Which Calendar does the Cheaton Recognize? The Gregorian or His Own?

Reason for this study: to determine whether the moon regulates the weekly cycle and whether Scripture backs this up with 2-3 witnesses.

Goal of having this study: to better acquaint ourselves with the Creator, His calendar, and His method of reckoning time, specifically His appointed times.

The challenge we face: every weekly Sabbath that is given a specific date in Scripture is always on the 8th, 15th, 22nd, or 29th day of the month; that's the Father's calendar, not the Roman calendar.

Questions we must answer: Are there any passages in Scripture that clearly state a continuous sequential 7 day cycle, or that this 7 day cycle is the memorial of the Creation week? If yes, are there 2-3 witnesses that the thing is established by YHWH? See Genesis 41:32, Deuteronomy 19:15, Job 33:14 and II Corinthians 13:1. (There are none.) Are there any passages of Scripture that clearly state that the moon regulates the appointed times? If yes, are there 2-3 witnesses? (There are plenty.)

The moon is on an approximate 29½ day lunation or cycle. If there is a "lunar week," with its irregular number of days (7 does not go into 29½ evenly) does this affect the count to Feast of Weeks? (It does, evidence in another study.) Does this affect the land Sabbaths or the Jubilee cycle? Does this affect the millennial Sabbath? If so, how does it affect our understanding of these institutions? This may be a non issue since we are comparing what constitutes the Creator's "lunar month" with institutions based on a 7 day "week". The cycle of six working days followed by an intermission, or rest day is still understood and observed. The month and the week are two different segments of time. The month is made up of weeks, but they are two separate measurements of time. Questions we need to closely examine are the concepts of an extended intermission period at the end of the month, waiting for the rebuilding of the moon, and that the moon also regulates the Sabbath, YHWH's first feast.

Passages we need to examine: Thoughts

Genesis 1:14-15	Here we find the ordination of YHWH's calendar.
Psalm 104:19	Second witness that the moon is ordained for Mo'eds
Psalm 8:3-4	The moon is ordained for visitation with man.
Jeremiah 31:35-36	If the ordinances of the moon cease to be observed then Israel (His chosen people—we are Israelites) will cease to be a nation before Him.
Amos 8:5	One new moon is recognized as a non-commerce day.
Ezekiel 46:1-3	Special in Yah's eyes? The doors of the tabernacle were only opened during new moons and Sabbaths.
Isaiah 66:22-23	The new moons will continue to be observed throughout eternity. If new moons are worship days in the past (above text) <u>and</u> will be in the future, what about now?

Problems with keeping a repeating 7 day cycle that Sabbatarians need to resolve:

The 10th day of Abib (the day to set aside the Passover Lamb) is a work day. The man from Galilee rode on a donkey making it work, they cut palm branches, there was buying and selling of Paschal lambs, and on Abib 10, he healed a man and everyone thought it was wonderful. He wasn't accused of breaking the Sabbath. **Luke 19:35-45**, **Matthew 21:2-15**. Abib 10 floats on the Roman calendar.

The 14th day of Abib is <u>always</u> the preparation day for first day of Unleavened Bread. **Matt. 27:62**, **Mark 15:42**, **Luke 23:54--24:1**, **John 19:14**, **31**, **42—John 20:1**. Abib 14 floats on our calendar. The fact is that the 10th, 14th and 16th of Abib are, without exception, commanded work days. The barley could be harvested on the 16th <u>after</u> the Wave Sheaf had been offered, **Leviticus 23:9-14**.

If there is a continuous 7 day cycle, every few years either the 10^{th} , 14^{th} or 16^{th} will fall on a "saturday". Evidence: Abib 10 fell on a "Saturday" in 2003. The 14^{th} fell on "Saturday" in 2004, et al. There is no legislation provided to do these tasks a day early or late, these work dates are fixed. And YHWH never has Israel do common work on a rest day. He is not the Author of confusion.

An interesting new concept we need to consider:

We are at times given two counterfeits from which to choose. One is an obvious fraud that only the enemies of the Father would accept. Professed believers, on the other hand, accept the other fraud thinking they are in the truth and sometimes will not move from this position. This is a master double deception. This is not necessarily <u>stated</u> in Scripture, but there is evidence that this is true.

For example: And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD be God, follow him: but if Ba'al, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word. **I Kings 18:21**. [I wrote it as it reads in the KJV, I did not return the Name of the Father back to its rightful place.] Ba'al is the obvious fraud. But what about the word, <u>LORD</u>? In Hebrew there is no deception, His Name is YHWH, but in English there is no right answer because the word Ba'al means Lord in Hebrew.

Do you understand? LORD and Ba'al are basically the same word. Neither is the correct answer. It is a dual counterfeit. The Father will put right and wrong before us (i.e., the Tree of Life and the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil in the same garden). So who is adding these secondary counterfeits?

Now, we must consider whether Satan invented the heptad, or continuous 7 day cycle. Sincere but ignorant believers and the enemies of YHWH choose the pagan Sunday—the 1st day of the week. Professed (but un-enlightened) believers, who would never choose the obvious fraud, will naturally, choose the 7th day of the Roman/Catholic/Gregorian calendar. Is this also a double deception?

Problems with the present-day calendar that Sabbatarians must resolve:

I was told by a Saturday keeping friend that the carpenter from Nazareth did not come to correct Sabbath keeping so we must be keeping it properly still today. And I agree; there is no evidence that he corrected their calendar. From this the only thing we can conclude is that Israel was still keeping a lunar-solar calendar 2000 years ago. "In 46 B.C., Julius Caesar asked astronomer Sosigenes to suggest ways to improve the calendar. Acting on Sosigenes suggestions, Caesar ordered the Romans to disregard the moon in calculating their calendars." *World Book Encyclopedia, Vol. 3, p. 28.*

In 1582, Pope Gregory XIII corrected the errors of the Julian calendar. Over time the majority of the civilized world adopted the calendar we adhere to today—the Gregorian calendar. See **Daniel 7:25.** Neither the Julian, nor the Gregorian calendar regulates time according to Scripture. They arbitrarily begin the year in winter, days at midnight and completely ignore the lunar cycle and the new moon. So why do we trust this same calendar to be honest with YHWH's Sabbaths?

A serious problem with a repeating 7 day cycle that present-day Sabbatarians must resolve:

Israel was delivered on the 15th of the first month (**Exodus 12**, **Numbers 33:3**) which is the first day of Unleavened Bread and a Sabbath according to **Leviticus 23:6-7**. How can the 15th of the <u>second</u> month after they were delivered also be the Sabbath, **Exodus 16:1-23**? (See below) This is not possible using a repeating 7 day cycle of weeks unless February is the first month. The problem is that February did not exist 4000 years ago.

This problem does not end here. In **Exodus 19:1-2**, Moses indicates that the 15th day of the <u>third</u> month after the deliverance was also a Sabbath. This passage reveals that Israel arrived at the Wilderness of Sinai the same day of the month they left Egypt, which was the 16th. Remember, Israel spoiled the Egyptians and left Rameses on the 15th and went as far as Succoth, but actually left "the land of" Egypt the following day (**Numbers 33:3-6**). Israel arrived at Sinai on the 16th and was told to prepare against the third day. The 16th is the first day of the lunar week so the 18th would be that third day of the week, proving that the 15th is the seventh day Sabbath. There cannot be a repeating seven day cycle. Having a Sabbath on the 15th of the month for three consecutive months is not possible with the Gregorian calendar, but it is possible with YHWH's calendar...

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Lamentations 2:6	To say that Israel never lost sight of the Sabbath is not true. The historical landscape is littered with Israel's apostasies. They forgot the Sabbath many, many times. Since the Jews in Israel today are imposters (of Edomite and/or Turkish descent—Esau's descendants), why confidently look to them for proper Sabbath observance? The "Jews" today operate within the Gregorian calendar—observing the moon for feasts but the Roman calendar for Sabbaths. This is following after other gods.
Exodus 16:1-23 (15 th , 22 nd)	The first place where the word "Sabbath" is used in Scripture. $15 + 6$ days of manna = 21. Next day (22^{nd}) is the Sabbath. If the 22^{nd} is a Sabbath, so is the 15^{th} .
Leviticus 8:1, 8:33-9:1, 4, 23 (8 th)	YHWH speaks on the 1 st day and commands a 7 day consecration. The 8 th day (of the <u>month</u>) is visitation day.
Leviticus 23:6-7 (15 th)	The first day of Unleavened Bread is a Sabbath. Note: the 1 st (Feast of Trumpets) and 10 th (Day of Atonement) days of month 7, are the only exceptions to the lunar Sabbath rule of Sabbaths always being in the 8 th , 15 th , 22 nd or 29 th of the month. Time and study will reveal why.
Leviticus 23:39 (15 th , 22 nd)	The first day of Tabernacles and a Sabbath 8 days later.

Numbers 29:12 (15 th)	Second witness for the first day of Tabernacles.
Joshua 1:11, Joshua 4:19 (8 th)	They crossed Jordan the 10 th of Abib and were given a command 3 days earlier (this would be the 7 th day of the month) to do a work of preparedness, make food. This proves that the "seventh" day (of the month) was not the Sabbath, the seventh day of the week is always a Sabbath. A "Sabbath complete" (or one week) consists of 6 work days followed by a rest day (Sabbath).
II Chronicles 7:8-10 (22 nd)	A Second witness calling the "eighth day" a Sabbath (the one following the Sabbath of the 15 th) during the Feast of Tabernacles. Examine this for yourselfthe term "eighth day" is at times used as a metaphor for the Sabbath in Scripture.
John 5:1 (see margin), 5:4, 9 (29 th)	This came after a spring wedding, Passover, and after Yeshua said the wheat harvest (Pentecost) was in 4 months.
John 7:2, and 7:37 - 9:14 (22 nd)	The carpenter from Nazareth spoke during the last great day of the feast of Tabernacles, a 7 day feast. After an "argument" with the religious authorities, everyone went home. The man from Galilee went to the Mount of Olives (John 7:53, 8:1). Early the next day (which would be the 22 nd day of Tishri, the last day of Tabernacles being the 21 st) "Jesus" returned to the Temple. There he had another lengthy debate with the scribes and Pharisees. After nearly being stoned at the end of the debate (8:59), He left the temple and passed by a blind man…read John 9:14 .
John 19:31 (15 th)	The 15 th is a weekly Sabbath, (says "on <u>the</u> Sabbath") and a high day in particular—an <u>annual</u> Sabbath.
Acts 20:5-7	Paul took five days to get to Troas after the last day of Unleavened Bread, which is Abib 21. So he arrived on the 26 th day of Abib then stayed 7 days. Using the Roman calendar try to make a seven day stay in Troas end on a Sunday counting from the 26th. Then, using the Scriptural method of counting time, see if this calculation works. Remember, there are 30 days in Abib, a two day rebuilding of the Moon. See calendars next page. Some say that the "festival Sabbaths" can fall on any day of the week, however, there are no commanded intermissions or rest days during the week long feasts, the days between are common, or work days. For instance, if the 26 th of Abib was on a "Monday", then staying seven days would permit a "Sunday" meeting. However, that would place the 15 th and 22 nd on a "Thursday" forcing a Sabbath on the 17 th of Abib, which is nowhere in Scripture called a Sabbath.

9	10	11	12	13	14	15 Sabbath First day of Feast
16	17	18	19	20	21 Last day of the Feast	22
23	24	25	26 First day of a 7 day stay	27	28	29
First day of week		Meeting 7 days later?	3	4	5	6 If the 17 th is a Sabbath, so is the 10 th . And the 10 th of Abib is a
						work day!
11	12	13	14	15 Sabbath First day of Feast	16	I7 Is this day ever called a Sabbath in Scripture?
18	19	20	21 Last day of the Feast	22	23	24
25	26 First day of a 7 day stay	27	28	29	30	1
2 Meeting on the first day of week	3	4	5	6	7	8

These are the six working days, followed by the non-working days, the Sabbaths and New Moons.

9	10	11	12	13	14 "Passover"	15 First day of feast (and a Sabbath)
16	17	18	19	20	21 last day of feast	22 Sabbath
23	24	25	26 Arrived at Troas 1	27	28	29 Sabbath
		First day of seven day stay			Two	Rebuilding of moon 5
ew mo	onth				day new moon	New Moon Day 6
2 first day of week 7	3	4	5	6	7	8

The above evidence shows that the Sabbath was observed on the 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, before the law, at the giving of the law, at the time of the patriarchs and prophets, and 2,000 years ago.

If you think that the account in **Acts 20:5-7** (along with the last calendar representation given) is inaccurate, please examine **I Samuel 20**. Jonathan and David have an agreement. David is trying to prove that Saul is out to kill him. Notice verse **20:5** and **18**. "To morrow is the new moon." How did they know that? They hadn't seen it yet. This proves that they did not wait for it to show up; they anticipated the arrival of the new moon. One way to do this is to watch the **east** during the last days of the waning moon when the moon ascends decreasingly less time before the sun. The day that the sun comes up without sighting the moon first would be conjunction day.

Actually, this proves several things. One, they were making this pact on the 29th day of the month, or the Sabbath. Two, this was a 30 day month because there was two days of feasting involved with this new moon celebration, **20:24-27**. Three, apparently the Hebrews also observed the "no moon" or rebuilding of the moon that occurred during the 30 day months as part of the new moon celebration. Four, going out in the field and shooting arrows was not a Sabbath (or new moon?) activity. Five, counting from the 29th, and observing the two new moon days it was exactly three days later that Jonathan shot his arrows on the first work day of the week (compare verse 19). Lastly, in English, it seems to say "the second day of the month" in verse 27. In Hebrew, this phrase is "the second day of the new moon celebration." This was confirmed by a student of Hebrew examining the underlying Hebrew language. Compare with verse 34. The word "month" in this verse is *new moon* in Hebrew.

Something to think about: Friend, have you heard that there is no celestial time piece to mark the week? We have the sun to mark the day, the new moon to mark months, and the sun to rule the year. We have been told that there are no weekly revolutions of any light in the sky to mark the seven day week. We have been told that this proves the creation week in spite of the theory of evolution. We have been told that this proves a continuously repeating 7 day week, that the seventh-day Sabbath has never been lost and that the Sabbath is therefore the memorial of Creation.

Friend, there is a sign (beacon-**Genesis 1:14**) in the heavens that marks the week. You'll find it exactly where YHWH says you will, in the quarters of <u>the moon</u>. The sun comes up every day of the year and other than the fact that it is higher or lower on the sky's dome it looks the same every day. However, every 7 days, the moon enters a different phase. New moon-first quarter-full moon and then third quarter before entering a "rebuilding" phase. Since YHWH says that the moon is for appointed times, then we must diligently prove this to be true. We must be faithful to the data given. He doesn't say <u>which</u> appointed times, so we must conclude that He means <u>all</u> of them.

Addressing the exceptions to the rule: Feast of Trumpets and Day of Atonement is very much called a Sabbaths but falls on a day other than the 8th, 15th, 22nd, or 29th, falling on the 1st and 10th days of the seventh month respectively. I have concluded that we will not observe Trumpets or DOA in the Kingdom because there will be no more judgment after the final judgment, nor a need to "remember" it. Appropriately enough, Unleavened Bread, Feast of Weeks and Feast of Tabernacles are the only appointed times (each a pilgrimage feast) named in the perpetual covenant and their named days of holy convocation, or appointed times to meet with YHWH fall on the 15th, 22nd, or the 29th.

So why doesn't Day of Atonement fall on either the 8th, 15th, 22nd, or 29th of the month? Another plausible explanation is that all of the weekly Sabbaths are feast days, **Leviticus 23:1-3**. Day of Atonement is a fast day. You cannot fast on a feast day. And truly, this day was for the "work" of self examination. This was unique in that it was not a joyful festival occasion, it was the most solemn.

Final thought: Every believer who has ever been tempted to sin will attest to the cleverness of our Adversary.

Now be honest. How many of us have gone to an EZ Cosmos or some other software and traced the Roman Calendar (with it's repeating seven day weeks) back to 31 A.D. to prove the Friday-Sabbath-Sunday crucifixion weekend? Indeed, by using a moon phase calendar, and going back to the year 31 A.D. we find that Passover (Abib 14) did not occur on a Friday, which means that he could not have been crucified in 31 A.D. <u>or</u> that we are applying or using the wrong calendar. Some, rather than admit that they are applying the wrong calendar to the facts, begin to question the character of the one delivering this message of Sabbath reform. What is even odder still is that some insist that the seven day weeks have never been lost and that "the Jews" have kept an accurate record, in spite of the evidence to the contrary! Lamentations 2:6 says that YHWH will cause Israel to forget His Sabbath.

Brethren, it was only 2,000 years ago that Rome decided to forgo the lunar-solar calendar in favor of the solar. Taking the new moon from the calendar count destroyed the Creation Calendar and has caused more than a few false doctrines along the way. For those of you convinced that there is a Satyrday Sabbath tucked away somewhere in the 7 day Feast of Unleavened Bread, pay attention. Abib 14-16 is <u>always</u> a 6th day, 7th day, 1st day sequence on YHWH's calendar! Every year! The Gregorian days of the week are pagan, why superimpose Yah's calendar over a pagan calendar?

Make sure your calling is sure, that your feet are planted on the solid Rock and that when called upon that you have an answer for your faith. Your witness will be more credible if your answers come from The Word rather than the tradition of men.

We should never trust in the arm of flesh regardless of how much light has been shown on their path in times past. Without a firm, "Thus saith YHWH," we are all on sandy soil.

The Nail: Satan has found that his work is much more efficient if he works from within the body of believers.

- **Q.** In order to cement millions of innocent believers in their Sabbath error, what single body of people would Satan have to infiltrate with his counterfeit calendar?
- **A.** The Jews.

We do neither ourselves nor our heavenly Father any service by simply accepting the record of "the Jews." Many corporate types are now in prison for "cooking the books". Solomon, a very wise man, once said that there is nothing new under the sun. This doesn't make the Jews "bad" and does not mean that there is not much we can learn from this system; only that, due to their apostasy and the cleverness of the Adversary, their <u>remembrance</u> of spiritual things is sometimes not that great.

In conclusion: if all the feast days can be found without going outside of Scripture to man's calendar, then why cannot the weekly Holy days or Sabbaths be found in Scripture (on Yah's calendar) also? By finding the workdays, you can determine the non-work days or Sabbaths (intermissions) and the only way to find the workdays in Scripture is by the moon. In order to be consistent, the non-work days should never interrupt the six day work week, which they routinely do on the Roman calendar; the new moons and feast days fall on any and all days of the Roman week. They do not do this on YHWH's calendar, with the exceptions noted above. Please see following pages.

2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29 30 1	First Month, 30 days
2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	Second Month, 29 days
2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29 30	Third Month, 30 days
2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29	Fourth Month, 29 days
2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29 30	Fifth Month, 30 days
2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29	Sixth Month, 29 days
2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29 30	Seventh Month, 30 days

The months do not always toggle back and forth between 29 and 30 days, but you get the idea. There are generally six 29 day months and six 30 day months in the year except the intercalary year (every 2-3 years) when a 13th month (Veadar) is added. The example above is just to show how the calendar works. The Sabbaths are in **Red**, the New Moon days are in **Blue**. The New Moon, though never a weekly Sabbath, was a day celebrated more like a Sabbath than a work day. They blew horns (**Numbers 10:2-3**, **10**; **Psalm 81:3**) there was no commerce (**Exodus 20:8-11**, **Amos 8:5**—is about the 7th New moon) and it was a day for a holy convocation (**Leviticus 23:3**, **Ezekiel 46:1**, **3**). There will at last be unity among feast keepers if this calendar proves itself worthy. Study, Fast and Pray.

Friend, look what happens when we remove the third category of days out of YHWH's calendar.

2 9 16 23 30	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29
7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29	2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27
6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29	2 9 16 23 30	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26
4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29	2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24
3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29	2 9 16 23 30
1 8 15 22 29	2 9 16 23	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28

This is the same problem we have with the two division (moral and ceremonial) theory of the law. There are three divisions of the Law; there are three categories of days. When you remove the distinctness of the New Moon days, when you create a calendar that only recognized two types of days (work and rest) you indeed get a repeating heptad (seven day week).

My contention is that this is precisely what happened. This is how we got our repeating 7 day week. In 46 B.C. when Julius made his proclamation for Romans to disregard the moon when calculating their calendars, he went against a Divine command. I highly rather doubt that true Israel was keeping this solar-Roman calendar 2000 years ago! Israel hated Rome!!! But the synagogue of Satan spoken of in **Revelation 2:9** and **3:9** is certainly in league with Rome.

When the kingdom of Judah was dispersed in 70 A.D., they scattered to every corner of the earth. In the Middle Ages, the Gregorian calendar came to be accepted by nearly every civilized nation in the world. Russia was one of the last (1918) and Turkey finally accepted it in 1928. In 1948, when Israel was reinstated as a nation and "Jews" came pouring into the promised land from all corners of the earth, which calendar did they bring with them? **The Gregorian**.

"Sabbath and New Moon (Rosh Kodesh), both periodically recurring in the course of the year. The New Moon is still, and the Sabbath originally was, dependant upon the lunar cycle. Both date back to the nomadic period of Israel." *The Universal Jewish Encyclopedia*, p. 410.

"A continuous seven-day cycle that runs throughout history, paying no attention whatsoever to the moon and its phases, is a distinctly <u>Jewish invention</u>. Moreover, the dissociation of the seven-day week from nature has been one of the most significant contributions of Judaism to civilization. ... [Lunar weeks and continuous weeks] actually represent <u>two fundamentally distinct modes of temporal organization of human life</u>, the former involving partial adaptation to nature, and the latter stressing total emancipation from it. The invention of the continuous week was therefore one of the most significant breakthroughs in human beings' attempts to <u>break away</u> from being prisoners of nature [and from under YHWH's law] and create a social world of their own." Eviator Zerubavel, in his book *The Seven Day Circle: The History and Meaning of the Week*. [Emphasis and bold brackets my own]

So a repeating seven day week is Satanic in origin, promoted by the "Jews". For the record, I am not anti-Semitic. The Law was revealed to Hebrews and the Scripture I love was written by Hebrews.

We need to prove all things, holding fast only that which is good. If Saturday Sabbath is true, then it should bear close scrutiny. Should we look to the Word to find the feasts, and then look to modern "Jews" to find the Sabbath? **Amos 5:26** prophesies that Israel would worship Chiun (Saturn) the stargod they would make for themselves. Saturday is a day named after Satan himself (Satyr) so Satan very cleverly receives his worship every week, all year long, by folks who claim to follow YHWH. Now is the time to correct our incorrect ideas and test the spirits. Indeed, Satyrday originally was the first day of the Roman planetary week, not sunday:

In the article *Shawui Sabbath: Ancient Sabbath Observance*, the author asks these questions -"But what of Gentile Christians? Did this early break-off of true Nazarene[s]...also observe a Sabbath cycle? Early historical records clearly confirm that very early Gentile Christians also kept the same [lunar] Sabbath Calendar as the...Nazarenes. This practice was first changed by Bishop Sixtus in 126 A.D. and later officially changed by a royal Roman decree from the emperor Constantine. Observance of the Sabbath day was made illegal and observance of a 'Sunday' of a <u>fixed week</u> was made mandatory for all except farmers. Previous to this time the <u>Roman Saturday</u> was the <u>first day of the Roman week</u>. The veneration of the Sun in the second century A.D. began to pressure Roman culture to *change* the first day of their week <u>from Saturday to Sunday</u>." [Emphasis my own]

The last conflict will indeed be over the Sabbath issue. Now, the issue just gets deeper, a greater conflict than we ever imagined. It now pits "Saturday" Sabbath keepers against those who desire to return to the original calendar. **Keeping a lunar Sabbath is still observing the seventh-day as Sabbath. We are just attempting to do so utilizing the lights in the heavens as ordained by the Creator.** The burden of proof is on the shoulders of Saturday Sabbath keepers to prove that there is a repeating 7 day week. YHWH will not accept the verity of the status quo. There is evidence of YHWH's Sabbath and His calendar all over Scripture. The truth is in the Word of Yah and we must remain faithful to it or return to it if we find ourselves out of sync.

Looking to <u>any</u> other person for support for Satyrday Sabbath keeping, no matter how inspired you believe them to be, is akin to leaning on the arm of flesh. No prophet or teacher was shown everything in their time on earth. We still regard the seventh-day as the Sabbath of the Supreme Being, the Sabbath established at Creation. We are simply returning to the original once we discovered the calendar we were observing was a counterfeit. We have evidence that a lunar-solar calendar is the truth as it is in YHWH. We are still waiting for evidence to the contrary.

Unfamiliar is no more synonymous with wrong than familiar is synonymous with right.

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