

# The Statement of He Who Denies Night and Day are Through the Actual Motion of the Sun Around the Stationary Earth is Kufr



**Shaykh ‘Ubayd al-Jābirī** was asked, “Is the belief that the Earth revolves around the Sun as claimed by the astronomers considered disbelief?”

He replied: “I say: That which the Qur’ān and the Sunnah have indicated is that the Sun is what moves and the Earth is stationary. From the evidences that the Earth is stationary and the Sun is the one that moves is the authentic tradition which is that Joshua bin Nūn (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ), the successor of Moses and Hārūn (عَلَيْهِمَا السَّلَامُ), he was the inheritor of Prophethood

after them. He approached Bayt al-Maqdis whilst the Sun was approaching its setting-place in the West. He said, “Indeed you are commanded and I am commanded, O Allāh restrain it for us.” So Allāh restrained the Sun [in its place] until that prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) entered Bayt al-Maqdis and Allāh granted him victory over it.<sup>1</sup> If the Earth had been the one that moves, then the address of this prophet to the Sun would have been vain, and the prophets are immune from error [in such matters]. This saying that the Sun is stationary is rejection (*takdhīb*) of the Qur’ān and the Sunnah. It is a theory of disbelief and most of the astronomers are ignoramuses.”<sup>2</sup>

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For detailed evidences from Shaykh al-Tuwayjurī (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ), refer to the article at <http://aboutatheism.net/?wzovydv>

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<sup>1</sup> This is related by al-Bukhārī (no. 3124) and Muslim (no. 1747).

<sup>2</sup> Refer to <https://miraath.net/ar/content/fatawa/8883432>