

LESSON 3

FOURTH COMMANDMENT

Remember the Sabbath

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy,

Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:

But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates.

*For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it. **Exodus 20:8-11***

Satan Lied when he said:

The seventh day Sabbath is no longer required to be kept, because Jesus was resurrected on the First Day of the week, and in remembrance of Jesus' resurrection, it is alright to keep that day as the Sabbath.

The Seventh Day is God's True Day

Remember the Sabbath Day, in these words God is commanding that we remember the Sabbath Day. With this I find a problem however. If you check all the pages leading up to this page in the Bible you will not find a single reference to the Sabbath Day. The word Sabbath is not used even once until this verse commands us to remember it. My problem is how can we remember that which we have never been told about before?

Because of this I decided to take a closer look at what God is saying. After all, there seems to be some disagreement as to which day of the week is the Lord's Sabbath. Knowing which day of the week

is in truth the day that God commands that we remember and keep holy, is critical if we really intend to give true and correct worship to the God of Creation, don't you think?

To Keep it Holy, is included in the command from above, so not only are we called upon to remember the Sabbath, but we are commanded to keep it Holy. I decided that I needed to find where God tells us that a day has been made holy, so as to see if it is in fact that day that God is commanding us to remember and keep holy.

To **keep** something holy means that it first must already be holy. How do we as children of Man, keep something holy? We are not holy except that God makes us holy, so only if we are of God are we holy, and as such able to keep a day holy.

In my efforts to find which day of the week is in truth the day that God has made holy I went back through the first book of the Bible to see if I could find where God made a day of the week holy. The following is the verses that I found where God has done this.

*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. 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***

As you may argue the word holy does not appear in either of these verses, but the word blessed does as does the word sanctify. The word **"Blessed"** is defined as, **holy, sacred, hallowed, consecrated, set apart.** So, even though the word holy does not appear in these verses, to be blessed means to be made holy, this is to say that God made the Seventh Day Holy.

God has made only one day of the week holy, and that is the Seventh Day. No other day of the week is holy, which is to say that except for the Seventh Day, all other days of the week are unholy. If you therefore observe the Sabbath on any day of the week other than the one that God made holy, then the Sabbath you observe is unholy. If you doubt that this is correct then the following gives added support to it being to these verses in Genesis that God is commanding that we remember.

Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work, this is as it was with God, in the verses from Genesis above he tells us, *“And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made.”* You see God is telling us that he worked Six Days and then rested on the Seventh.

This is where God gives definition to all that he has commanded in the first verses. He tells us that in six days we will do all our work, just as he did all his work in the first six days of creation. What God is telling us is that we must do the work necessary in six days to give sustenance to our body. That is what the word “work” means as used in this verse.

God’s Sabbath Day

But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God, in these words that God has spoken, God is telling us that the seventh day of the week is the day on which his holy Sabbath is to be kept. Not only does he command us that the seventh day is his holy day of the Sabbath, but that we and no one that is part of our house hold or a part of our businesses or a guest in our home, are to do any work, on the Seventh Day of the week. In short, we and ours are to refrain from any commerce where there is an exchange of money or barter. This simply means that we are not to buy or sell during the hours of the Sabbath.

Sustenance of the Soul

God has given us six days during the week to do what we must to give sustenance to our body, but we are to remove those concerns from our minds on the seventh day, for God has set that day aside that we give sustenance to our souls. Only by communing with God, can we give that sustenance to our soul. The sustenance of the body, gives life to the body, whereas sustenance of the soul gives us potential of eternal life. Then God tells us why we must keep the Sabbath as he commands that we do.

We must, as did God

For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it. You see, because God worked six days in the creation of the universe, he commands that we only need to work six days, so we will do as God has done. God asks no more from us than he is willing to do himself. As a way of

showing us the extreme importance that God puts on his Sabbath, he tells us that he has hallowed it. This means that God has made the day of the Sabbath a holy day and a holy observance. With these words direct from the lips of God, we are commanded.

God gives name to the Seventh Day

Take note: As I explained earlier, the word Sabbath is used for the first time in the verses of the Fourth Commandments, this shows me that God has given name to the Seventh Day, and that name is Sabbath. Just as we today refer to the seventh day as Saturday, God named it first to be Sabbath. This is yet another of Satan's attempts to deceive Man from God's True Word.

Show me in the Bible where God has spoken with his own lips that he God, or his son Jesus, has transferred his Holy Sabbath to the first day of the week. You will not find those words in the Bible, because God never spoke them, therefore the transfer to Sunday is a lie, and the Sunday Sabbath not being kept on the holy seventh day is therefore unholy.

First Covenant

Consider this: Do you know why God voided the covenant he had with the decedents of Jacob, (the Jews)? The covenant, which was a modified continuation of the covenant he had with Abraham?

The Nation of Israel, who is the decedents of Jacob, were given a covenant which gave them as an inheritance, the Promised Land, the land of the Palestine, otherwise known as Israel, as well as the unique protection of God, that they would be unique of all the peoples of the Earth, that they would be in the Lords favor.

Covenant Defined

A covenant is a contract. In order for a contract to be valid, there has to be at least two sides or parties involved, and each has to promise something of value. God promised that the decedents of Jacob would forever have the land of Israel as an inheritance, the children of Jacob intern promised to worship God as he commanded. This is verified in the following:

*Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kennezeitite unto this day, because that he wholly followed the Lord God of Israel. **Joshua 14:14***

The key words in this verse are, “wholly followed,” which mean “altogether,” or “in its entire context,” which is to mean, that Caleb worshiped God, completely and totally as God Commands that he be worshiped, Caleb kept the Ten Commandments, and the other ordinances of God.

Knowing this, I ask you this question. If God voided the covenant he had with the children of Israel, because they stopped keeping all of his commandments, as their forefathers had promised to do, then why would he give his covenant to a new nation, “the Christians,” and not expect them to keep his commandments, all Ten of them as well?

Keep the Second Covenant

Hear ye the words of this covenant, and speak unto the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem; And say thou unto them, “Thus saith the Lord God of Israel; Cursed be the man that obeyeth not the words of his covenant, which I commanded your fathers in the day that I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, from the iron furnace, saying, Obey my voice, and do them, according to all which I command you: so shall ye be my people, and I will be your God: That I may perform the oath which I have sworn unto your fathers, to give them a land flowing with milk and honey, as it is this day.”

Jeremiah 11:2-5

The above verses from Jeremiah are a warning to the nation of Israel and the children of Jacob. God is warning them all, that they must abide by the covenant he entered into with their fathers, when he brought them out of Egypt or else.

Not Just for Sons of Jacob

Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to the Lord, to serve him, and to love the name of the Lord, to be his servants, every one that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant; even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be

*called an house of prayer for all people. The Lord God which gathereth the outcasts of Israel saith, yet will I gather others to him, beside those that are gathered unto him. **Isaiah 56:6-8***

The above verses shows that God does in fact expect that others, **(strangers)**, who keep the Commandments of God, and abide by the Covenant, and those that do will be welcome into God's grace, and be welcomed into the Holy City of Jerusalem and into Heaven.

What these three verses are saying, is that God will accept those who are strangers, if they keep the Ten Commandments. The words **"sons of the stranger,"** means someone not descendent of Jacob, or Israel, as he was renamed by God. Though a stranger, if you keep the Ten Commandments and **every one that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it,** then you will be accepted by God. These verses are a prophecy of the future. God is foretelling of the Christians, and that they will be welcome to him if they keep the Ten Commandments and his Sabbath holy.

Are the Ten Commandments only for the Jews?

Satan will have us believe that The Ten Commandments were a temporary arrangement between God and the Jews, as Christians, we are above the law.

This then is another piece of evidence that gives support to those Christians who do not observe the Seventh Day Sabbath; It is because of this lie, that those who would otherwise give true worship to God fall short of doing so.

In the above verses, both from the Book of Genesis and from the Fourth Commandment, God is telling us that the seventh day of the week is his Holy Sabbath, but because of Satan's Lie, you do not keep his Sabbath on the Holy Seventh Day. Because you are deceived and have accepted Satan's lie over God's True Word, you will not be welcome in Heaven.

Written in stone

This tells me, that God places extreme importance on both the Ten Commandments as a whole and on the Fourth Commandment specifically. They are his law, and must be obeyed. Therefore, to be clear here, the Commandments that God is referring to are specifically those he himself wrote in stone.

Historically, when something is said to be written in stone, it refers to the fact that it is meant to last forever, whereas the commandments written in books by the hand of men, are temporary, unless otherwise said so. This is illustrated, in Leviticus, when you will see in reading those commandments; some refer to them as being for **“this”** or **“your” generation**, whereas others refer to all succeeding generations.

Except the Word of God as Truth

*If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: **Isaiah 58:13***

When you place your foot upon something, it gives you power over it, or control. When you turn your foot away, you are then giving up your power and control. To do your pleasure on the Sabbath is to take upon yourself that what you wish to do; you are exerting your control and not giving it over to God. To give honor and glory to God, you must first give up what you want, what is your pleasure, and instead acquiescent to the will or pleasure of God.

Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

Isaiah 58:14

Rest in the Lord

What **verse 13 and 14** means, is if you are to honor the Sabbath, and do not do your own pleasure on Gods holy day, then you will be in God’s favor. I was in a conversation with someone who says that he is seeking out God’s truth. In this conversation he tells me that on this last Sabbath he took his son somewhere and enjoyed the day with him, relaxing from any work. In doing so he honestly thought that he was doing God’s will by resting from his labor on the Lords Sabbath.

When God says to come into the rest of the Sabbath, it does not only mean that we are to rest from all the six days of labor, which we need to do to sustain the body, but that we are to rest in the Lord God. The Sabbath is a day of communing with God, when we are engaged in the reading of scripture

and prayer, we are resting from our labors, but to simply rest and take the day off, is not what God intends. Remember, we have a greater need of giving sustenance to our soul than to our body.

Those not descendant of Jacob

*And they shall bring all your brethren for an offering unto the Lord out of all nations upon horses, and in chariots, and in litters, and upon mules, and upon swift beats, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, saith the Lord, as the children of Israel bring an offering in a clean vessel into the house of the Lord. **Isaiah 66:20***

*And I will also take of them for priests and for Levites, saith the Lord. For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the Lord, so shall your seed and your name remain. **Isaiah 66:21-22***

What these verses are saying, is that even the strangers, who follow and keep the laws of God, will be made priests and God will consider them the same as the Sons of the Levites, who have since the time of Moses, been the only ones to hold the office of a priest. This is yet another End of Times and the End of Days prophecy.

The words *“the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make,”* are a reference to the end of the 1,000 year reign of Jesus, when God will wash away the old Earth and the old Heaven, and establish a new Heaven and a new Earth, clean of all sin.

*And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one Sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the Lord. And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh. **Isaiah 66:23-24***

This is a prophecy of the End of Days, when the remnant of the followers of Christ and the keepers of the Commandments of God, will see the carcasses of those who gave lip service to God and his laws, but did not keep his commandments.

A Sign between You and God

*And hallow my Sabbaths; and they shall be a sign between me and you, that ye may know that I am the Lord your God. **Ezekiel 20:20***

This verse is another that hammers home the importance that God places on keeping the Sabbath. The Sabbath is a sign that only God can make us holy, and therefore a sign of trusting totally in God's Righteousness and not our own. The Sabbath is a symbol of Creation and of Redemption. You might also want to take note that God has called the keeping of his commandments a sign between him and those who keep them; (The Mark of God,) this is in contrast to those who do not keep his commandments, which Jesus refers to as (the Mark of the Beast.)

You may have heard of the **Mark of the Beast** as spoken of in the Book of Revelation, and you may be curious as to what that is. A clue is the following; to keep the Commandments of God, and observe the Sabbath on the Seventh day of the week as dictated by the Fourth Commandment, is the **Mark of God**, a sign between you and him, that you look to him as being your God, and that you understand that you are his child, which is also spoken of in the Book of Revelation.

On your forehead

If you keep the Commandments of God, then you have the Mark of God on your forehead. The forehead is symbolic of a process of thought. When you choose to keep or not to keep the Ten Commandments, you are making a conscious, thoughtful decision. Therefore the **Mark of God** is on your forehead, because you made the conscious choice to keep them. The converse to this would be to choose **not** to keep the Commandments of God, therefore the converse to having the **Mark of God**, would be having the **Mark of the Beast**. Remember, Black and White, Good and Evil. There is no middle road. There is another verse where God speaks of the Mark of God.

Frontlets between the eyes

*And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. **Deuteronomy 6:8***

You show your love for God by obeying him, or you show your hatred of God by disobeying him. It is this that is the basis for understanding the **anti-Christ, the Beast, Mark of the Beast, the False Prophet, the Harlot, and the Daughters of the Harlot.**

Do No Work on the Sabbath

*Thus saith the Lord; Take heed to yourselves, and bear no burden on the Sabbath day, nor bring it in by the gates of Jerusalem; Neither carry forth a burden out of your houses on the Sabbath day, neither do ye any work, but hallow ye the Sabbath day, as I commanded your fathers. **Jeremiah 17:21-22***

These two verses are an addendum to the Fourth Commandment. As worded, the Fourth Commandment was vague on what we were supposed to do in keeping the Sabbath day holy. These two verses, at least make it clear, that no labor is to be conducted, except the labor of the Lord God. I have come to believe that the Sabbath is a day of communion with God. By keeping that day holy and using that time to read and diligently study the Bible, and in so doing, come to know God personally and intimately, is as God intends that we do on his Sabbath.

For me, when I observe the Sabbath, I feel that I have asked my father to join me in my home, and to be a part of my home and family, just as I would be doing if I had invited my Earthly father to my home and join with me and my family. To Commune with God is to have a conversation with God. When you invite him into your home on the Sabbath, and then spend the day studying his word as written in the Bible, then you fulfill that which God intends that you do on his Holy Sabbath Day. When I say to study the Bible, I do not mean to simply read it. To get to know God personally and intimately you need to study diligently the Bible and other historical text. The Bible is all about receiving instruction from God, and the prophecies are history lessons told 100's and 1000's of years before they happen. In order to understand a prophecy we need to look back at history to see what God is showing us will and has happened.

In Life Jesus Kept the Sabbath

*And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up for to read. **Luke 4:16***

In that Jesus, observed the Sabbath on the seventh day of the week, as his custom was, the same Sabbath as we are reminded to do in the Fourth Commandment, shouldn't we observe the true Sabbath if we profess to be Christian? Christ teaches us, through his example as well as his words.

In Death Jesus Kept the Sabbath

And that day was the preparation, and the Sabbath drew on. **Luke 23:54**

Jesus was crucified on Friday. We know this because this verse tells us that the day was the preparation, and the Sabbath drew on. The "Preparation" is the day before the Sabbath, when all work had to be finalized for the week, and that which would be needed by the family by way of meals etc. had to be prepared, so the work would not have to be done on the Sabbath itself.

The words "drew on," means, "about to begin." After Jesus was taken down from the cross and placed in the burial sepulcher, the women did what they could in preparing the body for burial, until the evening of Friday, or just before dusk. They needed time to return to their lodgings before the Sabbath began at sun down. That is why they left the burial preparations unfinished, before the sun went down, which is the beginning of the new day, as ordained by God, and the start of the Sabbath.

The Seventh Day of the Week

And the women also, which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the sepulcher, and how his body was laid. And they returned, and prepared spices and ointments; and rested the Sabbath day according to the commandment. **Luke 23:55-56**

The Bible is telling us, that these women rested on the Sabbath. There is no doubt, because it tells us this, right here in this verse. It is the seventh day because it is according to the commandment. There is no other commandment that refers to the Sabbath, therefore the commandment that is being spoken of here is the Fourth Commandment, and the Fourth Commandment is very specific as to what day of the week the Sabbath is to be observed. These women were the first of the faith of Christ, and they observed the Seventh Day Sabbath, as God requires, and as was the custom of Jesus. If you are a Christian, should you do no less?

The First Day of the Week

*Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulcher, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain other with them. **Luke 24:1***

Did you notice the words, **“On the first day of the week, very early in the morning.”** Jesus was crucified on Friday, and the women began the body’s burial preparation, on Friday evening. The onset of the Sabbath, or the setting of the sun Friday evening, prevented them from finishing, so they returned, not on the next morning at sun rise, Saturday, but **the first day of the week, very early in the morning,** which is Sunday. They stayed away all day Saturday, as the Fourth Commandment required, but as soon as the sun gave enough light to see their way back to the sepulcher on Sunday morning, they returned, for the purpose of finishing the job of preparing Jesus’ body for burial. This verse tells us it was on the First Day of the week, which is today called Sunday.

Jesus Observed the Seventh Day Sabbath

The reason Jesus was resurrected on the first day of the week, **“Sunday,”** is because God showed us the importance of keeping the Seventh Day Sabbath. For us to accept Satan’s lies, and stop observing the Sabbath on the seventh day, because Jesus was resurrected on the first day, completely ignores the reason for Jesus to remain in death for the whole of the seventh day.

God could have Resurrected Jesus

God could have resurrected Jesus at any time once he was removed from the cross, he waited to do so after the Sabbath had ended, because the Sabbath, the seventh day of the week Sabbath, God made a holy day, and even God observes it as such. Let me say this again. The reason God waited to resurrect Jesus until the First Day of the new week, was to keep holy the Seventh Day Sabbath. For you to observe the Sabbath on the First Day of the week, Sunday, or not at all, is a slap in the face of God, of Jesus, and of the Holiness of the Sabbath Day, as is Satan’s intent that you should. Which is why, if you observe the Sabbath on the First Day of the week, (Sunday), you are in opposition to the word of God, and will therefore receive the Mark of the Beast.

Consider this: if Jesus, whom these women worshiped as God on Earth, had changed the day of Sabbath, why would these women, stay away and not finish the burial preparations of their God until Sunday the first day of the week? Why wouldn't they have stayed or at the very least returned on the next sunrise, which was Saturday, rather than staying away an entire day? If their God, Jesus, had changed the Sabbath to Sunday, as so many Christians today observe it, then would not Sunday then have been forbidden of the women to finish their work of preparing the body of Jesus for burial?

The answer is that Jesus never changed the day of the Sabbath, and he being God, only he could. That the day of the Sabbath is observed today by so many on Sunday is in direct opposition to this Commandment of God, and therefore constitutes the **Mark of the Beast**, and a sin against the laws of God. After all, isn't it Satan's purpose to disguise the true worship of God for a false worship, there by stopping us from the true worship? **Remember! To worship God in any way other than that, which he commands, is to not worship him at all.**

Therefore, what I am trying to get across is that Christ observed the Sabbath even in his death as did his followers, the women. If Christ had indicated at any time that the Sabbath was no longer of importance in faith to God, he would have said as much, and his followers therefore would not have interrupted his burial preparations for its observance.

Do You Believe?

When Jesus died on the Cross, do you not think that God could have resurrected him, at any time after he was removed from the cross? Yes he could have. But because the Sabbath drew near, Jesus rested in death, on the Sabbath day and was resurrected the very next day, which is now called Sunday, the first day of the week. To observe the Sabbath on Sunday is to dismiss the reason God waited through the Seventh Day Sabbath before resurrecting Jesus on the first day of the week, Sunday.

Keep in mind, that it is important that Jesus kept the Sabbath as God's Law requires. Therefore, those who repeat to you the lie, that because Jesus was resurrected on Sunday, that it then became correct out of respect of that resurrection, that Sunday be kept as the Sabbath, completely negates the reason Jesus was not resurrected on Saturday.

Know this: the Sunday Sabbath is an invention of Satan, not God, and therefore it is Satan's Sabbath, not Gods. To worship on Sunday is to give worship to Satan, not the God of creation.

Jesus Rested in Death on the Seventh Day

God did not resurrect Jesus on Saturday, because it would have been in violation to the Fourth Commandment, so God waited until Sunday to resurrect his son. That Jesus kept the Sabbath as God's Ten Commandments dictate, should give us reason to keep the Seventh Day Sabbath as well, else do we not show our disrespect for God. To call yourself Christian and then not live your life as Jesus teaches us is to give lip service to Christ, but your heart is far from him.

It is Finished

*When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, "**It is finished.**" and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost. **John 19:30***

Do you recall what God did when the Sixth day of creation was **finished**?

*Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. 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, 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 2:1-3***

As you can see, God rested after he created the universe, and The Christ Jesus, who is God in the flesh of a man, rested after his ordeal on earth and his bringing salvation to all who love him, was **finished**. Both days of rest were on the Sabbath. If that isn't proof positive, the importance of observing the Sabbath as instructed by the Fourth Commandment, I don't know what else I can say to persuade you, except,

He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.

Matthew 12:30

But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul: all they that hate me love death.

Proverbs 8:36

The above verses simply mean if you are disobedient to the laws of God, even after you hear biblical proof that the Ten Commandments have not been fulfilled to the point of being discontinued or rendered obsolete as the laws of God, you are against God. There is only Black and White, Good and Evil, no middle road.

No other Day Given

*Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. **Hebrews 4:1***

Let us therefore fear: Remember to Fear is to have concern that you will fail to keep from sin, in disobedience to the Word of God.

Lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest: This promise relates to the Second Covenant. In it the children of Jacob agreed to keep the Commandments of God one of which God voiced in the keeping of his Holy Sabbath. This is the promise the Jews made of going into God's Rest.

Lest, Any of you should seem to come short of it: This is Paul writing to the newly converted Christians. He is giving warning that they need to remember the Sabbath, and keep the Sabbath, because they have believed in the Word of God and the Teachings of Jesus. Paul is warning Christians to be in fear of God's wrath, if they should fall short of the promise as did the Jews. God took the inheritance away from the Jews because they fell short of keeping their promise, so if God would remove the Jews from his mercy, he would also remove those Christians that failed to keep his Sabbath.

Virtually all Christians today do not keep God's Seventh Day Sabbath; instead they keep its observance on the first day of the week. This is in direct violation of God's Word, of the Promise, and reveals that Paul in the above verses was prophesizing of those who would live in his future.

Moses Preached the Gospel of God

*For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it. **Hebrews 4:2***

For unto us was the gospel preached: Those to whom the apostles preached the Teachings of Jesus, preached the full gospel of God, and those who believed the word of God, were converted into the first Christians.

As well as unto them: The “**them**” spoken of here are the Jews during the time of Moses and beyond. Moses preached the Word of God to the Jews, and Jesus preached the Word of God to the Jews also, but those Jews who heard Moses, failed to believe, they fell short of it, whereas those of the Jews and the Gentiles that believe the Gospel as preached by Jesus, do believe the Word of God. Part of that belief is that the Seventh Day Sabbath is the Word of God, and that it is a sign between God and you, that if you go into God’s Rest on the Seventh Day, then you are in obedience to God, which makes you a Saint of God.

But the word preached did not profit them: Again, the “**them**” are the Jews that Moses preached to. When they heard the Word of God, they failed to believe that it was the word of God, therefore they did not profit in the promises of God, because of that disbelief.

Not being mixed with faith in them that heard it: In the chapters of this Web Page titled, “**The Writings of Paul,**” I give an in-depth discussion of what “**Faith**” is, but in short, to believe in the Word and the Promises of God, is to have Faith. If you do not believe then you lack faith.

For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, “As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.” **Hebrews 4:3**

For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said: The “**HE**” is once again God the Father, and those who believed that the Word of God is a command from God, do keep the Sabbath as God has commanded us to do, which is on the Seventh Day and no other. The converse of those who believe and do keep God’s Rest as he has commanded us to do, are those who fail to keep God’s Rest as he commands. These are those who profess to be children of God, Christians, but keep another day as the day of rest, or no day at all.

From the Foundation of the World

As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world: The key words in this sentence are, **from the foundation of the world.** What God is declaring to us is that his Seventh Day Sabbath has existed from the foundation of when the earth was formed. When God gave Moses the Ten Commandments, is not when the Seventh Day of Rest begins, it begins on the Seventh Day of Creation, which occurred long before Moses ever was. Adam and Eve kept God's Seventh Day Rest, Noah and his sons kept the Seventh Day Rest, Abraham and his family kept the Seventh Day Rest, with Moses, God gave his Holy Day of Rest a name, He called it his Holy Sabbath, and Moses and the Israelites kept the Lords Holy Sabbath.

*For he spake in a certain place of the seventh day on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all his works. **Hebrews 4:4***

Again, the “**he**” is God the Father, and the “**certain place**” on which he spoke of the seventh day, was on the seventh day of creation and in the Fourth Commandment. **And God did rest the seventh day from all his works.** Because God rested on the Seventh Day, and Jesus observed the Seventh Day Sabbath, in life and in death, then we, who believe in the Word and Promises of God, must also keep the Seventh Day Sabbath. If you do not keep God's day of rest, then you are telling God that you do not believe that his word is supreme. If you do not believe, then you are not of Faith, if you are not of the Faith, then you cannot be a Saint of God as Jesus defines it in **Revelation 12:17**.

*And in this place again, if they shall enter into my rest. Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief; **Hebrews 4:5-6***

What Paul is saying is if you do not keep God's day of rest as God has spelled it out, then you do not believe, and to not believe is to not be a Saint of God.

Verse 4:6, is once more a reference to the fact that God will accept any man, if they keep his commandments, even when those to whom it was first preached, no longer enter into it out of unbelief. In case you do not see the connection, this is an invitation to those who are not the children of Jacob, (the Gentiles) that if they keep God's laws, they will be given entry into heaven.

Why would God void the covenant with the nation of Israel because they stopped keeping the commandments of God, only to give a new covenant to the Christians without expecting them to keep his Ten Commandments? God did not do this, it is Satan's lie, for God does expect and command that all who would worship the God of Creation must keep all of his laws.

He Limits a Certain Day

Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To-day, after so long a time; as it is said, To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts. Hebrews 4:7

The key word here is **“Again”**. The **“he”** once more is God, and he is saying **“again”** as before, I command you. On the Seventh Day of Creation God **“limiteth,”** or limited, **a certain day**, the Seventh Day of the Week. As God had commanded on the Seventh Day of Creation and within the Ten Commandments, he once more, **“again”**, commands the Seventh Day Sabbath in David. I can only assume that “David” is a reference to the Book of David, or perhaps to something written by King David is some other book. I have looked for such a quote in my Bible and could not find it, I must therefore assume that the Christian Bible does not have a copy of the Book of David, but I think that perhaps the Jews have a copy, if it exists at all. My knowledge of the entire Bible is weak, God has shown me only those things that relate to the End of Times and End of Days.

God Established the Sabbath

Think of it like this, when God was finished with creation, he did not look back and say to himself, “Well, let me see, it took me Six Days to create plus one more for my rest, now I wonder, which day of the week shall I have Man keep as a day of rest.” No, God did not throw a dart at the seven days in a week and thus determined which day he would make his day of Sabbath.

God established the Sabbath by numbering the days as he finished his labor each of those days, thus creating the Sabbath alongside the creation of the universe. Have you never noticed that God did not give a number to the Seventh Day, he did however call it the Seventh Day, and this is because that is the day he rested? By his resting on the Seventh Day, he made that day of the week special and unique as compared to all the other days of the week, and in recognition of this uniqueness, God hallowed the Seventh Day. The word **“Hollowed”** means **to make Holy**, but more so than that it also means,

“Truth” , which is to say that when God uses the word “Holy” he is saying “true, or in truth.”

Satan does not want you to observe the Seventh Day Sabbath, why! Because in your keeping the Seventh Day of the week as the Sabbath, it is a sign between you and God, that you worship the God of Creation, in that the Sabbath is as much a part of creation as are the birds in the sky, the fish in the sea, and all the animals on the land. By causing you to worship on another day of the week, you are no longer under that sign.

I have for most of my life believed that Jesus never actually spoke about the Sabbath, one way or another, however this next verse gives me verification that I am not alone in my insistence that we must keep the Seventh Day (Saturday) Sabbath.

No Other Day

For if Jesus had given them rest, and then would he not afterward have spoken of another day.

Hebrews 4:8

The key words here are “them, and rest.” What this is saying, if Jesus had given his followers “them”, the Apostles, a day other than the Sabbath, to “rest,” then would he not have said something of another day? In that Jesus did not speak of another day then the one day which God had sanctified and made holy, (The Seventh Day), must therefore be the only day. If God did not “Speak it, then it is a lie.

*There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. **Hebrews 4:9***

This verse is making a conclusion of what he, the author (Paul), has been talking about in the previous verses. In that God has already set a day of rest, and Christ has not indicated that there is another, then the Sabbath is therefore to be held on the day already set by God.

For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his. Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.

Hebrews 4:10-11

In these eleven verses, it is being made clear, by Paul, that Jesus himself never suggested that the day of Sabbath be changed. The last verse (**4:11**), is important, because the author (Paul) is warning us, that to assume any other day is the Sabbath, is to fall into the same example of unbelief as others have done, (the Jews), in other words, to stop worshipping the true God in the true faith, but to accept Satan's lies, and worship under those false teachings, and therefore take upon yourself the Mark of the Beast.

First Mark of God

To understand what the Mark of the Beast is, you first need to understand what the Mark of God is. The Mark of God is first described in:

*And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, Saying, "Hurt not the earth neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads." **Revelation 7:2-3***

*And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel. **Revelation 7:4***

The key word that describes who they are that receives this seal of God, or the Mark of God, is **"Servants of our God."** One who is a servant of God is by definition, **one who keeps the Ten Commandments, and accepts Jesus as God in the flesh of a man, and the teachings of Jesus, and thereby is one who loves, obeys and worships the true God, as he commands.**

The 144,000

When you read **verse 4** above, you might interpret it as meaning that 144,000 Jews will be given the Mark of God on their foreheads, but I have an alternative interpretation. To clarify this we need to consider what God is telling us in the preceding verses. This again returns us to the definition of who a servant of God is. As I have shown, they are those that keep the Ten Commandments, and have the testimony of Jesus. Because the Jews do not accept Jesus as God in the flesh of a man, that would eliminate them as being numbered in the 144,000, unless and until they do accept Jesus as God in the

Flesh of a man, or the Messiah. However, you then read in **verse 4** that the twelve tribes of Israel are represented as being those who receive the Mark of God.

Children of Israel

This at first had me confused until I took the time to gain understanding of who the children of Israel are. At first glance you and I assumed that they were one and the same as the children of Jacob, he being renamed by God, Israel. That is the obvious interpretation, however, when you understand why God renamed Jacob to Israel, you gain a better understanding of what Israel is, and therefore who the children of Israel are.

I suggest that you read the full text of the Story of Jacob, beginning in **Genesis 25**, which I will now give you an abridged version of.

Jacob was a twin son to Isaac and Rebekah, Isaac being the son of Abraham. Jacob's Brother Esau, later known as Edom being first born, and therefore rightful heir to the wealth of Isaac, but also to the position of God's beloved servant and patriarch of the faith.

Esau was a hunter, and Jacob a herdsman. Isaac loved Esau over Jacob because Esau brought venison to Isaac to eat. In his old age Isaac was blind, and fearing his death was at hand, asked Esau to go hunt for venison, that he might have this meal that he loved, and then he would bless Esau, thus turning over all his earthy wealth, as well as his position as God's servant on Earth, before his death.

Rebekah, Isaac's wife, who loved Jacob more than Esau, overheard this. She commanded Jacob that he should bring to her two kids of the goats, so she could make the meat up for Jacob, to serve to his father, pretending to be his brother, thereby receiving the blessing that was by rights Esau's.

At first Jacob refused, fearing his father would know him for who he was thus cursing him for his part in this deception. Because of his mother's insistence, Jacob did as she had commanded him, and received Isaac's blessing meant for his older brother Esau. When he returned, Esau, discovering Jacob's treachery, vowed to kill Jacob, thus causing Jacob to flee to his mother's brother's land, where he stayed for several years.

What is important in this is to understand is that Isaac was God's servant on Earth; as such he was not only wealthy in Earthly things but was also the Patriarch of the Faith of the true worship of the God of Creation. That Isaac inherited this position from his father Abraham, and in his death he passed this station on to Jacob, when he gave him the blessing rather than Esau. So you will understand, this is not just an inheritance, but Jacob had to be of the faith as well. We know this to be true because it is acknowledged in;

Ten Commandments before Moses

*And I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nation of the earth be blessed; because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws. **Genesis 26:4-5***

You see, to be of the true faith of God is to obey his commandments, statutes and laws. Do you understand the significance of this? **Abraham obeyed the commandments of God**, long before God wrote them on two tables of stone and gave them to Moses. The Ten Commandments are not the laws of the Jews but the laws under which all who wish to worship God must keep.

Abraham was a kindred spirit to God that God recognized him as a kindred spirit in the above two verses. Abraham's personality and moral character mirrored that of God's, and for that reason God made a covenant with Abraham and his seed. To put it another way, the Ten Commandments have been around since long before Moses. They were not codified before Moses, which is what God did when he wrote them down for Moses.

Abraham kept the Ten Commandments, Esau kept the Ten Commandments, Jacob kept the Ten Commandments, at least until he resorted to deception in obtaining his father's blessing. It is that blessing that transferred to Jacob the position as Patriarch of the Faith, which should have gone to Esau. When Jacob resorted to deception and a lie to obtain his father's blessing, he violated the commandments of God. Even though he received Isaac's blessing and he was thus made the Patriarch of the Faith, he having sinned fell out of God Grace.

Why Jacob is Israel

Understanding this, I can now explain the significance of why God renamed Jacob, Israel.

And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day.

Genesis 32:24

*And when he (the Man) saw that he prevailed not against him, he (the Man) touched the hollow of his (Jacobs) thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him. **Genesis 32:25***

*And he (the Man) said, "Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he (Jacob) said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me." **Genesis 32:26***

*And he (the Man, God) said unto him, "What is thy name? And he (Jacob) said, Jacob." **Genesis 32:27***

*And he (God) said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed. **Genesis 32:28***

*And Jacob asked him, and said, "Tell me, I pray thee, thy name." And he (God) said, "Wherefore is it that thou dost ask after my name?" And he blessed him there. **Genesis 32:29***

God renamed Jacob to Israel, because Jacob prevailed. The question I asked was what did Jacob prevail over? As the words in these verses tell us, the man that Jacob wrestled with all night long, was in fact God. So I asked the question, why did Jacob wrestle with God, and why did he first perceive him as just a man?

When Jacob received his father's blessing, he committed two sins. The first was against his brother, but because he resorted to deceit he also sinned against God and his commandments. The use of deception or lying is covered under the commandment, "Thou shalt not give false testimony", but also I am convinced that, "Thou shalt not covet," was also broken by Jacob. You need to read the full of the story to understand.

Therefore it is his sins that Jacob overcame, that God forgave him for. To be renamed Israel, is to be one who has overcome their sins. I was a man of sin for most of my life, but when I overcame my sins and repented them and asked God to forgive me, I became Israel, or should I say an Israelite.

After many years, Jacob was returning to his home, which was the property of his brother Esau. Jacob having been told that his brother Esau was aware of his intent to return and was on his way with four hundred men to meet up with him, and fearing that his brother still bore ill towards him and intended upon killing him, Jacob split his servants and belonging up, and sent his wives and children from him, to protect them from his brother's wrath.

God realizing that Jacob was torn with shame for the sin he had committed against his brother and his God, gave Jacob the opportunity to receive forgiveness from God by wrestling with him.

The reason Jacob first perceived God as (the Man), is because Jacob first was in conflict with himself and his own shame for having sinned against his brother and his God. Jacob having thus prevailed with God, in obtaining God's forgiveness, then went out to meet his brother, and ask forgiveness of him.

This story can be used by all of us who have sinned against God and those others that we love, and take heart in the fact that, forgiveness is possible, if we but only repent our sins, and then ask for forgiveness, from those we love as well as from God.

Who did Jacob Wrestle With?

Here is a curiosity that has come to me that you too might find thought provoking. When Jacob wrestled with the man, who turns out to be God, is it the flesh and blood Jesus with whom Jacob wrestled. Is it that Jesus, who is God in the flesh of a man, was a man before he was born of the womb of a woman? God is capable of anything, nothing is beyond his power, is it that God caused Jesus to be born of a woman even though he already existed as a man in Heaven. Was it then Jesus who wrestled with Jacob? This is one more question I hope to ask God when I am standing before him on Judgment Day, if that is my justice for all the sins I have done.

Sins Can be forgiven

Wherefore I say unto you, "All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven." **Matthew 12:31**

What Jacob had prevailed over, is his sins. In doing so, he has once more become one with God, and once more under the laws and Commandments of God, returning to the full faith and worship of God, what the apostle Paul called "Walking in the Spirit of the Lord."

God therefore renames Jacob to Israel, because he has overcome his sins, and has thus reconciled himself back to the worship of God. This is important, to us, because we too must overcome our sins, if we want to receive forgiveness from God, and then be able to take our place in worshipping him.

An Israelite

Under the New Covenant, the Children of Israel are not that because they are blood decedents of Jacob, but because they have overcome their sins and received forgiveness of them, just as Jacob did. The Jews are the descendants of Jacob, but a child of Israel, or an Israelite, is that because they like Jacob overcame their sins and received forgiveness of God. They are worshipers of the true God, in the true faith, as spelled out in the Ten Commandments. In other words, I am one of the children of Israel, an Israelite, even though I am not descendant from Jacob, or any other that we know of as Jewish. I am a child of Israel, not because of my blood lines but because of my faith. In this knowledge I no longer refer to myself as a Christian, that name having been polluted by Satan and his false gospel, I now refer to myself as an Israelite.

So when **Revelation 7:4** speaks of 144,000 being given the seal of God on their foreheads, this does not mean 144,000 Jews will be converted back to the true faith, but that all who are converted, from all peoples, nations, and tongues. All those who are thus converted, will be beneficiaries of the New Covenant, which God has made with the Children of Israel, who are those who keep the Commandments of God and believe that Jesus is God in the flesh of a man.

With this illustration about Jacob, you now have two plausible interpretations of who the 144,000 really are. The one thing that puts it over the top as to who God intends to be the 144,000 is

these words, *of all the tribes of the children of Israel*. Only blood descendants of Jacob, could be spoken of as coming from the tribes of the children of Israel, therefore, the 144,000 have to be Jews, and blood descendants of Jacob, and not as I just illustrated. Right or is it?

This is not to say that under the New Covenant, we all, Jew and Gentile alike, are Israelites, in that we are all of the true faith of God, just as I have explained in this illustration, only that the 144,000 must be descendants of Jacob. And yet, I am not convinced. Because of my personal experience in my being converted to the true and correct worship of God, and that God has given me to write these words that you now read and establish this Web Page, I feel that I am one of the 144,000, and this being the case, and I am not a blood descendent of Jacob, I must therefore be as I have illustrated.

The children of Israel are that because like Jacob they have overcome their sins. So when God says *of all the tribes of the children of Israel*, it could also mean not Jews but those who have overcome their sins. Those children of Jacob, who give their name to the Twelve Tribes, were also those who overcame their sins. Remember, the older brother, sons of Jacob, sold the younger brother, Joseph into slavery. In time when they came once again face to face with Joseph they were forgiven, thus showing that they too have overcome their sins.

As such the tribes of Israel, was founded by those who overcame their sins. That being the case then for God to say *of all the tribes of the children of Israel* does not have to mean blood descendants of the sons of Jacob. Because I am convinced that I am one of the 144,000 I therefore accept this as being who all of the 144,000 are.

You should all be aware that there is a difference between the Covenant that the Jews lived under and the New Covenant that came about due to the Crucifixion of Jesus. One of the many requirements that the Jews had to uphold was the circumcision of the foreskin of all the males of the nation.

The New Covenant

Under the New Covenant, God requires a circumcision of the heart, or as he also put it, that we as worshipers in the true faith of God, have his commandments *written upon our hearts*, which is to say that the new covenant does not require the circumcision of the foreskin.

*Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a **new covenant** with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: **Jeremiah 31:31***

Not according to** the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the Lord. **Jeremiah 31:32

*But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; “After those days, **in the End of Times**), saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and **write it in their hearts**; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.” **Jeremiah 31:33***

The phrase, “*After those days,*” is a reference to the End of Times and End of Days, and the thousand year reign of Jesus on the Earth.

God will write it, **(the laws of God, which are the Ten Commandments and the moral teachings of Jesus)**, in their hearts. Only those who have taken the laws of God and have gone through a rebirth of personality and moral character, by embracing the Ten Commandments and make the morality of God to be their morality will be covered under the New Covenant with God. No longer is it necessary to have the foreskin circumcised, but the heart.

Second Mark of God

And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.

Revelation 9:4

The Mark of God, as given as a seal on the forehead, has to do with conscious thought. The forehead being symbolic of that thought process. You see, you must decide through conscious consideration to embrace the commandments and laws of God, and by educated consideration understand that Jesus is God in the flesh of a man, once you do this, and ask God for forgiveness of your sins, only then will you receive the seal on your forehead, or the Mark of God.

Mark of the Beast

Now that you understand the meaning of what the Mark of God is, you can easily understand what the Mark of the Beast is.

If after being shown the truth, which is what I am attempting to do in these pages, you still decide after consideration to continue in your old religion, and its inequities, you will not receive the Mark of God but the Mark of the Beast. Remember, black and white, right and wrong, good and evil, you love me or you hate me.

The Blood Descendants of Jacob

*Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins: And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the Law of Moses. **Acts 13:38-39***

Make note here, that in Acts, only the laws of Moses are shown as not justifying you from sins. This is to show, that there is a distinction between the Laws of God and the Laws of Moses. Please also take note, that Paul is not saying that we are “Justified” into salvation, but that we are “Justified” from sin. To be free of sin does not translate to being “Redeemed.” Part of being “Redeemed” is to be free of sin, but that is only part. I give full discussion concerning this in the chapters of this Web Page titled, “The Writings of Paul.”

The Fallen

*For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. **II Peter 2:21***

This verse is verification that before you know the truth, or are in ignorance of the truth, you will be better off (on Judgment Day) than having been shown the truth, then turned away from it by your own decision and thought processes. The holy commandment delivered unto them refers to the Ten Commandments first given to the Jews. To be shown this truth and then to decide through thoughtful consideration to not keep those commandments, this is the Mark of the Beast.

Christ is God

In this verse, I wish for you to take note of the words, *the way of righteousness*, which is how God defines the keeping of the holy commandments, which are the Ten Commandments. Coupled with having the Commandments of God written upon your heart and by accepting that the Christ Jesus is the God Creator in the flesh of a man, can you come to the resurrection and life eternal. Christ is God, the same God of the Old Testament. Only when you accept this, and that those laws he gave us in the form of the Ten Commandments are the laws of Jesus, for he is the God of the Old Testament, will you know the resurrection to life eternal.

In order that you will not be confused, the laws of Moses, which are fulfilled to the point of no longer being a part of the true and correct worship of God, are, for the most part, the laws outlined in the Book of Leviticus that relate to the sacrifice of animals. The laws of God are those written in Stone, (symbolizing that they are to last forever), by the finger of God, on stone taken from the very throne of God. This is supported in the follow verse.

Tables of Sapphire

*And they saw the God of Israel: and there was under his feet as it were a paved work of a Sapphire stone and as it were the body of heaven in his clearness. **Exodus 24:10***

I have spent all this time on this the Fourth Commandment, because it is crucial to the worship of the true God. There is a false god in the world, (Satan), who is attempting to imitate and substitute his religion or faith for that of the true God. Only if you observe all of the Ten Commandments as written in the Bible and not those blasphemies written in other books, will you know that you worship the real and true God of Creation, and not the false god, whom is called Satan, the deceiver.

A Personal and Intimate Relationship

The only cure for deception is the words in the Bible, read them with their true meaning, and not the meaning told to you by someone else. Not even what I have written in this book should be taken without first verifying that what I write is what the Bible actually says. This requires you to study the

Bible, "diligently," and gain understanding of your own. God wants to have a private, personal and intimate relationship with you. This can only be achieved if you get to know him personally, by reading and through diligent study understanding his words written in the Bible for yourself.

God Established the Sabbath

The Christ Jesus is God in the flesh of a man: As a man, Jesus kept the 7th day Sabbath.

1/ In the beginning, God created the Sabbath, **Genesis 1:1 through Genesis 2:3**, each day God enumerates them, "And the evening and the morning were the first day," etc. then on the seventh day when he rested, the creation of the Sabbath was also finished. That is why God enumerates each day, for the purpose of establishing and creating the Sabbath day of rest, not as a means of counting the days of creation. God did not create the universe in seven days that we can recon as days from our Earthly perspective; he enumerated the days to establish the six days of labor and denote the importance of the seventh day of rest.

Consider this: God caused the Moon to orbit the Earth so that it would take a 28 day cycle, from the first phase of the Moon, to the end of its cycle of 28 days. But for this, there would be no reason for us on Earth to observe a 7 day week. God caused this, so it would conform to his seven day following of the Sabbath, he did not create the 7 days of the Sabbath to conform to the Earth-Moon relationship, he caused the Earth-Moon relationship to conform to his 7 day week.

2/ At Mount Sinai, God-Jesus, commanded it, when he gave his Ten Commandments to Moses.

3/ In his Life on earth, in the body of Jesus, he worshiped on it, **Luke 4:16.**

4/ In his death, Jesus observed the Sabbath. He was crucified on Friday, but was not resurrected until Sunday, thus resting during the Sabbath on the Seventh Day,

5/ In his Church, his disciples continue it. Nowhere in the Bible will you find that any of the Apostles of Christ kept any day other than Saturday, the seventh day, as the Sabbath,

6/ God-Jesus, teaches us in the Book of Revelation that his last day people will keep the Ten Commandments.

*And the dragon was wrath with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ. **Revelation 12:17***

In the End of Day, the people of God, those who are defined as the Saints of God, will keep the Ten Commandments. If this is true, do you keep the Ten Commandments, all ten of them? If you do not, then you are not one of God's people, for we are in the End of Days right now. If you do not now keep the Ten Commandments, then it is not too late, remove yourself from your false churches, and embrace God's True Word, which are the entire of the Gospel of God, summarized in the Ten Commandments.

The End of Days people of God will both keep the Commandments of God, but also have the testimony of Jesus. This precludes the Jews who do not have the testimony of Jesus, even though they may keep the Commandments of God. Individually, a Jew can be saved, but only after he acknowledges Jesus as the living God, the Messiah, and God in the flesh of a man.

God's Creation

There is another aspect of #1 above that God has revealed to me. It has to do with the 7 days of creation. I have been of the impression that the Sabbath was created on the 7th day when God rested. God has just shown me that this is not entirely correct.

In the first verse, **Genesis 1:1**, God tells us he is the Creator.

In the first sentence of the second verse, **Genesis 1:2**, God tells us what the place was like just before he created the universe.

In the last half of **Genesis 1:2**, he describes his initial manipulations of how he caused the universe that we know, to form.

Then in **Genesis 1:3**, God introduced light into the dark void.

In **Genesis 1:4**, God divides the light from the dark.

In the first part of Genesis **1:5**, God gives name to the light and the dark.

This next is where God has just shown me, something new. The last sentence of **Genesis 1:5**, God tells us something important. “And the evening and the morning were the first day.” Like every other person who has read this, I assumed that this was God’s way of enumerating the first day of creation. God has shown me, that this is not what this phrase is doing.

First God tells us what he has done in his manipulation of creation to cause it to form as he intends that it form, (God’s controlled Evolution), and then he gives name to what he has done. Then he gives us one more thing. We have all assumed that it was calling the work he had done by a day, 1st day, 2nd day, etc. but what he has shown me is that this is in fact the first building block of his other part of creation, the seven day week, which is finalized with the Sabbath day, or the 7th day.

He is not enumerating his creation of the universe into seven days; he is establishing the 7 day week, and the creation of the Sabbath. God did not create the Sabbath on the Seventh Day, it took a total of 6 days to build its foundation, and then on the seventh day it’s crowning.

He has shown me why this is his intent, by pointing something out to me I had not noticed before, and I assume, no one else had either. At the end of what we call the first day, the words he uses, suggest that the day is just beginning, not at an end. “And the evening and the morning were the first day.” The way God keeps time is that the evening, or sundown, through the night and including the morning, sunrise, are included in the new day. If God was enumerating the first day, which he had already described, and was showing us that it was at an end, he having finished his labors for that day, then the verse should have said the “Second Day,” not the first. If you notice, he does this for all but the seventh day. He does not enumerate the seventh day, he tells us this:

God Says:

*Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. **Genesis 2:1***

*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. **Genesis 2:2***

*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 2:3***

God created the universe in the first second of Genesis 1:1, from that point on, he manipulates that which he created to cause it to form as he intends it should form. If you read each day of Creation, I think you will see, he does not create anything again, but simply causes it to be. That is he caused it to form by his manipulation of that original creation "Clay," if you will.

The only other thing that he creates, besides the universe, is the Sabbath Day. The creation of the universe takes six days to be formed or should I say "Evolved," into what we know today, but the Sabbath requires the Seventh Day, God's day of rest, to finalize it. It takes God seven days to create the Sabbath; the universe only took six days.

When God enumerates the days of creation, it is not for the purpose of giving a time reference to each phase of his manipulations of creation to form as he intends, but it is to establish the foundation of, "Six day you shall work, but on the Seventh Day, you shall rest." Each day God is creating two separate things, the universe, and the foundation for the Sabbath.

You need to understand, the Sabbath is more important than the rest of the universe to God. It is more important that you obey his commandments than to understand the mechanics of his universe.

I have spent so much time on the keeping of the true Sabbath, because of its importance. If you keep any day other than the one dictated to us by God, then you are in opposition to God. As I have shown, if you do not obey God, then he considers you as hating him. Only in obedience do you show your love.

If it is spoken by God, it is the truth.

If it is not spoken by God, it is a lie.

What makes the Fourth Commandment the glue that binds all the other commandments as the true worship of God the Creator? It is its reference to the act of creation itself. There have been many religions over the centuries, that had elements of the Ten Commandments in them, but all were Pagan religions, because they did not refer to the fact that their God was the creator of the universe, and therefore took his authority over the entire universe including us, as our creator.

The reference given in the Fourth Commandment to creation is to the words:

*For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it. **Exodus 20:11***

You see, there are Seven Days of Creation, not Six Days, the seventh day which is the finalization of the week leading up to the observance of the Sabbath, for when God rested on the Seventh Day, he still created something. God finalized the creation of the Sabbath on the Seventh Day. The Sabbath is as much a part of Creation as is the Planet Earth, the plants the animals, and Man. That God then Sanctified and made the Sabbath Day Holy, only adds to the importance that he places upon it. To observe the Sabbath on any other day other than the one that he commands, is to show your disrespect of God the Creator, and therefore your hatred. Remember, “Love Me; keep my Commandments.”