

What Southern Baptists Believe

An overview of *The Baptist Faith and Message 2000*
Session 12: Article VIII – The Lord’s Day

The first day of the week is the Lord’s Day. It is a Christian institution for regular observance. It commemorates the resurrection of Christ from the dead and should include exercises of worship and spiritual devotion, both public and private. Activities on the Lord’s Day should be commensurate with the Christian’s conscience under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

I. The _____ of the Lord’s Day

II. The _____ of the Lord’s Day

III. The _____ of the Lord’s Day

Exodus 20:8-11; Matthew 12:1-12; 28:1ff.; Mark 2:27-28; 16:1-7; Luke 24:1-3,33-36; John 4:21-24; 20:1,19-28; Acts 20:7; Romans 14:5-10; I Corinthians 16:1-2; Colossians 2:16; 3:16; Revelation 1:10.

QUESTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. What is your approach to observing the Lord’s Day? How is it different than the other days of the week?
2. If a neighbor asked you, ‘Why do you work on Saturday and worship on Sunday? You’re breaking one of the Ten Commandments,’ how would you respond? (BFM Study Guide, 106)
3. How do you guard against “artificial legalism” in observing the Lord’s Day?

Southern Baptists are a convention of autonomous, like-minded churches voluntarily partnering for ministry and mission.

briansmith@stuartheights.org