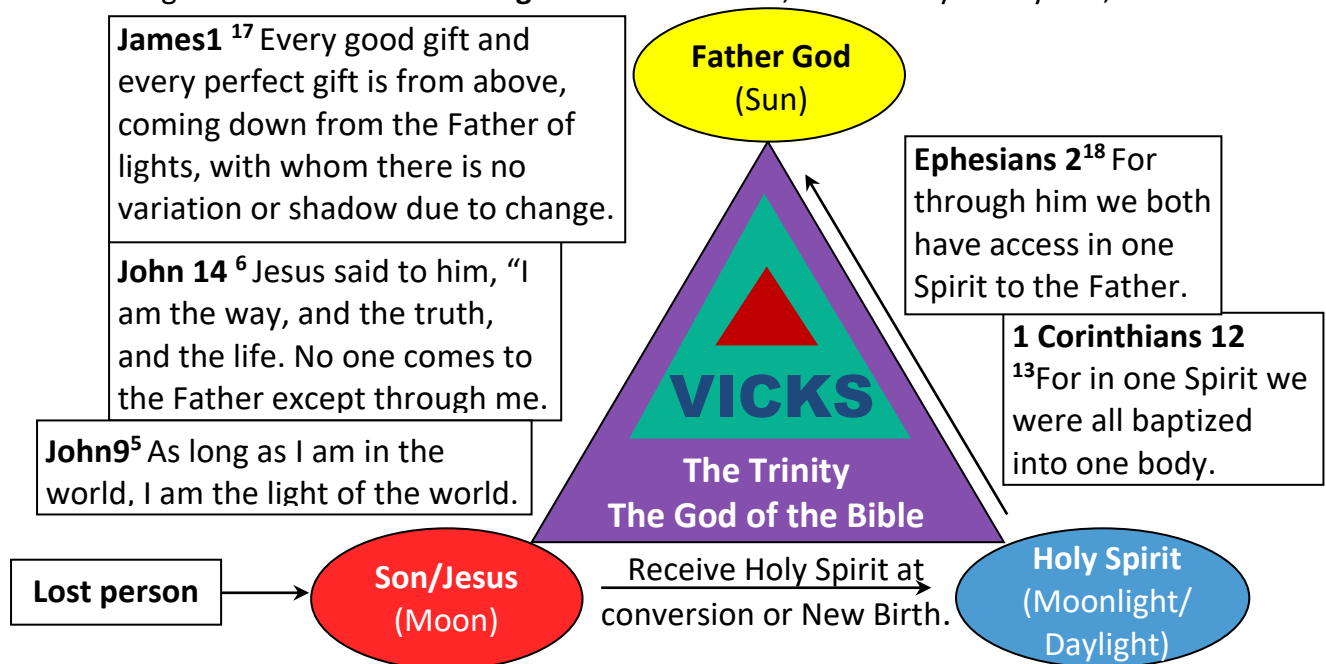


The fingerprints of God: Revelation 6:12-17

Psalm 148 ³ Praise him, **sun** and **moon**, praise him, all you **shining stars**!

Genesis 1 ¹⁴ And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for **signs** and for seasons, and for days and years,

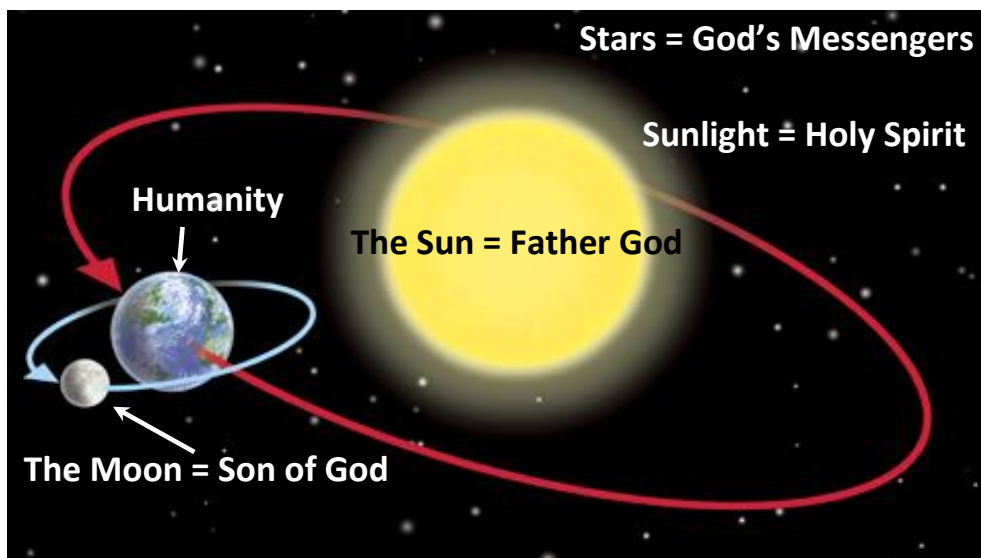


*The sun is symbolic of the **Father** because of its incredible size and power compared to the other planets in the solar system. It has 99.84% of the total mass of all matter in our solar system. It controls our path through our solar system like clockwork, creating seasons and stability. It's rays fill and light up every corner of the solar system. It brings life to organisms on earth because of the energy it provides through sunlight and heat. It also provides the energy that drives the weather. These attributes of the sun represents the omnipotence (all-powerfulness) omniscience (knows everything) and omnipresence (is everywhere). Relationally he is our Heavenly Father who teaches, guides and disciplines us through his Word. The light of the sun is symbolic of this. **Psalm 119:105** Your word is a lamp unto my feet, a light unto my path. He loves us, for which the warmth of the sun is symbolic. He provides for us. The light and heat energy the sun gives to earth allow photosynthesis in plants and drives the weather which eventually provides us with food and water. This is symbolic of his provision.*

John 14 ⁸ Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?" ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves. **John 5** ¹⁹ So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father ⁵ does, that the Son does likewise. **Interpretation:** *These two passages in John teach that when Jesus walked the earth 2000 years ago, he reflected the Father's will and character. He reflected the light of God into our dark world. Through him the presence and truth of the words of God became evident.* **John 9** ⁵ As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world **The Moon is symbolic of the Son or Jesus** because it is like a giant mirror that reflects the sunlight onto earth during the night just like Jesus reflected the light of his Father 2000 years ago into our dark world. The moon is the only other heavenly body humanity has set foot on. We literally touched its soil. The Son of God literally became one of us when he took on the character of Jesus Christ and people were able to touch him. **1 John 1** ¹ That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life.

Earth is symbolic of **humanity** and life. The **stars of heaven** are God's **messengers** or **Angels**. **Daniel 12:3** And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

P.S. If the Sun is symbolic of God the Father, the Moon is symbolic of Jesus the Son of God, the Light these heavenly bodies cast is the Holy Spirit, the stars in the night sky is the people and angels in heaven then the earth is representative of living humanity. The interesting fact that the earth can either be filled with light from the sun or moon or be cast in darkness, because it **revolves** around its own axis represents the fact that we as humans have the **freedom to choose** whether we want to live in God's light (truth) or not. In other words, we are free agents that can choose whether we want to obey God or not. One's Faith is by God's grace but repentance and committing oneself to obeying God is a choice. The Americans brought some moonrocks and dust back to earth after they visited it. The only part of Jesus that has remained on earth after he left is his blood and his sweat that dripped along the via Dolorosa in Jerusalem during his crucifixion. So a little part of Jesus is still on earth just like there is a little part of the moon on earth. Some cosmologists believe that the moon was formed when another smaller planet collided with the earth and was then caught in its orbit. Jesus also likewise visited the earth for a short while but his name remained here in the memories of his followers through the age.



The sunlight and the moonlight are representative of the omnipresent Holy Spirit because it comes from Jesus (The Moon) or God the Father (The Sun) to us.

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