

# The Week of Millenniums



Lesson 1

“Teach us to Number our Days”

You know the stories in the Bible. But do you know the Bible story?



This course will give you a framework for the events described in the Bible.

So let us begin by examining how we  
“number our days.”

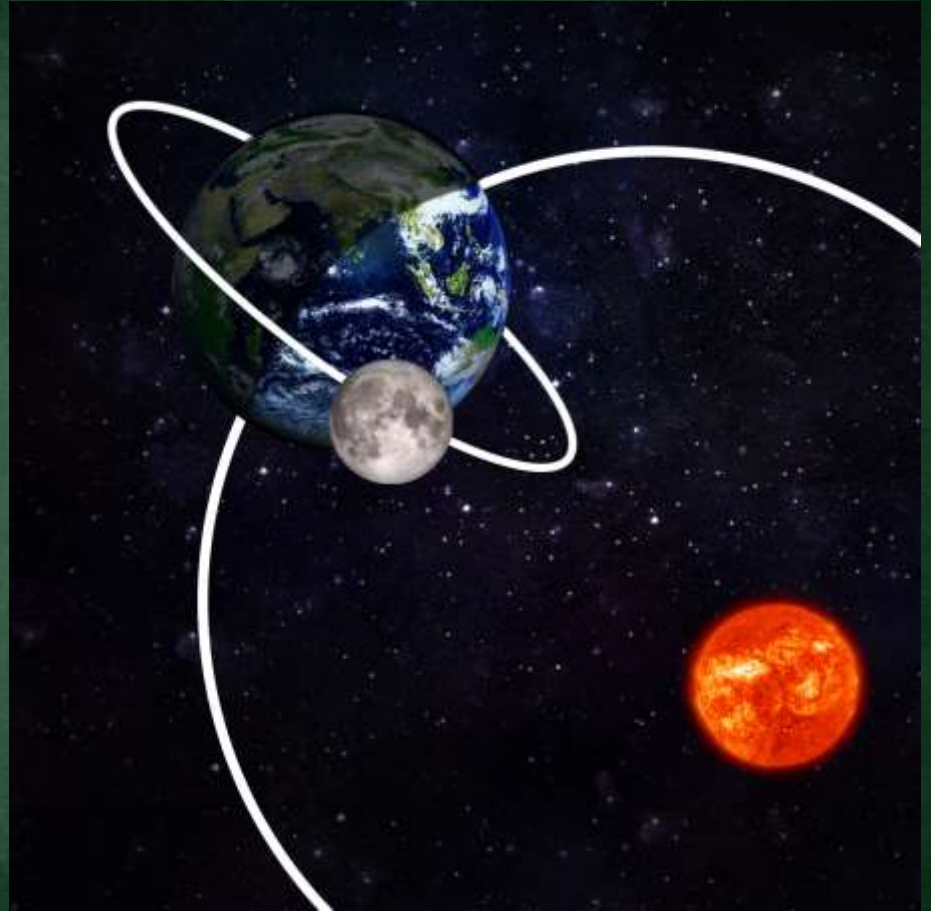
**Psalm 90:12**

<sup>12</sup> So teach *us* to number our days,  
that we may apply *our* hearts unto  
wisdom.



## The Day, Month, and Year

We divide time into DAYS, MONTHS, and YEARS based on the movement of the earth and moon.



## The Earth Day

An **EARTH DAY** is the time it takes the planet Earth to make one complete rotation on its axis.



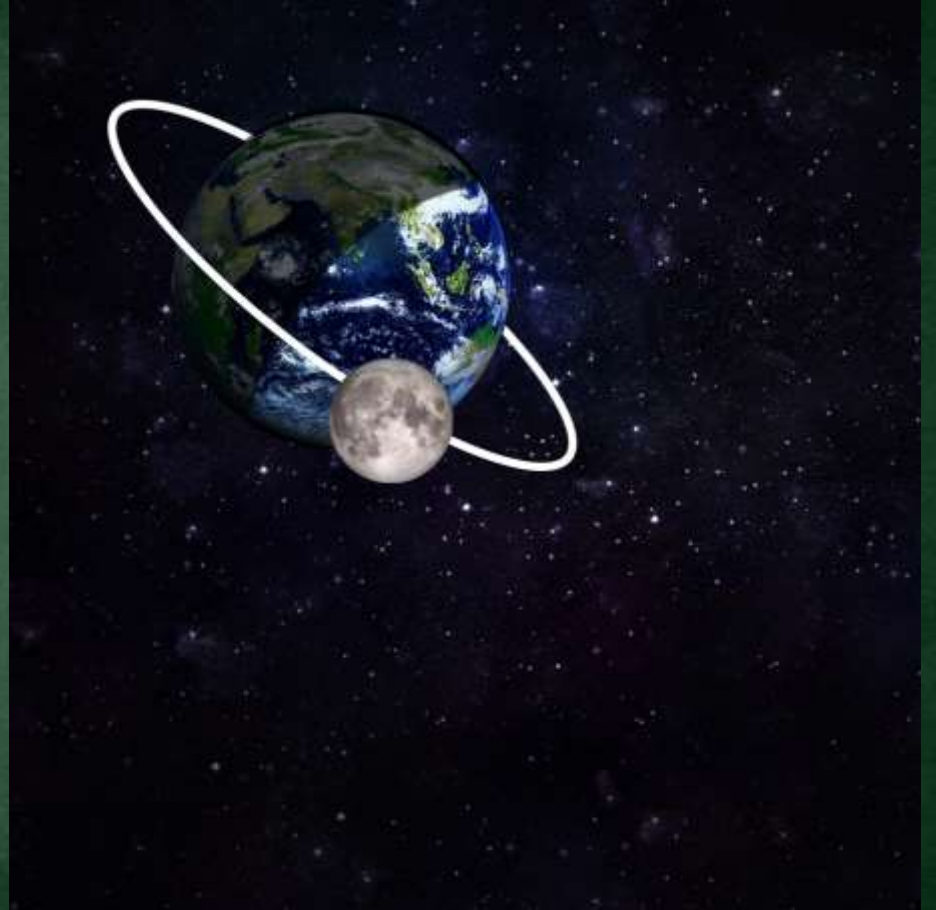
## The Earth Day

The side facing the sun is in daylight;  
the opposite side is in night.



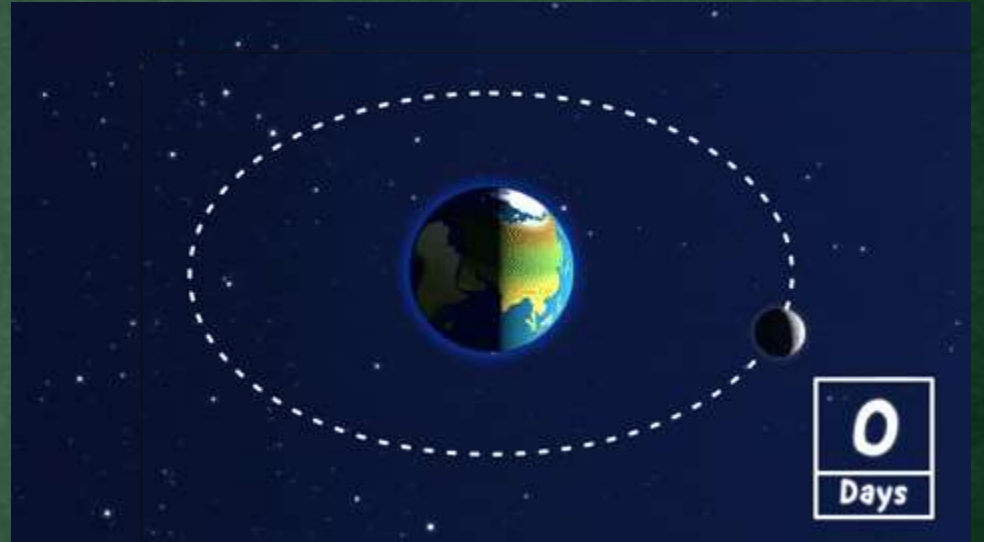
## The Lunar Month

A **LUNAR MONTH** is the time it takes the Moon to circle the Earth.



## The Lunar Month

A lunar month lasts  $29 \frac{1}{2}$  days.





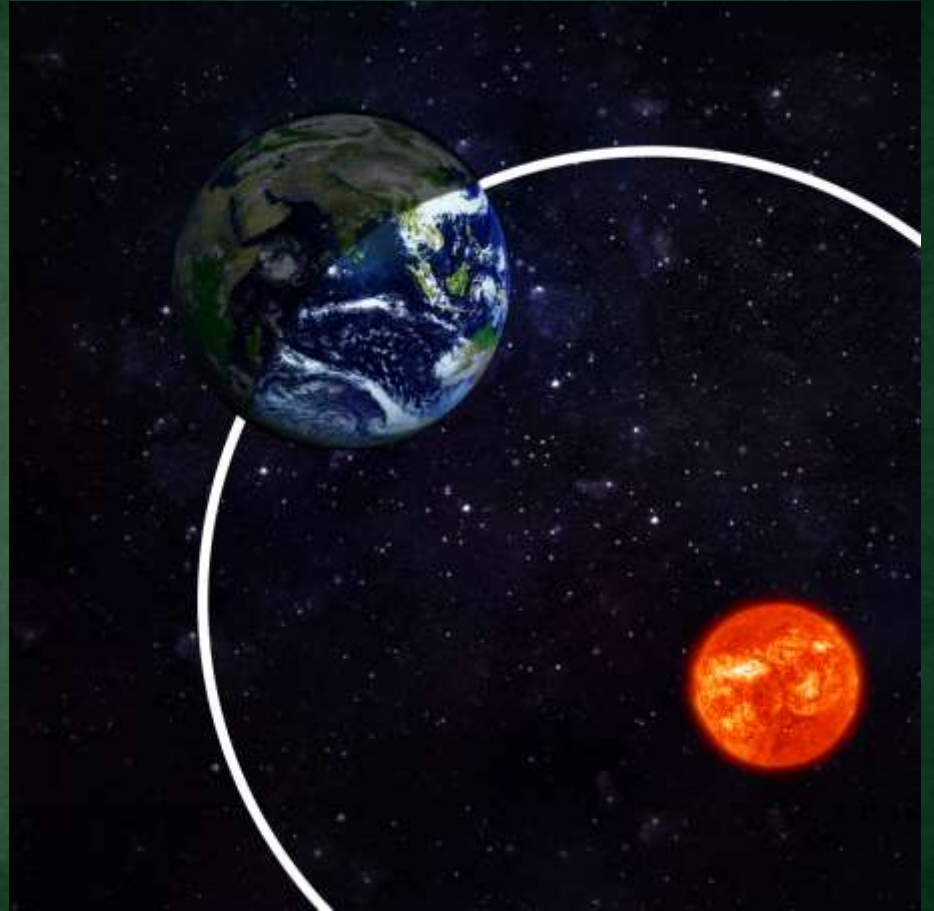
# The Lunar Month



The shadow of the earth on the moon gives it 8 different looks.

## The Earth Year

An **EARTH YEAR** is the time it takes Earth to orbit the Sun. This trip takes 365  $\frac{1}{4}$  days.



Do you think you have not traveled much in life?



Every year our planet makes a journey of about 93 million miles around the sun. By the time you are 50 years old, you've traveled 4,650 million miles!

Do you think you have not traveled much in life?



The earth orbits the sun at the amazing speed of 64,000 miles per hour!



At the equator (where it is most wide), the earth spins at the speed of about 1,077 miles per hour!



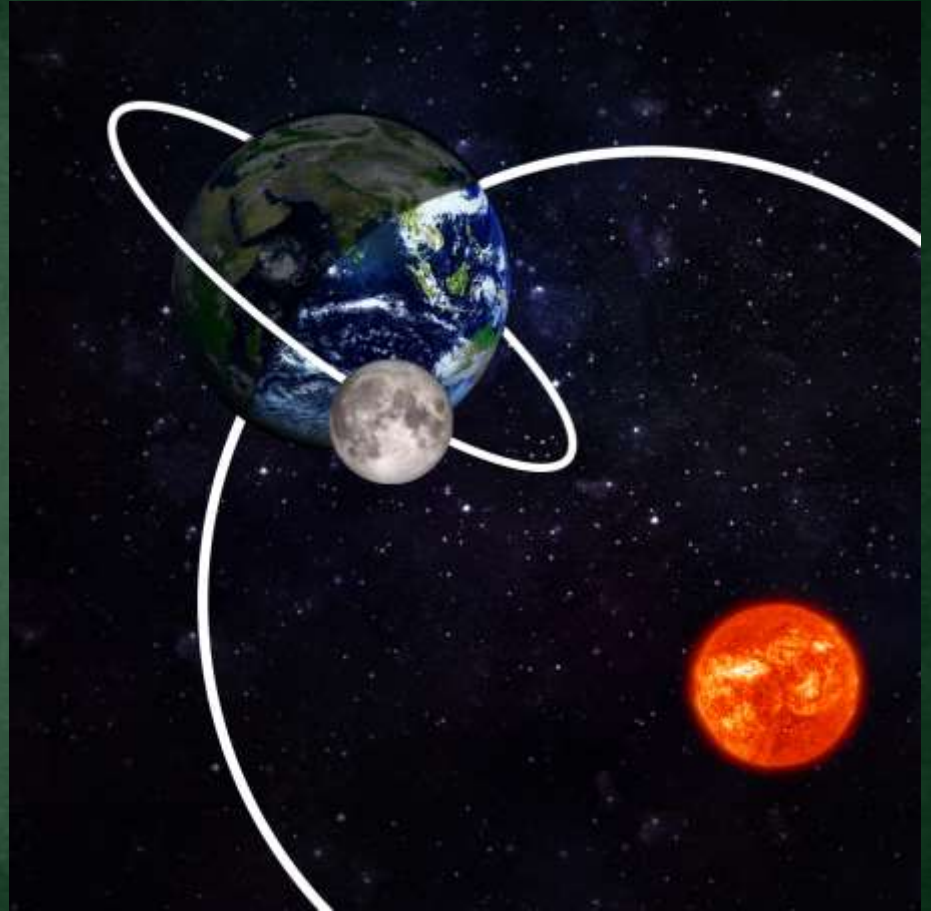
So if your life ever feels like a carousel ride, at least now you know why!

## The Day, Month, and Year

How can anyone not marvel at the wonder of God's creation?

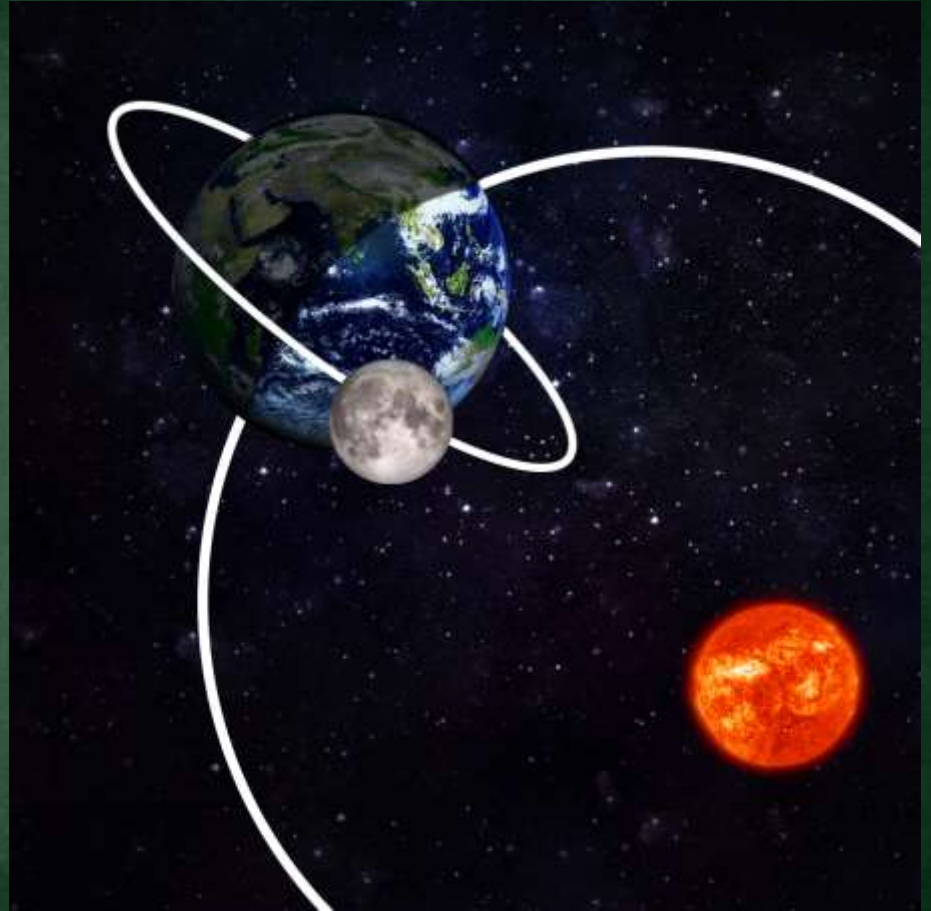
### **Psalm 19:1-2**

- <sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.
- <sup>2</sup> Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.



## The Day, Month, and Year

These three measurements –  
the earth day (24 hours)  
the lunar month (29 ½ days)  
and the earth year (365 ¼ days)  
are the basis of our modern calendar.





# The Calendar

But incorporating these facts into a usable CALENDAR requires making a few adjustments.

It would be very confusing to end a month on a  $\frac{1}{2}$  day, or a year after  $\frac{1}{4}$  day.

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

## The Calendar

That is not the only problem.  
Twelve Lunar months go by faster than  
one Earth Year.

**1 Lunar Month**

29½ days

**12 Lunar Months**

$12 \times 29\frac{1}{2} = 354$  days

**1 Earth Year**

365 ¼ days

A difference of 11 ¼ days!

# The Calendar

In order to balance 12 months to one year, we use man-made measurements we call CALENDAR months and years.

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# The Calendar

A **CALENDAR MONTH** is either 30 or 31 days long, except for February which is 28 days long. 12 **CALENDAR** months add up to one **CALENDAR YEAR**.

## 12 Calendar Months

January	31 days
February	28 days
March	31 days
April	30 days
May	31 days
June	30 days
July	31 days
August	31 days
September	30 days
October	31 days
November	30 days
<u>December</u>	<u>31 days</u>
<b>A Calendar Year</b>	<b>= 365 days</b>

## The Calendar

A **CALENDAR YEAR** lasts 365 days. But that is  $\frac{1}{4}$  day less than an **EARTH** year. In order to even out the count, one day is added to February every four years. We call those years “Leap Years.”

### 4 SOLAR years

1	365 $\frac{1}{4}$ days
2	365 $\frac{1}{4}$ days
3	365 $\frac{1}{4}$ days
4	<u>365 <math>\frac{1}{4}</math> days</u>
TOTAL	1,461 days

### 4 CALENDAR years

1	365 days
2	365 days
3	365 days
4	<u>366 days</u>
Total	1,461 days

# The Calendar

The year 2020 was a Leap Year with 29 days in February.



**February 2020**

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	

# The Calendar

This leads to a NEW question:  
Why do we call this year 2020?  
When was year 1?

## 2020

JANUARY							FEBRUARY							MARCH							APRIL						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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Modern studies now assert that Jesus was born a few (but not many!) years prior to 1 AD.

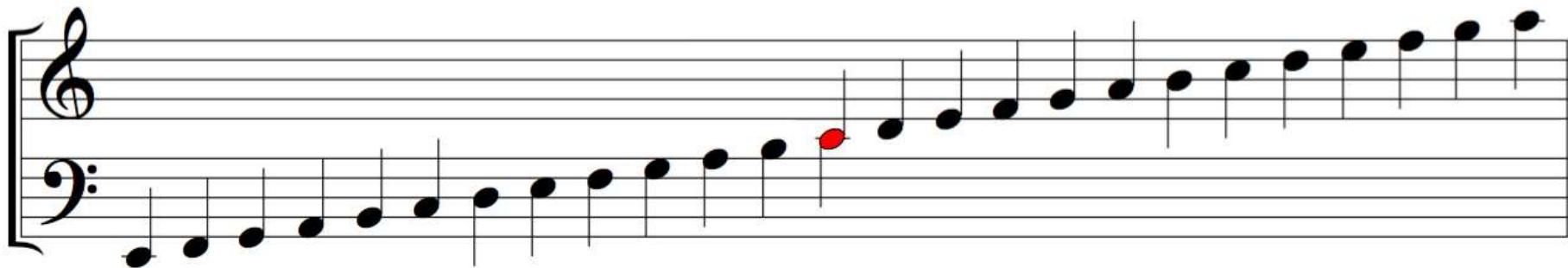
## The Calendar

Time *before* Year 1 is called BC (“before Christ”). King David was born around 1041 BC.



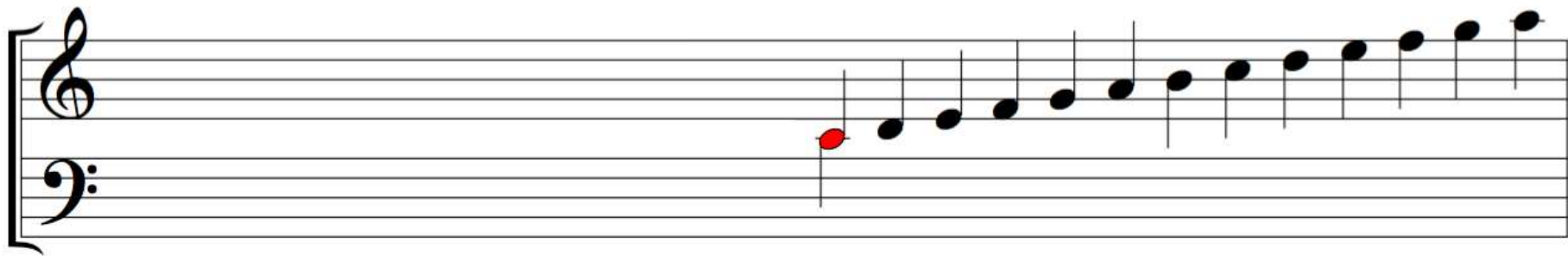


It is a little easier to understand “BC” and “AD”  
if you compare it to a musical staff.



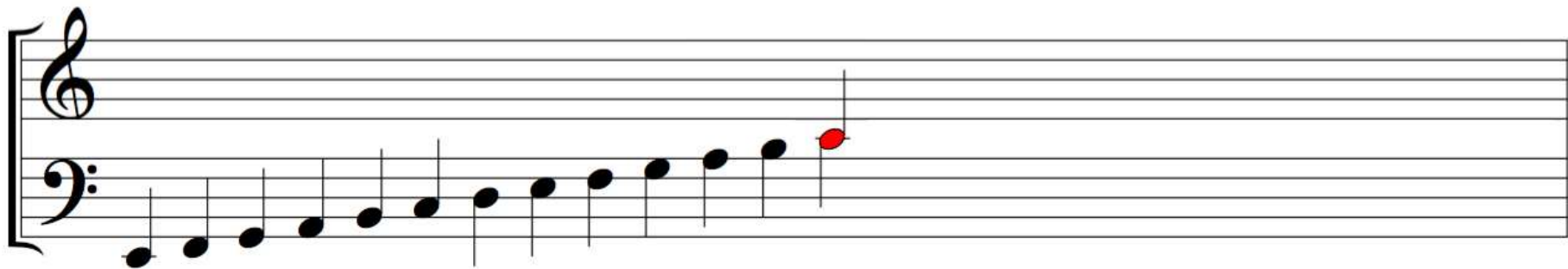
On a musical staff, the BASS Clef and TREBLE Clef meet at **Middle C**.





The notes *higher than middle C* are on the TREBLE Clef.





Notes *lower than middle C* are on the BASS Clef.



On our calendar, the middle C is Christ!



100 BC is one hundred years  
*before* Christ was born.

AD 100 is one hundred years *after*  
Christ was born.

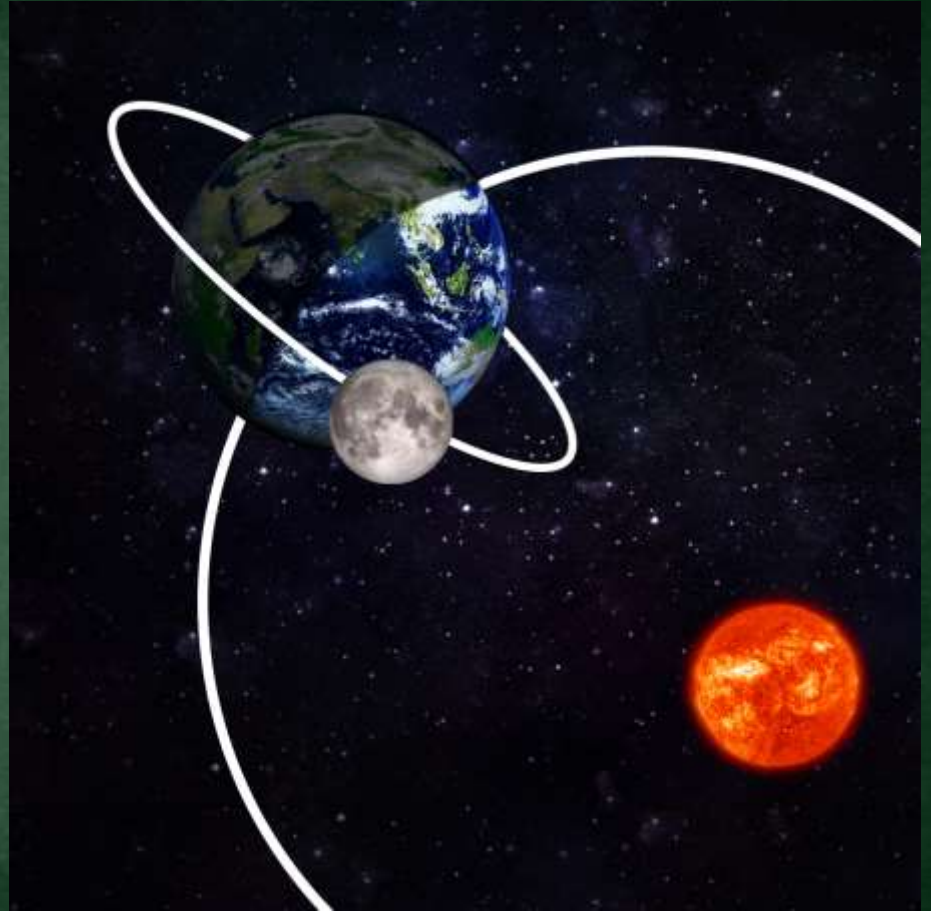


The history of life on earth revolves around Christ!



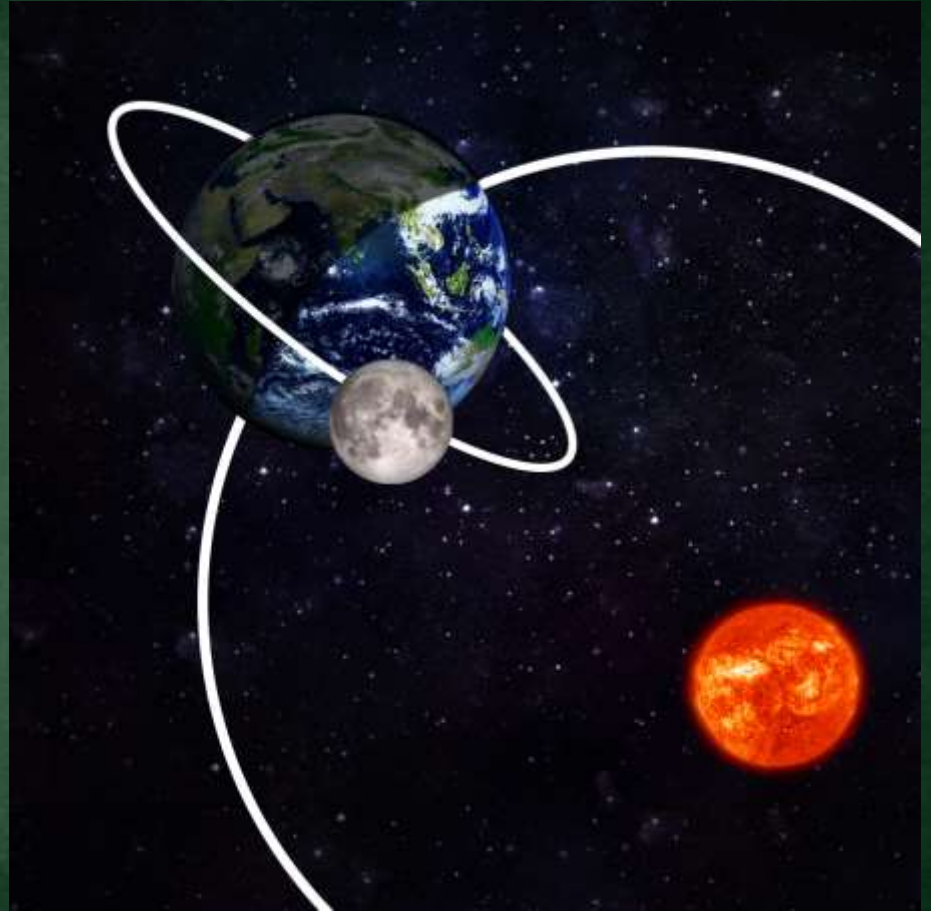
## The Day, Month, & Year

Nature helps us divide time into DAYS,  
MONTHS and YEARS.



## The Day, Month, & Year

But there is one measurement in a calendar that is not based on anything found in nature. It is uniquely God's own design.





God established the WEEK when he put days into groups of seven.

## Counting by Sevens

God established his method of counting by sevens when he created the heavens and the earth.

### **Genesis 2:2-3**

- <sup>2</sup> And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.
- <sup>3</sup> And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.



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Seven consecutive days make a week of days.

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## Seven Days

The week ends on the seventh day, the Sabbath Day. The Hebrew word *shabbath* means “to rest from labour”.

### Exodus 35:2

<sup>2</sup> Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you an holy day, **a sabbath of rest to the LORD:** whosoever doeth work therein shall be put to death.



## Seven Days

The Sabbath is a time of rest in the bosom of God.

### Hebrews 4:9-10

- <sup>9</sup> There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.
- <sup>10</sup> For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God *did* from his.



## Seven Days

At the end of the Sabbath, a new week begins.

### **Matthew 28:1**

In the end of the sabbath,  
*as it began to dawn toward the first  
day of the week,*  
came Mary Magdalene and the other  
Mary to see the sepulchre.







But God does not only put DAYS into groups of seven.

## Counting by Sevens



Seven DAYS in a row

A WEEK of Days



## Counting by Sevens

Seven DAYS in a row

A WEEK of Days

Seven SABBATH DAYS in a row

A WEEK of Sabbaths



## Seven Sabbaths

SEVEN SABBATH DAYS (seven weeks)  
separated the end of the Spring festival  
from the beginning of the Summer  
festival.

### Leviticus 23:15

<sup>15</sup> And ye shall count unto you from  
the morrow after the sabbath,  
from the day that ye brought the  
sheaf of the wave offering;  
**seven sabbaths shall be complete:**



## Seven Sabbaths

*Shavuot*, (Hebrew for “seven weeks”) is one of the three Biblical pilgrimage festivals. It is also known as “the feast of weeks”.

### Deuteronomy 16:9-10

- <sup>9</sup> **Seven weeks** shalt thou number unto thee: begin to number the seven weeks from *such time as* thou beginnest *to put* the sickle to the corn.
- <sup>10</sup> And thou shalt keep **the feast of weeks** unto the LORD thy God with a tribute of a freewill offering of thine hand, which thou shalt give *unto the LORD thy God*, according as the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:



## Seven Sabbaths

SEVEN WEEKS is 49 days.

The morning after the seventh Sabbath was the 50<sup>th</sup> day. Now the summer feast began.

### **Leviticus 23:16**

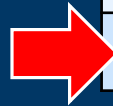
<sup>16</sup> Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall offer a new meat offering unto the LORD.



# Seven Sabbaths

Greek-speaking Jews renamed the summer feast *Pentecost* since it occurs fifty days after Passover. The Greek word *Pentekonta* means “fiftieth”.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	Day 7
			Passover	Unleavened Bread		Sabbath
1	2	3	4	5	6	1st Sabbath
8	9	10	11	12	13	2nd Sabbath
15	16	17	18	19	20	3rd Sabbath
22	23	24	25	26	27	4th Sabbath
29	30	31	32	33	34	5th Sabbath
36	37	38	39	40	41	6th Sabbath
43	44	45	46	47	48	7th Sabbath
50						



## Counting by Sevens

Seven DAYS in a row

A WEEK of Days

Seven SABBATH DAYS in a row

A WEEK of Sabbaths

Seven MONTHS in a row

A Week of Months



## Seven Months

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
N I S A N	I Y A R	S I V A N	T A M M U Z	A V	E L U L	T I S H R I	H E S H V A N	K I S L E V	T E V E T	S H E V A T	A D A R

The Hebrew festival season lasted SEVEN MONTHS, from Nisan to Tishri.

## Counting by Sevens

Seven DAYS in a row

A WEEK of Days

Seven SABBATH DAYS in a row

A WEEK of Sabbaths

Seven MONTHS in a row

A Week of Months

Seven YEARS in a row

A Week of Years

## Seven Years

After six years of farming, the land was given a year to restore itself. The seventh year was the Sabbath year.

### Leviticus 25:3-4

- <sup>3</sup> Six years thou shalt sow thy field, and six years thou shalt prune thy vineyard, and gather in the fruit thereof;
- <sup>4</sup> **But in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of rest unto the land,** a sabbath for the LORD: thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard.



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A Week of Years

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A WEEK of Sabbath Years

## Seven Sabbath Years

At the end of seven SABBATH YEARS ( $7 \times 7 = 49$  years), there was a special celebration. The 50<sup>th</sup> year was a year of Jubilee.

### Leviticus 25:8 and 10:

- <sup>8</sup> And thou shalt number **seven sabbaths of years** unto thee, **seven times seven years**; and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years.
- <sup>10</sup> And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout *all* the land unto all the inhabitants thereof:  
it shall be a jubile unto you ...



## Counting by Sevens

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Seven SABBATH DAYS in a row

A WEEK of Sabbaths

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A Week of Months

Seven YEARS in a row

A Week of Years

Seven SABBATH YEARS in a row

A WEEK of Sabbath Years

Seven DECADES in a row

A WEEK of Decades

## Seven Decades



SEVEN DECADES are the peak years of human vitality in mortal life.

## Seven Decades

Decade 1	Decade 2	Decade 3	Decade 4	Decade 5	Decade 6	Decade 7
1-10	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70

### Psalm 90:10

The days of our years *are* threescore years and ten [70 years];  
and if by reason of strength *they be* fourscore years [80 years],  
yet *is* their strength labour and sorrow;  
for it is soon cut off,  
and we fly away.





## Counting by Sevens

So what have we learned so far?

## Counting by Sevens

A WEEK of **DAYS**:

Six days of labor, followed by the Sabbath day of rest.

## Counting by Sevens

A WEEK of **DAYS**: Six days of labor, followed by the Sabbath day of rest.

A WEEK of **WEEKS**: Seven weeks between the spring and summer festivals.

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- A WEEK of **SABBATH YEARS**: 49 years followed by the YEAR of JUBILEE.
- A WEEK of **DECADES**: Man's most vital years in mortal life.

## Counting by Sevens

Seven DAYS in a row

A WEEK of Days

Seven SABBATH DAYS in a row

A WEEK of Sabbaths

Seven MONTHS in a row

A Week of Months

Seven YEARS in a row

A Week of Years

Seven SABBATH YEARS in a row

A WEEK of Sabbath Years

Seven DECADES in a row

A WEEK of Decades

Seven MILLENNIUMS in a row

A Week of Millenniums



## The Week of Millenniums

In the WEEK of MILLENNIUMS, each “day” lasts 1,000 years.

### **Psalm 90:4**

For a thousand years in thy sight *are but* as yesterday when it is past, and *as* a watch in the night.



## The Week of Millenniums

The WEEK of MILLENNIUMS can only be discovered through careful study of the Scriptures.

### **2 Peter 3:8**

But, beloved,  
be not ignorant of this one thing,  
that one day *is* with the Lord as a  
thousand years,  
and a thousand years as one day.



Going forward, it is important to understand that the purpose of this study is NOT to establish exact dates for future events.



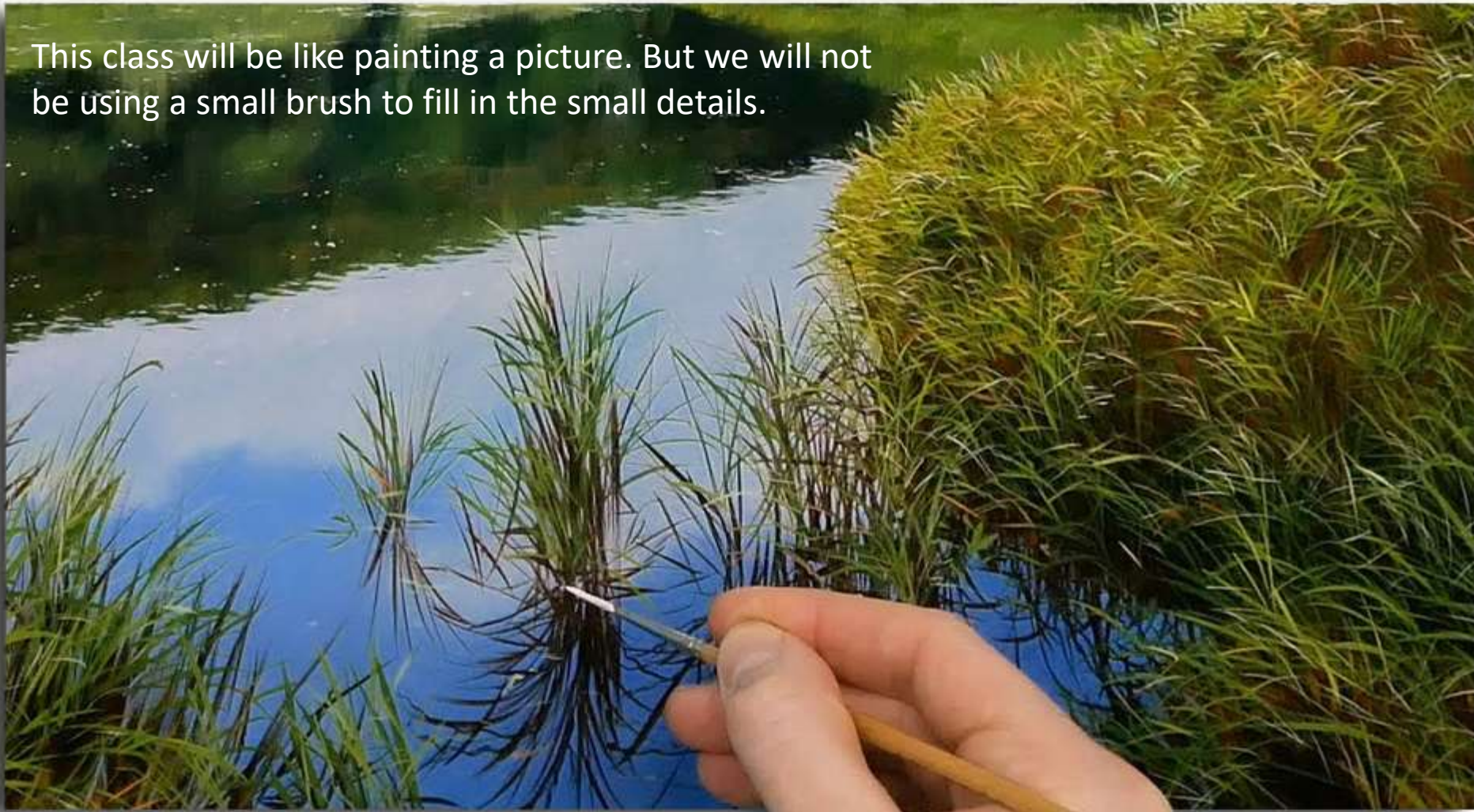
Our purpose is to discover the overall Bible story, and gain a deeper appreciation for God's magnificent plan of salvation.

The dating of historic events cited in this study comes primarily from the timeline provided in Bibleworks© study software.



But ALL dates in this study (and especially any reference to future dates) should be looked upon as only an APPROXIMATION.

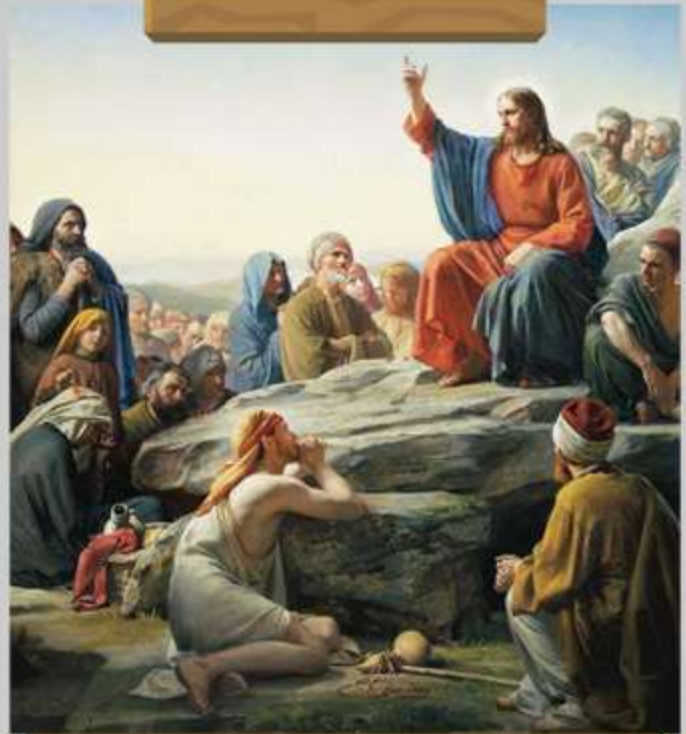
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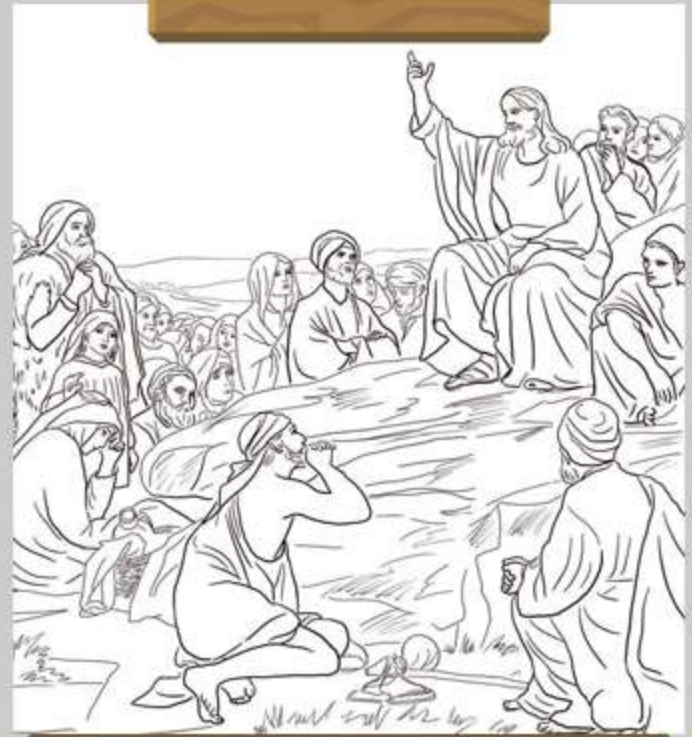


We will be painting with a roller.

We will not end up with a finished masterpiece.



But this will give you an outline to fill in for yourself as you read the Bible.





# The Week of Millenniums



AD 30

For this study, our “Middle C” is AD 30.  
WITHOUT ANY CLAIM TO ITS EXACTNESS, this will be set as the year of Christ’s death, burial, resurrection, and ascension, AND the Day of Pentecost.

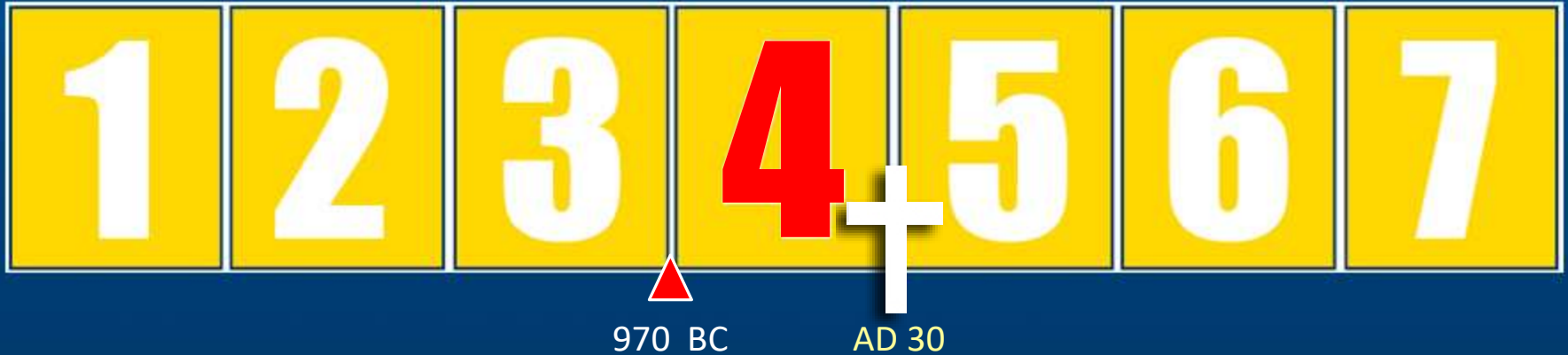
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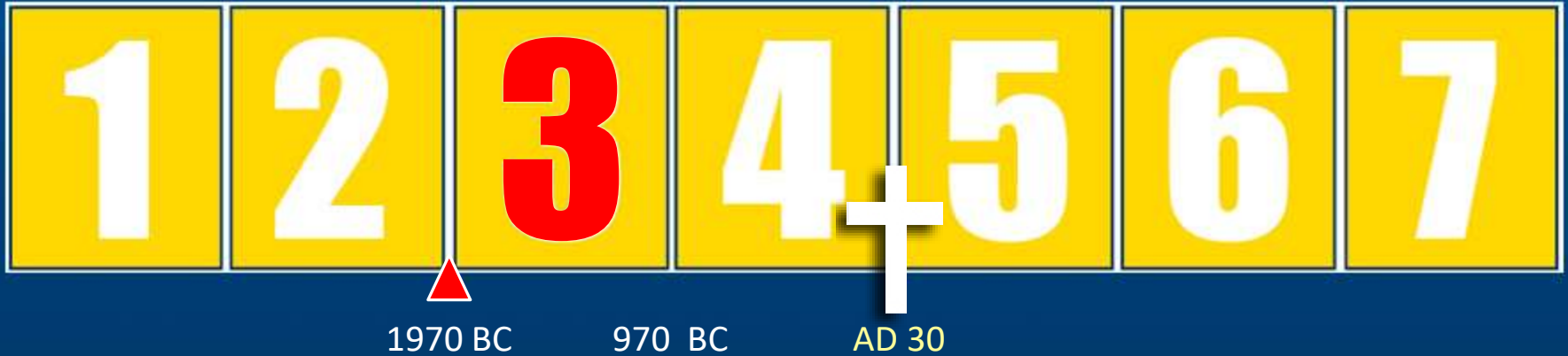
Counting BACKWARD from AD 30, one Millennial Day at a time...

# The Week of Millenniums



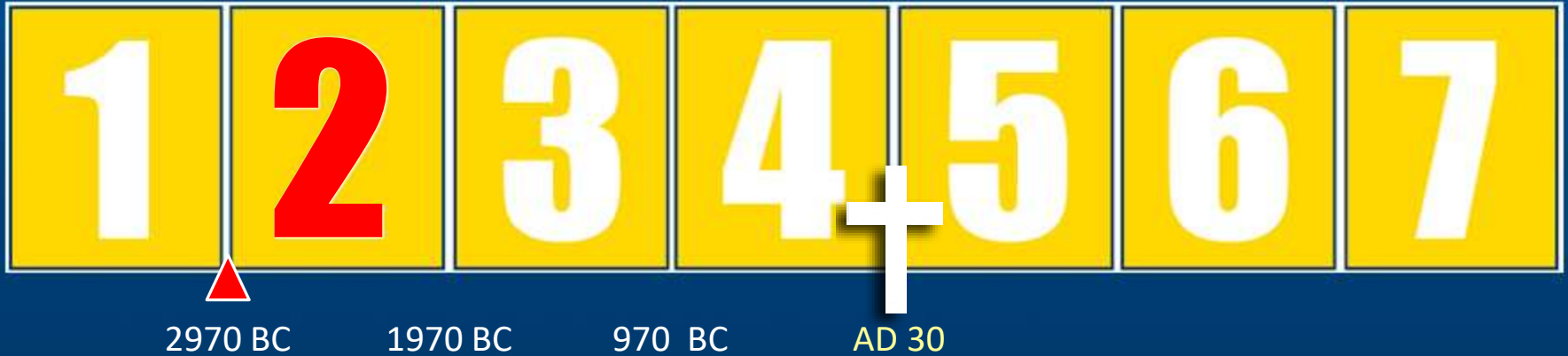
The 4<sup>th</sup> Day began in 970 BC.

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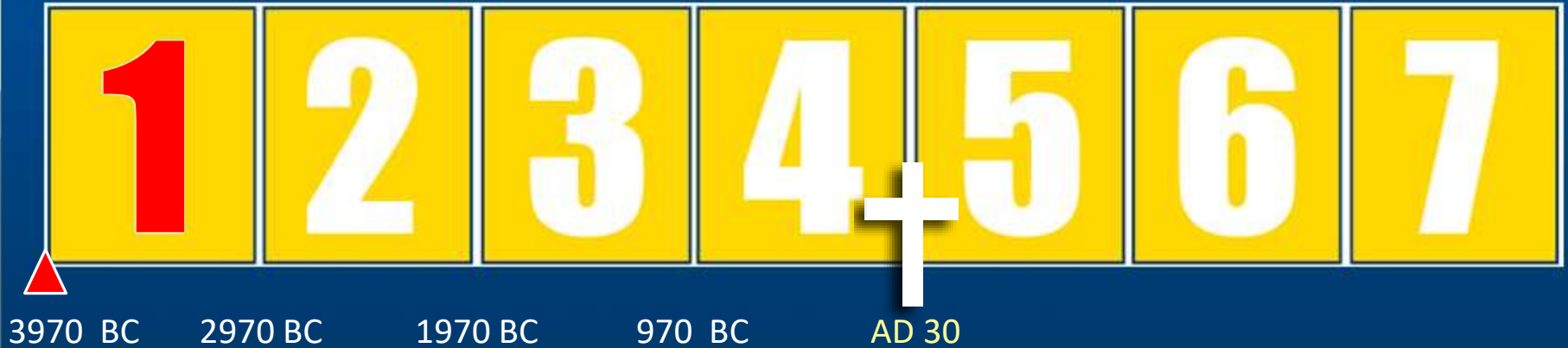
The 3<sup>rd</sup> Day began in 1,970 BC.

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The 2<sup>nd</sup> Day began in 2,970 BC.

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The 1<sup>st</sup> Day began in 3,970 BC.

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AD 30

Counting FORWARD from AD 30, one 1,000-year-day at a time...

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The 5<sup>th</sup> Day ended in AD 1,030.



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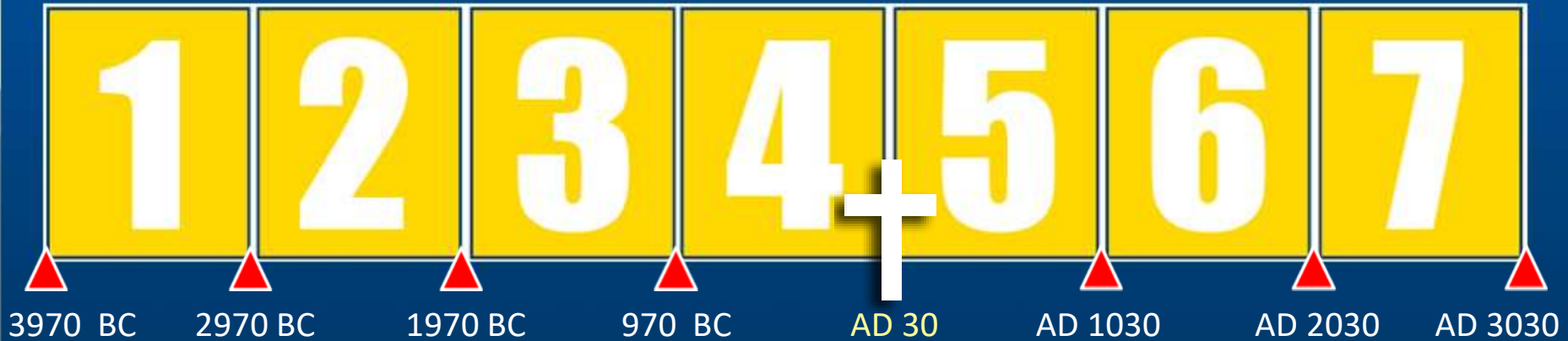
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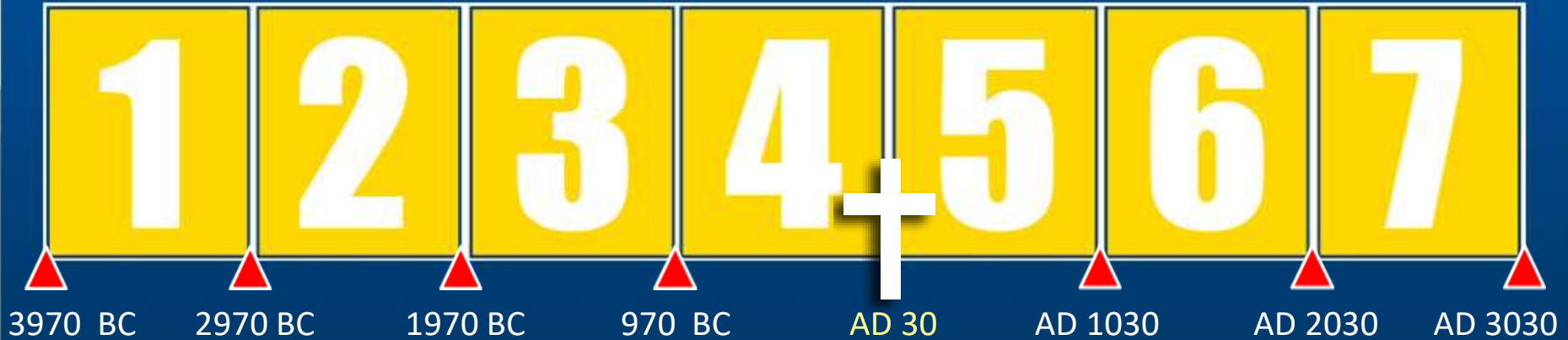
The 7<sup>th</sup> Day will end in AD 3,030.

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The entire history of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation fits in this 7,000 year period. There are 6,000 years of toil followed by the 1,000 years reign of Christ on earth.

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With the foundation set, we are ready to start exploring.

## Questions to test your understanding of this lesson:

1. What are the three things in the natural world that help us to count time?
2. What are the three measures of time we get from them?
3. Who gave us the week?
4. How many weeks separated the Spring festival from the Summer festival?
5. The annual feasts of Israel took place over a span of how many months?
6. How often was the Sabbath year of rest for the land?
7. How often was the year of Jubilee?
8. Why does the Bible say the days of our years are seventy years?
9. In the week of Millenniums, how long does each “day” last?
10. In the week of Millenniums, what is the “middle C”?



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