

# Sun

## **Definition:**

Hebrew & Greek  
Translation

The sun; by implication east; figuratively ray; a notched battlement; heat; illumination; luminary in every sense including lightning, happiness; bright; clear; morning; by implication light

Smith's Bible  
Dictionary

"The greater light" in contradistinction to the moon, the "lesser light;" "to rule the day;" worshipped by countries adjacent to Palestine

Webster's Dictionary

The star that is the central body of the solar system, around which the planets revolve and from which they receive light and heat: its mean distance from the earth is about 93 million miles (150 million km), its diameter about 864,000 miles (1.4 million km), and its mass about 330,000 times that of the earth; its period of surface rotation is about 26 days at its equator but longer at higher latitudes; the sun considered with reference to its position in the sky, its visibility, the season of the year, the time at which or the place where it is seen, etc.; a self-luminous heavenly body; star

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## **Supporting Biblical Scriptures:**

### **Genesis 15:12**

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

### **Genesis 15:17**

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.

### **Genesis 19:23**

The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar.

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### **Genesis 28:11**

And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put them for his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.

### **Genesis 32:31**

And as he passed over Penuel the sun rose upon him, and he halted upon his thigh.

### **Genesis 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 and the eleven stars made obeisance to me.

### **Exodus 16:21**

And they gathered it every morning, every man according to his eating: and when the sun waxed hot, it melted.

### **Exodus 17:12**

But Moses hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun.

### **Exodus 22:3**

If the sun be risen upon him, there shall be blood shed for him; for he should make full restitution; if he have nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft.

### **Exodus 22:26**

If thou at all take thy neighbour's raiment to pledge, thou shalt deliver it unto him by that the sun goeth down:

### **Leviticus 22:7**

And when the sun is down, he shall be clean, and shall afterward eat of the holy things; because it is his food.

### **Numbers 2:3**

And on the east side toward the rising of the sun shall they of the standard of the camp of Judah pitch throughout their armies: and Nahshon the son of Amminadab shall be captain of the children of Judah.

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### **Numbers 25:4**

And the LORD said unto Moses, Take all the heads of the people, and hang them up before the LORD against the sun, that the fierce anger of the LORD may be turned away from Israel.

### **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 the LORD thy God hath divided unto all nations under the whole heaven.

### **Deuteronomy 11:30**

Are they not on the other side Jordan, by the way where the sun goeth down, in the land of the Canaanites, which dwell in the champaign over against Gilgal, beside the plains of Moreh?

### **Deuteronomy 16:6**

But at the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name in, there thou shalt sacrifice the passover at even, at the going down of the sun, at the season that thou camest forth out of Egypt.

### **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;

### **Deuteronomy 23:11**

But it shall be, when evening cometh on, he shall wash himself with water: and when the sun is down, he shall come into the camp again.

### **Deuteronomy 24:13**

In any case thou shalt deliver him the pledge again when the sun goeth down, that he may sleep in his own raiment, and bless thee: and it shall be righteousness unto thee before the LORD thy God.

### **Deuteronomy 24:15**

At his day thou shalt give him his hire, neither shall the sun go down upon it; for he is poor, and setteth his heart upon it: lest he cry against thee unto the LORD, and it be sin unto thee.

### **Deuteronomy 33:14**

And for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the moon,

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### **Joshua 1:4**

From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast.

### **Joshua 8:29**

And the king of Ai he hanged on a tree until eventide: and as soon as the sun was down, Joshua commanded that they should take his carcase down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of the gate of the city, and raise thereon a great heap of stones, that remaineth unto this day.

### **Joshua 10:12**

Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon.

### **Joshua 10:13**

And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day.

### **Joshua 10:27**

And it came to pass at the time of the going down of the sun, that Joshua commanded, and they took them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been hid, and laid great stones in the cave's mouth, which remain until this very day.

### **Joshua 12:1**

Now these are the kings of the land, which the children of Israel smote, and possessed their land on the other side Jordan toward the rising of the sun, from the river Arnon unto mount Hermon, and all the plain on the east:

### **Judges 5:31**

So let all thine enemies perish, O LORD: but let them that love him be as the sun when he goeth forth in his might. And the land had rest forty years.

### **Judges 8:13**

And Gideon the son of Joash returned from battle before the sun was up,

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### **Judges 9:33**

And it shall be, that in the morning, as soon as the sun is up, thou shalt rise early, and set upon the city: and, behold, when he and the people that is with him come out against thee, then mayest thou do to them as thou shalt find occasion.

### **Judges 14:18**

And the men of the city said unto him on the seventh day before the sun went down, What is sweeter than honey? And what is stronger than a lion? and he said unto them, If ye had not plowed with my heifer, ye had not found out my riddle.

### **Judges 19:14**

And they passed on and went their way; and the sun went down upon them when they were by Gibeah, which belongeth to Benjamin.

### **1 Samuel 11:9**

And they said unto the messengers that came, Thus shall ye say unto the men of Jabeshgilead, To morrow, by that time the sun be hot, ye shall have help. And the messengers came and shewed it to the men of Jabesh; and they were glad.

### **2 Samuel 2:24**

Joab also and Abishai pursued after Abner: and the sun went down when they were come to the hill of Ammah, that lieth before Giah by the way of the wilderness of Gibeon.

### **2 Samuel 3:35**

And when all the people came to cause David to eat meat while it was yet day, David sware, saying, So do God to me, and more also, if I taste bread, or ought else, till the sun be down.

### **2 Samuel 12:11**

Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give them unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun.

### **2 Samuel 12:12**

For thou didst it secretly: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.



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### **2 Samuel 23:4**

And he shall be as the light of the morning, when the sun riseth, even a morning without clouds; as the tender grass springing out of the earth by clear shining after rain.

### **1 Kings 22:36**

And there went a proclamation throughout the host about the going down of the sun, saying, Every man to his city, and every man to his own country.

### **2 Kings 3:22**

And they rose up early in the morning, and the sun shone upon the water, and the Moabites saw the water on the other side as red as blood:

### **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.

### **2 Kings 23:11**

And he took away the horses that the kings of Judah had given to the sun, at the entering in of the house of the LORD, by the chamber of Nathanmelech the chamberlain, which was in the suburbs, and burned the chariots of the sun with fire.

### **2 Chronicles 18:34**

And the battle increased that day: howbeit the king of Israel stayed himself up in his chariot against the Syrians until the even: and about the time of the sun going down he died.

### **Nehemiah 7:3**

And I said unto them, Let not the gates of Jerusalem be opened until the sun be hot; and while they stand by, let them shut the doors, and bar them: and appoint watches of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, every one in his watch, and every one to be over against his house.

### **Job 8:16**

He is green before the sun, and his branch shooteth forth in his garden.

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## **Job 9:7**

Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth not; and sealet up the stars.

## **Job 30:28**

I went mourning without the sun: I stood up, and I cried in the congregation.

## **Job 31:26**

If I beheld the sun when it shined, or the moon walking in brightness;

## **Psalm 19:4**

Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,

## **Psalm 50:1**

The mighty God, even the LORD, hath spoken, and called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof.

## **Psalm 58:8**

As a snail which melteth, let every one of them pass away: like the untimely birth of a woman, that they may not see the sun.

## **Psalm 72:5**

They shall fear thee as long as the sun and moon endure, throughout all generations.

## **Psalm 72:17**

His name shall endure for ever: his name shall be continued as long as the sun: and men shall be blessed in him: all nations shall call him blessed.

## **Psalm 74:16**

The day is thine, the night also is thine: thou hast prepared the light and the sun.

## **Psalm 84:11**

For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

## **Psalm 89:36**

His seed shall endure for ever, and his throne as the sun before me.

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## **Psalm 104:19**

He appointed the moon for seasons: the sun knoweth his going down.

## **Psalm 104:22**

The sun ariseth, they gather themselves together, and lay them down in their dens.

## **Psalm 113:3**

From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the LORD's name is to be praised.

## **Psalm 121:6**

The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

## **Psalm 136:8**

The sun to rule by day: for his mercy endureth for ever:

## **Psalm 148:3**

Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.

## **Ecclesiastes 1:3**

What profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the sun?

## **Ecclesiastes 1:5**

The sun also ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and hasteth to his place where he arose.

## **Ecclesiastes 1:9**

The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.

## **Ecclesiastes 1:14**

I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and, behold, all is vanity and vexation of spirit.

## **Ecclesiastes 2:11**

Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I had laboured to do: and, behold, all was vanity and vexation of spirit, and there was no profit under the sun.



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### **Ecclesiastes 2:17**

Therefore I hated life; because the work that is wrought under the sun is grievous unto me: for all is vanity and vexation of spirit.

### **Ecclesiastes 2:18**

Yea, I hated all my labour which I had taken under the sun: because I should leave it unto the man that shall be after me.

### **Ecclesiastes 2:19**

And who knoweth whether he shall be a wise man or a fool? yet shall he have rule over all my labour wherein I have laboured, and wherein I have shewed myself wise under the sun. This is also vanity.

### **Ecclesiastes 2:20**

Therefore I went about to cause my heart to despair of all the labour which I took under the sun.

### **Ecclesiastes 2:22**

For what hath man of all his labour, and of the vexation of his heart, wherein he hath laboured under the sun?

### **Ecclesiastes 3:16**

And moreover I saw under the sun the place of judgment, that wickedness was there; and the place of righteousness, that iniquity was there.

### **Ecclesiastes 4:1**

So I returned, and considered all the oppressions that are done under the sun: and behold the tears of such as were oppressed, and they had no comforter; and on the side of their oppressors there was power; but they had no comforter.

### **Ecclesiastes 4:3**

Yea, better is he than both they, which hath not yet been, who hath not seen the evil work that is done under the sun.

### **Ecclesiastes 4:7**

Then I returned, and I saw vanity under the sun.

### **Ecclesiastes 4:15**

I considered all the living which walk under the sun, with the second child that shall stand up in his stead.

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### **Ecclesiastes 5:13**

There is a sore evil which I have seen under the sun, namely, riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt.

### **Ecclesiastes 5:18**

Behold that which I have seen: it is good and comely for one to eat and to drink, and to enjoy the good of all his labour that he taketh under the sun all the days of his life, which God giveth him: for it is his portion.

### **Ecclesiastes 6:1**

There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it is common among men:

### **Ecclesiastes 6:5**

Moreover he hath not seen the sun, nor known any thing: this hath more rest than the other.

### **Ecclesiastes 6:12**

For who knoweth what is good for man in this life, all the days of his vain life which he spendeth as a shadow? for who can tell a man what shall be after him under the sun?

### **Ecclesiastes 7:11**

Wisdom is good with an inheritance: and by it there is profit to them that see the sun.

### **Ecclesiastes 8:9**

All this have I seen, and applied my heart unto every work that is done under the sun: there is a time wherein one man ruleth over another to his own hurt.

### **Ecclesiastes 8:15**

Then I commended mirth, because a man hath no better thing under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry: for that shall abide with him of his labour the days of his life, which God giveth him under the sun.

### **Ecclesiastes 8:17**

Then I beheld all the work of God, that a man cannot find out the work that is done under the sun: because though a man labour to seek it out, yet he shall not find it; yea farther; though a wise man think to know it, yet shall he not be able to find it.

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### **Ecclesiastes 9:3**

This is an evil among all things that are done under the sun, that there is one event unto all: yea, also the heart of the sons of men is full of evil, and madness is in their heart while they live, and after that they go to the dead.

### **Ecclesiastes 9:6**

Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any thing that is done under the sun.

### **Ecclesiastes 9:9**

Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life of thy vanity, which he hath given thee under the sun, all the days of thy vanity: for that is thy portion in this life, and in thy labour which thou takest under the sun.

### **Ecclesiastes 9:11**

I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all.

### **Ecclesiastes 9:13**

This wisdom have I seen also under the sun, and it seemed great unto me:

### **Ecclesiastes 10:5**

There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, as an error which proceedeth from the ruler:

### **Ecclesiastes 11:7**

Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun:

### **Ecclesiastes 12:2**

While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain:

### **Song of Solomon 1:6**

Look not upon me, because I am black, because the sun hath looked upon me: my mother's children were angry with me; they made me the keeper of the vineyards; but mine own vineyard have I not kept.

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### **Song of Solomon 6:10**

Who is she that looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners?

### **Isaiah 13:10**

For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine.

### **Isaiah 24:23**

Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the LORD of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients gloriously.

### **Isaiah 30:26**

Moreover the light of the moon 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 the LORD bindeth up the breach of his people, and healeth the stroke of their wound.

### **Isaiah 38:8**

Behold, I will bring again the shadow of the degrees, which is gone down in the sun dial of Ahaz, ten degrees backward. So the sun returned ten degrees, by which degrees it was gone down.

### **Isaiah 41:25**

I have raised up one from the north, and he shall come: from the rising of the sun shall he call upon my name: and he shall come upon princes as upon mortar, and as the potter treadeth clay.

### **Isaiah 45:6**

That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else.

### **Isaiah 49:10**

They shall not hunger nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor sun smite them: for he that hath mercy on them shall lead them, even by the springs of water shall he guide them.

### **Isaiah 59:19**

So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him.

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### **Isaiah 60:19**

The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory.

### **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.

### **Jeremiah 8:2**

And they shall spread them before the sun, and the moon, and all the host of heaven, whom they have loved, and whom they have served, and after whom they have walked, and whom they have sought, and whom they have worshipped: they shall not be gathered, nor be buried; they shall be for dung upon the face of the earth.

### **Jeremiah 15:9**

She that hath borne seven languisheth: she hath given up the ghost; her sun is gone down while it was yet day: she hath been ashamed and confounded: and the residue of them will I deliver to the sword before their enemies, saith the LORD.

### **Jeremiah 31:35**

Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is his name:

### **Ezekiel 8:16**

And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD's house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east.

### **Ezekiel 32:7**

And when I shall put thee out, I will cover the heaven, and make the stars thereof dark; I will cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon shall not give her light.



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## **Daniel 6:14**

Then the king, when he heard these words, was sore displeased with himself, and set his heart on Daniel to deliver him: and he laboured till the going down of the sun to deliver him.

## **Joel 2:10**

The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:

## **Joel 2:31**

The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD come.

## **Joel 3:15**

The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.

## **Amos 8:9**

And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord GOD, that I will cause the sun to go down at noon, and I will darken the earth in the clear day:

## **Jonah 4:8**

And it came to pass, when the sun did arise, that God prepared a vehement east wind; and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and wished in himself to die, and said, It is better for me to die than to live.

## **Micah 3:6**

Therefore night shall be unto you, that ye shall not have a vision; and it shall be dark unto you, that ye shall not divine; and the sun shall go down over the prophets, and the day shall be dark over them.

## **Nahum 3:17**

Thy crowned are as the locusts, and thy captains as the great grasshoppers, which camp in the hedges in the cold day, but when the sun ariseth they flee away, and their place is not known where they are.

## **Habakkuk 3:11**

The sun and moon stood still in their habitation: at the light of thine arrows they went, and at the shining of thy glittering spear.

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## **Malachi 1:11**

For from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my name, and a pure offering: for my name shall be great among the heathen, saith the LORD of hosts.

## **Malachi 4:2**

But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

## **Matthew 5:45**

That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

## **Matthew 13:6**

And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away.

## **Matthew 13:43**

Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

## **Matthew 17:2**

And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.

## **Matthew 24:29**

Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:

## **Mark 1:32**

And at even, when the sun did set, they brought unto him all that were diseased, and them that were possessed with devils.

## **Mark 4:6**

But when the sun was up, it was scorched; and because it had no root, it withered away.

## **Mark 13:24**

But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light,

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### **Mark 16:2**

And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.

### **Luke 4:40**

Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto him; and he laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them.

### **Luke 21:25**

And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;

### **Luke 23:45**

And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst.

### **Acts 2:20**

The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and notable day of the Lord come:

### **Acts 13:11**

And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon thee, and thou shalt be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand.

### **Acts 26:13**

At midday, O king, I saw in the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me and them which journeyed with me.

### **Acts 27:20**

And when neither sun nor stars in many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on us, all hope that we should be saved was then taken away.

### **1 Corinthians 15:41**

There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory.

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## **Ephesians 4:26**

Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

## **James 1:11**

For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways.

## **Revelation 1:16**

And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.

## **Revelation 6:12**

And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;

## **Revelation 7:16**

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.

## **Revelation 8:12**

And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.

## **Revelation 9:2**

And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.

## **Revelation 10:1**

And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:

## **Revelation 12:1**

And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

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### **Revelation 16:8**

And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.

### **Revelation 19:17**

And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;

### **Revelation 21:23**

And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.

### **Revelation 22:5**

And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

