

Tutorial #8

Your Home: Your Sanctuary - Part II

Points of interest covered in this tutorial:

- ✓ **Clarity that the Sabbath Day was set in the beginning of creation**
- ✓ **How and why the Catholic Church changed the Sabbath Day**
- ✓ **The Knowledge of Evil's strategy to combine paganism with Christianity**
- ✓ **The definition of the word "day" is established**
- ✓ **The naming of the days verses the numbering of the days**
- ✓ **History of the charges given unto the Jews and Gentiles**
- ✓ **Origins of the calendars**

We begin with these two life-changing questions:

- 1. Question:** Who do you worship?
- 2. Question:** On what day do you worship?

Let us begin by saying that today, while it is still called today, Come out of 21st century Babylon... which really is the same Babylon of old (namely the worship of the pagan sun god, magic, sorcery, astrology, and soothsayers and different forms of dark worship). The word of God and the teaching of his Son Jesus Christ were so powerful, that Satan had to submit; the devil had to leave, as Christ could not be tempted, after his (the Devil) vain attempts to do so. Please read Matthew 4: verses 1-11, noting the following words in verse 10, "...***Thou shall worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.***"

The Dragon, through Satan (his puppet), gave the leader of Catholicism, the Pope, his power, and his seat, and his authority. Satan achieved his goal and got the worship he wanted from Catholicism... and on the day he favored - **Sunday**. **Deny** Catholicism and its sister religions (as Daniel did in ancient Babylon with the pagan sun god, magic, sorcery, astrology, and soothsayers). **Refuse** to give Satan your allegiance and worship on his day (**Sunday**), which was further implemented by the Papacy (Catholicism). **Stand strong** and place our allegiance where it belongs and worship on the day that God blessed and sanctified. This is why Satan works so hard, for more than 6000 years, through so many people: popes, ministers, and preachers, regardless of the denomination in attacking this one Commandment.

Leviticus 23:3 ***“Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of rest, an holy convocation; ye shall do no work therein: it is the Sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings”***

Exodus 20: 9-11: ***“Six days shalt thou labor, 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.”***

The above scriptures express the importance the Sabbath Day to God, even placing it within the Ten Commandments. First, however, we must visit the book of Genesis to establish the creating of the word, **Day**.

Day 1: The definition of a Day is established at the beginning of creation (Genesis 1:3-5)
“God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.”

Note: This day (the 1st day) the Catholics named Sunday – *Dies solis* (Latin), which means “day of the sun” from which we get Sunday. Sun worship was marked by the use of the halo, or nimbus, which originated with the pagan Greeks and Romans to represent their sun god, Helios. It was later on that artists then adopted it for use in Christian images.

We move on and notice that these things happened on the following days:

Day 2: The firmament/heaven created (Genesis 1:6-8)
“And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.”

Note: This day the Catholics named Monday – *Dies lunae* (from which comes the word *lunar*), means *moon day*, from which we get the shortened version, Monday.

Day 3: Earth, Seas, Grass, Herb-yielding seeds created (Genesis 1:9-13)
“And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good. And the evening and the morning were the third day.”

Note: This day the Catholics named Tuesday – *Dies Martis*, means *mars day*, after *Mars*, the Roman god of war. The day was known to the pagan Germans after their own god of war, Tiw (pronounced *too*) as Tiw’s (pronounced *tooz*) day, from which we get Tuesday.

Day 4: Lights/stars in the firmament to rule the day and night created (Genesis 1: 14-18)

“And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good. And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.”

Note: This day the Catholics named Wednesday – *Dies mercuri*, means *mercury day*. Woden (pronounced woe-den) was the Germanic version of the pagan god mercury, and they named the day Woden’s day, from which we get Wednesday.

Day 5: Moving creatures, whales, winged fowls created (Genesis 1: 19-23)

“...And God blessed them, saying, **Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth. And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.**”

Note: This day the Catholics named Thursday – *Dies Jovis* means Jove’s day, or Jupiter’s day. Thor was the Germanic version of the god Jupiter, so they called the day Thor’s Day, from which we got Thursday.

Day 6: Cattle, beasts, creeping things and man created (Genesis 1:24-31)

“...And God saw everything that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.”

Note: This day the Catholics named Friday – *Dies Veneris* means Venus Day. The Germanic version of this female god was Frigg, or Freyja (pronounced fry-yah), so they called the day Freyja day, from which we got Friday.

NOW, THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED ON THE VERY NEXT DAY:

Day 7: God’s work ends and He rests, blessed and sanctifies this day (Genesis 2:1-3)

“...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.”

(Reference: Hebrews 4:4: “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.”)

Note: This day the Catholics named Saturday – *Dies Saturni* means Saturn day, from which came Saturday. The pagans also observed their Saturnalia festival in the last week of December, a time when work ceased, gifts were exchanged, and slaves feasted with their masters.

Further note that the name of the day is not important, but rather the number of the day and how the day was formed, its order beginning with “the **evening**, then the **morning**” made each day.

HISTORY: CHARGE TO THE JEWS

To the Jews, who were under a covenant and an agreement as a nation:

Quote: ***“And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, Concerning the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are my feasts.”***
Please read the book of Leviticus 23rd chapter.

We see here that the Jews, would then, and are now, a beacon of light by which the Gentiles – those who believed and accepted Christ – would follow the way of the Jews. Further facts regarding this statement may also be found in the following texts of scriptures in the book of Acts 13, verses 40-49. They are as follows:

Verse 40: ***“Beware therefore, lest that which come upon you, which is spoken of in the prophets.”***

Verse 41: ***“Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.”***

Verse 42: ***“And when the Jews were gone out of the synagogue, the Gentiles besought that these words might be preached to them the next sabbath.”***

Verse 43: ***“Now when the congregation was broken up, many of the Jews and religious proselytes followed Paul and Barnabas: who, speaking to them, persuaded them to continue in the grace of God.”***

Verse 44: ***“And the next Sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of God.”***

Verse 45: ***“But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy, and spake against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming.”***

Verse 46: ***“Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles.”***

Verse 47: ***“For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.”***

Verse 48: ***“And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.”***

Verse 49: ***“And the word of the Lord was published throughout all the region.”***

HISTORY: THE GENTILES KEEP THE SABBATH

To the Gentile, who are **NOT**, and have never been under a covenant, but nevertheless, desire to, and therefore do worship on the 7th day as was commanded to the Jews:

We compel you to use your home as your sanctuary. So then the questions arise:

1. **Question:** What about the true Jews?
2. **Question:** Why will they, God's Elect, be a beacon for you?
3. **Question:** Hath God cast His people away?

Answers: Romans 11:11-19:

- (v11) ***"I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, to provoke them to jealousy."***
- (v12) ***"Now if the fall of them be the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentile, how much more their fullness?"***
- (v13) ***"For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify mine office:"***
- (v14) ***"If by any means I may provoke to emulation them which are my flesh, and might save some of them."***
- (v15) ***"For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be, but life from the dead?"***
- (v16) ***"For if the first fruit, (the wave sheaf, the Lord very elect, time has been shortened) be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy, so are the branches."***
- (v17) ***"And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild olive tree, wert grafted* in among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree; (*grafted)***
- (v18) ***"Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee."***
- (v19) ***"Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be grafted* in". (*grafted)***

However, we ask that you please remember at this point in time that Babylon is fallen (Revelation 14:8). Catholicism has made the nations and all its leaders drink of the wine of her fornication. The branch must now follow the beacon; follow the Light and you will be hidden in the day of the Lord's anger. The Jews, that are the Lord's Chosen, shall be in the time of the Lord's anger and judgment, that example for the gentiles to follow in order to be grafted in. We pause now to look at what Paul has to say regarding this matter in Romans 11:1-8:

(v1) ***“I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin.”***

(v2) ***“God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. Wot ye not what the scripture saith of Elias?” how he maketh intercession to God against Israel, saying,”***

[**Note:** This references “*The Spirit of Elijah*”. Please refer to God’s Saints document library for more on the *Spirit of Elijah and the Spirit of Zerubbabel*. [Click here.](#)]

(v3) ***“Lord, they have killed thy prophets, and digged down thine altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life.”***

(v4) ***“But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have reserved to myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to the image of Baal.”***

[**Note:** This references the doctrine of the dragon then and is the doctrine of the dragon in the form of Catholicism today.]

(v5) ***“Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.”***

(v6) ***“And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.”***

(v7) ***“What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded”***

(v8) ***“(According as it is written, God hath given them the spirit of slumber, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear;) unto this day.”***

Here we are made to understand: 1) the agreement between Israel and God...under the old covenant...to **build** an nation, and 2) the agreement...of the new covenant...to **rebuild** that same nation – under the Spirit of Zerubbabel – 144,000 of all the children of the tribes of Israel. We further see and understand his promise as we read in Isaiah: 30:17-18 and 25 quoting: (v17) ***“One thousand shall flee at the rebuke of one; at the rebuke of five shall ye flee: till ye be left as a beacon upon the top of a mountain, and as an ensign on an hill.”*** (v18) ***“And therefore will the LORD wait, that he may be gracious unto you, and therefore will he be exalted, that he may have mercy upon you: for the LORD is a God of judgment: blessed are all they that wait for him.”*** (v25) ***“And there shall be upon every high mountain, and upon every high hill, rivers and streams of waters in the day of the great slaughter, when the towers fall. Moreover the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven days, in the day that the LORD bindeth up the breach of his people, and healeth the stroke of their wound”***

BABYLON IS FALLEN!

Revelation 14:8: *“And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.”*

Revelation 18:4-5: (v4) *“And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.”*

(v5) *“For her sins have reached unto heavens and God hath remembered her iniquities.”*

Sunday is **NOT** the Sabbath sanctified by the Lord at the Creation (Genesis all of chapter 1 and chapter 2 verses 1-7). The Lord will not confound languages as he did at the tower of Babel, but there shall be an end of the dominion of sin, imparted by the doctrine of Catholicism. Come out of her, my people! As Pagan worship infected ancient Israel, it continues to effects the saints today. This persecution shall be 7-fold, as the “Knowledge of Evil” commands the call of the Man of Sin to impart the dragon’s magic, astrology, sorcery with more than the fierceness of the Chaldeans. He shall replace Catholicism.

In the ancient world, ‘sun worship’ was one of the most common forms of pagan idolatry. Immediately after Israel left Egypt, God warned His people against being “driven to worship ... the sun” (Deuteronomy 4:19). Yet Israel later yielded to temptation, compromised with the nations around them, and dedicated their “horses ... to the sun” (2 Kings 23:11). During a time of revival, King Josiah purged much of Israel and “burned the chariots of the sun with fire” (2 Kings 23:11). Before the Babylonian captivity, many Israelite leaders rejected their Creator, yielded again to idolatry, and “worshipped the sun toward the east” (Ezekiel 8:16). At the same time, God declared that they “hid their eyes from My Sabbaths” (Ezekiel 22:26). Thus, ancient Israel shifted from **Sabbath-keeping** to **sun-worship**. In 1st Corinthians 10:1-11, Paul warned the Church against repeating the sins of ancient Israel. Pagan kings and Pagan religious authorities headed by the Catholic Church thought **to change times and laws** and thereby keep the pressure on the Saints through severe persecution if they followed the teaching of God, the father and his son, Jesus Christ. Here is what Daniel experienced as he pleads on behalf of the cases of the slain saints, to God, even those saints who had been persecuted for righteousness sake (under draconian measures, law and policy) unto death for standing for the Lord. Please read Daniel 6:10-23.

HISTORY: CALENDAR ORIGINS – WHERE DID THEY BEGIN

Ultimately, all calendars began with people recording time by using natural cycles: days, lunar cycles (months), and solar cycles (years). The year is 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes and 46 seconds long or 365.242199 days. The time between full moons is 29.53 days.

It is important at this time for us to pause and read the following scriptures found in Daniel and Matthew:

Daniel 7:25: *“And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, **and think to change times and laws**: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.”*

Matthew 8:28: *“And when he was come to the other side into the countries of the Gergesenes`, there met him two posses with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way.”*

Matthew 8:29: *“And behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? Art thou come hither to torment us before the time?.”*

Know and understand that evil can only **realize** and **react** to time; she could only put it in the mind of man (Egyptian, Greek and Roman astronomers, astrologist, soothsayers, magicians, sorcerers and of scientist of today) to change time, seasons and laws (Revelations 12: verse 12). No man was ever given the **authority** to change what was already created and found good (Genesis 1:31; Revelations 22: verses 18-19). Only **God** can shorten the time for the saints' sake (Matthew 24: verses 21-22).

HISTORY: HOW AND WHY THE CATHOLIC CHURCH CHANGED THE SABBATH DAY

The beginning of the changing of times began with the Ancient Egyptians who are credited with the first calendar of 12 months, each consisting of 30 days, comprising a year. They added 5 days at the end of the year to synchronize somewhat with the solar year. By making all their months an even 30 days, they abandoned trying to sync with lunar cycles and concentrated instead on aligning with the solar year. The Egyptians recognized that this calendar didn't quite align with an actual year. They called the 1461 Egyptian years it took to re-align with the 1460 solar years. For personal and business reasons, various peoples have attempted to organize these cycles into calendars to keep track of time and to be able to predict future events of importance to them, such as the annual Nile flood in ancient Egypt and as daylight savings time is use today to extend the amount of time to work and/or play. Eventually, the Greek rulers of Egypt under Ptolemy added the concept of a leap year, adding a day every 4 years. The Romans reinforced this concept when they later ruled Egypt.

The early Romans attempted to synchronize the months with the first crescent moon following a new moon resulting in some months of 29 days and some of more. Every other year, February was shortened and a leap month was added in an attempt to realign lunar cycles with the solar calendar. The lengths of the years in a four year cycle of this lunisolar calendar were 355, 377, 355, and 378 days. This added up to 4 days too many to stay in sync with the solar year.

Julian Calendar

Eventually Julius Caesar asked an astronomer, Sosigenes of Alexandria, Egypt, to devise a better calendar. What resulted is called the Julian Calendar. He abandoned aligning the months with lunar cycles, and adopted months of 30 or 31 days length, keeping February at 28 days. He introduced an extra day in February in leap years. Sound familiar? Julius Caesar re-named the 7th month after himself. His successor, Augustus Caesar, re-named the 8th month after himself.

The word “**Calendar**” was established from Middle English calendar, Latin calendarium (account book). The Romans called the first day of each month “Kalendae”, or calends. Debts were due on this day, so books to track payments were called “calendarium” from which we get our modern day calendar.

Review: (Genesis 1:3-5)

(v5) ***“And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.”***

Note: 1) A day was established at the beginning of creation.
2) The first day of each month was called Kalendae, or calends. Debts were due on this day, so books to track payments were called calendarium (account book) from which we get our modern day calendar.

Sunday

This was the first day to pagan Greeks and Romans that represent their sun god, Helios. It was later on that artists then adopted it for use in Christian images. The halo is actually the sun behind the person’s head. It’s easy to recognize once one realizes what it is, although it’s also often stylized to make it less obvious. Originally, it was a very devious way of mixing idolatrous sun worship with Christianity by converts who were not all that converted, and as a result, efforts like using the pagan halo in graven images became a very misleading tradition to Christians as the kings and religious leaders of the time continued to mix paganism with the teaching of Christ (lies with truth). The authority had lost control of the people and would abandon the rule of time established at creation and change laws, policies, events, festivals, holy days and the customs that were followed by the Jews and those that followed Jesus Christ.

Through the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit, Paul discerned that a tragic “falling away” from Jesus Christ and Bible truth would eventually occur within the teaching of Christ and that “the man of sin” would arise (2 Thessalonians 2:3). This “man of sin” is the same power as the “little horn” with “eyes like the eyes of a man” (Daniel 7:8), and “the beast” (Revelation 13). Even in his own day, Paul saw blasphemy and false doctrine creeping into the Church, and declared: “***the mystery of iniquity doth already work***” (2 Thessalonians 2:7). Paul warned that after his death, from among “***the elders of the church,***” men would “***arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them***” (Acts 20:17, 30). This catholic dogma would result in a departure from God’s Word and the original teachings as taught by Jesus Christ. [See 1 Timothy 4:1.] Other New Testament writers warned that deceptions were entering the Church. [See 2 Peter 2:1; 1 John 2:18-19; Jude 1:3-4.]

[Note: The false teachers of that day, among the Jews, were called Pharisees; but today they are, the popes, priests, preachers, false prophets, ministers that teach the gospel of prosperity, and anyone else who profess to teach the gospel of Christ, and don’t, Woe unto you, you workers of iniquity.]

HISTORY: CONSTANTINE, CATHOLICISM, SUN WORSHIP AND THE SABBATH TO SUNDAY CHANGE

In 312 A.D., Constantine became a “Catholic” after claiming to see in broad daylight a vision of “a cross above the sun” with these words emblazoned, “**in hoc signo vinces**” (BY THIS SIGN CONQUER). After defeating his enemies and becoming Emperor of Rome, Constantine presided in full royal pomp over the “First Council of Nicea” in 325 A.D.; his scheme was to unite paganism and Catholicism in an effort to strengthen his decaying empire. Constantine knew that pagans throughout the empire worshiped the sun on “the first day of the week,” and he discovered that many Christians and especially in Rome and Alexandria also kept ‘Sunday’ believing Christ rose from the dead on that day, which was the great blasphemy that would lead to the abomination of desolation. So Constantine developed a plan to unite both groups – **pagan believers and the followers of Christ** – on a common policy of Sunday-keeping. On March 7, 321 A.D., he passed his famous national Sunday law.

However, Daniel stood for the Word of God and never gave over to the worship and custom of the Babylonian King. Even after his appointment to an administrative governmental office, he and other faithful saints would not defile themselves with the king’s gifts and privileges (Daniel 1:6-10). Please read Daniel, Chapter 3 to find out more about how they stood for the truth. The church leaders (listed previously in the note on the above page) today (after 4000 yrs) still have not the courage to stand up for the teaching of Christ regarding the Sabbath. In the face of losing their position in the church, they continue to teach others to follow the catholic tradition and policy set to law on March 7, 321 A.D., when Constantine passed his famous national Sunday law.

The Seventh Day Sabbath Church Truth Revealed

As for those Church leaders that did have the courage to stand up for the teachings of Christ regarding the Sabbath, the Lord found something against the policies they set up (Revelations 2: verse 29). Yes, let him hear what the spirit said unto those Sabbath-keeping churches. Please read Revelations 3: verses 1-22.

Satan’s Purpose of Giving Power to the Catholic Church

Last, we must examine these two questions: 1) why did Satan give his power to the Catholic Church? and 2) so what did the dragon do? The answers are simple; simply he (Satan) wanted to be like the most high and wanted to be worshipped as God, and therefore, he gave his power and seat and great authority to the Roman Catholic Church and had them change the SEVENTH-day Sabbath to SUN-day. Proof of this is found in Isaiah 14:12-14, quoting:

“How are you fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How are you cut down to the ground, which did weaken the nations! For you have said in thine heart, I will ascend to heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.” (Ref: Matthew 4: 8-11)

Satan desired to be worshipped as God, but how could he achieve this goal when no Christian in their right mind would do this. When Satan (a mere puppet of the Dragon) gave him (the Pope) his power, and his seat, and great authority, Satan achieved his goal and got the worship he wanted from Catholicism, and on his day in favor of pagan sun-worship, which God detests and Satan knows it. Understand that when the Catholic Church is being worshipped, by keeping their day, Sunday, who is really being worshipped? Satan himself! Come out of her my People! ...that you be not partakers of her iniquity (known sin). AMEN!

Yours forever in Christ,
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