



Confused Christianity Series Part 6: "They are Confused about the Sabbath Day"

How so?

Religious tradition teaches that Yahshua (Jesus) is Lord of the Sabbath so he had the authority to change the day of rest from the 7th-day of the week to the 1st-day & that he did that. If so, then why? ...to remember his resurrection on that day, even though he never said to change the Sabbath. So I dug into the Word by His Spirit. I grew increasingly uncomfortable with that stance from what I found, some points listed here:

- Exodus 31:13 says that keeping the Sabbath Day is the sign of keeping the Covenant. Where does the Word (Torah), tell us that observing the Sabbath Day is no longer a sign of the Covenant? Along with all of the Word, it is to be written on our hearts & in our minds in the New/Renewed Covenant by His Spirit. Why? ...so that we would know what our Creator (Y'hovah), wanted us to do, and we would want to do it.
- Exodus 31:16-17 We are to keep the Sabbath perpetually throughout all generations.
- Exodus 20 & Deuteronomy 5 both list keeping the Sabbath Day as the fourth commandment. If this was discarded, what other commandments can we also ignore?
- Changing the day of the week to shift from the Creation Week pattern is such a major switch for a God who changes not, there should be a major teaching on this in the Bible. But nowhere does it clearly say that we are now to set Sun-Day (the first day of the week) apart as the day to rest.
- Yahshua didn't rise on the first day of the week anyway. Scripture says that he would be in the belly of the earth "3-days & 3-nights," which in Hebrew specifies three complete Biblical days, or 72-hours. He died in late afternoon before sunset, so he would rise just before the sunset that begins the first (Biblical) day of the week, (the morning of which they found the tomb to be empty. He must have therefore risen at

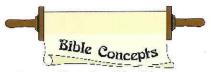
the end of the Sabbath Day (our Saturday), just before sunset.

- Scripture exhorts us to continually keep the Sabbath Day (7th-day of the week), as set-apart to cease from our works & to rest, spending quality time relaxing with our Creator, (and family since we are to set the example for children).
- Yahshua & the Apostles (including Paul), kept the Sabbath long after Pentecost. Did they not get the Sun-Day memo? And Yahovah, our Creator was the first to keep the Sabbath as an emphatic baseline of what man was to do throughout his generations in order to grow in a loving relationship with their Creator. The pattern of the Sabbath week has been continuous since then, and every nation today also has a synchronized 7-day week pattern.
 - Mark 2:27-28 tells us that the Sabbath was made for man.
- The Catholic Church bragged about their <u>mark</u> of authority over the Word (Torah), because they had changed keeping Sabbath to keeping Sun-Day, (Catholic Digest Record, September 1, 1923). They had changed the times, something we were warned not to do.
- "The Lord's Day" is a mistranslation. Hebrew source scripture says "The Day of Y'hovah."

So I searched the verses used to try to support switching to Sun-Day, and in all cases found them to be misleading or incorrect translations, such as "The Lord's Day" which is "The Day of Y'hovah."

Yes, we keep Sabbath & love it!

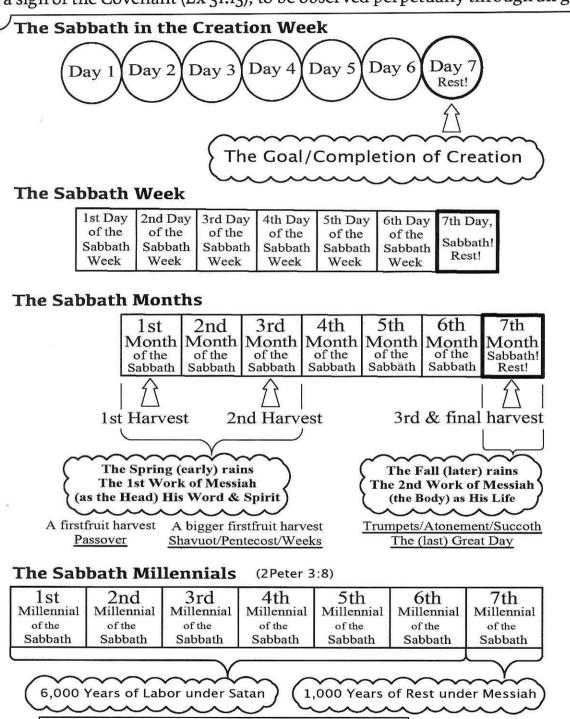
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Revealing the Big Picture

Snapshot Bible Concept: "The Sabbath Day"

Christianity is misled, thinking the 4th-commandment changed or is obsolete. Why? Religious tradition took priority over what the Bible actually says. Nowhere does it say that it was changed to Sun-Day, (the day of sun-god worship). Instead, keeping Sabbath is a sign of the Covenant (Ex 31:13), to be observed perpetually through all generations!



And there are many other Sabbaths patterns as well! Hebrews 4:9 tells us that it is therefore the duty of believers to keep the Sabbath (Knox translation & others, but misleading in the KJV & many others).

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