

Biblical Texts Dealing With Sabbath (except the third commandment)

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OLD TESTAMENT TEXTS:

Genesis 1:31 God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. 2:1 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. 2 And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. 3 So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

Exodus 16:4 Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. 5 On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." ... 13 In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. 14 When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. 15 When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat. 16 This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer to a person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents.'" 17 The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. 18 But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed. 19 And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over until morning." 20 But they did not listen to Moses; some left part of it until morning, and it bred worms and became foul. And Moses was angry with them. 21 Morning by morning they gathered it, as much as each needed; but when the sun grew hot, it melted. 22 On the sixth day they gathered twice as much food, two omers apiece. When all the leaders of the congregation came and told Moses, 23 he said to them, "This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Tomorrow is a day of solemn rest, a holy sabbath to the LORD; bake what you want to bake and boil what you want to boil, and all that is left over put aside to be kept until morning.'" 24 So they put it aside until morning, as Moses commanded them; and it did not become foul, and there were no worms in it. 25 Moses said, "Eat it today, for today is a sabbath to the LORD; today you will not find it in the field. 26 Six days you shall gather it; but on the seventh day, which is a sabbath, there will be none." 27 On the seventh day some of the people went out to gather, and they found none. 28 The LORD said to Moses, "How long will you refuse to keep my commandments and instructions? 29 See! The LORD has given you the sabbath, therefore on the sixth day he gives you food for two days; each of you stay where you are; do not leave your place on the seventh day." 30 So the people rested on the seventh day.

Exodus 21:1-6 These are the ordinances that you shall set before them: ² When you buy a male Hebrew slave, he shall serve six years, but in the seventh he shall go out a free person, without debt. ³ If he comes in single, he shall go out single; if he comes in married, then his wife shall go out with him. ⁴ If his master gives him a wife and she bears him sons or daughters, the wife and her children shall be her master's and he shall go out alone. ⁵ But if the slave declares, "I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out a free person," ⁶ then his master shall bring him before God. ¹ He shall be brought to the door or the doorpost; and his master shall pierce his ear with an awl; and he shall serve him for life.

Exodus 23:10 For six years you shall sow your land and gather in its yield; 23:11 but the seventh year you shall let it rest and lie fallow, so that the poor of your people may eat; and what they leave the wild animals may eat. You shall do the same with your vineyard, and with your olive orchard. 23:12 Six days you shall do your work, but on the seventh day you shall rest, so that your ox and your donkey may have relief, and your homeborn slave and the resident alien may be refreshed.

Exodus 31:14 You shall keep the sabbath, because it is holy for you; everyone who profanes (desecrates) it shall be put to death (shall surely die); whoever does any work on it shall be cut off from among the people. 15 Six days shall work be done, but the seventh day is a sabbath of solemn rest, holy to the LORD; whoever does any work on the sabbath day shall be put to death (shall surely die). 16 Therefore the Israelites shall keep the sabbath, observing the sabbath throughout their generations, as a perpetual covenant. 17 It is a sign forever between me and the people of Israel that in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed.

Leviticus 25:1 The LORD spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai, saying: 2 Speak to the people of Israel and say to them: When you enter the land that I am giving you, the land shall observe a sabbath for the LORD. 3 Six years you shall sow your field, and six years you shall prune your vineyard, and gather in their yield; 4 but in the seventh year there shall be a sabbath of complete rest for the land, a sabbath for the LORD: you shall not sow your field or prune your vineyard. 5... it shall be a year of complete rest for the land. 6 You may eat what the land yields during its sabbath-you, your male and female slaves, your hired and your bound laborers who live with you; 7 for your livestock also, and for the wild animals in your land all its yield shall be for food. 8 You shall count off seven weeks of years, seven times seven years, so that the period of seven weeks of years gives forty-nine years. 9 Then you shall have the trumpet sounded loud; on the tenth day of the seventh month--on the day of atonement--you shall have the trumpet sounded throughout all your land. 10 And you shall hallow the fiftieth year and you shall proclaim liberty (emancipation, release) throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you: you shall return, every one of you, to your property and every one of you to your 11 That fiftieth year shall be a jubilee for you: you shall not sow, or reap the aftergrowth, or harvest the unpruned vines. 12 For it is a jubilee; it shall be holy to you: you shall eat only what the field itself produces. 13 In this year of jubilee you shall return, every one of you, to your property... 23 The land shall not be sold in perpetuity, for the land is mine; with me you are but aliens and tenants... 39 If any who are dependent on you become so impoverished that they sell themselves to you, you shall not make them serve as slaves. 40 They shall remain with you as hired or bound laborers. They shall serve with you until the year of the jubilee. 41 Then they and their children with them shall be free from your authority; they shall go back to their own family and return to their ancestral property. 42 For they are my servants, whom I brought out of the land of Egypt; they shall not be sold as slaves are sold. 26:1 You shall make for yourselves no idols and erect no carved images or pillars, and you shall not place figured stones in your land, to worship at them; for I am the LORD your God. 2 You shall keep my sabbaths and reverence my sanctuary: I am the LORD.

Numbers 15:32 When the Israelites were in the wilderness, they found a man gathering sticks on the sabbath day. 33 Those who found him gathering sticks brought him to Moses, Aaron, and to the whole congregation. 34 They put him in custody, because it was not clear what should be done to him. 35 Then the LORD said to Moses, "The man shall be put to death; all the congregation shall stone him outside the camp." 36 The whole congregation brought him outside the camp and stoned him to death, just as the LORD had commanded Moses.

Deuteronomy 15:1 Every seventh year you shall grant a remission of debts. 2 And this is the manner of the remission: every creditor shall remit the claim that is held against a neighbor, not exacting it of a neighbor who is a member of the community, because the Lord's remission has been proclaimed. 3 Of a foreigner you may exact it, but you must remit your claim on whatever any member of your community owes you. 4 There will, however, be no one in need among you... 9 Be careful that you do not entertain a mean thought, thinking, "The seventh year, the year of remission, is near," and therefore view your needy neighbor with hostility and give nothing... 10 Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. 11 Since there will never cease to be some in need on the earth, I therefore command you, "Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbor in your land." 12 If a member of your community, whether a Hebrew man or woman, is sold to you and works for you six years,

in the seventh year you shall set that person free. 13 And when you send a male slave out from you a free person, you shall not send him out empty-handed... 15 Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God redeemed you... 18 Do not consider it a hardship when you send them out from you free persons, because for six years they have given you services...

Deuteronomy 31:10-13 10 Moses commanded them: "Every seventh year, in the scheduled year of remission, during the festival of booths, 11 when all Israel comes to appear before the LORD your God at the place that he will choose, **you shall read this law before all Israel in their hearing.** 12 Assemble the people--men, women, and children, as well as the aliens residing in your towns--**so that they may hear and learn to fear the LORD your God and to observe diligently all the words of this law,** 13 **and so that their children, who have not known it, may hear and learn to fear the LORD your God,** as long as you live in the land that you are crossing over the Jordan to possess."

Psalm 92 A Psalm. A Song for the Sabbath Day.

1 It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; 2 to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, 3 to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre. 4 For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy. 5 How great are your works, O LORD! Your thoughts are very deep!

Hosea 2:11 I will put an end to all her mirth, her festivals, her new moons, her sabbaths, and all her appointed festivals.

Isaiah 1:11 What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the LORD...12 When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more;13 bringing offerings is futile... New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation-- I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.14 Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them.

Isaiah 56:1 Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. 2 Happy is the mortal who does this, the one who holds it fast, who keeps the sabbath, not profaning it, and refrains from doing any evil. 3 Do not let the foreigner joined to the LORD say, "The LORD will surely separate me from his people"; and do not let the eunuch say, "I am just a dry tree." 4 For thus says the LORD: To the eunuchs who keep my sabbaths, who choose the things that please me and hold fast my covenant, 5 I will give, in my house and within my walls, a monument and a name better than sons and daughters; I will give them an everlasting name that shall not be cut off. 6 And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant- 7 these 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 peoples.

Isaiah 58:13 If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own pleasures on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; 14 then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

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Isaiah 61:1 The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; 2 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn...

Isaiah 66:22 For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, says the LORD; so shall your descendants and your name remain. 23 From new moon to new moon, and from sabbath to sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, says the LORD. 24 And they shall go out and look at the dead bodies of the people who have rebelled against me; for their worm shall not die, their fire shall not be quenched, and they shall be an abhorrence to all flesh.

Jeremiah 17:21 Thus says the LORD: For the sake of your lives, take care that you do not bear a burden on the sabbath day or bring it in by the gates of Jerusalem. 22 And do not carry a burden out of your houses on the sabbath or do any work, but keep the sabbath day holy, as I commanded your ancestors... 27 But if you do not listen to me, to keep the sabbath day holy, and to carry in no burden through the gates of Jerusalem on the sabbath day, then I will kindle a fire in its gates; it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem and shall not be quenched.

Ezekiel 20:12 Moreover I gave them my sabbaths, as a sign between me and them, so that they might know that I the LORD sanctify them.

NEW TESTAMENT TEXTS:

Matthew 11:28 "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." 12:1 At that time Jesus went through the grainfields on the sabbath; his disciples were hungry, and they began to pluck heads of grain and to eat. 2 When the Pharisees saw it, they said to him, "Look, your disciples are doing what is not lawful to do on the sabbath." 3 He said to them, "Have you not read what David did when he and his companions were hungry? 4 He entered the house of God and ate the bread of the Presence, which it was not lawful for him or his companions to eat, but only for the priests. 5 Or have you not read in the law that on the sabbath the priests in the temple break the sabbath and yet are guiltless? 6 I tell you, something greater than the temple is here. 7 But if you had known what this means, 'I desire mercy and not sacrifice,' you would not have condemned the guiltless. 8 For the Son of Man is lord of the sabbath." 9 He left that place and entered their synagogue; 10 a man was there with a withered hand, and they asked him, "Is it lawful to cure on the sabbath?..."

Matthew 14:23 And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,

Mark 1:35 In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.

Mark 2:23 One sabbath he was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. 24 The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" 25 And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? 26 He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." 27 Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; 28 so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath." 3:1 Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. 2 They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath,

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so that they might accuse him. 3 And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." 4 Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent.

Cf Rabbi Simcon ben Menasya in the Mekilta on Exo.31:13: "The Sabbath is given to you, but you are not surrendered to the Sabbath."

Mark 6:30 The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. 31 He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat.

Luke 5:15 But now more than ever the word about Jesus spread abroad; many crowds would gather to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. 5:16 But he would withdraw to deserted places and pray. 6:12 Now during those days he went out to the mountain to pray; and he spent the night in prayer to God. 9:18 Once when Jesus was praying alone, with only the disciples near him, he asked them, "Who do the crowds say that I am?"

Luke 23:55-24:1 ⁵⁵The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. ⁵⁶Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments. On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment. 24:1 But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared.

John 5:9 At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath. 10 So the Jews said to the man who had been cured, "It is the sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your mat." 11 But he answered them, "The man who made me well said to me, 'Take up your mat and walk.'" 12 They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take it up and walk'?"

John 7:21 Jesus answered them, "I performed one work, and all of you are astonished. 22 Moses gave you circumcision (it is, of course, not from Moses, but from the patriarchs), and you circumcise a man on the sabbath. 23 If a man receives circumcision on the sabbath in order that the law of Moses may not be broken, are you angry with me because I healed a man's whole body on the sabbath? 24 Do not judge by appearances, but judge with right judgment."

John 9:14 Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. 15 Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." 16 Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided.

John 19:28 After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." 29 A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. 30 When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. 31 Since it was the day of Preparation, the Jews did not want the bodies left on the cross during the sabbath, especially because that sabbath was a day of great solemnity.

Acts 20:7 On the first day of the week, when we met to break bread, Paul was holding a discussion with them... 20:11 Then Paul went upstairs, and after he had broken bread and eaten, he continued to converse with them until dawn; then he left.

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Romans 14:5 Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. **6** Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

I Corinthians 16:2 On the first day of every week, each of you is to put aside and save whatever extra you earn, so that collections need not be taken when I come.

Galatians 4:10 You are observing special days, and months, and seasons, and years. **4:11** I am afraid that my work for you may have been wasted.

Colossians 2:16 Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. **17** These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ.

Hebrews 3:17 But with whom was he angry forty years? Was it not those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? **18** And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, if not to those who were disobedient? **19** So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief. **4:1** Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest is still open, let us take care that none of you should seem to have failed to reach it. **2** For indeed the good news came to us just as to them; but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. **3** For we who have believed enter that rest, just as God has said, "As in my anger I swore, 'They shall not enter my rest,'" though his works were finished at the foundation of the world. **4** For in one place it speaks about the seventh day as follows, "And God rested on the seventh day from all his works." **5** And again in this place it says, "They shall not enter my rest." **6** Since therefore it remains open for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, **7** again he sets a certain day--"today" --saying through David much later, in the words already quoted, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts." **8** For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not speak later about another day. **9** So then, a sabbath rest still remains for the people of God; **10** for those who enter God's rest also cease from their labors as God did from his. **11** Let us therefore make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one may fall through such disobedience as theirs.

Revelation 14:13 ¹³ And I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who from now on die in the Lord." "Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them."

Sabbath and Keep It Holy

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I. Consider The Commandments -- Exodus 20:8-11; Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Structure	Exodus 20:8-11	Deuteronomy 5:12-15
Introduction	20:8 Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. זְכוֹר אֶת-יְוֹם הַשַּׁבָּת לְקַדְּשׁוֹ	5:12 Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. שָׁמֹר אֶת-יְוֹם הַשַּׁבָּת לְקַדְּשׁוֹ כַּאֲשֶׁר צִוָּה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ:
Command	20:9 Six days you shall labor תַּעֲבֹד and do עֲשֵׂיתָ all your work. שֵׁשַׁת יָמִים תַּעֲבֹד וְעָשִׂיתָ כָּל-מְלֶאכֶתְךָ:	5:13 Six days you shall labor תַּעֲבֹד and do עֲשֵׂיתָ all your work. שֵׁשַׁת יָמִים תַּעֲבֹד וְעָשִׂיתָ כָּל-מְלֶאכֶתְךָ:
Motivation	20:10 But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; וְיֹם הַשְּׁבִיעִי שַׁבָּתוֹ לַיהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ	5:14 But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; וְיֹם הַשְּׁבִיעִי שַׁבָּתוֹ לַיהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ
Command	you shall not do תַּעֲשֶׂה any work-- you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. לֹא-תַעֲשֶׂה כָל-מְלֶאכֶת אַתָּה וּבִנְךָ-וּבִתֶּךָ וְעַבְדְּךָ וְעַמְּתֶךָ וְשׁוֹרְךָ וְחֹמֶרְךָ וְכָל-בְּהֵמַתְךָ וְגֵרְךָ אֲשֶׁר בְּשַׁעְרֶיךָ:	you shall not do תַּעֲשֶׂה any work-- you, your son or your daughter, or your male slave עַבְדְּךָ or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male slave עַבְדְּךָ and female slave may rest as well as you. לֹא תַעֲשֶׂה כָל-מְלֶאכֶת אַתָּה וּבִנְךָ וּבִתֶּךָ וְעַבְדְּךָ וְעַמְּתֶךָ וְשׁוֹרְךָ וְחֹמֶרְךָ וְכָל-בְּהֵמַתְךָ וְגֵרְךָ אֲשֶׁר בְּשַׁעְרֶיךָ לְמַעַן יָנוּחַ עַבְדְּךָ וְעַמְּתֶךָ כַּמֹּד:
Motivation	20:11 For in six days the LORD made עָשָׂה heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; כִּי שֵׁשַׁת-יָמִים עָשָׂה יְהוָה אֶת-הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאֶת-הָאָרֶץ אֶת-כָּל-אֲשֶׁר-בָּם וַיָּנוּחַ בַּיּוֹם הַשְּׁבִיעִי	5:15 Remember זָכַר that you were a slave עַבְד in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; וּזְכַרְתָּ כִּי-עַבְד הָיִיתָ בְּאֶרֶץ מִצְרַיִם וַיֹּצֵאֲךָ יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ מִשָּׁם בְּיַד חֲזָקָה וּבְזֵרַע נְטוּיָה
Conclusion	therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. וַיְקַדְּשֵׁהוּ עַל-כֵּן בָּרַךְ יְהוָה אֶת-יְוֹם הַשַּׁבָּת וַיְקַדְּשֵׁהוּ:	therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep לַעֲשׂוֹת the sabbath day. עַל-כֵּן צִוָּה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ לַעֲשׂוֹת אֶת-יְוֹם הַשַּׁבָּת:

II. Rooted in Creation: Genesis 1-2:3

A. Purpose of Genesis 1-2:3 and human status

B. Structure of Genesis 1-2:3 and the number of days

C. Invited into God's Rhythm: Comparison to Enuma Elish, the Babylonian Creation Story

III. God as provider of rest and manna -- Exodus 16:22ff

O Living Bread from Heaven (LBW 197)

O living Bread from heaven, how well you feed your guest.
The gifts that you have given have filled my heart with rest.
Oh wondrous food of blessing, Oh cup that heals our woes!
My heart, this gift possessing, with praises overflows.

IV. God of the Sabbath: Divine Rest and Refreshment -- Exodus 31:17

V. Sabbath for the Exiles -- Sacred Space becomes Sacred People, Sacred Word, Sacred Time

A. Sabbath as religious event -- Hos.2:11; Is.1:13; Ps.92

B. Sabbath as refreshment -- Is.58:13-14

C. Sabbath as sign of the covenant -- Ex.31:12-17; Ez.20:12

1. Even unto death -- Num.15:32-36; Jer.17:19-27

VI. Sabbath as a Universal Sign and a Sign of hope for the future -- Gen.2; Is.56:1-7; 66:23

VII. Expanding Sabbath to Sabbath Year and Jubilee --

A. Ethics, Identity and Promise

B. Sabbath Year - Land, Slaves, and Law --

Lev.25:1-7; Ex. 23:10-12; 21:1-6; Deut.15:1ff; 31:10-13

C. Jubilee - Land and Family: Return and Release -- Lev.25:1-26:2;; Is.61:1-2

VIII. Jesus and the Jubilee -- Luke 4:16-21; 11:1-4

IX. Jesus and the Sabbath

A. Sabbath made for Humanity -- Mark 2:23 - 3:4 (Luke 13:6-17; 14:1-4)

B. Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath -- Matt.11:28 - 12:14 (Luke 6:1-11)

C. Jesus as Sabbath Keeper -- Matt.14:23; Mark 1:35; 6:30-31; Luke 5:15; 6:12; 9:18

D. Jesus is the Sabbath -- John 5:2-18; 7:19-24; 9:1-16; (4:34; 17:4); 19:28-31

X. Sabbath, Liberation, and the Eschaton -- Hebrews 3:7-4:13; Rev.14:13

XI. Christians and the Sabbath -- Gal.4:10-11; Romans 14:5-6; I Cor.16:2;

Col.2:16-17; Luke 23:55 - 24:1; Acts 20:7,11; Revelation 14:13

XII. Conclusion

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