

Day of Worship Sabbath or Sunday, Which?

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Introduction

1. Deuteronomy 5:1-3
2. Under the Old Testament day of worship was the Sabbath Deuteronomy 5:12-15; under the New Testament the day of worship is the first day of the week Acts 20:7
3. This is why we must understand the elimination of the Old and the establishment of the New
4. Many are confused about this and it has caused no small dilemma for many in the religious world.
5. Let us study this important matter together.

II Discussion

1. The Sabbath
 - a. What was delivered
 - i. Because of Israel's deliverance from bondage Deuteronomy 5:12-15
 - ii. This law was given after the deliverance from Egyptians bondage. Deuteronomy 5:3
 - iii. This day was ordained during the time of Moses and the patriarch did not keep it.
 - b. Who observed this Law
 - i. It was a sign between God and Israel Exodus 31:13-17; Deuteronomy 5:1-3
 - ii. It was not a sign between all nations, just between God and Israel.
 - c. When did the Sabbath end
 - i. Some claim that it was "perpetual" Exodus 31:16
 - ii. It is no more "perpetual" than animal sacrifice and burning of incenses.
 - iii. The covenant with Israel was prophesied to be annulled Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 8:6-9; Hebrews 9:15-17;
 - iv. It was nailed to the cross Colossians 2:14
 - v. It was abolished Ephesians 2:15
 - vi. If one keeps the Sabbath today they are fallen from Grace. Galatians 5:4
 - vii. There is a New and an Old 2 Corinthians 3:11, 13, 14, 15-17
2. The Lord's Day
 - a. Why is the day important
 - i. It is the day the Lord rose from the grave. Matthew 28:1; Mark 16:2; Luke 24:1, 13, 20-21; John 20:1, 19, 24, 26
 - ii. It was the day the church was established Acts 2:1; Leviticus 23:15-16
 - iii. It was the day the Holy Spirit and the power came Acts 1:8; 2:1-4
 - iv. The Gospel was preached on this day Acts 2:22-36
 - v. It is called the Lord's day Revelation 1:10
 - b. What day the early church worshipped upon
 - i. Broke bread Acts 20:7
 - ii. Gave 1 Corinthians 16:1-2
 - c. How often did the early church meet
 - i. The came together 1 Corinthians 11:18, 20, 33
 - ii. It was every first day of every week Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy

- iii. We are not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together Hebrews 10:25; Acts 2:46; 4:23-24, 32; 5:42; 6:1

III Conclusion

1. The day we worship upon is important to be pleasing to God
2. The attitude in our worship is important to be pleasing to God
3. We must be right with God in order to worship correctly
4. Are you right with God?

Source: The New Testament church Cogdill; Thompson chain reference