

# The Father of Lights



## James 1:17-18

**D**iscover that the FATHER OF LIGHTS is represented by luminaries with no shadow from a turning orbit, as in the fully lit sun, fully lit stars, and fully lit moon. As a result, the full moon is the only lunar phase that meets the criteria for Yahuah's true New Moon. **Just as the Messiah is the perfect reflection of the Father and the fullness of His grand and marvelous LIGHT, so the full moon is the perfect reflection of the sun.**

<b>Subject:</b> <b>Scripture Verse:</b> <b>Decoder:</b> Kerrie French		<b>YAHUAH, THE FATHER OF LIGHTS</b> <b>James 1:17-18</b>			
<i>Greek Word for Word Comparison</i> <i>All word studies utilize two or more lexicon sources to ensure accuracy.</i> <i>Overt errors in translation are highlighted in red.</i> <i>* Represents a reversal of word order between two words.</i>					
<b>Strong’s #</b> <b>Word</b> <b>Choice</b>	<b>KJV</b> <b>Scripture</b> <b>Translation</b>	<b>Actual</b> <b>Greek</b> <b>Interlinear</b> <b>Text</b>	<b>Strong’s Hebrew</b> <b>Definitions</b>	<b>Thayer’s Greek</b> <b>Lexicon</b>	<b>New Restored</b> <b>Text</b>
<b>Verse 17</b>					
3956	Every	pas	all; any; <b>every</b> ; the whole; as many as; whatsoever; whosoever;	all; <b>every</b> ; any; every one; every kind; the whole; all the; every one; any one; everything; whatsoever;	<b>Every</b>
18 *	good	agatha	good; well; benefit;	excelling in respect; distinguished; good; the saving work of Yahusha; for good; for advantage; reconciled to Yahuah; <b>fulfilling a duty or service</b> ; kind; generous; benevolent; the benefits of the Messianic kingdom;	<b>fulfillment of service</b>
1394 *	gift	dosis	<b>a giving</b> ; a gift;	<b>a giving</b> ; a gift;	<b>given.</b>

2532	and	kahee	and; also; even; so then; too; both; for; if; or; so; that; therefore; when; yet;	and; <b>indeed</b> ; and yet; also; namely; likewise; besides; moreover; but also;	<b>indeed</b>
3956	every	pas	all; any; <b>every</b> ; the whole; as many as; whatsoever; whosoever;	all; <b>every</b> ; any; every one; every kind; the whole; all the; every one; any one; everything; whatsoever;	<b>every</b>
5046 *	perfect	teleios	<b>complete (in various applications of labor,</b> growth, mental and moral character, etc.); completeness; perfect;	<b>brought to its end; finished</b> ; lacking nothing necessary to completeness; perfect;  <b>NT Exegetical Dictionary:</b> #5046 = <b>fully developed</b> ; complete; perfect;	<b>finished work, brought to its fully developed completion,</b>
1434 *	gift	doraymah	a bestowment; gift	a gift; bounty benefaction	<b>is a gift</b>
1510	is	eimi	I exist; am; <u>have been</u> ;	to exist; to live; to stay; remain; be in a place; to be found; to happen; take place; to be present; to be at hand; to be in store; it is impossible; I am; to pertain to; suitable; <b>fit</b> ; of quality; to be for; serve for; a part of anything; to belong to; to be in one; to be with; to associate with;	<b>prepared</b>
509	from above,	anothen	<b>from above</b> ; from the first; by implication, anew; from the beginning;	<b>from above</b> , from a higher place; from the first; anew; over again;	<b>from above,</b>
2597	cometh down	katabaino	to descend; <b>come</b> ; step <b>down</b> ; fall down;	to go down; <b>come down</b> ; descend	<b>and came down</b>
575	from	apo	off; away (from something near); after; ago; at; because of; before; from; In composition it usually denotes separation, departure; cessation; completion; reversal, etc.	of; off from; departing; fleeing; removing; expelling; throwing; liberating; <b>ransoming</b> ; preserving; abstaining; concealing; out of; by one's own power; on one's own judgment;	<b>as ransom from</b>
3588	the	ho	<b>the</b> ; this; that; one; he; she; it;	this; that; <b>the</b> one; the other; he; she; who; so that; in order that;	<b>the</b>
3962	Father	pater	<b>a father</b> ; parent;	<b>a father</b> ; the founder of a race; one advanced in years; teachers; Yah is called the Father of the heavenly luminaries, because He is their creator;	<b>FATHER</b>
3588	- 0 -	ho	the; this; that; one; he; she; it;	this; that; the one; the other; he; she; who; so that; in order that;	<b>- 0 -</b>
5457	of lights,	phos	to shine or make manifest; especially by rays; luminousness; fire; <b>light</b> ;	anything emitting light; <b>light</b> ; brightness; truth and its knowledge together with the spiritual purity is congruous with light; the power of understanding; moral and spiritual truth;	<b>of LIGHTS,</b>
3844	with	parah	near; from beside; at or in the vicinity; above; against;	from one; his kinsmen; relations; near; by; with;	<b>among</b>

			<b>among</b> ; at; before; by; contrary to; in the sight of;	with oneself; in one's own mind; in his judgment; at; by; near; <b>by the side of</b> ; beside; along; beyond; to; contrary to; above; on account of; near;	
3739	whom	hos	who; <b>which</b> ; what; that;	this; that; who; <b>which</b> ; what;	<b>which</b>
1762	is	eni	among; be; <b>there is</b> ;	is in; is among; has place; <b>is</b> present;	<b>there is</b>
3756	no	ou	the absolute negative; <b>no</b> ; not; nay; neither; never; none; nothing; unworthy; without;	<b>no</b> ; nay; not at all; by no means; surely not; in no wise;	<b>no</b>
3883	variableness,	par-al-lag-ay'	transmutation ( <b>to change or alter in form of phase or orbit</b> ); fickleness: <b>variableness</b> .	<b>variation</b> ; change;  NT Exegetical Dictionary: #3883 [See astronomical connection described below.]	<b>variation in phase or orbit,</b>
2228	neither	ay	a primary particle of distinction between two connected terms; disjunctive; or; comparative; than; either; except it be; rather; save; or else;	or; either; than; before that; to prefer; or even; or also; either indeed;	<b>neither</b>
644 *	shadow	ap-os-kee'-as-mah	a shading off; obscuration; <b>shadow</b> ;	a shade cast by one object upon another; a <b>shadow</b> ;	<b>shadow</b>
5157 *	of turning.	trop-ay'	to turn; <b>revolution; turning</b> ;	<b>a turning of the heavenly bodies</b> ;	<b>of the turning shamayim bodies.</b>
<b>Verse 18</b>					
1014	Of his own will	boulomai	to will; be willing; be disposed; minded; <b>intend</b> ; list;	to will; wish; to have a purpose; to be minded; <b>to desire</b> ;	<b>He has desired</b>
616	begat he	apokueo	to breed forth; to generate; beget; <b>produce</b> ;	bring forth; give birth to; <b>to produce</b> ;	<b>to produce</b>
2248	us	hay-mas'	<b>us</b> ; our; we;	N/A	<b>in us</b>
3056	with the word	logos	something said (including the thought; a topic; reasoning; motive; account; cause; communication; concerning; doctrine; intent; matter; preaching; reason; <b>word</b> ; work;	a collecting; collection; what someone has said; a saying; a mandate; order; decree; a speech; a promise; using the language of the O.T. in prayer; <b>an oracle</b> or utterance by which Yah discloses to the prophets the future events; speech; what is declared reason; cause; ground;	<b>the word</b>
225	of truth,	althetheia	<b>truth</b> ; true; truly; verity;	<b>truth</b> ; verity; what is true in any matter under consideration; truly; in truth; according to truth; in reality; in fact; certainly; what is true in things pertaining to Yah and the duties of man;	<b>of truth,</b>
1519	that	ice	to; into (indicating the point reached or entered); among; at; before; concerning; continual; <b>to the intent that</b> ;	into; to; toward; for; among; near; as far as; even to; unto; through; even to; until; <b>for the benefit of</b> ; to	<b>with the intent that</b>

			set at one again; until; (expressing motion).	the advantage of; with respect to; in reference to; as regards;	
3588	- 0 -	ho	the; this; that; one; he; she; it; <u>him</u> ;	this; that; the one; the other; he; she; who; so that; in order that; <u>him</u> ;	<b>by Him</b>
2248	we	hay-mas'	us; our; <u>we</u> ;	N/A	<b>we</b>
1511	should be	einai	to exist; am; are; come; is; to <u>be</u> ; was;	N/A – refer to #3361: that not; lest; unless; if not; by no means; not at all; in no wise;	<b>may be</b>
5100 *	a kind	tis	some or any person or object; <u>a kind of</u> ; any man or thing; whosoever; whatsoever;	a certain; a certain one; some; some time; a while; someone; something; anyone; anything; one; and another; <u>something of consequence</u> ; something extraordinary;	<b>a kind of</b>
536 *	of first fruits	ap-ar-khay'	a beginning of sacrifice, i.e. <u>the Jewish first-fruit</u> ;	to offer firstlings; <u>or first-fruits</u> ; who are the first-fruits of future blessings in the Spirit.	<b>first-fruits</b>
3588	- 0 -	ho	the; this; that; one; he; she; it;	this; that; the one; the other; he; she; who; so that; in order that;	<b>of</b>
846	of his	autos	<u>his</u> ; her; it; one; the other; own; thyself; she; yourselves; that; their; them; thereby; those; together;	self; self to the exclusion of; he alone; by oneself; self not prompted or influenced by another; <u>he</u> ; she; it; just exactly; even; him; her; it; them;	<b>His</b>
2938	creatures.	ktis'-mah	an original formation (concretely); creature; product ( <u>created thing</u> );	thing founded; <u>created thing</u> ;	<b>re-creation.</b>

Verse by Verse Comparison of James 1:17-18		
	New King James Translation	The Creator's Calendar New Restored Interlinear Text
<b>Verse 17</b>	Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the <b>FATHER OF LIGHTS</b> , with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.	Every fulfillment of service given, indeed every finished work brought to its fully developed completion, is a gift prepared from above, and comes down as ransom from the <b>FATHER OF LIGHTS</b> , among <b>which</b> there is no variation in phase or orbit, neither shadow of the turning shamayim bodies.
<b>Verse 18</b>	Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of first-fruits of His creatures.	He has desired to produce in us the word of truth, with the intent that, by Him we may be a kind of first-fruits of His re-creation.

## Lights Identify the Creator's Plan

Scripture word studies often reveal a more vivid portrayal of a Scriptural event than some of the modern translations bear out. This is the case here in James, where this verse is set in the framework of the *temple services* and its sacred and set-apart Feast Days.

**Verse 17** begins by adding muscle to the bones of the common translation of “every good gift and every perfect gift is from above.” Specifically, “*every fulfillment of service given*” and “*every finished work brought to its fully developed completion,*” is the work of the Messiah as He alone ministers on our behalf in the Temple/Sanctuary in the shamayim above. It is only via this grand and glorious work on behalf of blotting out sin that the WAY is opened for sinners to receive forgiveness and eternal life.

Each *service* or *ministry* commences and terminates according to the astro-luni-solar time model and is directly linked to a specific feast day in their precise order. At the time of the writing the book ascribed to James, *Passover, Feast of Unleavened Bread, the Wave Sheaf offering, and Pentecost* had all been fulfilled in real time by the life, death and resurrection of the true Messiah as a fulfillment of His first coming to earth. These were the first steps in the full and complete process of ransom and restoration of our Messiah, who purchased with his own sacrificial blood, mankind’s guilt, so they may choose His covering and be restored back to the Father.

Three steps remain, and perhaps even four, which are listed under the fall feasts as Feast of Trumpets, Feast Day of Atonement, and Feast of Tabernacles, and the Eighth Day (the Last Great Day). In like manner as in His first coming, Yahusha, our Messiah will return a second time at the completion of His time-stamped Feast Days.

The reference to the fact that these “*perfect and completed gifts, have come down to us from the Father of lights,*” has layers of meaning. First, our Messiah was sent to earth by his Father, both co-Creators of earth’s LIGHTS and TIME. It is these very lights that mark off the time by which each ministry begins and ends, illustrating as a second witness that indeed Yahusha was the true Messiah and Son of Yahuah.

The key word is **LIGHT**, for **YAHUAH IS THE FATHER OF LIGHTS**, pure, clear, and **MARVELOUS LIGHT**. There is *no darkness* in anything that represents our Creator, as He is the fullness of light. So, we find something very interesting in the last portion of **verse 17**, as it portrays two realities simultaneously, both the legitimacy of the FATHER, and the timely precision of the “LIGHT,” which are themselves empirical representations of Himself. Here it is meticulously defined so we can know the truth, the pure and perfect *lights* that He created to “rule” and represent Himself and His Son, “**have no darkness, variation, or shadow of a turning orbit in them.**” Rather, this verse proactively clarifies that **these “shadows of turning” are not present in any of the LIGHTS when fully developed and when**

**they represent Him.** Consequently, along with the sun and stars, the only lunar phase that meets these criteria “*of no shadows or variation,*” is the **full moon**.

Might this be one example of many, illustrating that the true New Moon is the full moon, after all?

<sup>NT:3883†</sup> παραλλαγή, ἥς, ἡ *parallagē* **change (noun)\***

An astronomical t.t. used fig. in [James 1:17](#): God, “the Father of ‘lights’ [cf. [Ps 135:7 LXX](#)], with whom there is no change or darkness caused by turning” (παρ’ ᾧ οὐκ ἔνι παραλλαγὴ ἢ τροπῆς ἀποσκίασμα). In contrast to the change in the stars, therefore, which is subject to a particular order, God is unchangeable (in his goodness: v. 17a).

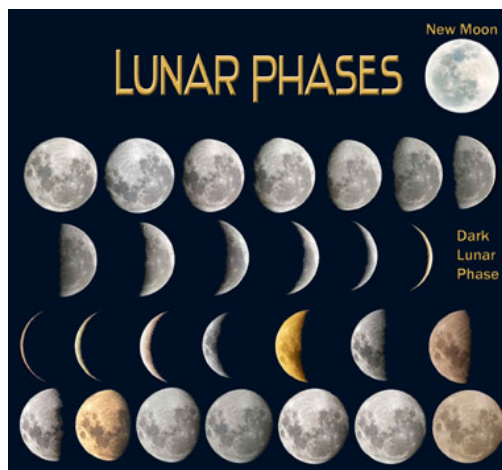
From the definition of the Greek word #3883 translated as *variable* or *variation* we find it is directly related to the LIGHTS in the shamayim. However, in contrast to the above quote from the Exegetical Dictionary, this word refers primarily to the full moon [fully developed #5046] as it is the only light that has changing phases. Yet, it does not diminish its application to the full sun (when it rules the day), and the full stars (when they rule the night) or their orbit.

## Other Lunar Phases

**From Genesis to Revelation, there is not one Scripture identifying a *dark lunar phase* or a *first visible crescent* lunar phase as representative of either the Father or the Son. Yet, there are myriads of examples of fullness, completeness, and pure, perfect LIGHT representing both the Father and Son and their astounding foundation of TRUTH.**

There is only one lunar phase that is visibly oriented the same as viewed from both the northern and the southern hemispheres. All other lunar phases will be seen in reverse in the southern hemisphere. Judge for yourself as to which lunar phase is free of all shadows of darkness.

Finally, **Verse 18** alludes to the Father’s final plan to produce in each of His ransomed saints the *fullness of truth and pure perfect light* that we may be comprehensively restored to meet with Him, face to face, as a perfect reflection of Him. This is the grand and sacred work of Yahusha, our Messiah and Savior who today continues in the Temple above receiving the confession of sin from humble sinners that they may receive forgiveness, with no taint of sin and darkness.



The promise is that one day soon these may be restored into His likeness, clothed in robes of light, whiter than snow, the pure and perfect righteousness of the Father.

Beloved, now we are children of Alahim, and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, **but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.** 1 John 3:2

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