



Dear Friend of the Bible, I would like to talk with you today about a very important subject. Did you ever stop to think whether or not you were actually keeping the Lord's Sanctified Day or some other day? The word "sanctify" means something set apart for a holy purpose. This tract is to make it plain to you just which day the Lord calls His own, and asks us to worship Him upon the day that He set apart for this purpose.

Back at creation God made a day of rest. Gen. 2:1-3: "Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all the host of them. 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. 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." So we see God rested the SEVENTH

DAY. Therefore the Lord's Sanctified Day from creation was the SEVENTH DAY.

After God had called Israel out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage wherein they had forgotten His commandments God repeated the Law to them which had been in the hearts of their forefathers. The very fourth commandment of that law is a law about the Lord's Sanctified Day and tells us what it commemorates. Ex. 20:8-11: "Remember the sabbath Day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work: but the SEVENTH DAY is the Sabbath OF THE LORD THY GOD: in it thou shalt not, do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidervant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the SEVENTH DAY: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath

day and hallowed it." This commandment calls the SEVENTH DAY the Sabbath of the LORD as a memorial of creation.

Now I would like to ask this question since we have found out that the SEVENTH DAY is the Sabbath day of the Lord. For whom was it made or created? Mark 2:27, 28: "And he said unto them, The sabbath was made FOR MAN, and not man for the sabbath: Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the Sabbath." So here we find that Christ claims that he is the Lord of the Sabbath or SEVENTH DAY of the week, and that it was made for man. That means created for man.

The texts we have already gone over show that the Lord's Sanctified Day is the Sabbath or SEVENTH DAY of the week. This is the day we commonly call Saturday and not Sunday. Just ask any minister which day of the week is the SEVENTH DAY. Friend, are you keeping the Lord's Sancti-

fied Day?

I want to quote several texts in closing to show that the day of rest that we should keep is the SEVENTH DAY Sabbath which God made and set apart at the foundation or creation of the world. Heb. 4:1-11: "Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into HIS REST, any of you should seem to come short of it. For unto us was the gospel preached as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it. For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into MY REST: although the works were finished from the FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD. For he spake in a certain place (Gen. 2:1-3) of the SEVENTH DAY ON THIS WISE. And God did rest the SEVENTH DAY from all his works. And in this place again, If they shall enter into MY

REST. Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief: Again, he limited a certain day, saying in David, Today, after so long a time: as it is said, Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts. For if Jesus had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another day. There remaineth therefore a rest (keeping of the Sabbath) to the people of God. For he that is entered into HIS REST, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his. Let us labour (put forth every effort) therefore to enter into that rest (SEVENTH DAY SABBATH), lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief." Let us keep the SEVENTH DAY SABBATH (Saturday).

Thus the Sabbath was made for the man who puts himself in subjection to be a part of "the world to come". Thus it was

made for the people of "the world to come".

Whosoever is not of "the world to come" will not keep the Sabbath. But "ye are not of the world; for I have chosen you out of the world." "Ye are not of the world, even as I am not of the world." John 15:19; 17:16.

Accordingly, in Christ and in Him only is to be found the Sabbath of the Lord, because He lived the truth of God's Word.

This forever fixes, as the truth of God, that the Sabbath of the Lord-"the seventh day"- is the only true day of rest or of worship, or of refraining from labor, for Christians who desire to be in "the world to come."

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