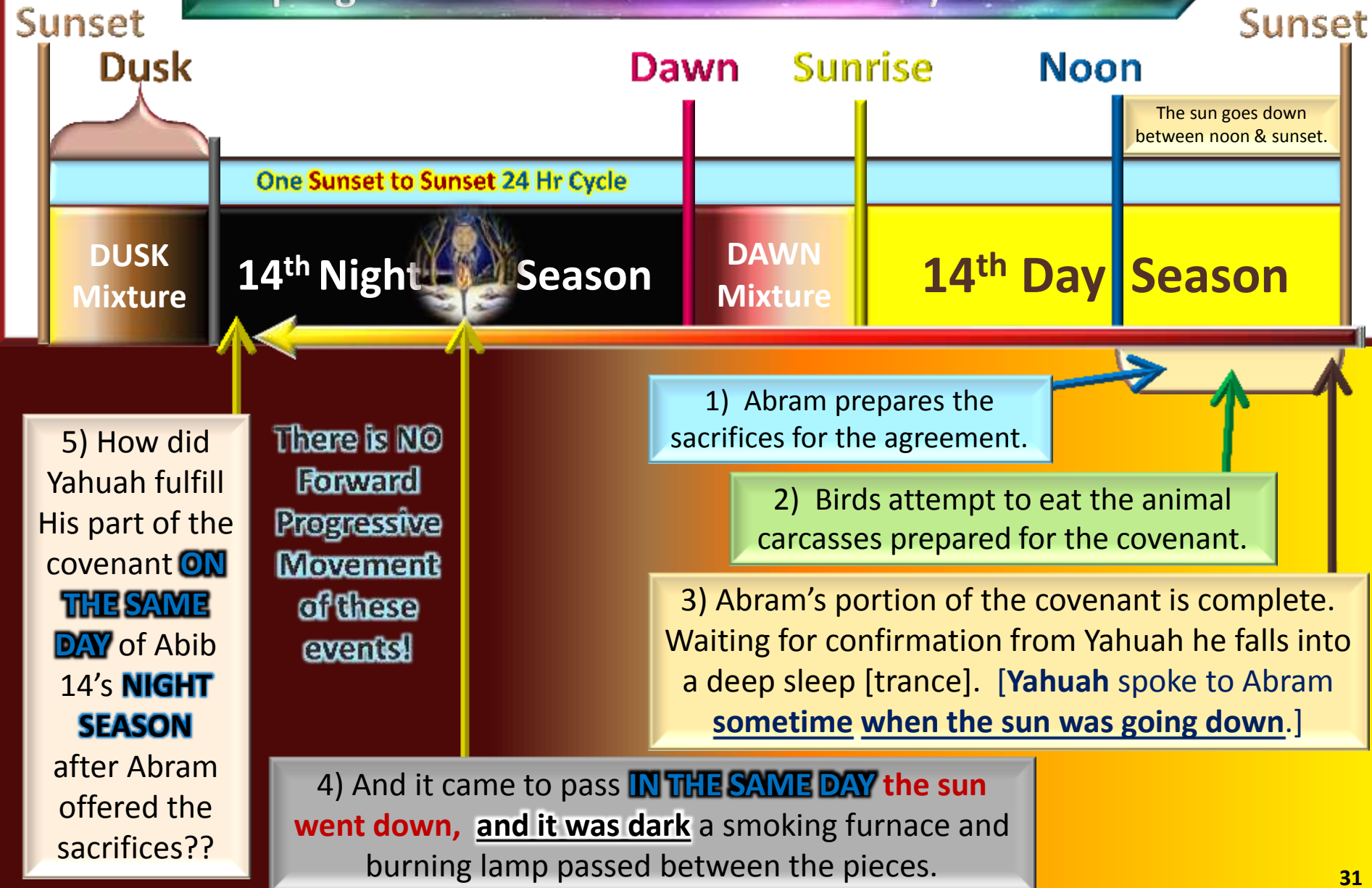




**Will the events of Gen 15
tell the same story
using Sunset Theory
for the day-start?**

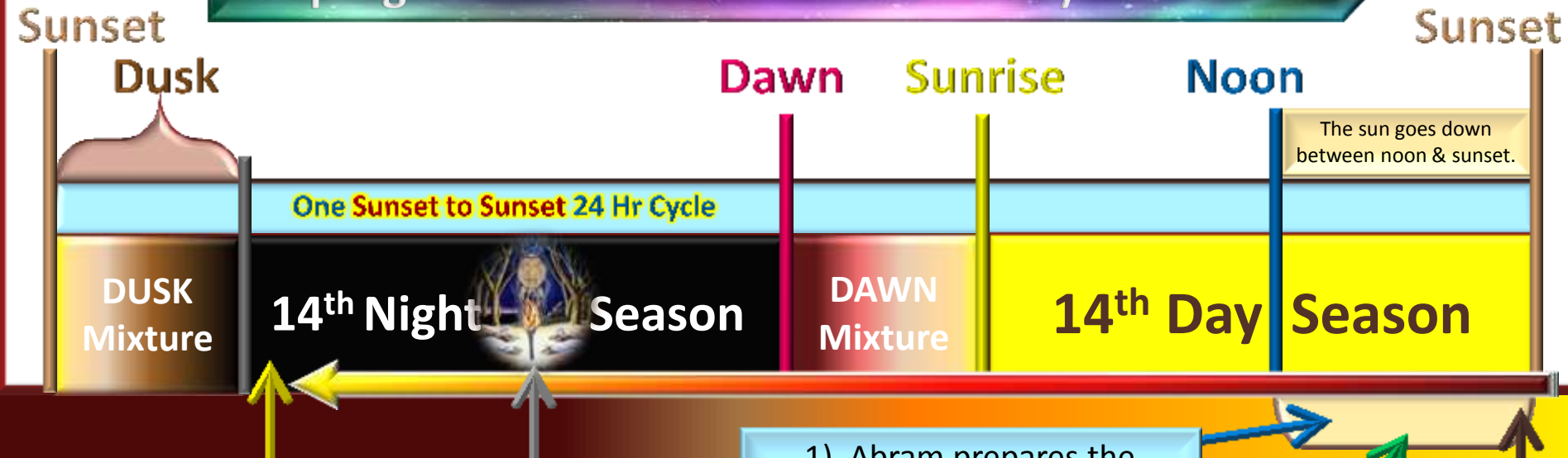
Genesis 15: Sunset Theory Chart #1

Keeping the events ON the SAME day of Abib 14.



Genesis 15: **Sunset Theory** Chart #1

Keeping the events ON the SAME day of Abib 14.



In fact what happens is:
Yahuah passes through the
sacrifices 15+ hours before
Abram can prepare them!

and burning lamp passed between the pieces.

In Sunset Chart #1
the events are
out of order when
kept on the 14th day!



When using Sunset Theory
what happens when the
events are kept IN order?

Genesis 15: **Sunset Theory** Chart #2

Keeping the events IN a Forward Progressive Movement:



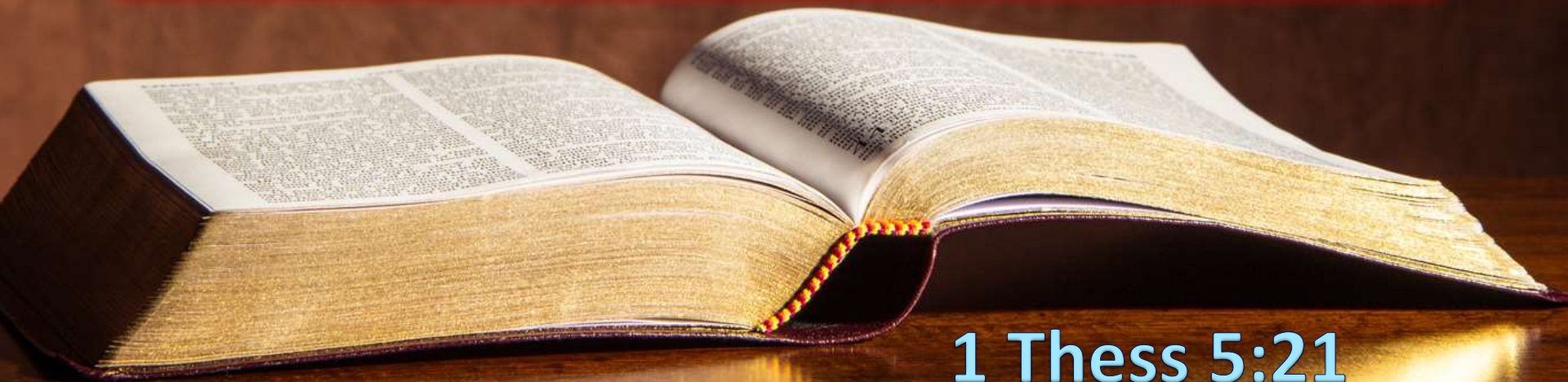


In Sunset Chart #2
the events are kept
in order
beginning with
Abib 14 Day Season ...

... but this covenant agreement
between Yahuah & Abram is
no longer on the SAME DAY!

No matter what,
Sunset Theory is a

FALSE DOCTRINE



1 Thess 5:21

Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

Yahuah's
commencement of the
day at DAWN twilight
is the only option ...



... that keeps all of the events
in order and seals Yahuah's
covenant with Abram
on the SAME DAY!

The End

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