

Ma. 7:14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

"LOOK FOR HIS COMING"

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HAVE YOU COME ONE ON ONE WITH THE LORD?

I. **INDISPUTABLE SABBATH**

NEW TESTAMENT

SABBATH – Hebrews Chapters 3-4 (COMPANION CHAPTERS)

Hebrews

Remember the book of Hebrews is to the believing Israelites to show them the difference between before Christ and after Christ. The high priest is no longer from the Levites but is now Christ. One greater than Moses has come. (Moses compared to Christ) – Moses was a Levite – Christ was from the tribe of Judah and not a Levite nor descendant of Aaron etc. In chapter 3 from verse 8 on it is mostly about those of unbelief, hard hearted and those falling away and falling in the wilderness.

Moses came from the tribe of Levi and this is his household. Christ came from the tribe of Judah of the house of David, but he is head of his own household verse 6 whose house we are -(bride of Christ).

Separate in your mind the two type rest – 1. Sabbath rest or reposing down, abide, or rest and 2. settle down or to colonize with the Lord taking care of you when you keep all his commandments.

Separate place and day

There seems to be little doubt that in Hebrews chapter 3 Christ is being shown to be greater than Moses in verses 1-7 and verses 8-19 is depicting the 40 years in the wilderness and the falling away through harden hearts, sin, and unbelief. The rest spoken of in verse 18 would not be the Sabbath. It appears it is referring to the promised land. In Deut. 28:1-14 it is made clear that no enemy would conquer them and the land would not withhold its strength from them if they would follow the commandments and statutes of God. They had cried out to the Lord and had been delivered from 400 years of Egyptian bondage, now they would be at peace if they would keep all His commandments.

Hebrews 4:8 For if Jesus had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another day.

Notice in Chapter 4 verse 8 it refers to them. I believe that the word them is the key to unlocking the truth of understanding for these two chapters (3-4). Of course, one cannot understand the Bible without the right heart and the leadership of the Holy Spirit. Once a person looks at the pronouns in the 3rd and 4th chapters it becomes clear the comparison of us as born again Christians the pronouns we and us are referring to believers and comparing us to the Israelites during the falling away in the wilderness for 40 years. Now let us look closely at verse 8. To me it is clear that the book of Hebrews is speaking to the believing or to those to be converted that if Christ had given (them) the Hebrews of the Old Testament another day as God had given them a day of rest then would he have not spoken of another day.

For the most part the Christian community of today does not imply, state or otherwise suggest that God changed the day from Saturday to Sunday nor is it suggested that Christ changed the day or gave us another day. Remember God blessed, sanctified and kept the seventh day about 2,500 years before the law and then called it the Sabbath writing it with his own finger in stone, keeping it Himself.

In Heb. 4:9 it clearly states there remaineth therefore rest to the people of God. In the very next verse we are told to cease from our own works as God did from his.

In Heb. 4:11 let us labour therefore to enter into rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief. Seems to be clear to me if we do not cease from our labours and rest as God rested from His then we are falling after the example of unbelief as the children of Israel did in the wilderness.

II. INDISPUTABLE SABBATH

Christ was taught by the Father and he did what he saw the Father do.

CONCERNING THE SABBATH IN THE BEGINNING

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Genesis 2:1 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

2 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.

3 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.

NEW TESTAMENT

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

2 The same was in the beginning with God.

3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

SEETH THE FATHER DO

John 5:19 Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth,

these also doeth the Son likewise.

Can anyone question that Christ was here from the beginning and certainly saw God rest on the seventh day? In John 5:19 he says ...“what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.”

FATHER TAUGHT HIM

John 8:28 Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am he, and that I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.

29 And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.

KEPT THE FATHERS COMMANDMENTS

John 15:10 If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.

OLD TESTAMENT

Exodus 20:8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

Christ said follow him and that he kept the commandments. Can we question the Sabbath as one of the commandments. Show us in the bible where it has been changed or rescinded.

III. INDISPUTABLE SABBATH

The seventh day of the week was blessed, sanctified, and kept by the Father about 2,500 years before the law.

OLD TESTAMENT

1. The seventh day was made before sin entered the world. (Gen. 2:3)
2. The seventh day was made by God.(Gen. 2:2)
3. God rested on the seventh day. (Gen. 2:2)
4. The seventh day was blessed and sanctified before sacrifices were instituted.
(Gen. 2:3)
5. God gave us a day of rest. (Ex. 31:17)
6. The seventh day was called the Sabbath and written by the finger of God in stone. (Ex. 31:18)
7. The seventh day is called the Sabbath and is in the 10 commandments.
(Ex. 20:8)
8. The sabbath is a covenant for ever between God and Israel. (Le. 24:8)

NEW TESTAMENT

9. “For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.” (Rom. 8:15)

We are children by adoption.

The Sabbath has not been changed or rescinded.

God did not give us another day. Christ did not give us another day.

The Sabbath is a day of rest and not a day of worship or celebration. We are to rest and to keep it holy. Keeping it holy could include worship.

WHY DO WE NOT KEEP IT?

Matthew 12:8 For the Son of man is Lord even of the sabbath day.

John 1:11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not.

Conclusion: God gave us a day of rest, not celebration, or worship. Worshiping on the Sabbath would be considered keeping it holy, I feel sure. Man by the tradition of man has selected a day to celebrate the resurrection of Christ and in our modern day it is far from a day of rest as originally instructed. As a matter of fact Saturday has been coupled with Sunday as a week-end and most people look at it as my days for me to do what I want to (enjoyment – recreation – pleasure). Mostly those that would debate or argue the Sabbath or Christian Sabbath do not keep either. Where would we be if we had stayed with the standard set (Saturday – seventh day of rest), blessed, sanctified and kept by God himself ?

PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLICATION: To make an awareness that we are living in the last days of the last days. The coming of Jesus Christ, the son of the living God is at the doors.

Seeketh Findeth Ma. 7:8

Drawn by the father Jn 6:44, Jn 4:23

Believe upon the Son Jn 3:16

Repent and Confess Lk 13:5, 1Jn 4:15

Ma. 15:13 But he answered and said, Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up

Ps 34:18 The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

John 3:3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

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