

A LONG OVERDUE CONFESSION

Since the 1800's our very large extended family have been devout seventh-day Sabbath keepers. This is how I was raised for over half a century. We all love our heavenly Father's Law—especially the Fourth Commandment. Most of us have become pastors, doctors, missionaries, teachers and/or church leaders. But I must confess: throughout my entire life I have never met a seventh-day Sabbath keeper who does not at least occasionally break the Sabbath. This includes myself.

Specifically, I am referring to being ready for the holy Sabbath day before sundown—as hard as we have all tried. If you are or have been a Friday night sundown Sabbath keeper, I think you know what I mean. For instance, here are a number of classic examples:

- Let's pretend that the sun sets at 7:00 p.m. on Friday night. We get off work at 5:00. We know we have to hurry for we have to pick up our Sabbath clothes at the dry cleaners, get a few groceries, and get gas in the car. We know this should all take less than an hour and we will be home and ready for Sabbath well before sundown. But then it happens: It is hard to find parking, and even after we do, there is a long line at the cash register. But we still have to get gas. Then there is a wreck on the freeway. We finally get home after sundown, have to put the groceries away, and we haven't even had our bath taken before Sabbath. We finally have family worship when it is already dark and we have that sinking feeling that we have already broken the Sabbath.
- Its winter time. The sun sets early at 4:00 p.m. The boss has graciously promised to let you off in time to be home before Sabbath. But then some unexpected customers come in and require service. The boss is supposed to be back, but has been held up in traffic. No one else is on the job except you. You had to work. You get home after sundown and feel guilty about not being able to welcome the Sabbath.
- And what of the instances of when we have carefully planned for the coming Sabbath, preparing from the beginning of the week? But then the man who should have had the roof repair done earlier in the week finally gets it done after sundown and you have to write him a check while you were trying to conduct Friday evening sundown worship with the family.
- You can add your own list from your own experience. And please don't say that the many excuses that are so often made are supposedly "pulling the ox out of the ditch." Pulling the ox out of the ditch is a lifesaving matter or at least it directly prevents serious physical suffering.
- Then we recall the many statements that we should all be ready for the Sabbath "an hour before sundown," and that we should be "rested before the Sabbath hours begin." What about the fact that Friday is often the most stressful hectic day of the week—no matter how hard we try to be ready for it ahead of time? Is this the way it should be—in light of the fact that we should be rested before its sacred hours begin?

- And what about the commandment that says “six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work”? Is not the commandment to work for six whole days just as inspired as the commandment to keep the entire seventh-day Sabbath holy? If we are indeed to be ready an hour before Sabbath, with all the people in the family bathed, shouldn’t the fourth commandment say, “five and three-quarter days shalt thou labor and do all thy work”?

Here is the larger thought provoking point we are getting to. 1John 5:3 unequivocally teaches:

1Jn 5:3 For this is the love of God, that **we keep his commandments**: and **his commandments are not grievous.**^{G926}

In turn, the actual New Testament Greek definition of the word translated as “grievous” perfectly agrees with the above English translations:

G926 Βαρύς barus *bar-ooce'*

From the same as G922; *weighty*, that is, (figuratively) *burdensome*, *grave*: - **grievous**, **heavy**, weightier.

According to 1John 5:3, is it possible that the above scenarios are unnecessarily “**grievous**”? Just what does the word “**grievous**” mean? What are the actual dictionary definitions of the Scriptural term “**grievous**”?

Webster’s New Twentieth Century Dictionary Unabridged Second Edition defines the word, “grievous,” as:

- **Burden-some,” heavy; grievous to be borne; causing uneasiness or fatigue; oppressive.** (The bolding emphasis is supplied.)

The Merriam Webster Dictionary also gives the following synonyms for the word, “grievous”:

- bitter, brutal, **burdensome**, cruel, excruciating, **harsh**, grim, **hard**, **hardhanded**, **heavy**, inhuman, murderous, **onerous**, **oppressive**, rough, rugged, searing, severe, **stiff**, **tough**, **trying**.

Therefore, according to Scripture:

- since our Heavenly Father’s Ten Commandment Law is a law of “love,” and
- since none of the Ten Commandment Laws are “grievous,” and
- since the seventh-day Sabbath truth is especially not to be “grievous,” and
- since “the preparation day” for the Sabbath is an integral part of the Sabbath truth,

any kind of sabbath preparation or readiness to keep the Sabbath holy that is “grievous” is obviously a “heavy” “burden” and not in harmony with the joy and spirit of true Sabbath keeping! Having to worry and groan about the stress and pressure of being ready for Sabbath just before

sundown, especially when sundown can be before four-o'clock or earlier in extreme northern or southern climates, certainly doesn't help one to anticipate the beginning of the true Sabbath.

Therefore

- if anything regarding the preparation day,
- to be able to keep the seventh-day Sabbath holy,
- is "grievous," or a "heavy" "burden," or onerous, or oppressive,

there must be something about how we have been traditionally taught to prepare to keep the Sabbath that is obviously in direct contradiction to Scripture! There must be a better way. It is imperative that we find out what it is. Indeed, according to Isaiah 58:13, every aspect of the Sabbath truth should be called "a delight!"

The preparation day for the Sabbath:

- should not be something that we dread,
- as a bottle neck of time at the end of the week,
- that can send people to hell,
- if they don't quite make it to the finish line on time,
- just before the carefully watched visible disappearance of the sun at sundown.

Shouldn't the preparation for the Sabbath **also** be something to look forward to as a delight and not a grievous burden?

Another point: Historically, Satan has always tried to make the Sabbath a **burden** instead of a delight. (See passages such as Mark 2:23-28, and Mark 7:7-13.) This was done by adding "vain traditions" and "the doctrines of men."

Mar 7:7 Howbeit **in vain do they worship me, teaching *for* doctrines the commandments of men.**

Mar 7:8 For **laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, *as* the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do.**

Mar 7:9 **And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition.**

Mar 7:13 **Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.**

According to Ecclesiastes 3:15, Ecclesiastes 1:9-11 and 1Corinthians 10:11 the history of Israel's apostasy, which includes: 1) making the Sabbath a grievous burden, and 2) outright Sabbath breaking, solely because of **tradition**, is repeating in our day. The question is how?

Regardless, to counteract this historic form of false Sabbath keeping, our Saviour lovingly beckoned:

Mat 11:28 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you **rest**.

Mat 11:29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find **rest** unto your souls. [*The seventh-day Sabbath “rest” of Hebrews 4.*]

Mat 11:30 For my yoke *is* easy, and my **burden** is light.

Since Satan is such a clever deceiver is it possible that he has again somehow made the preparation for the Sabbath an unnecessary **burden**? Since being ready for Sabbath before sunset on the preparation day is so often filled with stress, strain and even strife, have we somehow been deceived regarding this truth?

A BETTER SCRIPTURAL WAY

The answer from Scripture is absolutely yes. Do you know that, **contrary to what many have been traditionally taught**, over **ten** passages of Scripture and reasons **prove** the following truths?

1. The Seventh-day Sabbath does **not** begin at sundown on the preparation day;
2. Every Scriptural “day,” including the seventh-day Sabbath is only **twelve** hours in length.
3. The Seventh-day Sabbath actually **begins** with the **event of light** on the morning of the seventh day of the week.
4. The Seventh-day Sabbath actually **ends** with the **cessation of light** on the evening of the seventh day of the week.
5. Faithful Sabbath keepers are permitted to **work on the night** of the preparation day;
6. There are at least **six major prophecies** which clearly teach that because of the Jews continual apostasy, Yehovah would eventually cause the “chosen” people to “forget” and no longer know when the true Sabbath and other appointed times of worship really are.
7. Our Creator who says “I change not,” (Malachi 3:6) actually “**changes the times** and the seasons” as stated in Daniel 2:21, so they will **not** correspond with any pagan day or cycle of worship. This is apparently how our Creator sends “strong delusion” to those who self-righteously claim to know it all when 1Corinthians 8:2 so clearly teaches we don’t:

1Co 8:2 And if any man think that he knoweth any thing, he knoweth nothing yet as he ought to know.

Therefore...

1. What if we could work as long as the boss needs us to work on the sixth night of the week?

2. What if we could then go and get any shopping done we have not yet gotten finished before sundown?
3. What if we could then come home even after it is dark, relax a bit, prepare a nice supper and any food that needs to be ready for the Sabbath day.
4. What if we could then do any final cooking, baking, vacuuming or preparation of the house before the Sabbath?
5. What if we could then sit down, relax and watch the news with everything finally done?
6. What if we could then go to bed without guilt and get a good night's sleep?
7. What if we could then let our heavenly Father awaken us, to worship him when it is light, instead of in the hours of the night when "the wicked shall be silent in darkness;" 1Samuel 2:9?

The good news is that, according to Scripture, each of the above seven points are permitted without ever breaking the Sabbath. Truly, real Sabbath keeping is "not grievous" or "a burden."

THE ACTUAL FACTS

1. In harmony with Genesis 1:5 our Creator who is also the Lord of the Sabbath specifically teaches that there are only "twelve hours in the day," that is "twelve hours" long, according to the twelve increments of time on a sun dial, as time was reckoned in those days.

Joh 11:9 Jesus answered, Are there not **twelve hours** in the **day**? If any man walk in the **day**, he **stumbleth** not, because he seeth the **light** of this world.

Joh 11:10 But if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him.

These words of our Creator make it very clear that every day of the week begins when it is just light enough outside to safely walk without stumbling on something that a person cannot clearly see—and **not at sunrise** with the visible first sighting of the rising sun.

These words of our Creator equally make it very clear that every day of the week ends when it is no longer light enough outside to safely walk without stumbling on something that a person cannot see—and **not at sunset** with the first visible disappearance of the setting sun.

These words of our Creator make it very clear that there is **no such thing as a twenty-four hour Sabbath day** of both night and day. This is why Exodus 20:8-11 specifically says to "Remember the Sabbath **day**" and never "Remember the Sabbath **night**." It is simply because there is no such thing!

2. The biblical terms “night” and “darkness” in the creation story do **not** mean the same thing. For instance, a person can be in a deep underground mine shaft in complete “darkness” when it is a bright day outside, or vice versa. Therefore, when our Creator says in Genesis 1:2: “and **darkness** was upon the face of the deep,” it is **not** referring to any portion of any previous day or night. Instead the “**darkness**” is referring to the long period of time that this earth was only a formless dark abyss, before daylight and life were finally created.

Therefore day #1 of the week started with the event of “light” from the Creator himself who is “the light of the world.” The ramifications of this truth could not be more profound. It proves that each successive day of the week, days #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, and day #7, the true seventh day Sabbath, **all began with the event of “light.”** They still do. Therefore the first five verses of Scripture prove that the first day of the week and each following day of the week never began with the sun setting on the previous day. In fact, until the fourth day, there was no Sun to set or rise. This truth was true for when the time of the seventh-day Sabbath began and it still is!

3. The “light” which is called “good” is called “Day.” The “darkness” which is **not** called good is called “Night.” It is thus that “**God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.**” Thus He commands us to observe seventh “Day” “Sabbath” worship only during the complete time that it is light enough to see without stumbling in darkness.

Satan worship is just the opposite. He is not called the prince of **darkness** for nothing. It is for this reason that he specializes in being worshipped during the night hours when Satanists worship and witches and warlocks make human sacrifices on Halloween night which certainly is not hallowed time for true worshippers. This is why Satan begins his false twenty-four-hour day at mid-**night**, his new year at mid-**night** and his other appointed times in the **dark**.

The complete contrast between the Kingdom of Light and the Kingdom of Darkness could not be made clearer by the following Scriptures. **This is why the supposed true Sabbath worship of our Creator during any part of the darkness of night is actually Satan worship.** Here is the evidence:

Jam 1:16 Do not err, my beloved brethren.

Jam 1:17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from **the Father of lights**, with whom is **no** variableness, neither **shadow of turning**.

1Jn 1:4 And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full *[including the preparation for the seventh Day Sabbath]*.

1Jn 1:5 This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that **God is light**, and in him is **no darkness at all**.

1Jn 1:6 **If we say** that we have fellowship with him, and **walk in darkness** *[including supposed Friday night sabbath worship when one stumbles in the dark]*, **we lie, and do not the truth:**

1Jn 1:7 But if we walk in the light *[and only believe in worshipping during the light of the true Seventh Day]*, **as he is in the light**, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

(Thought question: According to 1John 1:4-17, how can “the blood of Jesus Christ his Son” cleanse “us from all sin,” if we “lie” about the truth of when the Sabbath truly begins and are still walking in the darkness of Friday night worship?)

1Th 5:4 But ye, brethren, **are not in darkness**, that that day should overtake you as a thief.
1Th 5:5 **Ye are all the children of light**, and **the children of the day: we are not of the night** *[Friday night, Christmas night, New Years night, or Halloween night]*, **nor of darkness**.

Eph 5:8 For ye were sometimes **darkness**, but **now are ye light** in the Lord: walk as **children of light**:

Col 1:12 Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the **saints in light**:

Col 1:13 Who hath delivered us from **the power of darkness**, and hath translated *us* into the kingdom of his dear Son:

Eph 5:11 And **have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness**, but rather reprove *them*.

1Sa 2:9 He will keep the feet of his saints, and **the wicked shall be silent in darkness**; for by strength shall no man prevail.

Luk 11:34 The **light** of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of **light**; but when *thine eye* is evil, thy body also *is* full of **darkness**.

Luk 11:35 **Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness**.

Luk 11:36 If thy whole body therefore *be* full of **light**, **having no part dark**, the whole shall be full of **light**, as when the bright shining of a candle doth give thee **light**.

Job 3:6 As *for* that **night**, let **darkness** seize upon it; **let it not be joined unto the days of the year**, let it not come into **the number of the months**.

2Co 6:14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with **unbelievers**: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and **what communion hath light with darkness**?

2Co 6:15 And **what concord hath Christ with Belial**? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

Thus, this is the even greater reason why “God **divided** the **light** from the **darkness**. And God called the light **Day**, and the **darkness** he called **Night**.” This is why the key word, “**divided**,” is used three times in relation to light versus darkness in Genesis 1:4, 14 and 18:

Gen 1:4 And God saw the light, that *it was* good: and God **divided** the **light** from the **darkness**....

Gen 1:14 And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to **divide the day from the night**; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:...

Gen 1:18 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.

Accordingly, in Bible typology “light” represents our Creator and “darkness” represents “Belial” or Satan. Therefore:

- **is not formal and corporate worship of our Creator**
- **during the hours of darkness—**
- **especially on Friday night or midnight mass—**
- **actually deceiving us into participating**
- **in intrinsic Satan worship?**

Thus, is supposedly worshipping our Creator during the sixth night, which follows the sixth day, no different than worshipping Satan on Halloween night? It is thus that Scripture forbids the children of the light to corporately worship in the darkness of night:

1Th 5:4 But ye, brethren, **are not in darkness**, that that day should overtake you as a thief.
1Th 5:5 **Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness**.

Isa 5:20 **Woe [curses be] unto them** that call evil good, and good evil; **that put darkness [the darkness of sundown Friday night Sabbath worship] for light, and light for darkness [the light of the true Sabbath Day for the darkness of the previous night]**; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

Therefore anyone who has been deceived into beginning the Sabbath when it begins to get dark is unwittingly a child of darkness.

4. The seventh-day sabbath is all about the worship of our Creator because of what he created. Therefore, **because darkness was not created, and nothing was ever created at night**, it is **blasphemous** to say that the time of the Sabbath day can in any way involve **darkness** or **night** which is Satan worship. Therefore darkness and Friday night worship must be “**divided**” from any true Sabbath keeping and worship. (See “divided” in Genesis 1:4, 14 and 19 above.)
5. **Our Creator didn’t create darkness** for darkness is simply the absence of light and represents the **absence of our Creator**. Therefore the proof for this point is the argument from silence. There is no scriptural evidence for this deception regarding worship in darkness any more than there is for Sunday worship.
6. **Our Creator created nothing at night** for even the night is a form of darkness. Again, the scriptural evidence for this point is the absence of Scripture. **To say differently is simply attempting to add to Scripture** something which is not there. This attempted addition to

Scripture is strictly forbidden by the last warning in the Bible and can certainly result in the loss of eternal life if one does not repent of this evil form and practice of Satan worship.

Rev 22:18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, **If any man shall add unto these things**, God shall add unto him **the plagues** that are written in this book:

Rev 22:19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and *from* the things which are written in this book.

7. Our Creator created the Sabbath as **the celebration of the life of every living thing**—all of which was only created during the day. Therefore the Sabbath “day” can only be during the daylight hours to celebrate what took place during each day of the seven days of creation.
8. The seventh day Sabbath is only the **memorial** of special creation and not evolution, Genesis 2:1-4. It is the sign that we **know** our Creator, and the sign that he **sanctifies** us. **It is not a memorial of Satan and his works of darkness and night** and that we know him. Neither does Satan sanctify us. Therefore there can be no association between Friday night Satan worship in darkness versus the Sabbath Day which is just the opposite.

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

Gen 2:2 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**.

Gen 2:3 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**.

Gen 2:4 These *are* the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens,

Eze 20:12 Moreover also I gave them my sabbaths, to be a **sign** between me and them, that they might **know** that I *am* the LORD that **sanctify** them.

Eze 20:20 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.

Therefore the Sabbath “day” can only be the celebration of life and light and not death and darkness—by our Creator’s own example!

9. The last words of Genesis 1:5 are: “And the **evening and the morning** were the first day.” This is not meant to be confusing or a contradiction at all. It isn’t. In reality **it is absolute proof that the Sabbath can’t possibly begin in the “evening.”** Instead it teaches a most important seldom recognized truth. The real problem is this: **People just don’t think through the truth that has already been so clearly taught in verses 1-4.**

First, it has already been well established that each and every twelve-hour day on the sundial begins with the event of enough light when a person can safely begin walking around outside

without stumbling (See John 11:9-10 above.). Second, every twelve-hour day ends when there is no longer enough light to walk safely without stumbling in the dark.

According to many other Scriptures every twelve hour “day” has **two halves**. The first half of every twelve hour “day” is called “the **morning**.” It begins when it is light enough to see and continues until “**noon**” which is also called “**mid-day**” in Scripture. It is during this first half of every twelve hour “day” that the “**morning** sacrifice” (Numbers 28:8) was prepared and offered in the temple at “the third hour” which corresponds to Western 9:00 a.m. time.

The second half of every twelve hour “day” is called “the **evening**” for this time period is when the sun begins its descent, beginning at “noon.” Therefore preparation and offering of “the **evening** sacrifice” (1Kings 18:29-36) began at approximately “the ninth hour” on the sundial which corresponds to 3:00 p.m. in Western time. Therefore the “**the evening**,” which is the second half of the time period called a twelve hour “day,” **ends when it is no longer light** enough outside to walk safely. This fact makes it quite clear that the term “evening” cannot at all refer to any part of the twelve hours of night.

Therefore this naturally raises the question: Why do each of the days of the creation week record end with the **reversed** word order stating “the evening and the morning” instead of saying “the morning and the evening were the first day”—which is already the established fact from the previous four verses?

It is because “God saw the light, that *it was* good: and God divided the light from the darkness.” Why? **The text only says that “the light...was good.”** It never says the night was good. In other words the direct inference is that the “night is bad” and certainly not a time for corporate worship. This is why the day must be unmistakably “**divided**” from the night. This is cleverly **done by dividing the evening from the night by mentioning the “evening” first—even though it has already been made very clear that the morning begins the first half of the day.**

Gen 1:4 And God saw the light, that *it was* **good**: and God divided the light from the darkness.

Gen 1:5 And God called the light **Day**, and the darkness he called **Night**.

This answer could not be more important. It is because our Creator wants to make it absolutely certain that there is to be **no connection** or **combining** of the twelve “good” hours of a **Day** with the twelve implied “bad” hours of the **Night**. Again, this is why the word “divided” is so crucial in **Genesis 1:4, 14 and 18**. This is why the separate terms, “forty days and forty nights” are our Creator’s mode of operation throughout Scripture in such accounts as the flood of rain for “forty days and forty nights” and Jonah’s being in the belly of the fish for “three days and three nights,” and our Saviour being in the grave for “three days and three nights.”

Therefore, in the early history of this earth, there was no such thing as the completely pagan twenty-four hour day which begins and ends at midnight. Instead there is to be an absolute **division** and separation between light and darkness so that it will be absolutely clear that the

seventh-day Sabbath is **only** during the twelve hours of light! In obedience to Deuteronomy 4:15-19, the actual time of the beginning of worship is to have nothing to do with the beginning of the visible sighting of any visible heavenly body—including the sun at **sunrise** or **sundown**!

- To ignorantly or deliberately begin worship
- at the **last sighting** of the sun at **sundown**
- on the **sixth** day of the week while it is still **legally light** for some time
- is no different and is **just as pagan** a form of Satan worship
- as to begin worship at **the first sighting** of the sun at **sunrise**
- on the **first** day of the week while it is already **legally light**!

Both satanic practices of **visible sighting** are equally forbidden by Deuteronomy 4:15-19:

Deu 4:15 Take ye therefore good heed unto yourselves; **for ye saw no manner of similitude** on the **day that** the LORD spake unto you in Horeb out of the midst of the fire:

Deu 4:16 **Lest ye corrupt yourselves**, and make you a graven image, the similitude of any figure, the likeness of male or female,

Deu 4:17 The likeness of any beast that *is* on the earth, the likeness of any winged fowl that flieth in the air,

Deu 4:18 The likeness of any thing that creepeth on the ground, the likeness of any fish that *is* in the waters beneath the earth:

Deu 4:19 **And lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun [at sunset or sunrise], and the moon [at the visible crescent], and the stars, even all the host of heaven, shouldest be driven to worship them, and serve them**, which the LORD thy God hath divided unto all nations under the whole heaven.

Instead, according to the meaning of the Hebrew word, אות 'ôth (**H226**) translated as “signs,” in Genesis 1:14-19, the heavenly bodies are only to be used as “signs” to **predict in advance** when the appointed times of worship are to take place.

In the original Hebrew language of Genesis 1:14-19, if someone can’t know well **in advance** when the appointed times of worship are to begin, simply by looking up in the sky, then they don’t know how to tell when the true seventh-day Sabbath is or when the other appointed times of worship are. (How to do this is very simple and will be included in the next study regarding calendation. It is “must” reading.)

10. The story of the giving of the manna in the wilderness (in Exodus 16) was to forever establish the actual time when the seventh-day Sabbath begins. It is the benchmark of this truth. This is why, on the **sixth day** of the week, which was the preparation day for the Sabbath, Moses did **not** say “To night is the beginning of the Sabbath.” Instead he said: **“To morrow is the rest [the Sabbath rest of Hebrews 4] of the holy sabbath”**:

Exo 16:4 Then said the LORD unto Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a certain rate every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in my law, or no.

Exo 16:5 And it shall come to pass, that **on the sixth day they shall prepare** *that* which they bring in; and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily.

Exo 16:22 And it came to pass, *that* **on the sixth day** they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for one *man*: and all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses.

Exo 16:23 And he said unto them, This *is that* which the LORD hath said, **To morrow is the rest^{H7677} of the holy sabbath** unto the LORD: bake *that* which ye will bake **to day**, and seethe that ye will seethe; and that which remaineth over lay up for you to be kept until the morning.

Ironically, those who are determined to be deceived intrinsic sun worshippers, by observing the **setting** sun on the sixth day of the week, don't want to have to accept what Exodus 16:23 actually says at face value. They don't want to believe that the words "To morrow" mean exactly what they say. Instead they want people to believe that somehow, mysteriously, the words "To morrow" means Friday night at sundown! This completely warped excuse to follow Satanic tradition is stripped naked by the use of the words "**is the rest^{H7677} of the holy sabbath,**" **which immediately follow the words, "To morrow."** The Hebrew definition of the words "**the rest^{H7677}**" make it positively clear that the word "To morrow" is referring to the entire Sabbath day called "the Sabbath":

H7677 שַׁבָּתון *shabbâthôn* *shab-baw-thone'*

From **H7676**; a *sabbatism* or **special holiday**: - **rest, sabbath**.

H7676 שָׁבַת *shabbâth* *shab-bawth'*

Intensive from **H7673**; *intermission*, that is, (specifically) **the Sabbath**: - (+ **every**) **sabbath**.

H7673 שָׁבַת *shâbath* *shaw-bath'* [*bolding emphasis supplied*]

A primitive root; to *repose*, that is, *desist* from exertion; used in many implied relations (causatively, figuratively or specifically): - (cause to, let, make to) cease, celebrate, cause (make) to fail, keep (sabbath), suffer to be lacking, leave, put away (down), (make to) rest, rid, still, take away.

Thus the word, "rest" is proving that the entire "Sabbath" is taking place "To morrow" on the following day and is no part whatever of the previous night.

Consequently the story of the giving of the manna has a double witness that **NO** part of the seventh-day Sabbath can possibly begin on the evening of the sixth day, at sundown, while it is yet light, or include any part of the night or darkness.

Therefore, according to Scripture:

- anyone who has changed the time of the day of worship
- from the light of the seventh day
- to the light of the sixth day while it is still light at sundown,
- while it is still light enough to walk or safely drive without artificial light,
- is just as guilty of breaking the fourth commandment
- as someone who dares to change the true seventh day Sabbath of worship
- from the seventh day to the first day of the week!

11. Genesis 19:19-36 is another historical event where the specific wording of the Bible proves that there is no such thing as any day of the week ever beginning in the evening, “yesternight,” or on the night belonging to the previous day. This is why we never hear anyone ever say “It is a new day” when it is getting dark!

We have just learned from the story of the giving of the manna that the word, “To morrow” does not mean tonight. In the story of Lot’s two daughters getting pregnant on two consecutive nights, we learn another word that teaches and proves the same truth. It is the word “**yesternight**.”

We are all acquainted with the terms “today” and “tonight” versus “tomorrow” and “tomorrow night.” The same kind of usage is also true of the Standard King James Version terms “yesterday” and “yesternight.”

The word, “yesternight” is a compound word. It is comprised of the words, “yester-” and “night.” It is akin to sister words such as yester-day, yester-eve, yester-morn, yester-noon, yester-week, and yester-year. Accordingly the *Merriam-Webster Dictionary* defines the word, “yester” as follows: [*Some of the emphasis is supplied from the two following dictionaries.*]

Merriam-Webster: Origin and Etymology of YESTERNIGHT

Middle English, from Old English *gystran niht*, from *giestran* yesterday + *niht* night...archaic of or relating to yesterday: yester sun.... of or pertaining to yesterday (usu. used in combination): *yesternight*. [1570–80; extracted from yesterday] *adj.* Archaic. of or pertaining to yesterday (usu. used in combination): *yesternight*. yester- a combining form occurring in words that denote a time one period prior to the present period, the nature of the period being specified by the second element of the compound: *yesteryear*.

In turn the *American Heritage of the English Language* defines the prefix “yester-” as: “1. indicating the day before today: *yesterday*. 2. indicating a period of time before the present one: *yesteryear*...of or pertaining to yesterday (usu. used in combination): *yesternight*. [1570–80; extracted from yesterday].

In other words, the word “yesternight” assures us that the time period being described as “yesternight” is an integral part of a previous time period called “yesterday.” It is most certainly **not** any part of a time period called “To morrow” as when the Sabbath begins in Exodus 16:23 with the event of light. These English definitions perfectly agree with the original Hebrew:

H570 עֶמֶשׁ 'emesh eh'-mesh

Time *past*, that is, *yesterday* or *last night*: - former time, yesterday (-night).

Consequently, in the following account we find that Lot’s two daughters made Lot drink wine and “**that night**... the firstborn went in, and lay with her father.” The next day, “on **the morrow**...the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold, I lay **yesternight**^{H570} with my father: let us make him drink wine **this night** also; and go thou in, *and* lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.” Thus there is no question that the word, “yesternight” is linked to the **previous day** and **not the next night** when the second daughter would get pregnant.

Gen 19:30 And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters.
 Gen 19:31 And the firstborn said unto the younger, Our father *is* old, and *there is* not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth:
 Gen 19:32 Come, let us **make** our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.
 Gen 19:33 And they made their father drink wine **that night**: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her father; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.
 Gen 19:34 And it came to pass on the **morrow**, that the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold, I lay **vesternight** with my father: let us make him drink wine **this night** also; and go thou in, *and* lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.
 Gen 19:35 And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the younger arose, and lay with him; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.
 Gen 19:36 Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father.

12. Again, in Genesis 31:29, in the account of the escape of Jacob from Laban, the word “vesternight” is used by **Laban** as it was connected to the previous day:

Gen 31:29 It is in the power of my hand to do you hurt: but the God of your father spake unto me **vesternight**,^{H570} saying, Take thou heed that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.

13. Again, in Genesis 31:41, in the account of the escape of **Jacob** from Laban, the word “vesternight” is used by Jacob as it was connected to the previous day:

Gen 31:41 Thus have I been twenty years in thy house; I served thee fourteen years for thy two daughters, and six years for thy cattle: and thou hast changed my wages ten times.
 Gen 31:42 Except the God of my father, the God of Abraham, and the fear of Isaac, had been with me, surely thou hadst sent me away now empty. God hath seen mine affliction and the labour of my hands, and rebuked *thee* **vesternight**.

14. Nehemiah 13:19-22 is the Scriptural record that it is not only permitted but pleasing to our Lord to work on the night of the sixth day, especially to be prepared for the Sabbath day that begins the next morning. The setting is this. The Jews had recently returned from the Babylonian captivity where they had been punished for seventy years for their history of Sabbath breaking and etc. Now the walls of Jerusalem had been rebuilt. But pagan merchants from the coastal cities were allowed to come into the city to sell their wares, even on the preparation day until it was dark.

By then the streets of the city were empty. The residents of Jerusalem had eaten and were settled down for the night. Since there were no street lights, the pagan vendors could not do any more selling. Therefore, in all fairness, Nehemiah had let the pagan vendors remain within the city gates until no more sales could be made. The sun had set some time before for it is not “dark” at sundown. (Therefore it is not sin to shop after sundown!) It was only then when it

began to be actually “dark” that Nehemiah gave the orders to clear the streets of all vendors and bar the numerous gates of the city to keep out all vendors.

It is very significant that Nehemiah does not say:

- “it was shortly before sundown when the Sabbath would begin or
- “it was still twilight” or
- “it was almost dark.”

Instead Nehemiah clearly says: it “began to be dark **before** the Sabbath.” Furthermore, it was only **after** it began to be “**dark**” that the orders were finally sent out across the city for the priests to make sure that there were no more vendors left and the work of shutting and barring the gates could begin. Thus, in reality, if the true seventh-day Sabbath had begun at sundown while it was still light, Nehemiah would have been commanding people to do unnecessary work on the Sabbath that could have been done well before sundown!

Neh 13:19 And it came to pass, that when the gates of Jerusalem **began to be dark before the sabbath**, I commanded that the gates should be shut, and charged that they should not be opened till after the sabbath: and *some* of my servants set I at the gates, *that* there should no burden be brought in on the sabbath **day**.

Neh 13:20 So the merchants and sellers of all kind of ware lodged without Jerusalem once or twice.

Neh 13:21 Then I testified against them, and said unto them, Why lodge ye about the wall? if ye do *so* again, I will lay hands on you. From that time forth came they no *more* on the **sabbath**.

Neh 13:22 And I commanded the Levites that they should cleanse themselves, and *that* they should come *and* keep the gates, to sanctify the sabbath **day**. Remember me, O my God, *concerning* this also, and spare me according to the greatness of thy mercy.

So why did Nehemiah **not** have the gates of the city closed until **after** sundown and **after** it began to be dark “**before the sabbath**” when there were still quite a number of hours of darkness before the Sabbath day would begin? The answer is very simple. Our heavenly Father wanted everyone to be able to sleep in and be well rested in preparation for the Sabbath **day**, without any stress, and not have to get up and hassle with pagan vendors sleeping with their wares in the streets. Only true worshippers from outside the city walls were allowed into the city during the Sabbath hours, after daylight, once the Sabbath had begun!

15. As we have just seen, in Bible times the gates to the city of Jerusalem were never left open throughout the night, before the Sabbath began with the event of light. But “the gate of the inner court of the temple” which was “shut” during “the six working days” when it was light, was to “be opened” when it was light on two non-working days: “**on the sabbath**” “and in the **day** of the new moon”:

Eze 46:1 Thus saith the Lord GOD; The gate of the inner court that looketh toward the east shall be shut the six working days; but **on the sabbath it shall be opened**, and in the day of the new moon it shall be opened.

Eze 46:2 And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of *that* gate without, and shall stand by the post of the gate, and the priests shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings, and he shall **worship** at the threshold of the gate: then he shall go forth; but the gate shall not be shut until the evening.

Eze 46:3 Likewise the people of the land shall **worship at the door** of this gate before the LORD in the **sabbaths** and in the **new moons**.

Again, there can be no question that “the Sabbaths” and “the new moons” were only to be celebrated when it was the light of day.

FALSIFIED REASONING TO PROMOTE SATAN WORSHIP

In spite of the fifteen previous irrefutable facts and texts that prove that the seventh-day Sabbath does not and cannot begin at sundown on the sixth day, there are two more texts (in addition to the last half of Genesis 1:5 etc.) which professed Sabbatarians are determined to “use and abuse” to supposedly prove their naive form of Satan worship. They are Leviticus 23:32 and Mark 14:52.

Some blindly argue: “Leviticus 23:32 teaches that we should keep the seventh-day Sabbath “from even to even” or “from sundown to sundown!”

Absolutely not! This is a total deception which causes deceived worshippers to **break the fourth commandment** and here is why: Leviticus 23:32 is not at all talking about when to keep the seventh-day Sabbath. Instead it is discussing a completely different feast day, “**the day of atonement**,” which **only** takes place “on the **tenth day** of this seventh month”:

Lev 23:26 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

Lev 23:27 Also on the **tenth day** of this seventh month *there shall be a day* of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

Lev 23:28 And ye shall do no work in that same **day**: for it *is* a **day** of atonement, to make an atonement for you before the LORD your God.

Lev 23:29 For whatsoever soul *it be* that shall not be afflicted in that same **day**, he shall be cut off from among his people.

Lev 23:30 And whatsoever soul *it be* that doeth any work in that same **day**, the same soul will I destroy from among his people.

Lev 23:31 Ye shall do no manner of work: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

Lev 23:32 It [*the actual day of atonement on the tenth day of the month*] *shall be* unto you a sabbath of rest, and ye shall afflict your souls: in the **ninth day** of the month **at even, from even unto even**, shall ye celebrate your sabbath.

The **last half** of verse 32 of Leviticus 23 introduces a final facet of truth regarding how to prepare for the Day of Atonement which **only** takes place during **the daylight hours** of the **tenth** day of the seventh month of Tishri. The **last half** of verse 32 continues by telling of the physical and spiritual preparation that must begin apparently right after supper on the ninth day:

Lev 23:32 It [*“the tenth day”*]*shall be* unto you a sabbath of rest, and ye shall afflict your souls: in the **ninth day** of the month **at even, from even unto even**, shall ye celebrate your sabbath.

Why is it then that

- when the day of atonement is only on the actual “tenth day” of the seventh month, and
- only during the approximate twelve hours of daylight,
- that the afflicting of one’s soul should begin,
- approximately twelve hours earlier,
- apparently just after the supper hour,
- during the evening hours of the previous “ninth day” of light,
- and last until dark of the tenth day?

It all has to do with the propensities of human nature. The purpose of **fasting** during the Day of Atonement is that this is the last opportunity one has to afflict and search one’s soul to know that their record before the Divine Judge and their fellow man is entirely clear. Otherwise they will be spiritually “cut off.” This is also a type of the great Day of Judgment. Therefore it is all important that nothing be eaten after supper “in the ninth day” (that is “pigging out” just before daylight!).

Therefore one’s stomach will be empty when the actual Day of Atonement begins with daylight on the “tenth day. However, human nature being what it is, some people would get up, well before the light of the tenth day and gorge themselves with enough food for three meals, thus defeating the purpose of the fast. They would not have clear minds to search their souls.

Thus, this entire period of time “from even to even” is a period of fasting. It in no way relates to the beginning of the seventh-day Sabbath when good food that has already been prepared can be enjoyed. Thus, the moment anyone falsely says that **the seventh-day weekly Sabbath** is “from even to even ” (instead of the fasting preceding and including the day of atonement) it is actually inferring that no one can eat during any of the time belonging to the weekly seventh-day sabbath! This is how deceived we have been taught by vain tradition!

A third text that is often used and abused to teach Friday night sundown Satan worship is:

Mar 15:42 And now when the **even** was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the **day before** the sabbath,

The immediate larger context is:

Mar 15:37 And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.

Mar 15:38 And the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom.

Mar 15:39 And when the centurion, which stood over against him, saw that he so cried out, and gave up the ghost, he said, Truly this man was the Son of God.

Mar 15:40 There were also women looking on afar off: among whom was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the less and of Joses, and Salome;

Mar 15:41 (Who also, when he was in Galilee, followed him, and ministered unto him;) and many other women which came up with him unto Jerusalem.

Mar 15:42 **And now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath,**

Mar 15:43 Joseph of Arimathaea, an honourable counsellor, which also waited for the kingdom of God, came, and went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus.

Please notice: Mark 15:43 specifically defines the word “**even**” as “**the day before the Sabbath.**” In light of what has already been presented, this text is not saying what it is so falsely “used” to teach.

- **First**, and briefly, it has already been continually demonstrated that “the evening” is **only** the time of the “**day**” or daylight, from noon until dark “**before** the Sabbath.”
- **Second**, the activity that is being discussed “when even was come” in verses 42-43, is not in reference to any activity on the actual seventh-day Sabbath which could not begin until approximately fifteen hours later when it was finally light.
- **Third**, Mark 15:42 specifically teaches that **the even** which **was come** “was the preparation, that is, **the day before** the sabbath.” It was **not** the Sabbath.

Thus, since “the even” being referred to here **already** “was come” many hours before the true Sabbath would begin, it is impossible for this passage to teach that the seventh-day Sabbath in any way begins shortly after 3 p.m. on the sixth day! Those who dare to misuse and abuse this text to supposedly prove that the Sabbath begins at “even,” are just as spiritually blind as the Jews who still keep the pagan’s Friday night as Satan’s Sabbath.

The Scriptural record is complete and perfect.

1. Every day of the creation week began with the event of light.
2. The event of light on the seventh day likewise begins every Seventh-day Sabbath.
3. Since darkness and night represent Satan’s kingdom and Satan worship, there must be a complete “division” and separation between the darkness and night of the previous sixth day and the beginning of the true Seventh-day Sabbath.
4. Thus the preparation for the Sabbath is not to be grievous or a heavy burden by beginning any sacred time of worship at sundown (twelve hours too early) or during any of the darkness of the sixth night.
5. The miracle of the manna teaches that on the sixth day of the week Moses specifically announced that “Tomorrow is the Sabbath of the Lord.” He did not say “tonight” or at “sundown.” Also, the use of the word, “yesternight” in the story of Laban and Jacob prove that any part of any night is at the end of the previous day and never begins any day.

6. The Day of Atonement only falls on the tenth day of the seventh month and not on the seventh day of the week. Therefore preparation for and the keeping of the Day of Atonement from “even to even” has nothing to do with the Seventh day Sabbath. This “tradition” is an absolute falsehood.

7. The Jews were taken into captivity for Sabbath breaking and for not keeping the Sabbath how Scripture says it should be prepared for and kept. After their seventy years of captivity, Nehemiah 13:19 makes it clear that the Jews finally returned to true Sabbath worship which only began after dark with the event of light on the seventh-day. It is a tragedy that, years later, they eventually apostatized from this true knowledge. This will be explained shortly.

SUMMARY OF THE TEN PASSAGES PROVING THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A FRIDAY NIGHT SABBATH IN THE DARK

In summary: We have seen that there are no less than **ten different references** which teach that no new day, including the seventh-day Sabbath, ever begins with the previous night of darkness. These verses are conveniently summarized here for you to list in the back of your Bible. They are:

1. John 11:9 when Yeshua asked “Are there not twelve hours in a day?” (and not twenty-four hours).
2. Genesis 1:1-5 when the first day and every day thereafter began with light, and darkness can never be joined with light for light represents divinity and darkness represent Satan.
3. Genesis 1:14-19 when the word “day” always precedes the word “night” three times and not visa versa.
4. Exodus 16:23 when, on the sixth day Moses said “To morrow is the rest of the holy sabbath unto the Lord.”
5. Exodus 20:8-11 when it says “Remember the sabbath day” and not day and night.
6. Nehemiah 13:10-22 when it was already “dark” before the Sabbath, when the command was finally given for the city gates of Jerusalem to be closed.
7. Ezekiel 46:1-3 when the gates of the temple were to be opened when it was light at the beginning of the Sabbath day,
8. The term, “yesternight” in Genesis 19:34 proves that the night is part of the previous day, yesterday, and not part of the following day or tomorrow.

Gen 19:34 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also;

and go thou in, *and* lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.

9. The term, “**yesternight**” in Genesis 31:29 proves that the night is part of the previous day, **yesterday**, and not part of the following day or tomorrow.

Gen 31:29 It is in the power of my hand to do you hurt: but the God of your father spake unto me **yesternight**, saying, Take thou heed that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.

10. The term, “yesternight” in Genesis 31:42 proves that the night is part of the previous day, yesterday, and not part of the following day or tomorrow.

Gen 31:42 Except the God of my father, the God of Abraham, and the fear of Isaac, had been with me, surely thou hadst sent me away now empty. God hath seen mine affliction and the labour of my hands, and rebuked *thee* **yesternight**.

THE BIG QUESTION

Therefore after Nehemiah’s day, how did the Devil get the Jews to change the time for the beginning of the Sabbath from the daylight of the Seventh day to sometime during the evening of the sixth day, well before dark? He established **a counterfeit creeping compromise** and it apparently happened like this:

1. The Jews went into captivity because of their apostasy in relation to Sabbath keeping.
2. Therefore they were very determined to not to have to go into captivity again for defiling the Sabbath in any way.
3. Therefore they eventually made very certain that everyone was completely ready for the Sabbath while they could still see.
4. Then, since everything was ready for the Sabbath, they gradually began lighting what would eventually be called “the Sabbath candle” as soon as the Sun set.
5. This was then followed by a delicious meal that eventually became called a Sabbath evening meal.
6. Thus part of the sixth day and all of the sixth night eventually and gradually began to be thought of as sacred and holy and as a time of worship.
7. Finally, the worship on the evening of the sixth day was considered to be part of the original seventh-day Sabbath worship that originally was only to be during daylight hours.

It was thus, apparently in direct reference to this false worship that our Saviour pointedly warned:

Mat 15:7 *Ye* hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying,

Mat 15:8 This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with *their* lips; but their heart is far from me.

Mat 15:9 But **in vain they do worship me**, teaching *for* doctrines **the commandments of men**.

As sacred history is repeating (Ecclesiastes 3:15, 1:9-11 and 1Corinthians 10:11) is it any wonder

860 that our heavenly Father could say then and still say today:

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862 Amo 5:21 I hate, I despise **your** [*not mine but “your”*] feast days, and I will not smell in your
863 solemn assemblies.

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865 So yes, our Saviour died on the fourteenth day of the month, on the preparation day for the seventh-
866 day Sabbath rest. But, because the Jews were even then beginning the Sabbath on the evening of
867 the sixth day, the Jews were in a mad rush to get our Saviour off the cross and have him buried
868 before the false beginning of their Sabbath!

869 **SIX TERRIBLE TIME PROPHECIES ABOUT THE SABBATHS**

870 Last but not least, there are six prophecies warning that Yehovah would remove the knowledge of
871 the correct times of the holy days from the Jews. This says it all for **these six different have never**
872 **been revoked!** It is a pity that so few professed Sabbath keepers even know about them.

873 Regardless:

- 874 • if anyone is following any of the appointed times
- 875 • for the beginning and or ending of any
- 876 • of the Jewish Sabbaths or holy days
- 877 • that the Jews observe today,

878 they are also, somehow, just as deceived as the Jews!

879 But this apostasy of Satan’s changing our Creator’s appointed “times and laws” of worship, as
880 warned by Daniel 7:25,¹ was warned of well ahead of time. There are no less than **four major**
881 **prophecies** in the First and Second Bible Testaments and **two** in the books of Jubilees and Enoch
882 that warn that the Almighty himself will “**cause**” the knowledge of his true times of worship to
883 “**cease**” and ultimately be “**forgotten.**” This is the required punishment for Judaism’s and
884 Christendom’s continued apostasy and Sabbath breaking.

885 **Prophecy #1: Hosea 2:11**

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887 Hos 2:11 I will also cause **all** her mirth to **cease**, her feast days, her new moons, and her
888 **sabbaths**, and all her solemn feasts [*to cease*].

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890 This prophecy had to be fulfilled sometime **after** our Saviour’s death for he was certainly
891 crucified by the Jews on the true day of the Passover. This was exactly when Scripture
892 typologically prophesies that his vicarious death would happen when the Passover lamb was
893 slain.

¹ Dan 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.

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898 **Prophecy #2: Lamentations 2:6**
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900 Lam 2:6 And he hath violently taken away his tabernacle, as *if it were of* a garden: he hath
901 destroyed his places of the assembly: **the LORD hath caused the solemn feasts and sabbaths**
902 **to be forgotten in Zion**, and hath despised in the indignation of his anger the king and the
903 priest.
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905 **Prophecy #3: Jeremiah 8:13**

906 This prophecy clearly testifies that “the things that I [*Yehovah*] have given them shall pass away
907 from them.” Likewise, Ezekiel 20:12-13 declares that “I [*Yehovah*] gave them my Sabbaths” “my
908 statutes” and “my judgments.” Therefore:
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- 910 • because *Yehovah* “gave” all Israel, including the Jews, his “Sabbaths,” “statutes” and
911 “judgments,” and
- 912 • because *Yehovah* said “the things that I have **given them** shall **pass away from them**,”
913 therefore, when these two key Scriptures are compared,
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915 this absolutely proves, from the Jew’s own Scriptures, that ultimately the commandments and all
916 the true “Sabbaths” and “statutes” will be removed from the knowledge of apostate Judaism as
917 partial punishment for their continued corporate rebellion and wickedness against *Yehovah*:
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919 Jer 8:13 I will surely consume them, saith the LORD: *there shall be* no grapes on the vine, nor
920 figs on the fig tree, and the leaf shall fade; and **the things that I have given them shall pass**
921 **away from them**.
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923 Eze 20:12 Moreover also **I gave them my Sabbaths**, to be a sign between me and them, that
924 they might know that I *am* the LORD that sanctify them.

925 Eze 20:13 **But the house of Israel rebelled against me** in the wilderness: they walked not in
926 my statutes, and they despised **my judgments**, which *if* a man do, he shall even live in them;
927 and **my Sabbaths** they greatly polluted: then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them in
928 the wilderness, to consume them.
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930 **Prophecy #4: Luke 19:41-42 and Psalm 119:165**

931 Just before the Jews had their Messiah crucified, he prophesied that “the things which belong unto
932 thy peace” would from then on “be hid from their eyes”:

933 Luk 19:41 And when he [*the Messiah*] was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it,
934 Luk 19:42 Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, **the things which**
935 **belong unto thy peace!** but **now they are hid from thine eyes**.
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937 Psalm 119:165 clearly teaches that the source of “great peace” is loving and therefore keeping
938 *Yehovah*’s Ten Commandment law which includes the time of the true seventh day Sabbath:
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940 Psa 119:165 **Great peace** have they which **love thy law**: and nothing shall offend them.

941 Therefore,

- 942 • when Luke 19:41-42 and Psalm 119:165 are joined together
- 943 • they clearly teach that the knowledge,
- 944 • of when the true Sabbath of the fourth commandment is to be kept
- 945 • will from then on,
- 946 • be hid from the Jews.

947 Therefore **today**, few if any **professed** sabbath-keeping **Jews** or **other professed Sabbatarians**
948 **know when any of the true times of worship are!** This includes the true time of when the
949 seventh-day Sabbath begins with the event of light. All the appointed times of worship have been
950 changed. They are still “hid from” their “eyes.” How **all** of these appointed times have somehow
951 been so cleverly, Satanically changed will be demonstrated in the studies that follow.

952 So again, as stated before, if anyone keeps the same times of worship today, that the Jews still
953 keep, one can be sure that they are just as deceived as the Jews still are! There is **much historical**
954 **evidence** as to how these changes have been gradually accomplished for both Jews and Christians!
955 (See: <http://triumphpro.com/postponements-new-truth.htm>) Only the deceived refuse to believe it.
956 Yet, the above scriptural evidence alone should be sufficient to convince the honest in heart that
957 this is indeed the case.

958 There are two additional non-Scriptural historical sources which address this issue of the
959 corrupting of the true time of true Sabbath worship. They are from the famous book of *Jubilees*
960 and the likewise famous book of *Enoch*. Since both are in such agreement with the previous four
961 Scriptural prophecies, and also in agreement with Daniel 2:21 and Daniel 7:25, they are being
962 included. But this is only to demonstrate that there have also been other, non-canonical, yet faithful
963 prophetic voices of warning which were aware of how our heavenly Father’s appointed times have
964 been and would be corrupted.

965 **Prophecy #5: Jubilees 6:31-35**

966 The book of *Jubilees* is a book of prophecy that some believe should have been included in the
967 Bible Canon. Others say it shouldn’t. If it is genuinely inspired, the ramifications of its warnings
968 could not be more serious. Regardless they certainly are in harmony with the four Bible prophecies
969 already given.

970 Jub 31: But if they [*the Children of Israel, including the Jews*] do transgress and do not observe
971 them [*the original appointed times of worship*] according to his commandment, **then will be**
972 **corrupted all their fixed dates**, and the years will waver in consequence, and also there are
973 times in the years, and they will transgress their ordinance.

974 Jub 32: And all the children of Israel will forget and will not find the paths of the years
975 [*Compare with Hosea 2:6 “she shall not find her paths.”*], and will forget the new moon
976 [*apparently when the true new moon or new month is to be observed*] and the Sabbath and the
977 festivals [*apparently the true Sabbath and festivals*] and in all the order of the years they will
978 err.

Jub 33: For I know, and from now on I shall make it known to thee, and not from my heart, but thus is written in a book before me and is ordained in the tablets of heaven, the division of days, that they forget not the festivals of my covenant and walk according to the festivals of the Gentiles [*apparently when the heathen observed the new moons and festivals*], after their errors and after their ignorance [*the pagan methods of calculation and calendation of time*].

Jub 34: And there will be those who makes observations of the moon a [*Apparently the correct way of how to observe the moon is the key issue.*], for this one (the moon) corrupts the stated time and comes out earlier each year by ten days.

Jub 35: And in this way they will corrupt the year and will observe a wrong day as the day of testimony [*Apparently Judaism will keep a “wrong” seventh day Sabbath.*] And a corrupted festival day, [*and apparently a corrupted or false new moon day*], and every one [*all Jews and hence all Sabbatarians*] will **mix holy days with unclean ones and unclean with holy**; for they will err as to months [*apparently as to when the true month or new month begins*] and Sabbath and festivals and jubilees.

Prophecy #6: Enoch 80:6-8

Likewise, the book of *Enoch* is a historical book of prophecy that some believe should have been included in the Bible Canon. Again, because the wording of the following prophecy is in such perfect harmony with the previous four prophecies of Scripture it is also included at this time:

Enoch 80:6 And many chiefs of the stars shall transgress the order (prescribed).
And these shall alter their orbits and tasks.
And not appear at the seasons prescribed to them.

Enoch 80:7 And the whole order of the stars shall be concealed from the sinners,
And the thoughts of those on the earth shall err concerning them,
[And they shall be altered from all their ways],
Yea, they shall err and take them to be gods.

Enoch 80:8 And evil shall be multiplied upon them,
And punishment shall come upon them So as to destroy all.'

Confession and Conclusion

Each of those who have contributed to and helped to write this study have each confessed that we were taught an entirely false form of Sabbath keeping that still is indeed “grievous” and a “heavy burden.” This form of sundown worship is totally against what Scripture actually teaches. All of the above six prophecies applied to us. Therefore we have now repented and returned to “the old paths” of when to begin the true day and time of Sabbath worship. As our dear Saviour still warns:

Mar 7:7 Howbeit **in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.**

Mar 7:8 For **laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do.**

Mar 7:9 **And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition.**

Mar 7:13 **Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition,** which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

Isa 8:20 To the law and to the testimony: **if they speak not according to this word, *it is* because *there is* no light in them.**

ONE FINAL POINT

Even though it is permissible to finish up some things on the sixth night of the week that might not have been able to be taken care of beforehand, this does not mean that we should not be spiritually prepared for the Sabbath rest of righteousness by faith all week long for this is indeed an equally important part of the necessary spiritual preparation.

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Please feel free to share this study with those who are searching for truth as long as it is unchanged in any way. It is hoped that it will go viral! No names are mentioned for it is the desire of those who have written and contributed to it to have the focus solely on the question: “Is this what the Bible truly teaches?” The numbers on the far left of each line are to make it easier for study groups to discuss it.

In fulfillment of the prophecies of Daniel 7:25, Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 and other Scriptures, the previous study deals with **only one of over thirty** divinely appointed “times and laws” which have indeed been illegally “changed” by Satan and vain tradition (See Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 for twenty-eight more examples). Most of us have been this seriously deceived. Why? As long as **even one** of our Creator’s laws of life and/or appointed times is still observed on this earth, Satan cannot consider himself as the absolute King of this world and of Darkness. Do you know which each of these changes are? If you don’t, how can you know for sure that you are still not following Satan? Ignorance is no longer an excuse. There is no need for anyone to be the fulfillment of 2Thessalonians 2:7-12. For more information on this life and death subject, contact:

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