



## Was the Sabbath Changed to Sunday?

### Deuteronomy 5:1-3

Our study begins with the \_\_\_\_\_ that are most frequently asked about the Sabbath day:

- (1) "Why do some people \_\_\_\_\_ the Ten Commandments are abolished or done away with?"
- (2) "Did God give the Sabbath command to the \_\_\_\_\_ only? Why wouldn't He want everyone to \_\_\_\_\_ the Ten Commandments?"
- (3) "What did Christ mean when He said He did not come to \_\_\_\_\_ the law, but to fulfill it?"
- (4) "What difference does it \_\_\_\_\_?"

In His Sermon on the Mount \_\_\_\_\_ did say He did not come to destroy the Law or the Prophets (Matthew 5:17). The word "destroy" simply \_\_\_\_\_ to destroy utterly, to overthrow completely. Jesus did not come to do that to the Law or the Prophets, but He came to "fulfill," which means to complete, or to accomplish, to \_\_\_\_\_ all that was written of Him in the Law and the prophets. After His death, burial and resurrection He said that He had \_\_\_\_\_ that (Luke 24:44-47).

Perhaps it's more easily \_\_\_\_\_ if we use the word "abolish" as the Holy Spirit does in Ephesians 2:14-16. This passage says Christ "abolished" the enmity that was \_\_\_\_\_ the Jews and the Gentiles and clearly identifies it as "the law of commandments." In His \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus Christ our Lord abolished the law contained in ordinances – fulfilling it.

To whom did God \_\_\_\_\_ the Ten Commandments? The Bible says the Ten Commandments were delivered by \_\_\_\_\_ and are recorded in Exodus 20 and repeated in Deuteronomy 5. Deuteronomy consists of a series of \_\_\_\_\_ messages to the generation of survivors of the 40 year wilderness wanderings who were going into the Promised Land. Deuteronomy 5:1 says that "Moses called all Israel, and said to \_\_\_\_\_," showing that this was for Israel only. Verses 2 and 3 speak of the "covenant" and verse 6 begins the list of the Ten Commandments, which contains the command to "keep the \_\_\_\_\_" (verse 12). The \_\_\_\_\_ is very clear, the Sabbath was part of the covenant that God made with Israel.

One viewer asks: "Why would God not want \_\_\_\_\_ to remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy?" God answers in Deuteronomy 5:15, saying, "you were a \_\_\_\_\_ in the land of Egypt" and "God brought you out," "therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day." God has spoken! He commanded Israel, no one else, to \_\_\_\_\_ the Sabbath. None of us were in Egyptian bondage; therefore, the Sabbath is of no special significance to \_\_\_\_\_ of us. There is a statement in Colossians 2:16-17 that is timely for Christians.

Jesus had taken that covenant of God made with Israel, the \_\_\_\_\_ containing the Sabbath command, and \_\_\_\_\_ it to the cross (Colossians 2:14). After His resurrection Jesus met with His \_\_\_\_\_ on the first day of the week, not on the Sabbath (John 20:19-29).

Four important things happened on the day of Pentecost, which was on "the \_\_\_\_\_ day of the week" (Acts 2):

- (1) The apostles "were assembled in \_\_\_\_\_ accord."
- (2) God's promise was fulfilled to \_\_\_\_\_ the Holy Spirit to the apostles.
- (3) The gospel (the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ) was preached as a \_\_\_\_\_ for the first time.
- (4) The \_\_\_\_\_, Christianity, was born on that day.

Christians, never having been slaves in Egypt, do not observe the Sabbath Day, but having been delivered from the guilt of sin by the death of Christ, we observe the Lord's Supper on the first day of the week in \_\_\_\_\_ of Him (Acts 20:7).