

Proof that the Sun is Moving

1. Joshua commanded the sun and moon to stand still (Josh. 10:1-14; especially note vv. 12 & 13.
2. Eccl. 1:4-7 makes it abundantly clear that just as the water in rivers return to their “place” (*makom*) so the sun returns to its “place” (*makon*) on its circuit over the earth; all four things featured in this listing are all in motion!
3. Ps. 19:1 “The heavens are telling of the glory of God, and their firmament is declaring the work of His hands.”; and Ps. 19:4c-5 “In them (e.g., heavens) He has placed a tent (e.g. firmament of Gen. 1:6-6; 14-15, 15, 20; Ezek. 1:22-26; 10:1) for the sun. Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber. It rejoices as a strong man to run his course.”
4. 2 Kgs. 20: 1-7; Background “In those days Hezekiah became mortally ill. And Isaiah the prophet came to him and said, ‘Thus says the LORD, ‘Set your house in order, for you shall die and not live. Then he turned his face to the LORD, saying, ‘Remember now, O LORD, I beseech You, how I have walked before You in truth with a whole/loyal heart and have done what is right in Your sight.’ And Hezekiah wept bitterly. Before Isaiah had gone out of the middle court, the word of the LORD came to him saying, ‘Return and say to Hezekiah the leader of My people, ‘Thus says the LORD, the God of your father David, ‘I have heard your prayer. I have seen your tears, behold I will heal you. On the third day you shall go up to the house of the LORD. I will add fifteen years to your life, and I will deliver you and this city from the hand of the king of Assyria, and I will defend this city for My own sake, and for the sake of My servant David.’ Then Isaiah said, ‘Take a cake of figs.’ And they took it and laid it on the boil, and he recovered.”
5. 2 Kgs. 8-11 “Now Hezekiah said to Isaiah, ‘What will be the sign that the LORD will heal me, and that I shall go up to the house of the LORD the third day?’” And Isaiah said, “This shall be the sign to you from the LORD, that the LORD will do the thing that He has spoken; shall the shadow go forward ten steps (degrees on a sundial) or go back ten degrees?” So Hezekiah answered, ‘It is easy for the shadow to decline ten degrees/steps, but let the shadow go backwards ten degrees.’” Isaiah the prophet cried to the LORD, and He brought the shadow back ten degrees by which it had gone down on the stairway (i.e. sundial)of Ahaz.”
6. Conclusion: Did the earth stop spinning and then spin backwards or did the sun stop and move backwards?
7. These verses tell us that the earth is stationary: Ps. 93:1d “Indeed, the world is firmly established, it will not be moved.”; Ps. 96:10 “Say/declare among the nations, ‘Yahweh reigns, indeed the world is firmly established, it will not be moved. He will judge the peoples with equity.”; 1 Chron. 16:30 “Tremble before Him, all the earth. Indeed the world is firmly established (e.g., fixed), it will not be moved.”
8. The earth is never referred to as a ‘ball/sphere’ in the Bible.
9. The term “ball” is only used once in all the Bible (Isa. 22:18).
10. The Hebrews knew the difference between a ball and a circle (cf. Job 26:10 “He has inscribed a circle on the surface of the waters, for a boundary between light and darkness.”; Prov. 8:27 “When He established the heavens I was there, when He inscribed a circle on the face of the deep.”; Isa. 40:22 “It is He who sits **above** the circle (*chug*) of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers. Who stretches out the heavens (e.g. firmament/vault/dome) like a curtain, and spreads them out like a tent (firmament) to dwell in.”).

Earth is set on pillars with a foundation(s)

1. 1 Sam. 2:9 “He raises the poor from the dust. He lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with nobles, and inherit a seat of honor. For the pillars of the earth are the LORD’S, and He set the world on them.”
2. The earth beneath and directly adjacent to the throne room is suspended in space (Job 26:7 “He stretches out the north over empty space, and hangs the earth on nothing.”; cf. Ps. 75:3 “The earth and all who dwell in it will melt. It is I who have firmly set its pillars.”; cf. Job 9:6 “He established the earth upon its foundations, so that it will not totter forever.”; Ps. 104:5 “He established the earth upon its foundations, so that it will not totter forever.”; Isa. 51:13 “That you have forgotten Yahweh your Maker, who stretched out the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth...”; Job 38:4; “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth. Tell Me if you have understanding.”; 38:6 “On what were its bases/foundations sunk? Or who laid its cornerstone?”
3. The flat and circular earth has four corners (Isa. 11:12cd “And will gather the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.”; Rev. 7:1 “After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth...”; 20:8 “and will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog...”; cp. Acts 10:11 & 11:5).
4. A verse that indicates the earth is flat (Rev. 20:9 “And they came upon the broad plain (*epi to platos*) of the earth...”).
5. The noun *platos* is used in connection with the width of the New Jerusalem along with length, height, and depth (Rev. 21:16).