

Sabbath Marketplace Service

Should Christians Observe
the Sabbath?

Leviticus 23:1-3

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3 pm to 5 pm

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- Observing the Sabbath will not save you from Eternal Hell!
- Observing the Feasts of the LORD will not save you from Eternal Hell!
- Only by Faith you receive Yeshua as your Personal Savior
- Sabbath is established for man and not man for Sabbath
- Sabbath Rest for Our Enjoyment
- Sabbath Rest was instituted at Creation





God's Original Intent

“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. – Genesis 2:2-3

- A Day set apart and GOD made it holy
- “²⁷ And he said unto them, The ***sabbath was made for man***, and not man for the sabbath:²⁸ Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.” – Mark 2:27-28
- Sabbath was part of Creation

Genesis 1:14

- 14 And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for **seasons**, and for days, and years:” –

HELPS Lexicon | NASEC dictionary

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מוֹעֵד moed or

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מוֹעֵדָה moadah (417b); from 3259; appointed time, place, or meeting:—

NASB glosses: appointed(3), appointed feast(3), appointed feasts(11), appointed festival(2), appointed meeting place(1), appointed place(1), appointed sign(1), appointed time(21), appointed times(8), appointment(1), assembly(2), definite time(1), feasts(2), festal assemblies(1), fixed festivals(3), meeting(147), meeting place(1), meeting places(1), season(4), seasons(3), set time(1), time(3), times(1), times appointed(1).

Not All the Days the Same

- God put Moon, the Sun and Stars for ONE purpose is to set the Time & Seasons
- Time and Season to meet with His people
- Not all the days the same
- The festivals, the Feasts Days are God's appointed Time for Him to meet with us
- Not set by man, like day of worship
- Messiah was born indicated by a Sign



What Are Some of God's Signs?

- Rainbow – sign of the covenant between God and the earth
- Circumcision – sign of the eternal covenant between God and the Jewish people
- Sabbath – a sign that points toward the restoration of eternal rest
- Exodus 31:17 “It *is* a sign between Me and the children of Israel forever; for *in* six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, and on the seventh day He rested and ***was refreshed.***”

God Rested on the Seventh Day of Creation

- ***Does God needs Rest?***

- Isaiah 40:28 “Have you not known?
Have you not heard?

The everlasting God, the LORD,
The Creator of the ends of the earth,

Neither faints nor is weary.

His understanding is unsearchable.”

- Genesis 2:1 “Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. ² And on the seventh day God ***ended His work*** which He had done, and ***He rested on the seventh day*** from all His work which He had done. ³ Then God blessed the seventh day and ***sanctified it***, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.
- **God** began to work in us after the FALL


GOD set a
Day of Rest
Before
Sabbath was
Given as the
4th Law on
Mt Sinai

- Exodus 16:22-23 “²² And so it was, on the sixth day, *that* they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for each one. And all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses. ²³ Then he said to them, “*This is what* the LORD has said: ‘Tomorrow *is* a ***Sabbath rest, a holy Sabbath to the LORD.***’”
- Cain and Abel Sacrificed to the LORD before the sacrificial system was given
- In Genesis 7:2 “² You shall take with you ***seven each of every clean animal***, a male and his female; two each of animals that *are unclean*, a male and his female;”

Sabbath of the Sevens

- Sabbath of weeks
- Sabbath of years
- 50th year is the Year of Jubilee
- Sabbath of the Feasts
- The Israelites were told in Deuteronomy 28, Blessings and Curses
- Disobedient to the Sabbath of Years – 70 Sabbaths the Land was not rested
- 70 years of Exile in Babylon





Sabbath is Not only for the Jews – Isaiah 56:6-7

⁶ “Also the sons of the ***foreigner*** Who join themselves to the LORD, to serve Him, And to love the name of the LORD, to be His servants— Everyone who keeps from defiling the Sabbath, And holds fast My covenant—

⁷ Even them I will bring to My holy mountain, And make them joyful in My house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices *Will be* accepted on My altar; For ***My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations.***”

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◦ • Keeping
the
Sabbath
also in
the NT

- No specific reference to keeping the Sabbath because the Jews kept them. The rest of the 9 commandments are mentioned because the Jews break them constantly!
- Matthew 5:17-19 “¹⁷ “Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For assuredly, I say to you, ***till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle*** will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled. ¹⁹ Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, **and teaches men so, shall be *called least in the kingdom of heaven***; but whoever does and teaches *them*, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.”



The Sabbath Is the Fourth Commandment

- The Sabbath is not the least of the Commandments. Is one of the greatest of the 10 Commandments
- Only after the Millennium
- Revelation 21:1,7 “¹Now ***I saw a new heaven and a new earth***, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea.” ⁷***He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.*** ⁸ But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.”



Keeping the Sabbath there is Reward

Isaiah 58:13-14 “If you turn away your foot from the **Sabbath**, *From* doing your pleasure on My holy day, And call the **Sabbath** a **delight**, The holy *day* of the LORD honorable, And shall honor Him, not doing your own ways, Nor finding your own pleasure, Nor speaking *your own* words, Then you shall delight yourself in the LORD;
And I will cause you to ***ride on the high hills*** of the earth,
And feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father.
The mouth of the LORD has spoken.”



Paul Upholds the LAW

- Romans 3:27-31 “²⁷ Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what **law? Of works? No, but by the law of faith.** ²⁸ Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith apart from the deeds of the law. ²⁹ Or is He the God of the Jews only? Is He not also the God of the Gentiles? **Yes, of the Gentiles also,** ³⁰ since there is one God who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith. ³¹ **Do we then make void the law through faith?** Certainly not! On the contrary, **we establish the law.**

Sabbath
mentioned in
the Tanakh –
The Hebrew
Bible (OT)

- 1 John 5:2-3 “² By this we know that we love the children of God, when we **love God and keep His commandments**. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. **And His commandments are not burdensome.**”
- Also in the Book of Revelation:
- Revelation 14:12 “¹² Here is the patience of the saints; here **are those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.**



Prophesized in
the Old
Testament...

- Isaiah 66:23 “And it shall come to pass *That from one **New Moon to another**, And from **one Sabbath to another**, **All flesh shall come to worship before Me**,” says the LORD.*
- Zechariah 14:16 “And it shall come to pass that everyone who is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem ***shall go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.***”

Re-Cap

- The Sabbath was given to man in the Garden on the Seventh Day and was intended for Eternity!
- Man forsook the Sabbath, so Abba Father writes it on two tablets of stone in Mt Sinai and instructs all of us to **remember** the Sabbath!



Re-Cap Yeshua Kept the Sabbath

As well as all the apostolic Christians,
including Paul and the apostles

The Sabbath is instituted in the
millennium as well as in the Feast Days

When Did the Decay Start?



The Church
of Acts was
Messianic
but
gradually...

- Great push back by the orthodox Jews who then curse the Messianic Church
- The influx of gentiles turned the church to more gentiles than Messianic Jews
- The largely gentile church began to embrace a mixture of paganism and biblical truth - the doctrine of the Nicolaitans
- It was not God, Yeshua or the disciples that changed the observance of the Sabbath
- This is man's idea with antisemitism undertone, that removed the Sabbath from its biblical root
- Trading the Commandments of God for the traditions of man



135 AD Emperor Hadrian and the Jewish Bar Kokhba revolt

- Outlawed the study of the Torah
- Banned Sabbath, circumcision and observant of the Feasts
- Many early fathers of the Faith were gentiles and had no understanding of the Hebrew Bible and the Hebrew language and culture
- Similar persecution and pressure will return as we are nearing the return of Yeshua



Emperor Constantine

- Finally on March 7, 321 A.D. the Roman Emperor Constantine passed his infamous national Sunday Law.
- “On the venerable day of the sun let the magistrate and people residing in cities rest, and let all workshops be closed. – *Schaff’s History of the Christian Church, vol. 111, chapter 75.*”
- The day to honour Constantine’s sun god
- No way to go against the church as the State and Church is One
- Many Christians were martyred



Pope Sylvester renamed Sunday

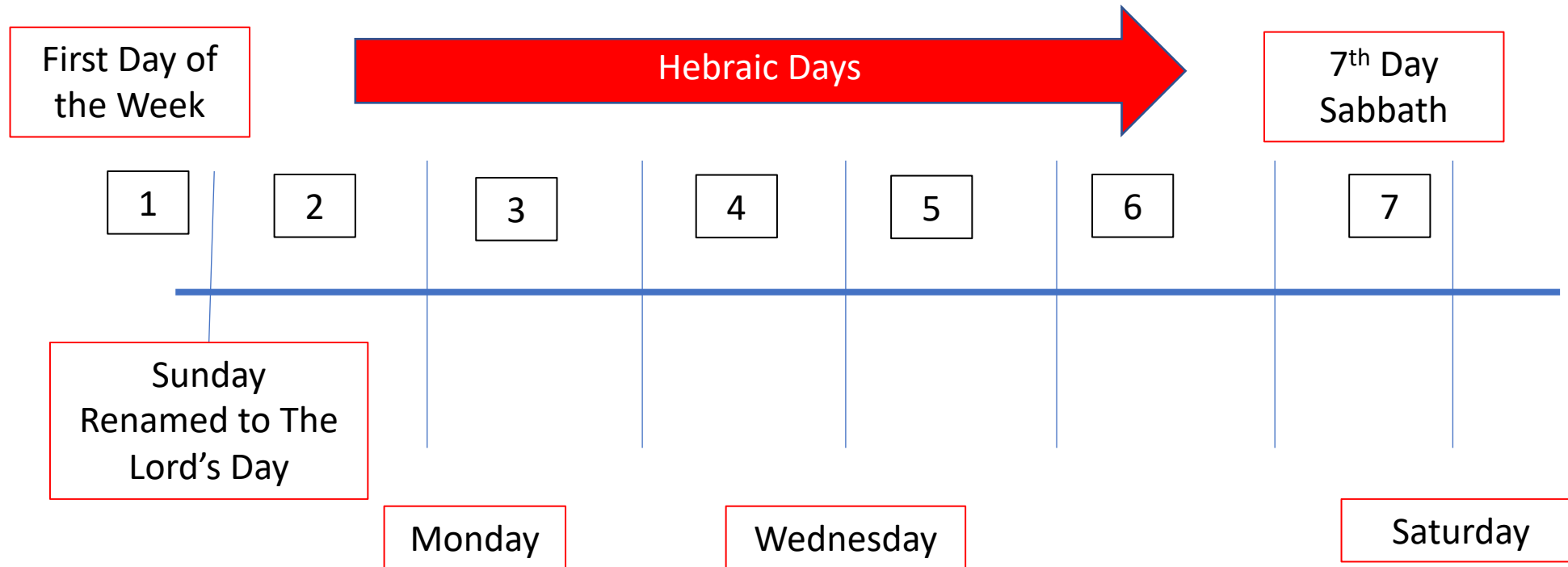
In A.D, 325, Pope Sylvester officially named **Sunday “the Lord’s Day,”** and in *A.D. 338, Eusebius, the court bishop of Emperor Constantine, wrote, “All things whatsoever that it was the duty to do on the **Sabbath** (the seventh day of the week) we (Constantine, Eusebius, and other bishops) **have transferred to the Lord’s Day** (the first day of the week) as more appropriately belonging to it.”*

Catholic Catechism

- Q. *Why did the Catholic Church substitute Sunday for Saturday?*
- A. The Church substituted Sunday for Saturday, because Christ rose from the dead on a Sunday, and the Holy Ghost descended upon the Apostles on a Sunday.
- Lack of understanding of the Hebraic calendar causes this confusion.
- The Feast of the Lord , like Pentecost (Feast of First Fruits) do not always fall on a Sunday. So too is the Feast of Shavuot (Passover) where Yeshua was crucified does not always fall on Friday.



Catholic Catechism – Q. Why do we observe Sunday instead of Saturday?
A. We observe Sunday instead of Saturday because the Catholic Church, in the Council of Laodicea, (A.D. 336) transferred the solemnity from Saturday to Sunday...



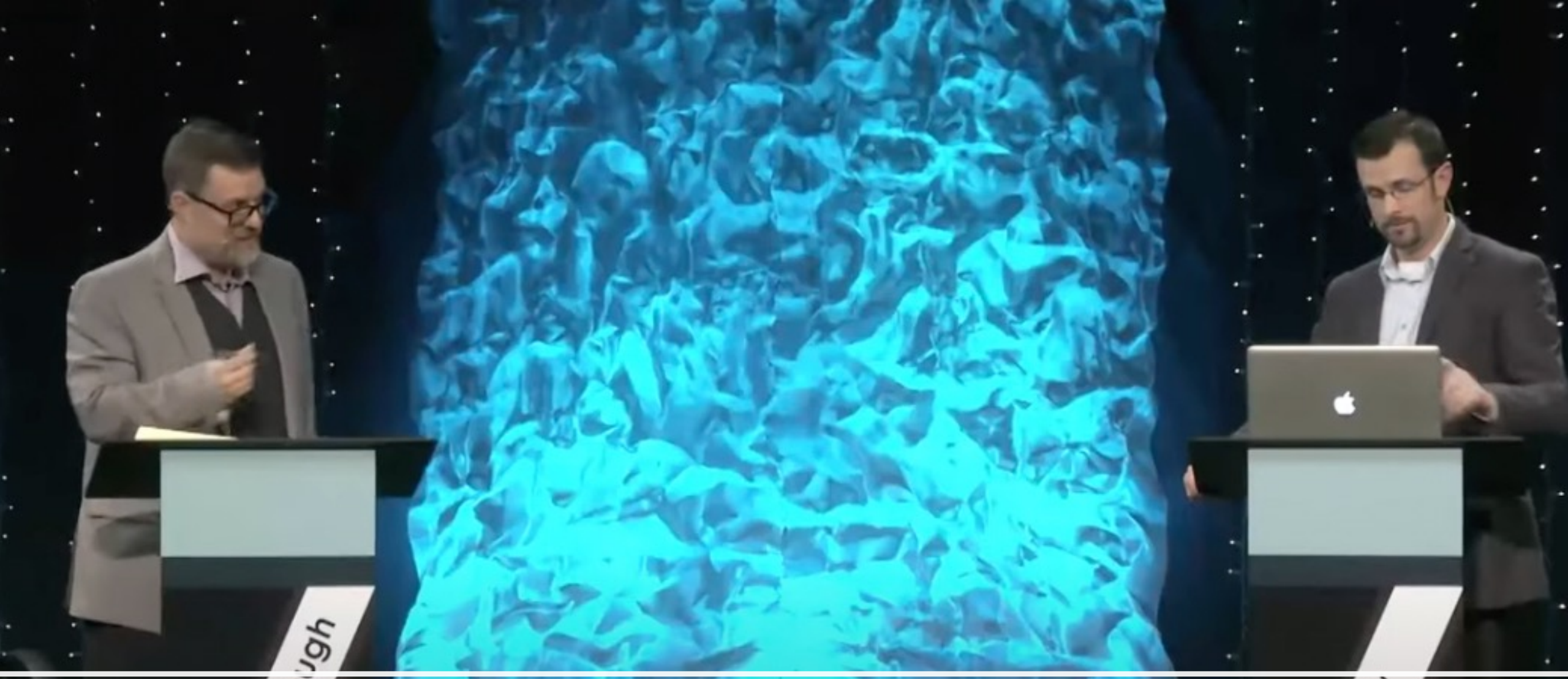
What Did Socrates Scholasticus say about Sabbath?

- Socrates Scholasticus was a 5th century Greek Christian church historian
- He is the author of Church History (Historia Ecclesiastica which covers the ancient Christianity during the years 305 to 439 A.D.
- This is what he wrote” *“For although almost all churches throughout the world celebrate the sacred mysteries of the Lord’s Supper on the Sabbath of every week, yet the Christians of Alexandria and at Rome, on account of some ancient tradition, have ceased to do this.”*



In Conclusion

- Rome was the Power of the early church
- Rome made changes in the Bible what she deemed fit!
- Sabbath was given at the beginning of TIME & CREATION
- Sabbath is for ALL men and for ALL time
- Historical account proves that the Biblical Sabbath was changed by human's authority and NOT given by God, Yeshua nor His disciples
- 99% of the church fathers were pagans gentiles background
- Keeping Sabbath is a blessing to those who observe the Sabbath
- Marriages, sickness healed by keeping the Sabbath
- Deuteronomy 28



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Let's Pray
