



The Messiah We Didn't Expect



The 1st Reformation , this Reformation weekend. We have a tendency to keep trailing off!

A New & Better Covenant! Mk.2:13-28

Mk.2:13-17 Self Righteousness was Never Gods plan (works salvation), He can save anyway and change them from inside out. Not commandments in stone but in heart 2Cor.3. Jesus eats with Sinners!

Mk.2:18-22 The Law cannot save, it cannot be kept. Rom.7 But we have always been saved by Grace! God foretold of a new covenant coming, now its here. Old/New

Mk.2:23-28 The Jews didn't keep the Sabbath anyways!! Jesus is our Rest!! Heb.4, He rested at right hand of Father! A new covenant and new day!

Sinners, Suppers (not fasting) and Sabbaths

[2Co 3:3, 5-10, 13-14, 17-18 ESV] 3 And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, **not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.** ... 5 Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God, 6 who has made us sufficient to be **ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills,**

but the Spirit gives life. 7 Now if the ministry of death, carved in letters on stone, came with such glory that the Israelites could not gaze at Moses' face because of its glory, which was being brought to an end, 8 will not the ministry of the Spirit have even more glory? 9 For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation, the ministry of righteousness must far exceed it in glory. 10 Indeed, in this case, what once had glory has come to have no glory at all, because of the glory that surpasses it. ... 13 not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. 14 But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. ... 17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. 18 And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, **are being transformed** into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.



What was Levi/Matthew thinking??

What were the other disciples thinking?

The masses?

As He Passed by ...

- Mark 2:14 – **And as he passed by, he saw Levi** the son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.
- Mark 1:16, 2:14, 15:21 – **"And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene,...to carry his cross."**
- John 9:1 – **As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth**



Drive by Discipleship as opposed to Driveby shootings or drive thrus or drive ins

[Pro 16:33 ESV] 33 The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from the LORD.

Chance? Circumstance? Just happened to pass by?

[Jhn 4:4, 7 ESV] 4 And he had to pass through Samaria. ... 7 **A woman from Samaria came to draw water.** Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."

[Jhn 9:1-3, 7 ESV] 1 As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. 2 And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" 3 Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. ... 7 and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

[Mar 1:16 ESV] 16 Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen.

[Mar 15:21 ESV] 21 And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross.

[Mat 9:27 ESV] 27 And as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed him, crying aloud, "Have mercy on us, Son of David."

[Mat 20:30 ESV] 30 And behold, there were two blind men sitting by the roadside, and when they heard that Jesus was passing by, they cried out, "Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!"

[Mar 15:21 ESV] 21 And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross.

Spurgeon: "Blessed is that man who has done with chance, who never speaks of luck, but believes that from the least even to the greatest, all things are ordained of the Lord"

Just as the telescope and microscope show us that there is order and design in all the works of God's hand, from the greatest planet down to the least insect, so does the Bible teach us that there is wisdom, order and design in all the events of our daily life. There is no such thing as "chance", "luck", or "accident" in the Christian journey through this world. All is arranged and appointed by God: and all things are 'working together' for the believer's good (Rom. 8:28).

~ J.C. Ryle

The Sovereign Hand of God

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[Jas 1:17 ESV] 17 **Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above,** coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.



Levi was from the Priestly Tribe! Why and how was he not about Gods business?

“Follow me.” And he rose and followed him! Mk.2:14

He immediately rose and left! Do you?!!

Jesus ushers in a new testament

- Mark 2:13-18 – We see Jesus in 3 situations, questioned!
- Jesus **recruits Levi/Matthew** as a disciple
– Matthew 18:17
- Jesus asked about religious disciplines/duties/**fasting**



[Mat 18:17 ESV] 17 If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And **if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.**

[Luk 18:11, 13 ESV] 11 The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ...
13 But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'

1. [Mar 2:16, 18, 24 And **the scribes of the Pharisees, when they saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, said** to his disciples, "**Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?**" ...
2. 18 Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting. **And people came and said to him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?"** ...
3. 24 And the Pharisees were saying to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?"

Just looking to get Jesus! Only 1 chapter later! Chapter 1 no one mentioned a problem of healing on Sabbath

Mar 3:1-2 **Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. 2 And they watched Jesus, to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath,**

so that they might accuse him.

Mar 3:5-6 And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. 6 The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

Calling Matthew would've likely upset the Disciples!

The Fasting question upset the "people" as they were comparing their tests of self denial, to the disciples

"working on the Sabbath" invited accusations against Jesus'

Jewishness! Jesus did NOT break the Law! The Pharisees elevated their tradition above the Law! Legalism

[1Co 10:31 ESV] 31 So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

Isn't it interesting that Food was the toll Satan used to introduce SIN into the World, in Garden of Eden.

Food is central to our deliverance from Egypt/Passover Meal and central to Worship in the NT in the church in communion and breaking bread from house to house and the Great marriage supper of the Lamb! In Rev.

Ps.23 The Shepherd prepares a table before me in presence of my enemies

Its Key!

Jesus ushers in a new testament

- Jesus **accused of breaking the OT Law!** Illegitimate??!
- **Jesus is unconventional?** Ruffles feather, food is key





Tax collectors needed roman protection from their Jewish Brethren, Notice the Soldier and the Barred window

Illus. of French and Dutch women in WW2.

A friend of Tax collectors and Sinners

- Tax collectors (publicans) were hated as collaborators!
- “Tax collectors and sinners”, usually in that order
- Luke 7:34 – **The Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’**
– 15:1-2, 18:11, 19:7, **Matthew 21:31-32**

The Prideful criticism of Jesus became a emblem of hope for ALL Sinners!!

[Mar 2:13 ESV] 13 He went out again beside the sea, and all the crowd was coming to him, and he was teaching them.

[Mar 2:14 ESV] 14 And as he passed by, he saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.

because of their skimming off the top, the tax collectors were well-to-do.

Mat 5:46 ESV] 46 For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? **Do not even the tax collectors do the same?**

[Mat 9:10-11 ESV] 10 And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. 11 And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

[Mat 11:19 ESV] 19 The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds."

([Matthew 21:31-32](#)). “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you to show you the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, **but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did.** And even after you saw this, you did not repent and believe him”

Phrase used 3x in 2 verses! “he was eating with sinners and tax collectors”

Mar 2:15-16 ESV] 15 And as he reclined at table in his house, **many tax collectors and sinners were reclining with Jesus** and his disciples, **for there were many who followed him.** 16 And the scribes of the Pharisees, **when they saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors**, said to his disciples, **“Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?”**

Luk 3:12 ESV] 12 **Tax collectors also came to be baptized** and said to him, “Teacher, what shall we do?”

[Luk 5:29-30 ESV] 29 And **Levi made him a great feast in his house**, and **there was a large company of tax collectors and others reclining at table with them.** 30 And the Pharisees and their scribes grumbled at his disciples, saying, “Why do you eat and drink with **tax collectors and sinners?**”

[Luk 7:29, 34 ESV] 29 (When all the people heard this, and **the tax collectors too, they declared God just, having been baptized with the baptism of John, ...** 34 **The Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’**

[Luk 15:1 ESV] 1 **Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him.**

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[Luk 7:34, 39 ESV] 34 **The Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!'** ... 39 Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, **"If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner."** woman brought an alabaster flask

[Luk 15:1-2 ESV] 1 Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. 2 And **the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."** 3 Parables

[Luk 18:11 ESV] 11 **The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.'**

[Luk 19:7 ESV] 7 And **when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner."** Zacchaeus

Mat 21:31-32 Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." **Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. 32 For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him."**

Tax Collectors:

Tax Collectors were hated treasonous collaborators with Rome who got rich off their kinsmen, Yet...

1. **Matthew** (Levi) was called to be an Apostle! Mat 9:9-10 As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called **Matthew** sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him. 10 And as **Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners** came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. Mk.2:13-17, Mt.11:19

2. **Zaccheus** Repented and repaid! Luk 19:2, 8-10 And behold, there was **a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich.** ... 8 And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." 9 And Jesus said to him, "**Today salvation has come to this house**, since he also is a son of Abraham. 10 For **the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.**"

3. **The Pharisee and the Tax collector!** Luk 18:9-13-14 But **the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'** 14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

3 of our sweetest verses of hope for the Lost are found in direct relation to Tax collectors being saved!

Luk 5:29, 31-32 And Levi made him a great feast in his house, and there was a large company of tax collectors and others reclining at table with them. ... 31 And Jesus answered them, "**Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 32 I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.**"

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But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13 **Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."**

Samaritan's: the Assyrian conquest of the Kingdom of Israel in 722 BC, called also the Assyrian Exile. This event marked a pivotal moment that led to the deportation of the Israelite elite and their replacement with foreign populations (2 Kings 17:24).

Jn.4 the Samaritan Woman, Adulteress

Luke 10:25-37 Parable of Good Samaritan

Luke 17:11-19 Only 1 of the 10 Lepers returned

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JESUS PARTIES WITH SINNERS



Messiah Attends Banquet at Home of Tax Collector

Jesus of Nazareth was seen today at the booth of a well-known tax collector named Levi. Sources say that he told Levi to follow him, and similar to others we've seen recently, Levi left everything behind and followed him. Later in the evening, Jesus was seen at the home of Levi where a great banquet was being held in his honor. Many other tax collectors and "sinners"

I bet this derisive comment spread like wildfire!

Let's correct a frequent misrepresentation! Fake News!! This wasn't a Frat house Kegger! It wasn't a drug Den party!! It wasn't a Strip club buffet, A Mafia orgy, it was broken people coming for any kind of Hope!

Ps.1 Blessed is the Man who sits Not...Immanuel – God With us is getting closer!

1Co 15:33 NIV Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character."

They were drunk with the HS when they left!

New and old ... don't mix well

- Mark 2:18 – “...Why do John’s disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?”
- Fast of Feast?
- Old vs. New – patch on worn out garment, Wineskins



Have you seen videos of Gen Z trying to use a post office box, or a dial landline phone or typewriter, Washing machine, washboard...

[Mar 2:18 ESV] 18 Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting. And people came and said to him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?"

[Jer 31:31-34, 36 ESV] 31 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, 32 not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. 33 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 34 And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more." ... 36 "If this fixed order departs from before me, declares the LORD, then shall the offspring of Israel cease from being a nation before me forever."

New Bride – Jer.3 Israel and Judah played the Harlots. Hosea and Gomer

New Passover – Lords Supper

New Wine – Covenant in my blood! [1Co 11:25 In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

New Covenant/TESTAMENT!

New Symbol – Circumcision – Baptism

New Clerics – Levites/Priests – Priesthood of Believers

New Sacrifice – Animals – Lamb of God, no more blood letting. Its Finished

New Gathering place – Temple/Synagogue – Churches All over the world, not just Jerusalem

New teaching – Old testament – New testament, Sermon on the Mount!

New Deliverer! Moses – Jesus! Heb.2-4

New food laws! Kosher – Anything with Thanksgiving! Peters Vision

New day of Worship! Sabbath to Lords day! Saturday to Sunday, and Everyday worship!

New Law – not tablets of stone that crushed us but tables of heart! 2 Cor.3 Internal change over external conformity

[Jer 3:1, 6-11, 15 ESV] 1 "If a man divorces his wife and she goes from him and becomes another man's wife, will he return to her? Would not that land be greatly polluted? You have played the whore with many lovers; and would you return to me? declares the LORD. ... 6 The LORD said to me in the days of King Josiah: "Have you seen what she did, that faithless one, Israel, how she went up on every high hill and under every green tree, and there played the whore? 7 And I thought, 'After she has done all this she will return to me,' but she did not return, and her treacherous sister Judah saw it. 8 She saw that for all the

adulteries of that faithless one, Israel, I had sent her away with a decree of divorce. Yet her treacherous sister Judah did not fear, but she too went and played the whore. 9 Because she took her whoredom lightly, she polluted the land, committing adultery with stone and tree. 10 Yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah did not return to me with her whole heart, but in pretense, declares the LORD." 11 And the LORD said to me, "Faithless Israel has shown herself more righteous than treacherous Judah. ... 15 "And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding.

[Mat 9:17 ESV] 17 Neither is new wine put into old wineskins. If it is, the skins burst and the wine is spilled and the skins are destroyed. But new wine is put into fresh wineskins, and so both are preserved."

[Luk 5:38-39 ESV] 38 But new wine must be put into fresh wineskins. 39 And no one after drinking old wine desires new, for he says, "The old is good."

Mans Righteousness

[Mat 6:16, 18 ESV] 16 "And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ... 18 that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

[Mat 23:5 ESV] 5 They do all their deeds to be seen by others. For they make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long,

[Luk 18:12 ESV] 12 I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.'

[Rom 10:3 ESV] 3 For, being ignorant of the righteousness of God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness.

New and old ... don't mix well

- Jeremiah 31:31 – “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when **I will make a new covenant** with the house of Israel and the house of Judah”
– Deuteronomy 18:15-22





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We need more than a refreshed Old Testament, We need a complete Makeover, Transformation!

New patch on old cloth? Isa 64:6 NIV All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away.

Wine? 1Cor.11 Lords supper! A new Covenant in my blood!

[Gen 3:21 ESV] 21 And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

[Isa 61:10 ESV] 10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. Eph.5

[Isa 64:6 ESV] 6 We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like

the wind, take us away.

[Zec 3:3 ESV] 3 Now Joshua was standing before the angel, clothed with filthy garments.

[Rev 3:17-18 ESV] 17 For you say, "I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing," not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. 18 I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see.

[Rev 7:13 ESV] 13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?"

A new covenant, he makes the first one obsolete

- Hebrews 7:11 – **set aside because of its weakness and uselessness**
- Hebrews 8:13 – **Obsolete...ready to vanish away**
- Hebrews 9:10 – until the time of reformation



8:5 They serve a copy and shadow Heb. 4, 7, 8, 9, 10

Heb 4:9 So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, (High Priest)

Heb.7:11 set aside because of its weakness and uselessness

Heb.8:13 Obsolete...ready to vanish away

Heb.9:10 until the time of reformation

Heb.10:10 He does away with the first in order to establish the second. 10 And by that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Eph 2:15 by abolishing the law of commandments

Col 2:14, 20 by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands

under a new covenant (Jer. 31:31–34; Ezek. 36:26–27; 2 Cor. 3:6; Heb. 8:8–13

Heb.4, 7, 8, 9, 10

[Heb 8:1-2, 5-8, 10, 13 ESV] 1 Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a

high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, 2 a minister in the holy places, in the true tent that the Lord set up, not man. ... 5 **They serve a copy and shadow** of the heavenly things. For when Moses was about to erect the tent, he was instructed by God, saying, "See that you make everything according to the pattern that was shown you on the mountain." 6 But as it is, Christ has obtained a ministry that is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant he mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises. 7 **For if that first covenant had been faultless, there would have been no occasion to look for a second.** 8 **For he finds fault with them** when he says: "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, **when I will establish a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah,** ... 10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ... 13 **In speaking of a new covenant, he makes the first one obsolete. And what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away.**

[Heb 7:11-12, 18-19 Now if perfection had been attainable through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need would there have been for another priest to arise after the order of Melchizedek, rather than one named after the order of Aaron? 12 For when there is a change in the priesthood, **there is necessarily a change in the law as well.** ... 18 **For on the one hand, a former commandment is set aside because of its weakness and uselessness** 19 (for the law made nothing perfect); but on the other hand, **a better hope is introduced,** through which we draw near to God.

[1Co 13:8 ESV] 8 Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away.

[Heb 9:9-10 ESV] 9 (which is symbolic for the present age). According to this arrangement, gifts and sacrifices are offered that cannot perfect the conscience of the worshiper, 10 but deal only with food and drink and various washings,

regulations for the body imposed **until the time of reformation.**

[**Eph 2:15** ESV] 15 by **abolishing the law of commandments** expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace,

[Gal 3:10 ESV] 10 For **all who rely on works of the law are under a curse**; for it is written, "Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them."

[Col 2:14, 20 ESV] 14 **by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands.** This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. ... 20 If with Christ you died to the elemental spirits of the world, why, as if you were still alive in the world, do you submit to regulations--

[Heb 9:23] Thus **it was necessary for the copies of the heavenly things to be purified with these rites, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.**

[Heb 10:1, 6, 8-10 ESV] 1 For since the law has but a shadow of the good things to come instead of the true form of these realities, it can never, by the same sacrifices that are continually offered every year, make perfect those who draw near. ... 6 in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. ... 8 When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), 9 then he added, "Behold, I have come to do your will." **He does away with the first in order to establish the second. 10 And by that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.**

[Mat 24:35 ESV] 35 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

the sabbath is the sign of the Mosaic covenant, of Yahweh's covenant with Israel ([Ex. 31:13, 17](#)), but believers in Christ are no longer under the sabbath command, since it's a shadow that points to Christ ([Col. 2:16](#); cf. [Rom.](#)

[14:5](#)). The sabbath points to our rest in Christ ([Heb. 4:1–11](#))

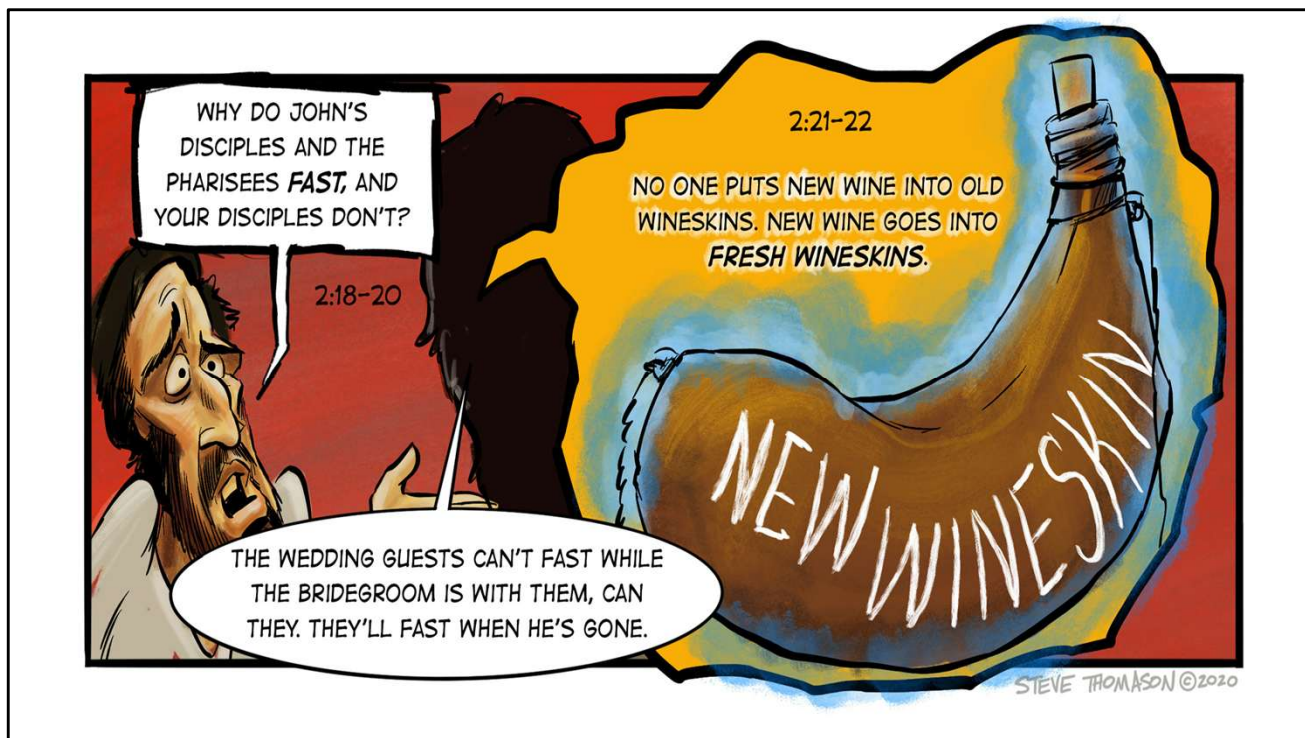
under a new covenant (Jer. 31:31–34; Ezek. 36:26–27; 2 Cor. 3:6; Heb. 8:8–13). There are not only two covenants, but five (or even more, depending on how you count them). There was the conditional covenant given to Moses on Mount Sinai which the death and resurrection of Yeshua completed, but what about the others?

Deu 18:15, 18-19, 22 "The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen-- ... 18 I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. 19 And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. ... 22 when a prophet speaks in the name of the LORD, if the word does not come to pass or come true, that is a word that the LORD has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it presumptuously. You need not be afraid of him.

A new covenant, he makes the first one obsolete

- Hebrews 10:10 – **He does away with the first in order to establish the second...the body of Jesus Christ once for all**





Animal skins, meaning they died.

God Clothed Adam and Eve this way too

Rules!!! You aren't keeping them!

“The Sabbath was made for man”

- Pharisees accused Jesus of breaking Sabbath??!
- God doesn't change! – Malachi 3:6 – “**For I the LORD do not change**”, Jesus observed the Sabbath
- The Sabbath was/is **one of 10 Commandments**
– Exodus 20



divine immutability

[Mal 3:6 ESV] 6 "For I the LORD do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed.

[Num 23:19 ESV] 19 God is not man, that he should lie, or a son of man, that he should change his mind. Has he said, and will he not do it? Or has he spoken, and will he not fulfill it?

[Heb 6:18 ESV] 18 so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us.

[Heb 13:8 ESV] 8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

[Jas 1:17 ESV] 17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

[Seventh Day Adventists! \(SDA\) Ellen White, Cult.](#)

[Sabbatarian Pentecostals](#)

Messianic Congregations

Augustine's [oft-quoted maxim](#) remains helpful: “The New is in the Old concealed; the Old is in

the New revealed.”

The Jews famously broke it regularly

[2Ch 36:21 ESV] 21 **to fulfill the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed its Sabbaths.** All the days that it lay desolate it kept Sabbath, to fulfill seventy years.

[Jer 25:12 ESV] 12 Then after seventy years are completed, I will punish the king of Babylon and that nation, the land of the Chaldeans, for their iniquity, declares the LORD, making the land an everlasting waste.

[Dan 9:2 ESV] 2 in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, perceived in the books the number of years that, according to the word of the LORD to Jeremiah the prophet, must pass before the end of the desolations of Jerusalem, namely, seventy years.

[Lev 26:27-28, 32-33 ESV] 27 "But if in spite of this you will not listen to me, but walk contrary to me, 28 then I will walk contrary to you in fury, and I myself will discipline you sevenfold for your sins. ... 32 And I myself will devastate the land, so that your enemies who settle in it shall be appalled at it. 33 And I will scatter you among the nations, and I will unsheathe the sword after you, and your land shall be a desolation, and your cities shall be a waste.

[Lev 26:34-35, 43 ESV] 34 "Then the land shall enjoy its Sabbaths as long as it lies desolate, while you are in your enemies' land; then the land shall rest, and enjoy its Sabbaths. 35 As long as it lies desolate it shall have rest, the rest that it did not have on your Sabbaths when you were dwelling in it. ... 43 But the land shall be abandoned by them and enjoy its Sabbaths while it lies desolate without them, and they shall make amends for their iniquity, because they spurned my rules and their soul abhorred my statutes.

[Zec 1:12 ESV] 12 Then the angel of the LORD said, 'O LORD of hosts, how long will you have no mercy on Jerusalem and the cities of Judah, against which you have been angry these seventy years?'

[Exo 16:19-20, 22, 27-28 ESV] 19 And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over till the morning." 20 But they did not listen to Moses.

Some left part of it till the morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them. ... 22 On the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two omers each. And when all the leaders of the congregation came and told Moses, ... 27 On the seventh day some of the people went out to gather, but they found none. 28 And the LORD said to Moses, "How long will you refuse to keep my commandments and my laws?

[Num 15:32 ESV] 32 While the people of Israel were in the wilderness, they found a man gathering sticks on the Sabbath day.

[Neh 13:15 ESV] 15 In those days I saw in Judah people treading winepresses on the Sabbath, and bringing in heaps of grain and loading them on donkeys, and also wine, grapes, figs, and all kinds of loads, which they brought into Jerusalem on the Sabbath day. And I warned them on the day when they sold food.

“The Sabbath was made for man”

- **The Jews famously broke it regularly!**
- Some still **require** it! SDA, 7th Day Baptists, Messianic ..





Jesus argued precedent in David!!

[Mar 2:23-28 ESV] 23 One Sabbath he was going through the grainfields, and as they made their way, his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. 24 And the Pharisees were saying to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?" 25 And **he said to them, "Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: 26 how he entered the house of God, in the time of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?" 27 And he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. 28 So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath."**

All Gods Laws are for our good, the law was made for us, not merely for us to obey

Why the Lord's Day (Sunday)

- Jeremiah 31:31, Hebrews 8:6-13, Deuteronomy 18
– **A new Covenant!** The old is eclipsed by the better, **Grace above Law!**
- **Sabbath was uniquely for Israel** – Exodus 31:13-17, Ezekiel 20:20
- **The Lord's Day** (1st day) – Acts 20:7, 1 Corinthians 16:2, Revelation 1:10

Also, the argument of History of the Church since the book of Acts!

[Jer 23:5 ESV] 5 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

[Jer 30:3 ESV] 3 For behold, days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will restore the fortunes of my people, Israel and Judah, says the LORD, and I will bring them back to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall take possession of it."

[Jer 33:14-16 ESV] 14 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. 15 In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. 16 In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

[Eze 37:26 ESV] 26 I will make a covenant of peace with them. It shall be an everlasting covenant with them. And I will set them in their land and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in their midst forevermore.

[Mat 26:28 ESV] 28 for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

[Mar 14:24 ESV] 24 And he said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many.

[1Co 11:25 ESV] 25 In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

[2Co 3:6 ESV] 6 who has made us sufficient to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

[Heb 8:6-13 ESV] 6 But as it is, Christ has obtained a ministry that is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant he mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises. 7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, there would have been no occasion to look for a second. 8 For he finds fault with them when he says: "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will establish a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah, 9 not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. For they did not continue in my covenant, and so I showed no concern for them, declares the Lord. 10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 11 And they shall not teach, each one his neighbor and each one his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest. 12 For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more." 13 In speaking of a new covenant, he makes the first one obsolete. And what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away.

[Heb 9:15 ESV] 15 Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

[Heb 10:16-17 ESV] 16 "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds," 17 then he adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

[Heb 12:24 ESV] 24 and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

[Heb 13:20 ESV] 20 Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead

our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of **the eternal covenant**,

Sabbath for Israel

[Exo 20:8-11 ESV] 8 "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, 10 but **the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God**. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. 11 For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

[Exo 16:29 ESV] 29 See! The LORD has given you the Sabbath; therefore on the sixth day he gives you bread for two days. Remain each of you in his place; let no one go out of his place on the seventh day."

[Lev 23:3, 24, 32 ESV] 3 "Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, a holy convocation. You shall do no work. It is a Sabbath to the LORD in all your dwelling places. ... 24 **"Speak to the people of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall observe a day of solemn rest,** a memorial proclaimed with blast of trumpets, a holy convocation. ... 32 It shall be to you a Sabbath of solemn rest, and you shall afflict yourselves. On the ninth day of the month beginning at evening, from evening to evening shall you keep your Sabbath."

[Eze 20:20 ESV] 20 and **keep my Sabbaths holy that they may be a sign between me and you, that you may know that I am the LORD your God.'**

[**Exo 31:13, 16-17** ESV] 13 "You are to speak to the people of Israel and say, 'Above all you shall keep my Sabbaths, for this is a sign between me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I, the LORD, sanctify you. ... 16 **Therefore the people of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, observing the Sabbath throughout their generations, as a covenant forever.** 17 It is a sign forever between me and the people of Israel that in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, and on the seventh day he rested and was refreshed.'"

[**Eze 20:12** ESV] 12 **Moreover, I gave them my Sabbaths, as a sign**

between me and them, that they might know that I am the LORD who sanctifies them.

[Psa 147:19-20 ESV] 19 **He declares his word to Jacob, his statutes and rules to Israel. 20 He has not dealt thus with any other nation; they do not know his rules. Praise the LORD!**

1st day of the week Sunday! Lords day

Act 20:7 ESV] 7 **On the first day of the week, when we were gathered together** to break bread, Paul talked with them, intending to depart on the next day, and he prolonged his speech until midnight.

[1Co 16:2 ESV] 2 **On the first day of every week**, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, as he may prosper, so that there will be no collecting when I come.

[Rev 1:10 ESV] 10 **I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day**, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet

[Col 2:16-17 ESV] 16 **Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath. 17 These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ.**

[Rom 7:4 Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God.

[Gal 5:4 ESV] 4 You are severed from Christ, you who would be justified by the law; you have fallen away from grace.

[Rom 14:5 ESV] 5 One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind.

[Rom 14:6, 14, 20-21 ESV] 6 The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord

and gives thanks to God. ... 14 I know and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself, but it is unclean for anyone who thinks it unclean. ... 20 Do not, for the sake of food, destroy the work of God. Everything is indeed clean, but it is wrong for anyone to make another stumble by what he eats. 21 It is good not to eat meat or drink wine or do anything that causes your brother to stumble.

[1Co 8:7-9, 11, 13 ESV] 7 However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. 8 Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. 9 But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ... 11 And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. ... 13 Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

[Heb 9:10 ESV] 10 but deal only with food and drink and various washings, regulations for the body imposed until the time of reformation.

[Gal 4:10 ESV] 10 You observe days and months and seasons and years!

[Gal 2:11-16, 18-21 ESV] 11 But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. 12 For before certain men came from James, he was eating with the Gentiles; but when they came he drew back and separated himself, fearing the circumcision party. 13 And the rest of the Jews acted hypocritically along with him, so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy. 14 But when I saw that their conduct was not in step with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, "If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you force the Gentiles to live like Jews?" 15 We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; 16 yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified. ... 18 For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor. 19 For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. 20 I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ

who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. 21 I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.

[Gal 3:1-7, 10-12, 15-19, 21-29 ESV] 1 O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified. 2 Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? 3 Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh? 4 Did you suffer so many things in vain--if indeed it was in vain? 5 Does he who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you do so by works of the law, or by hearing with faith-- 6 just as Abraham "believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness"? 7 Know then that it is those of faith who are the sons of Abraham. ... 10 For all who rely on works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, "Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them." 11 Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for "The righteous shall live by faith." 12 But the law is not of faith, rather "The one who does them shall live by them." ... 15 To give a human example, brothers: even with a man-made covenant, no one annuls it or adds to it once it has been ratified. 16 Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, "And to offsprings," referring to many, but referring to one, "And to your offspring," who is Christ. 17 This is what I mean: the law, which came 430 years afterward, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void. 18 For if the inheritance comes by the law, it no longer comes by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by a promise. 19 Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made, and it was put in place through angels by an intermediary. ... 21 Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. 22 But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe. 23 Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. 24 So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. 25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, 26 for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. 27 For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. 28 There is

neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

[Gal 4:9-11, 20-21 ESV] 9 But now that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by God, how can you turn back again to the weak and worthless elementary principles of the world, whose slaves you want to be once more? 10 You observe days and months and seasons and years! 11 I am afraid I may have labored over you in vain. ... 20 I wish I could be present with you now and change my tone, for I am perplexed about you. 21 Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not listen to the law?

Gal 5:1-4, 6-9, 11-13 For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. 2 Look: I, Paul, say to you that if you accept circumcision, Christ will be of no advantage to you. 3 I testify again to every man who accepts circumcision that he is obligated to keep the whole law. 4 You are severed from Christ, you who would be justified by the law; you have fallen away from grace. ... 6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love. 7 You were running well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth? 8 This persuasion is not from him who calls you. 9 A little leaven leavens the whole lump. ... 11 But if I, brothers, still preach circumcision, why am I still being persecuted? In that case the offense of the cross has been removed. 12 I wish those who unsettle you would emasculate themselves! 13 For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

Why the Lord's Day (Sunday)

- **Like the other “Sign”**, don't add legalism to grace!
– Galatians 2-5
- Colossians 2:16-17 – Let no one judge you...Shadows of Christ



"A MESSIAH WHO BREAKS THE SABBATH AND ADVOCATES BREAKING THE SABBATH IS NO MESSIAH AT ALL. HE IS A FALSE-CHRIST AND A DECEIVER. GOD HIMSELF COMMANDS THE JEWISH PEOPLE TO REJECT SUCH A MESSIAH."

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THE BEST WAYS TO PROVE THE SABBATH COMMANDMENT for Christians who keep Sunday

The Fourth Commandment, which is about the Sabbath Day, is perhaps the MOST ignored commandment among the Ten Commandments. I'm here to prove why you should keep the Sabbath Day.

SEVENTH DAY
Every reputable encyclopedia, educational institution, and historical sources will tell you that Saturday is the seventh day of the week, making it the right day to keep the Sabbath (Genesis 2:2-3).

MADE FOR MAN
Mark 2:27 tells us that the Sabbath was made for man. It wasn't made for the Jews or Israelites. If you're part of the human race, then it is made for you.

LORD OF THE SABBATH
Mark 2:28 tells us that the Messiah (Jesus) is the Lord of the Sabbath. So, who is the Lord of Sunday?

GOD'S PEOPLE KEEP THE SABBATH
Yahshua (Jesus), the apostles, the early church, and every credible servant of God in the Bible keep the Sabbath, not Sunday.

SABBATH IN THE FUTURE
Matthew 24:20 speaks of the fleeing of God's people during the end time. This proves that even as we near the end of man's rule, the Sabbath is still being kept.

SABBATH IS STILL KEPT BY GOD'S PEOPLE
Hebrews 4:9 clearly tells us: "There remains therefore a Sabbath rest for the people of God."

SUNDAY HAS NO BIBLICAL BASIS
Even if you read the Bible from cover to cover, from Genesis to Revelation, you will not find a single verse that transferred the sanctity of the Sabbath to the first day of the week.

For a deeper explanation, visit www.Reclaim-Christians.com

The Battle Over the Covenant

Satan's Greatest Lie:
Replacing Christ With a Day

OLD COVENANT SIGN
SABBATH
(7th Day)

"It is a sign between Me and the children of Israel forever." - Exodus 31:13

- For Israel
- External
- A shadow (Col. 2:16-17)

THE HOLY SPIRIT

"You were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise" - Ephesians 1:13

SATAN'S STRATEGY

Gospel Truth	Satan's Counterfeit
Christ is our rest (Hebrews 4:9-10)	Sabbath is your rest
The Holy Spirit is the seal (Eph. 1:13)	Sabbath is the seal of God
Walk by the Spirit (Rom. 8:4)	Obey the Ten Commandments or perish
Righteousness by faith	Righteousness by calendar law
	Fear of the Sunday Law

TRUTH MATTERS - Galatians 2:21

"If righteousness could be gained through the law, Christ died for nothing!"

Notice the HOT debate on Internet. Actually it is often compelling IF you aren't a good student

A Messiah who breaks the Sabbath AND Advocates breaking the Sabbath is NO Messiah at ALL!!!

He is a False Christ AND a Deceiver.

God Himself commands the Jewish people to Reject Such a Messiah.

<https://ffoz.org/>

The "Messiah who breaks Sabbath" idea is explored by the Messianic Jewish organization [First Fruits of Zion \(FFOZ\)](http://ffoz.org/), which argues that Jesus did not abolish the Sabbath but rather redefined its purpose. According to FFOZ, Jesus challenged the rigid, legalistic interpretation of Sabbath laws by prioritizing acts of mercy, compassion, and healing. This is based on the principle that "the Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath" and that "the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath". Therefore, instead of being a Sabbath-breaker, Jesus was seen as justifying his actions by a higher principle of love and the need to alleviate suffering.

Rescue Ministries – SDA and Messianic



Jesus Has Dinner With Sinners

MARK 2:15-17

BIBLE DEVOTIONAL

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Matthew 9:9-10; Mark 2:13-17;
Matthew 11:19

And **Levi** made him a great feast in his house, and there was a large company of tax collectors and others reclining at table with them... And **Jesus** answered them, "**Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.**"

Luke 5:29, 31-32

The Pharisee and the Tax Collector!

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Luke 18:9, 13, 14

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2. **Zaccheus Repented and repaid!** Luk 19:2, 8-10 And behold, there was **a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich.** ... 8 And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." 9 And Jesus said to him, "**Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham.** 10 **For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.**"

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3 of our sweetest verses of hope for the Lost are found in direct relation to Tax collectors being saved!

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[Luk 7:29 ESV] 29 (When all the people heard this, and the tax collectors too, they declared God just, having been baptized with the baptism of John, **Mat 9:11-13** ESV] 11 And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "**Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?**" 12 But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13 **Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.'** **For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.**"

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Matthew 27:54

And they said, "Cornelius, a centurion, an upright and God-fearing man, who is well spoken of by the whole Jewish nation, was directed by a holy angel to send for you to come to his house and to hear what you have to say."...and said, 'Cornelius, your prayer has been heard and your alms have been remembered before God.

Acts 10:22, 31

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**The Samaritans were a half breed compromised people
who worshipped Canaanite gods,
Yet they believed in Jesus!**

A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.

John 4:7-10

On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

Luke 17:11-19

Samaritan's: the Assyrian conquest of the Kingdom of Israel in 722 BC, called also the Assyrian Exile. This event marked a pivotal moment that led to the deportation of the Israelite elite and their replacement with foreign populations (2 Kings 17:24).

Jn.4 the Samaritan Woman, Adulteress

Luke 10:25-37 Parable of Good Samaritan

Luke 17:11-19 Only 1 of the 10 Lepers returned, A Samaritan

**Pharisees were generally self-righteous hypocrites
but a few bowed to Christ**

Saul / Paul

**Nicodemus – considered
Jesus “a teacher who has
come from God”**

*Now there was a man of
the Pharisees named
Nicodemus, a ruler of the
Jews. This man came to
Jesus by night and said to
him, “Rabbi, we know that
you are a teacher come
from God, for no one can do
these signs that you do
unless God is with him.”*

John 3:1-2

*When it was
evening, there
came a rich man
from Arimathea,
named Joseph,
who also was a
disciple of Jesus.*

Matthew 27:57

*I thank him who has given me strength,
Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged
me faithful, appointing me to his service,
though formerly I was a blasphemer,
persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I
received mercy because I had acted
ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our
Lord overflowed for me with the faith and
love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is
trustworthy and deserving of full
acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the
world to save sinners, of whom I am the
foremost. But I received mercy for this
reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus
Christ might display his perfect patience as
an example to those who were to believe in
him for eternal life.*

1 Timothy 1:12-16

Jesus ate with Pharisees, which became a setting for important teachings and confrontations. A well-known example is the dinner, Simon, in [Luke 7](#), where a sinful woman washes Jesus' feet, leading to a lesson on forgiveness and love. **Another account in Luke 14 describes Jesus teaching about humility** and who to invite to feasts.

[Luk 7:36-40, 42-45, 47-49 ESV] 36 One of the Pharisees asked him to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and reclined at table. 37 And behold, a woman of the city, who was a sinner, when she learned that he was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of ointment, 38 and standing behind him at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment. 39 Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner." 40 And Jesus answering said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he answered, "Say it, Teacher." ... 42 When they could not pay, he cancelled the debt of both. Now which of them will love him more?" 43 Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt." And he said to him, "You have judged rightly." 44 Then turning toward the woman he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. 45 You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. ... 47 Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven--for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little." 48 And he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." 49 Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this, who even forgives sins?"

[Luk 11:37-38, 42, 53-54 ESV] 37 While Jesus was speaking, a Pharisee asked him to dine with him, so he went in and reclined at table. 38 The Pharisee was astonished to see that he did not first wash before dinner. ... 42 "But woe to you Pharisees! For you tithe mint and rue and every herb, and neglect justice and the love of God. These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others. ... 53 As he went away from there, the scribes and the Pharisees began to press him hard and to provoke him to speak about many things, 54 lying in wait for him, to catch him in something he might say.

[Luk 14:1-6 ESV] 1 One Sabbath, when he went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. 2 And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. 3 And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" 4 But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. 5 And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" 6 And they could not reply to these things.
14:1-33

[Mar 7:6-11, 13 ESV] 6 And he said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, "'This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; 7 **in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.**' 8 **You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men.**" 9 And he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! 10 For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.' 11 But you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, "Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban"' (that is, given to God)-- ... 13 thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do."

Nicodemus was a Pharisee who rightly considered Jesus “a teacher who has come from God” and honestly sought answers from Him ([John 3:1–2](#)).

Nicodemus later defended Jesus before the Sanhedrin ([John 7:50–51](#)) and was on hand at Jesus’ crucifixion to help bury the Lord’s body ([John 19:39](#)). Some of

the early Christians were Pharisees, as well ([Acts 15:5](#)).

[Mat 27:57 ESV] 57 When it was evening, there came **a rich man from Arimathea**, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus.

[Mar 15:43 ESV] 43 **Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council**, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.

[Luk 23:50 ESV] 50 Now there was a man named **Joseph, from the Jewish town of Arimathea. He was a member of the council**, a good and righteous man,

[Jhn 19:38 ESV] 38 After these things **Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly** for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away his body.

The apostle Paul was trained as a Pharisee, and his credentials in that group were sterling ([Acts 26:5](#)). Paul called himself “a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless” ([Philippians 3:5–6](#)).

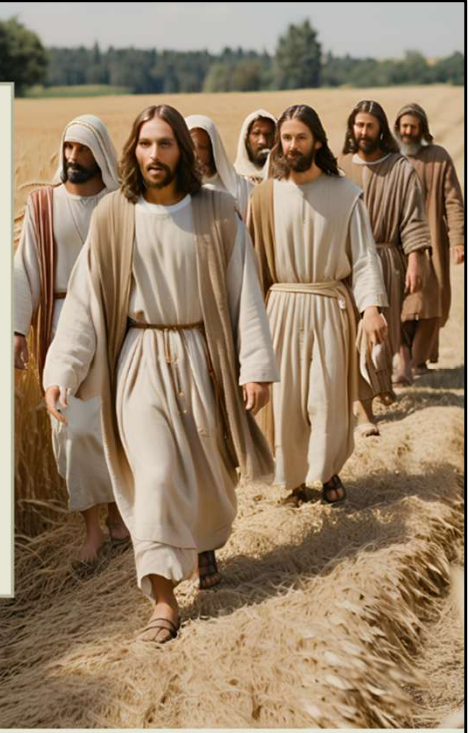
“So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath.”

1. Jesus is a friend to Sinners! That's Me!
 2. Jesus brought the New! New covenant is Blood!
 3. Jesus is our Sabbath Rest. We worship him who Paid it all in Full and rose from the Dead!
- If your **ruleigion** is Self Righteous? You miss the point!



LORD OF THE SABBATH

**The sabbath
was made for
humankind, and
not humankind
for the sabbath.**



The Sabbath – in Jesus' Ministry (2)

- This explains why Jesus did so many acts of healing on the Sabbath day! (7 in total)

1. Man with a withered hand Matthew 12 v 10
2. Man with an unclean spirit Mark 1 v 21,23
3. Peter's mother-in-law's fever Mark 1 v 29-30
4. Woman with an 18-year infirmity Luke 13 v 10-11
5. Man with dropsy Luke 14 v 1-2
6. Impotent (lame) man at pool of Bethesda John 5 v 9
7. Man born blind John 9 v 14

[Mat 12:10 ESV] 10 And a man was there with a withered hand. And they asked him, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?"—so that they might accuse him.

[Mar 1:21, 23, 29-30 ESV] 21 And they went into Capernaum, and **immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching.** ... 23 And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ... 29 And immediately he left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. 30 Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her.

[Luk 13:10-11 ESV] 10 Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. 11 And behold, there was a woman who had had a disabling spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not fully straighten herself.

[Luk 14:1-2 ESV] 1 One Sabbath, when he went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. 2 And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy.

[Jhn 5:9 ESV] 9 And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked. Now that day was the Sabbath.

[Jhn 9:14 ESV] 14 Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes.

OLD Covenant

RIGHTEOUSNESS of LAW

1. Blood of animals
2. Written on stone
3. Shadow
4. Glorious
5. Had an end
6. Law of Moses
7. Law of works
8. Law of sin and death
9. Many sacrifices
10. Powerless to save
11. Annual atonement
12. Earthly tabernacle
13. Ministry of death
14. Outer form - flesh
15. Ministry of condemnation

1st Covenant

NEW Covenant

RIGHTEOUSNESS of CHRIST

1. Blood of Christ
2. Written on hearts
3. Substance
4. More Glorious
5. Has no end
6. Law of Messiah
7. Law of faith
8. Law of Spirit of Life
9. One Sacrifices
10. Powerful to save
11. Eternal atonement
12. Heavenly tabernacle
13. Ministry of life
14. Inner reality - spirit
15. Ministry of reconciliation

2nd Covenant

**For
if the first
covenant had
been faultless
then should
no place have
been sought
for the second.**

Hebrews 8:7

SABBATH vs. THE BIBLE (KJV)

The Sabbath was for Israel and ended at the cross. The Lord's Day is for Christians, but never a Sabbath.

HISTORY & ORIGIN

- Exodus 20:8-11
- Given as a sign between God and Israel
- Ezekiel 20:12
- Given as a sign between God and Israel only

"Sunday is our mark of authority... The church is above the Bible, and this transference of Sabbath observance is proof of that fact."

Both Saturday-Sabbath keeping and Sunday-Sabbath making are man-made errors.



BIBLE TRUTH

SABBATH ENDED AT THE CROSS

Colossians 2:16-17
Romans 7:4

SABBATH WAS, FOR ISRAEL ONLY

Acts 20:7
1 Corinthians 16:2

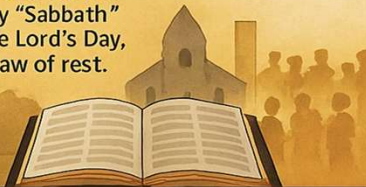
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CHRISTIANS WORSHIP ON THE FIRST DAY

Acts 20:7
1 Corinth 16:2
Revel. 1:10

TRUE REST IN CHRIST

Hebrews 4:9-10



WARNING

GALATIANS 5:4; • Christ is become of no effect unto you. whosoever of you are justified by the law, ye are fallen from grace."

MATTHEW 15:9:

"In vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men."



◀ To bind the Sabbath (Saturday or Sunday) as law = fall from grace.

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15:1-2

HE WELCOMES SINNERS AND EATS WITH THEM.

TAX COLLECTORS "SINNERS"

PHARISEES

LUKE 15:1-17:10

A Shepherd with one hundred sheep who loses one, leaves the 99 to seek the lost sheep.

15:3

15:11-32

A Woman with ten silver coins who loses one, searches for the lost coin.

There is joy in Heaven when one sinner repents.

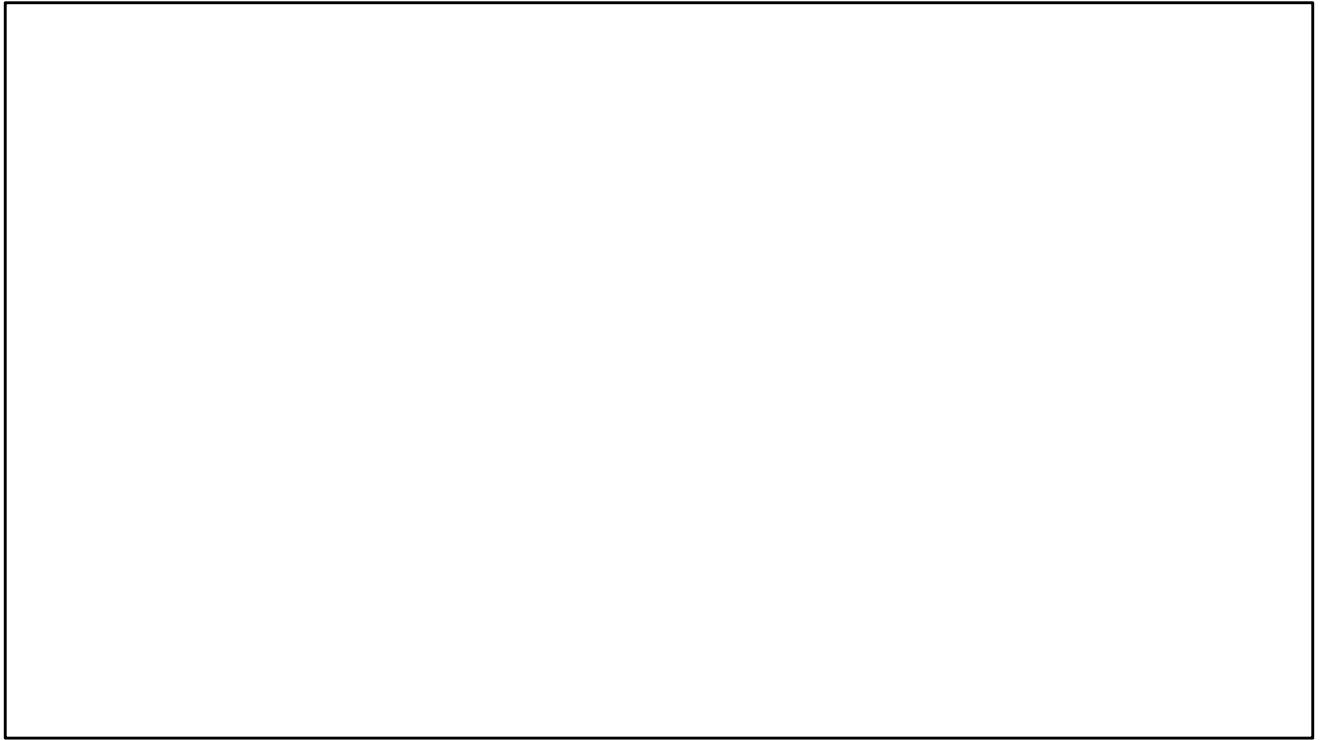
MY LOST SON IS FOUND, LET'S THROW A PARTY!

PARTY!

WHY HAVE I NEVER GOTTEN A PARTY?

YOU ARE ALWAYS WITH ME, BUT YOUR BROTHER WAS DEAD AND HAS COME TO LIFE. HE WAS LOST AND NOW IS FOUND!





"As JESUS passed by, He saw a man named Matthew sitting at the customs post. He said to him, «Follow Me.» And he got up and followed Him."

(Matthew 9:9)



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Matthew 9:9-13





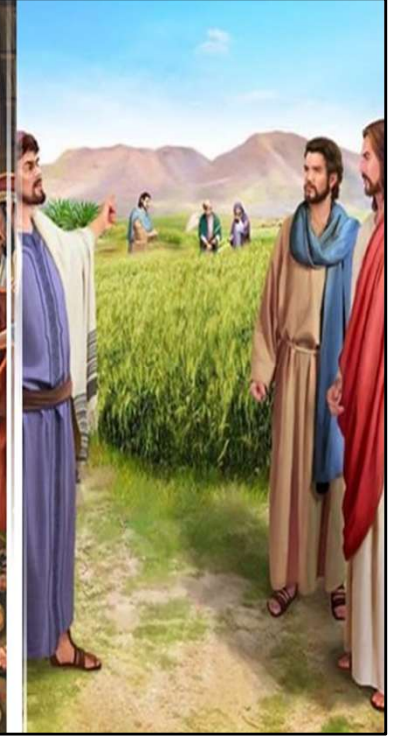
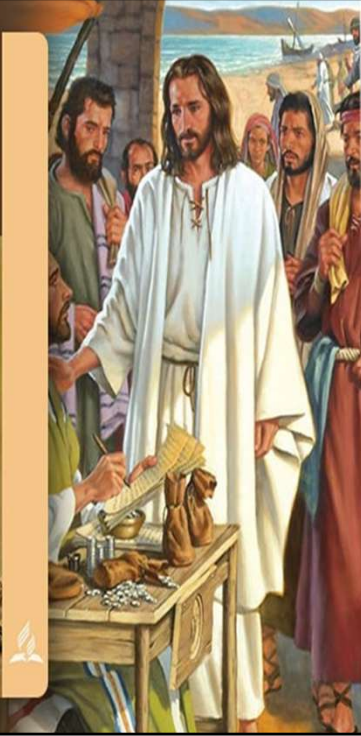


The Calling of Saint Matthew.

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THE BOOK OF MARK



New Wineskin, Old Wineskin...What's the Difference?

Made from cleaned animal hides (skins -often goat), wineskins were used for carrying wine offerings, for travel and for storing new wine. As the wine inside continued to ferment, the skin would stretch to the point of losing its elasticity. If new wine was stored in an old skin, the skin would often burst from the pressure.

Grapes + Fermentation = Wine

1. Skins of grapes already have yeast growing on them.
2. As grapes are crushed, juice begins fermenting spontaneously.
3. Yeast turns the natural sugars in the grape juice into alcohol and carbon dioxide.
4. Fermentation process often continues after the wine has been stored in the wineskin.
5. The release of the carbon dioxide causes the wineskins to expand.



Wineskins were sometimes cut and made from patterns for ease of transportation.

Newly filled wineskins were often hung and stored in tents from the poles.



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15:1-2

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**TAX
COLLECTORS
+ SINNERS**

PHARISEES

A Shepherd with
one hundred sheep
who loses one,
leaves the 99 to
seek the lost sheep.

15:3-10



FATHER, GIVE
ME MY INHERITANCE.



He squandered it, and came back
to beg from his father.

A Woman with ten
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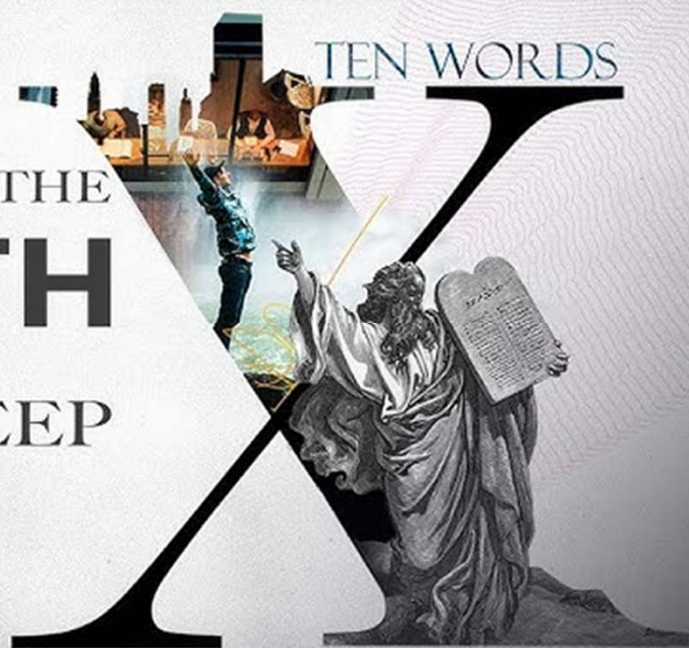
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GRACE
RIVER

REMEMBER THE
SABBATH
DAY TO KEEP
IT HOLY

EXODUS 20:7

TEN WORDS





Wineskins



- Wineskins are made from animal hide or bladders
- It is not known when the wineskin was invented, but are some of the oldest known containers for wine
- Wineskins were seen as useful, durable containers



WHY DO CHRISTIANS NOT KEEP THE SABBATH DAY?

I. THE SABBATH WAS A COVENANT WITH ISRAEL ALONE

Psalm 147:19-20

Forcing Sabbath observance upon Christians today is adding a command that God never gave them.

II. TO KEEP THE SABBATH MEANS TO KEEP THE WHOLE LAW

James 2:10 · Galatians 3:10

- Death penalty for violators • Animal sacrifices
- Ritual and dietary laws

Warning: To insist on the Sabbath is to declare that Christ's sacrifice was not enough.

IV. THE SABBATH WAS ONLY A SHADOW OF THE TRUE REST

Colossians 2:16-17

OLD



NEW







Creation Ordinance	New Covenant Ordinance
The Lord's Day is the continuance of the Creation Sabbath (God's moral law), now remembering Christ's Resurrection/Pentecost on the first day as the fount of our new creation. It is a day of rest and worship.	The Lord's Day is <u>similar to</u>/or not the Sabbath, yet is the clear day on which the early Church met for worship to commemorate Christ's Resurrection/Pentecost in obedience to apostolic example and command. It is a day of worship.
• Gen 2:1–4 • 4th Commandment: “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labour, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work...” (Ex 20:8–10b) • + right column	• “I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day” (Rev 1:10) • First day gathering (Acts 20:7 and 1 Cor 16:2) • “<u>not</u> neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” (Heb 10:25)
The clear weight of very early and later Christian history that this special day is a vital part of the Christian faith.	



Themes	CATEGORY A: COVENANTALISM		CATEGORY B: ALTERNATIVE VIEWS TO COVENANTALISM		Category C
	Westminster Confession (WCC)	2 nd London Baptist Confession (2LBC)	Classic Dispensationalism (CDM)	New Covenant Theology (NCT)	Adventism (ADM)
Salvation	Reformed/ Calvinist <u>Salvation always by grace even in OT</u>	Reformed/ Calvinist <u>Salvation always by grace even in OT</u>	<u>Arminian/ OSAS/ Some Calvinist</u> <u>Salvation always by grace even in OT</u>	Reformed/ Calvinist <u>Salvation always by grace even in OT</u>	<u>Arminian</u> <u>Salvation always by grace even in OT</u>
Covenant Narrative	<u>Eternal Covenant of Grace (from eternity past)</u> - Covenant of Works (Eden state) - Covenant of Grace (post-fall until second coming) Modern WCC embraces Covenant of Redemption.	<u>Eternal Covenant of Grace (from eternity past)</u> - Covenant of Redemption (before the foundations of the world) - Covenant of Works (Eden state) - Covenant of Grace (post-fall until second coming)	Dispensational Narrative: 7 dispensations OT dispensations where diverse administrations of grace NT dispensations, Jesus administers grace	1 redemptive plan and one people of God No covenant of redemption, works, or grace All grace – Christ is centre and fulfilment of all	<u>Eternal Covenant of Grace (from eternity past)</u> - Covenant of Redemption (before the foundation of the world) - Covenant of Works (Eden state) - Covenant of Grace (post-fall until second coming)
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Israel/ Church Relationship	Israel was the church in the OT <u>NT Church is continuation of true Israel</u> <u>Promises to Israel fulfilled in Church</u>	Israel typified the Church Church is replacement of Israel <u>Promises to Israel fulfilled in Church</u>	Israel and Church are 2 separate redemptive plans Old Covenant to be reinstated after the restoration of National Israel in end times	Israel typified the Church <u>Church is continuation of Israel</u> Promises to Israel fulfilled in Jesus	<u>True Israel was the church in the OT</u> <u>NT Church is continuation of true Israel</u> <u>Promises to Israel fulfilled in Jesus and to the church</u>
Eschatology	Classic – Historicism (papacy as antichrist) Modern – Preterism (antichrist was Nero) <u>Rejects any central end time role for Israel</u>	Classic – Historicism (papacy as antichrist) Modern – Preterism (antichrist was Nero) <u>Rejects any central end time role for Israel</u>	Futurism Secret Rapture - 7 Years Tribulation Premillennial Rule of Christ Israel has central role in end times	Preterism/ Futurism (one world government = antichrist) <u>Rejects any central end time role for Israel</u>	<u>Historicism (papacy as antichrist)</u> <u>Rejects any central end time role for Israel</u>

Roman Centurions, violence calloused enforcers of the Israeli Occupiers!
Yet, no less than 3 in the New Testament become followers of Jesus!

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Matthew 8:10

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