

that he should attack the foundation of God's government which is His Law.

**John 20:19** "Then the same day at evening, being the first [day] of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace [be] unto you."

This did not sanction the first day of the week as the Sabbath. In fact this gathering together could not be to celebrate or honor the day on which the Lord rose from the grave for the simple reason that at this time they were not convinced that Christ had risen.

**John 20:26** "And after **eight** days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: [then] came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace [be] unto you."

This did not sanction the second day of the week. If verse 19 was referring to the first day of the week, verse 26 could not be the first day of the week - it would be the second day of the week. The disciples were not assembled to celebrate the Sabbath but for fear of the Jews. The breaking of bread was a term used commonly for eating a meal. It was not only used for referring to the celebration of the communion service. After the walk to Emmaus, Christ broke bread and gave thanks for the meal. This was not a celebration of the communion service because Christ said He would not drink of the fruit of the vine until He did so in heaven with His people. **Matt. 26:29.**

Many historians and theologians of various religions agree that Sunday worship did not come into the Christian church until the Year A.D. 321. They also agree that none of the apostles ever kept the first day of the week as the weekly Sabbath.

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Sunday sanctity has always been connected with pagan religious ceremonies and always will be until the return of Christ, according to prophecy.

**Luke 16:17** "And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the law to fail."

**Romans 2:13** "For not the hearers of the law [are] just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified."

**Romans 3:31** "Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law."

**Romans 6:15** "What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid."

**Romans 7:12** "Wherefore the law [is] holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good."

**I John 3:4** "Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law."

**I John 2:3, 4** "And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him."

**II John 1:6** "And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.

Following are listed the name of the seventh day as seen on a few calendars in various languages which clearly show that the Seventh day is the Lord's Day and the Sabbath:— English - Saturday; Danish - Lordag; Italian - Sabato; Norwegian - Lordag; Portuguese and Spanish - Sabado; Swedish - Lordag. The German name for the fourth day which is the middle of the week, is Mittwoch.

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## THE SABBATH AND THE LORD'S DAY

**Genesis 1:1-3** "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. 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."

The foregoing texts show that the SABBATH was instituted as a **perpetual memorial** of God's work of creation, before there were any Jews. It is not one of the shadows of the sanctuary service which ceased to have any significance after the death of Christ, which foretold in type this event.

"**The**" day is used in the texts, implying the particular day that God sanctified to be His memorial -- Not "**a**" or "**any**" day but the **7th day**.

**Isaiah 66:22-23.** "For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before Me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain. And it shall come to pass, [that] from one new moon to another, and from one Sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before Me saith the LORD."

**Exodus 20:10,11** "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 maidservant, 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."

**Hebrews 4:4** "For He spake in a certain place of

the **Seventh day** on this wise, And God did rest the Seventh day from all His works.”

### WHY OBSERVE THE FIRST DAY ?

One of the most common reasons given for keeping Sunday (the first day of the week) is "because Christ rose from the grave on that day". This is a man made reason. Nothing in Holy Writ sanctions any change to be made to the Law of God. For man to attempt to change the everlasting Law of the Great Creator God, is an attempt to place himself above the Law Maker. What an insult to our Creator! The created being implying that his Creator did not set aside the correct day to worship Him as the Creator of Heaven and Earth! What better day could be chosen than the day the Creator Himself Rested and Sanctified that mankind might always Remember His Creator.

The Fourth Commandment is the only commandment prefixed by the word "**Remember**". Most Christians claim to keep the other nine commandments, but balk at the fourth which identifies the Lord as "God", states His Position as the "Creator", and lists His domain as "heaven and earth". This commandment contains all the necessary information to be classified as a Monarch's **Seal**. God states that the Seventh day Sabbath is a Sign between Himself and His people forever. It is the "sign" of sanctification. **Exe 31:17**.

Sanctifying the First day (Sunday) in place of the Seventh Day is claimed to be a "Sign" of the authority of the Church of Rome. Rome allowed the "Venerable day of the Sun" to be upheld by it's heathen converts and eventually, in A.D. 321 Constantine commanded the people to keep Sunday and thus brought in the change of the day of worship. Rome claims that all who keep the

first day of the week, are showing their allegiance to her.

**Dan 7:25** “And he shall speak great words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High, and think to change TIMES and LAWS:”

**Rev 12:17** “And the dragon was wrath with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which **keep** the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.” See Rev. chapter. 12-18.

**Matthew 5:17-19** “Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy but to fulfill. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them the same shall be called great.”

True Seventh day Sabbath keeping is a sign of receiving God's Seal of approval. But keeping the first day - a counterfeit Sabbath which originated in the heathen system of sun-worship, - is foretold in the books of **Daniel chapter 7 & Revelation chapter 13**. It is a test for all people to see whether they will be loyal to God and keep His commandments, or whether they will worship the Beast Power and receive its Mark and the Seven Last Plagues of **Rev.16**.

### THE LORD'S DAY

**Revelation 1:10** “I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet.”

This is the only time that the phrase “**Lord's day**” is mentioned in scripture, but it does not identify the day of the week in this verse by name.

**Luke 6:5** “And he said unto them, that the Son of man is Lord also of the Sabbath.”

So as He is Lord of the Sabbath, it then follows that the Sabbath is His Day. The **Lord's Day**, The Seventh day Sabbath of the Ten Commandments is the true **Memorial** of the creation of this world. He never authorized any change from the Seventh day Sabbath.

If God's Law could be changed, so that the Sabbath law of the ten commandments was no longer binding, then the penalty for breaking God's holy law could also be altered and Christ would not have to die for the saving of mankind. God said "I change not". He came not to destroy or change the great moral law which is the basis of His government. Satan's lie to Eve, "thou shalt not surely die" would be vindicated if the penalty for disobedience could be avoided.

**Malachi 3:6** “For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.”

**Matthew 5:17-18** “Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.”

**Romans 2:12** “For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law: and as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law;”

**James 2:12** “So speak ye, and so do as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty.”

A law by which every person will be judged, must be consistent at all times. To change or do away with God's law would result in chaos in the whole universe. The law is a transcript of the character of God. It is as unchangeable as God Himself. As Satan has challenged God's justice, it is logical