

THE COLDWATER CONTENDER

"...ye should earnestly contend for the faith..." (Jude 3)

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Johnny Downs
Josh Fulcher
Josh Price
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PREACHER

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SUNDAY SERVICE

Bible Class: 9:30
AM Worship: 10:15
PM Worship: 1:00

WEDNESDAY

Bible Class: 7:00pm

LADIES CLASS

Will resume in
the fall

A Message To Our Visitors

It is our privilege to have you visiting with us today. Please know that you are our honored guest. Please let us get to know you, and fill out an attendance card so we can have record of you being here. Please return to be with us again at your earliest opportunity. If you have questions or would like to study the Bible with us, please let us know. Thanks again for visiting with us, and may God continue to bless you according to His divine purpose.

THOSE TO SERVE

Announcements:

Kevin Smith

Lead Singing:

Wesley Tucker

Opening Prayer:

Richard Price

Scripture Reading:

Nathia Whitley

Lord's Table

Gerald Rule
Bill Vincent
Josh Price
Hyland Darnell

Closing Prayer:

Johnny Downs

Greeters (East)

Bill and Maria

Greeters (West)

Josh and Jennifer

LESSON

AM: Elders

Scripture reading:

1Peter 5:1-5

PM: Works of the Flesh

(Part 1)

Scripture reading:

Galatians 5:16-21

WHY THE CHURCH WORSHIPS ON THE 1ST DAY OF THE WEEK INSTEAD OF THE 7TH (PART 2)

By: Jonnie Hutchison

The first article in this series included the following biblical facts about the Sabbath Day of the Old Testament: (1) The Sabbath was given exclusively to the nation of Israel. There is absolutely no scriptural proof that the patriarchs kept the Sabbath Day. Clearly the Bible teaches that the Ten Commandments were not given to the fathers. (Deuteronomy 5:1-5). (2) Sabbath Day keeping is no longer relevant. It was given to Israel to commemorate their release from Egyptian bondage (Deuteronomy 5:15). (3) The New Testament clearly teaches that Sabbath Day keeping has been abolished along with the rest of the Old Testament system (2 Corinthians 3). Those who try to be justified by keeping the “law of commandments,” which have been “nailed to the cross” of Christ, fall from God’s grace (Eph. 2:14-16; Galatians 5:3-4).

SABBATH KEEPING NOT COMMANDED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

It is important to understand that only nine of the original Ten Commandments are integrated into the teaching of the New Testament and are thus binding upon men today. Which one is missing? The command missing is “Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy.” Why is it missing and the others are not? The obvious answer is that God instituted the worship of the church upon the first day of the week and thus excluded any command in the New Testament concerning keeping the Sabbath. Sabbath keeping belonged to the Old Covenant. This side of the cross mankind lives subject to the New Covenant. The superiority of the New Covenant over the old is clearly established in the book of Hebrews (Heb. 9:1-15; 10:1-4). Jesus is the “Mediator of the new covenant” not the Old Covenant which included Sabbath keeping. The Old Testament Law was only a shadow while the New Testament Law is the substance (Heb. 10:1). Jesus came for the express purpose of taking away “the first that He may establish the second” (Heb. 10:9). The inspired Paul asked, “What purpose then does the Law serve? It was added because of transgressions, till the Seed should come to whom the promise was made, and it was appointed through angels by the hand of a mediator” (Gal. 3:19). The Old Covenant was in effect until “the Seed should come.” The Seed is clearly identified as Jesus Christ (Gen. 3:15; 12:1-3; Gal. 3:6). Since Jesus has come the Old Covenant, which included Sabbath keeping, is no longer in force.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK

The contention of the Adventists that the Roman Catholic Church changed the day of worship from the seventh day to the first day of the week is without merit. Even if the

Roman Catholics make such a claim it does not change the fact that the first century church met for worship on the first day of the week rather than on the seventh day long before the Roman Catholic Church ever came into existence. The Roman Catholic Church makes many false claims too numerous to be included here. (Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:1-2).

While the Jewish Sabbath Day holds no significance for those of us who live this side of the cross, the first day of the week certainly does. Consider what happened on the first day of the week in relation to Christianity:

- 1) Jesus rose from the dead on the first day of the week (Matthew 28:1-8; Mark 16:9).
- 2) After His resurrection from the dead, Jesus appeared to His assembled disciples on the first day of the week (John 20:19-20; 26-29).
- 3) The only time Christians are recorded in the New Testament as assembling together for worship was on the first day of the week (Acts 20:7). Where is the passage that gives an example of the church meeting for worship on the Sabbath Day?
- 4) Christians are commanded to give on the first day of the week (1 Cor. 16:1-2). Do Sabbatarian's practice this?
- 5) The church came into existence on the first day of the week (Pentecost—also called the Feast of Weeks—always fell on the first day of the week—Acts 2:1; Lev. 23:16-31; Deut. 16:9ff).
- 6) Jesus was declared to be the Son of God on the first day of the week (Rom. 1:4).
- 7) The Holy Spirit fell on the apostles on the first day of the week (Acts 2).
- 8) The apostles used the “keys of the kingdom” to open its doors on the first day of the week (Matt. 16:19) as the conditions for salvation were preached (Acts 2:38-41).
- 9) 3,000 precious souls were added by the Lord to His church on the first day of the week (Acts 2:38-47).

Obviously the first day of the week has special significance to the Christian whereas the Sabbath does not. These are the reasons why that the church of Christ assembles on the first day of the week (Sunday) to worship rather than the seventh (Saturday). We invite you to assemble with us on the first day of the week as we assemble together to worship our God as directed in His Word.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Announcements

- ⇒ **Reading plan:** 1st and 2nd Peter
- ⇒ **Team workgroup:** Team 2 (**Johnny Downs**) meets today
- ⇒ **Team workgroups:** To find out which team you are on, see the bulletin board.
- ⇒ **Area events:** Please see bulletin board for more info. Several meetings, singings, and Bible schools are coming up in our area.
- ⇒ **Personal invitation handouts** are available . Please make sure to take some and handout or leave with a tip, and invite someone to services.
- ⇒ **Monthly Men's Class:** Sep 5th at 6:30pm
- ⇒ **Pantry item** for this week is: Toothpaste
- ⇒ **Sick:** If you know someone who is sick, please get this information to your team leader or Luke.

Prayer/Sick List

- ⇒ Mae Downs
- ⇒ Helen Tidwell
- ⇒ Hyland Darnell
- ⇒ Norma Darnell
- ⇒ Shirley Rule
- ⇒ Vicki Wilson (Having tests run)
- ⇒ Grayson Fulcher (recovering from broken arm)
- ⇒ Kim Scott
- ⇒ Kristen Scott
- ⇒ Sue Owczyk (Peggy N. sister)
- ⇒ Trish Puckett (undergoing more knee surgery)
- ⇒ Sonny McManus (Member at Seven Oaks, has colon cancer)
- ⇒ Paul Brandon
- ⇒ Debbie Smith (Kevin's sister-in-law-cancer)
- ⇒ Dennis Thomas (Judy Black's cousin, has throat cancer)
- ⇒ Greg Black (Kathy Black's son)
- ⇒ Billy Irvan
- ⇒ Trudy Smith
- ⇒ Dean Chadwick (Tammy's mother)
- ⇒ Lashell Jones
- ⇒ Continue to remember all those who have lost loved ones this year

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

Hear the Word
(Rom 10:17)

Believe the Word
(John 8:24)

Repent
(Luke 13:3)

Confess Christ
(Rom 10:10)
(Acts 8:37)

Be Baptized
(Acts 2:38)
(Acts 22:16)

Remain Faithful
(Rev 2:10)
(Acts 8:12-24)

Heaven can be your home if you obey God!
(Heb 5:8-9)

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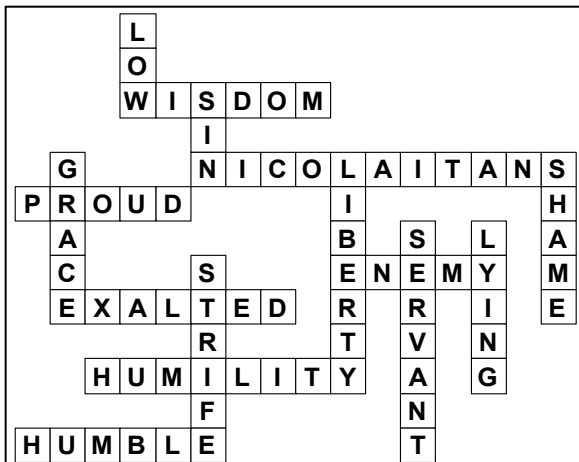


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Bible question: What did Israel do to Adoni-Bezek after they captured him?

Last week's question and answer: What judge's wife wept in front of him?

Answer: Samson (Judges 14:16)

Those answering: Kay Robertson, Linda Jones, Peggy Newsome, Rachel Adams