
❖SERMON NOTES❖

Sunday, February 26, 2012

“THE REST OF GOD”

(Genesis 2:1-3; Exodus 20:8-11)

At the end of His creative work of six days, the Bible says God rested from His work. By God’s example and teaching we are called to set aside a day each week for the Lord. Why should we do this and what is the purpose of the “Sabbath.”

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light” (Matthew 11:28-30, NIV).

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4. THE SABBATH IS FOR _____.

- **We are to remember _____.**
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“If you keep your feet from breaking the Sabbath and from doing as you please on my holy day, if you call the Sabbath a delight and the LORD's holy day honorable, and if you honor it by not going your own way and not doing as you please or speaking idle words, then you will find your joy in the LORD, and I will cause you to ride on the heights of the land and to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob. The mouth of the LORD has spoken” (Isaiah 58:13-14, NIV).

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“In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat—for he grants sleep to those he loves” (Psalm 127:2, NLT).

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“One man considers one day more sacred than another; another man considers every day alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind” (Romans 14:5, NIV).

“The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath” (Mark 2:27, NIV).

1. THE SABBATH IS FOR REST.

2. THE SABBATH IS FOR TESTIMONY.

“Six days you shall labor, but on the seventh day you shall rest; even during the plowing season and harvest you must rest” (Exodus 34:21, NIV).

3. THE SABBATH IS FOR REFLECTION.

4. THE SABBATH IS FOR WORSHIP.

- We are to remember God.
- We are to remember God’s creation.
- We are to remember salvation.
- We are to remember the needs around us.

“A man with a shriveled hand was there. Looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, they asked him, ‘Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?’ He said to them, ‘If any of you has a sheep and it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will you not take hold of it and lift it out? How much more valuable is a man than a sheep! Therefore it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath.’” (Matthew 12:10-12, NIV).

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