

THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH

- Question:** What is the meaning of the word 'Sabbath'?
- Answer:** A time of rest. A day of rest and worship.
- Question:** What is the Christian Sabbath?
- Answer:** The 'First Day' of the week. {Acts 20:7}, "And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight."
- Question:** What is the Christian Sabbath called?
- Answer:** The Lord's Day.
- Question:** Why is it called the Lord's Day?
- Answer:** Because the Lord rose from the dead on that day.
- Question:** What is the Jewish Sabbath?
- Answer:** The seventh day of the week – Saturday.
- Question:** How is the Lord's Day kept?
- Answer:** Sacred to holy purposes. {Acts 13:44}, "And the next Sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of God."
- Question:** What must we do to keep this day holy?
- Answer:** We must keep from all secular labor and sinful pleasures.
- Question:** What advantages do we derive by keeping this day holy?
- Answer:** It is preparation for that rest that remaineth for the people of God. {Hebrews 4:3-11}
- Question:** Are there any scripture commands to keep the first day of the week?
- Answer:** No.
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- Question:** Why do we keep it then?
- Answer:** In view of Christ and the examples of His disciples. The early Church met for worship on the Lord's Day.
- Question:** What are the examples as they relate to the First Day of the week?
- Answer:** Jesus prophesied that he would be resurrected on the First Day of the week. {Acts 20:7}, "And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight."