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## The Sabbath Part I

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**Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy.** Exodus 20: and verse 8. The Ten Commandments are posted in many homes and even some government buildings in America. One might even wrongly assume it is the law of the land.

**Nothing could be further from the Truth.** Many Christian denominations in America and around the world observe Sunday as the day of worship. They claim that it is the day of worship, they erroneously call it the Sabbath day. No one individual or religious organization is at liberty to select a day and call it the Sabbath day.

**Messiah** when he walked in the Promised land, had this to say about the Sabbath day. The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath day, Mark 2; 27 KJV. Yes The Sabbath Day was made by the Creator. Man then cannot make it. The Scripture above clearly say's so.

**More proof** for the skeptics; Exodus 31 and beginning in verse 12: And YHVH spoke unto Moses saying, verse 13: Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, verily you shall keep my Sabbaths.

Note: the creator said my Sabbaths not your Sabbaths. Why? For it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations that you may know that I am YHVH who sanctifies you.

**The children of Israel** did not select the Sabbath day it was given to them by the Creator as a sign between them and the Creator to identify them as his people. The Sabbath day was made for the Israeli man and woman and <u>not for the world</u>. In verse thirteen, YHVH said to Moses, speak thou also unto the children of Israel, <u>not the world</u>.

Let's continue and see why that command was <u>not for the world</u>: Verse 14; You shall Keep the Sabbath therefore for it is Holy unto you, Everyone that profaneth it *shall be put to death*. Yes, the Sabbath command comes with a penalty clause; **DEATH.** 

Question: When was the last time you saw anyone being stoned to death for profaning the Sabbath day? The answer is Never. Go ahead and stone someone to death for Sabbath breaking, and you will be charged with Murder.

The Sabbath command was for the children of Israel, residing in the promised land under the law of Moses. No where else on the earth. Even the Sabbath keepers today are not at liberty to administer that penalty. Now you see why that command was not for the World.

No one in the land of Israel gets stoned to death for Sabbath breaking today. The law of Moses is not the law of the land. Sabbath keeping came to an end in the first century when Roman General Vespasian destroyed the temple and decimated the Israeli population. The Temple was the designated place of worship for Sabbath keeping. All seven high Holy Days were to be observed in that place and that place only. See Deuteronomy 16;16 for one example. There are many others. In luke 16 and verse 16 Messiah said: *The law and the Prophets were until John.* In Luke 22 and verse 20 latter portion, Messiah said "*This cup is the new covenant in my blood*," Thus replacing the law of Moses. Later Vespasian finished that work by destroying the designated place of worship.

**No one remaining** in the Promised Land after that debacle could observe the law of Moses, The government of Israel was removed and Rome reigned supreme. Thereby bringing and end to Sabbath keeping also. Proof that the people today cannot keep the law of Moses nor the Sabbath Day.

**Comment:** John the Baptist was the messenger who prepared the way before the messenger of the New Covenant.

**Now to the Sunday people.** As stated before, no one is at liberty to choose a day of worship. Sunday worship comes from Roman Emperor Constantine, who declared Sunday as the day of rest in 321 ad/ce. Sunday worship is not a biblical command, it comes to Christianity from Pagan Roman Emperor Constantine. It is not a sign between the Most High and his people.

**Let's look** at what the New Covenant says about worshipping the Creator. We will begin with the woman at the well in Samaria: *Our Fathers worshipped in this mountain; and you say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship. Verse 21; Messiah said unto her, woman, believe me the hour commeth, when neither in this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, shall you worship the Father.* 

**Proof** that the temple would be destroyed and no one would be able to worship the Father in the promised Land. *Verse 23; But the hour commeth, and now is when the TRUE worshippers shall worship the Father in Spirit and in TRUTH, for such does the Father seek to be his worshippers. <i>Verse 24; Elohim is a Spirit and they that worship him, must worship him in Spirit and in TRUTH.* 

Comment: He said those who worship him must do so in spirit and in TRUTH, not in a man made temple or any special place. He said, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am in the midst of them."

**More proof:** Acts 7 and verse 48: *Howbeit the Most High dwelleth not in houses made with hands; as saith the Prophet.* **Note:** When Stephen made that remark the Temple was still standing in Jerusalem and was later stoned to death by an angry mob that was led by the apostle Saul/Paul; see verse 58.of acts 7.

One more example, this time from the Apostle Saul who was responsible for the stoning of Stephen. *Acts 17 and verse 24*: The Elohim that made the world and all things therein, being Master of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands.

**Comment:** The Apostle Saul made that remark to the Philosophers of his day on Mars hill in Athens. What a turn around. He had Stephen stoned to death for saying those words in Jerusalem, before he was called.

**Now to** Philemon 1 and verse 2 from the memorial schroll: *And to Apphia our sister, and to Archippus our fellow soldier*, *and to the assembly in your house Verse 3: Grace to you and peace from YHVH our Father and his Master Yashua Messiah.* From a letter to Philemon from the Apostle Saul, greeting the church who assembled in his house, Not in a man made temple.

There is no day of worship command in the New Testament, so we see that both the Sunday people and the Saturday people are wrong.