Do We Have Contempt For The Sabbath?



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Definition of the Proverb

"Familiarity Breeds Contempt."

Meaning of the Expression

"Extensive knowledge of or close association with someone or something leads to a loss of respect for them or it."



Example of Familiarity BreedingContempt

Proverbs 25:17

"Let your foot rarely be in your neighbor's house, or he will become weary of you and hate you"

Mark 6:1-6

This example of familiarity for Jesus Christ in a town that he spent a significant amount of time, yet they dishonored Him.

New American Standard

Foundation of Sabbath Belief

Exodus 20:8-11

- ✓ Remember = to make a memorial, make remembrance
- Holy / Hallow = to consecrate, sanctify, prepare, dedicate, be hallowed, be holy, be sanctified, be separate





God Set The Sabbath Apart

Genesis 2:1-3

THE FIRST SEVEN-DAY WEEK

(Counting From Sunset to Sunset)

Order of Days	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
Days of Week	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Divisions of Night and Day Periods							
Hours per Day	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
Occurrence or Special Creation on Each Day — Gen. 1:3-31; 2:1-3	Light appears on earth	Waters divided	Dry land appears, vegetation created	Sun, moon and stars appear	Fish and birds created	Land animals and man created	Sabbath created by rest

Jesus Expounded Upon The 10 Commandments

Matthew 22:34-40

John 14:15

John 13:34





If You Love Me Keep My COMMANDMENTS

Another Foundation of Sabbath Belief

Exodus 31:12-17 / Ezekiel 9:1-11 Sign vs Mark

<u>Sign</u> = a signal (literally or figuratively), as a flag, beacon, monument, evidence, token.

Mark = desire, mark (as a sign of exemption from judgment)

Revelations 13:15-18

Mark - a scratch or etching, i.e. stamp (as a badge of servitude), or scupltured figure (statue):—graven, mark.

Sign of Wedding Ring

The wedding ring is an emblem and throughout time has symbolized love, devotion and commitment. The materials are more dear like precious metals and are considered to be of greater value. The meaning behind the symbol has stayed the same throughout time and over continents. "I love you" "I wish to be with you forever" and "You are mine."

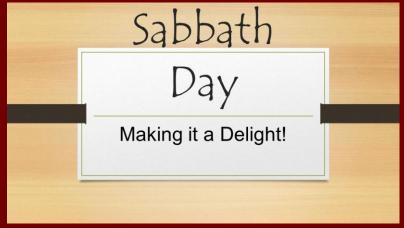


The Sabbath As A Delight

Isaiah 58:13-14

Instruction in the Bible as to how to keep the Sabbath is not given in specific detail but in broad *principles* that cover a multitude of specifics.

Like everything else in life, we delight in what we recognize as being valuable and in what we do well.



Jesus' Practices & Teachings Relative To The Sabbath

Luke 4:14-21

- Did Jesus keep the Sabbath because his physical parent took him to synagogue, regularly, because it was apparently their manner or customer, as well?
- Did Jesus keep the Sabbath because it was the thing to do, in the society that he was born into, at the time of physical life?
- Was Jesus afraid that if He did not keep the Sabbath, He would suffer punitive treatment by those in the society at the time, for let's say keeping the Sabbath on the 1st day of the week / Sunday?

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Mark 2:23-28

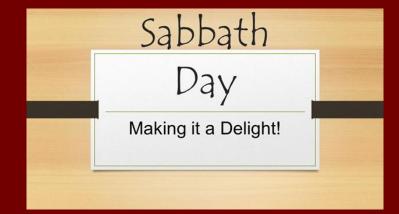
- The Pharisees had turned the Sabbath into man made legalistic rules that were a burden, not a blessing as God intended.
- The Sabbath was made after man for man's blessing and well being.
- The Sabbath serves man for physical nurture and spiritual nurture.

Making it a Delight!

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Matthew 12:9-14

The Sabbath was a method of setting a priority and wellbeing of fellow mankind, using the example of healing a man's deformed arm and the necessity to help your neighbor by lifting a sheep out of a hole.



Some Thoughts About The Sabbath

- We don't have to take on the sign of the Sabbath if we do not want to do it. (Free Moral Agency)
- ❖ If we want to worship the True God and show a symbol of symbolized your love, devotion and commitment to the True God, and have the meaning behind the symbol state "I love you" "I wish to be with you forever" and "You are mine.", then we will keep the Sabbath day holy.
- **❖** We cannot worship the True God, the way we want to worship Him, by our rules or our own thoughts.
- We must worship Him, in the ways He wants us to worship Him; as expressed in His words and the leading of the Holy Spirit, in our time of life, today.

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Colossians 1:12-17

Respect and Honor Jesus Christ's Last Creation;
The Sabbath

