

**"Go, set a watchman,  
Let him declare what he seeth."**

— Isaiah 21:6 —

## The Sabbath

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### Another Six Days' Work

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1. An - oth - er six days' work is done, An - oth - er Sab - bath is be - gun;  
2. O that our tho'ts and thanks may rise As grate - ful in - cense to the skies,  
3. This heav'nly calm with - in the breast Is the best pledge of glo - rious rest,

Re - turn, my soul, en - joy thy rest, Im - prove the day that God has blessed.  
And draw from Christ that sweet repose Which none but he who feels it knows,  
Which for the church of God remains, The end of cares, the end of pains,

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Does it have a hidden meaning?

## The "Lost" Parable

K. W. GARDNER

*"Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find it? And when she hath found it, she calleth her friends and her neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which I had lost" (Luke 15:8, 9).*

THE text before us is the shortest parable in the Bible; two verses. We call it the "lost" parable because the full meaning seems to have been lost with the silver. It is fitting, in view of the lateness of the hour, that we should study it, with other scriptures, for meaning intended to be seen in the light of these last days.

The "Shepherd and Lost Sheep" parable is symbolic of the Saviour and the ignorantly sinful. The sheep wandered away and got lost without giving the matter any thought. If the sheep thought at all, it thought it was doing right well, thank you, as it skipped and frolicked through the afternoon. The world is full of people like that.

The willful sinner is presented in the "Prodigal Son" parable, symbolic of the Heavenly Father's willingness to forgive even rebellion upon true repentance. The son's besetting sin was his rebellion against the Father's authority, more than his poor business head and dissolute life. His repentance acknowledged the authority.

Just so, the parable of the woman and the pieces of silver is symbolic of another type of sinner, a sinner

by reason of losing something entrusted to his care.

Repeatedly the Bible uses a woman as symbolic of a church. A pure woman—a pure church; an impure woman—an impure church. No Bible student will quarrel with this. However, do not lose sight of the personal application of this parable, even though it does have a deeper meaning. The lost sheep, and prodigal son, are both quite personal, as well as general. Likewise, the parable before us has a double significance.

The woman (church) or the individual (your preference) lost one of the Ten Precepts which had been delivered to her. The silver did not wander away innocently like the sheep, nor willfully like the prodigal son. The silver did not lose itself; the Church (or individual) to whom it was delivered LOST IT. The woman admits that SHE lost it (verse 9). Ten Precepts were delivered to the Church (and individuals).

*"And he declared unto you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, even ten commandments . . ." (Deut. 4:13).*

The woman must have taken inventory, which disclosed that one

piece of silver was lost. Should not the Church do the same to see if it still has those precepts once delivered unto the saints" (Jude 3)?

Before we can find the lost precept, or piece of silver, we must follow the example of the woman and sweep out ALL the darkened nooks. This will expose the heathen practices that have accumulated since the Faith was delivered. The sweeping out will disclose a lot of man-made "junk" like Easter, Good Friday, Lent, Christmas, and a host of doctrinal points brought to us by the church which is infamous for compromise with pagan gods and philosophies. Sweep these out if we are to follow Jesus Christ.

*"But he answered and said, Every plant which my Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up"* (Matt. 15:13).

Are we going to follow the Bible, or pagan rituals and philosophy? Only the light of the Scriptures will show what belongs, and what does not, in the woman's house. Luke 15:8 says she lighted a candle. The Church should follow her example; and turn the Light of God's Word on its principles. The Light shows much trash that does not belong, man's traditions as well as pagan practices, hiding the silver.

*"The words of the Lord are pure words: as silver is tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times"* (Psa. 12:6).

Delivery of the Ten Commandments at Mount Sinai and the Father's commendations of the Son at Jesus' baptism and transfiguration are the only records we have of God's voice being heard by an assembly. Can we doubt the Father's words are "as silver"?

*"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path"* (Psa. 119:105).

*"For the commandment is a lamp: and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life"* (Prov. 6:23).

*"My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee; so that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding; Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding; if thou seekest for her as SILVER, and searchest for her as for hid treasures; then shalt thou understand the fear of the Lord, and find knowledge of God"* (Prov. 2:1-5).

The woman did not find the lost silver immediately after lighting the candle. Only after sweeping out the accumulation of man's traditions and other unholy things that man had brought into the house or church was she able to discern the piece that was lost. To those who say Jesus' doctrine is different from Sinai: —*"Jesus answered them, and said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me"* (John 7:16). *"But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men"* (Matt. 15:9).

This parable is not alone to show the joy of redemption, but is also a prophecy of tremendous import. Jesus knew that the Church would lose one of the Ten Commandments, "delivered to the saints." Those who have found the lost piece—and prophecy said it would be found (it would not stay forever lost)—should and usually do, follow the example of the woman. They call their friends and neighbors to rejoice with them in ob-

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# Sabbath Re-Creation

A Book Review by VICTOR W. SKAGGS

"There is nothing in the Sabbath unless there is much more in it than either its friends or its enemies seem to apprehend." This quotation from A. H. Lewis is the theme of a new book soon to be released. The Rev. Herbert E. Saunders, pastor of the Plainfield, N. J., Seventh Day Baptist Church of Christ, has authored a 120-page discussion of the Sabbath in this day under the title, *The Sabbath: Symbol of Creation and Re-Creation*.

Published under the auspices of the American Sabbath Tract Society and printed by Judson Press, this significant new study is soon to be available. Its cover is bright and strikingly designed. The price is \$2.50 per copy.

Mr. Saunders has endeavored to move from his introduction to his conclusion by a series of steps which follow a logical pattern. After introducing the reader to the question: "What does it mean to keep the Sabbath as Sabbath?" he proceeds in the rest of the book to answer the question in a Twentieth Century setting. Nevertheless, the Biblical background is not neglected, since the author demonstrates that we of this day must consider the Biblical background of the Sabbath if we are to come to grips with its meaning for contemporary man.

The Old Testament presents the Sabbath in its relationship to creation, the giving of the manna, the law of God, the practice of God's people, the literature of faith, and the inspiration of prophets. With simple straight-

forward scholarship Mr. Saunders interprets these references in the light of current Sabbath faith. Thought-provoking sentences illuminate the reader's understanding.

In the author's view, the Old Testament becomes the background for a spiritual Sabbathism that is Christian and up-to-date. It "gives ample witness to the fact that the Sabbath stands at the heart of man's spiritual nature."

The New Testament witness to the Sabbath is drawn into clear perspective as the author deals with general statements and particular passages. He sees the Sabbath as an integral part of the life and ministry of Jesus Christ.

He recalls the incidents which give the Sabbath the "sanction of Jesus Christ, the witness of the disciples and apostles, and 'the stamp of Christian approval' and practice." He concludes, "Belief in Christ as God's Son and as the redeemer of the world demands belief in the seventh day of the week as the Sabbath."

From a consideration of the Sabbath in the Bible, Saunders begins the development of a "theology of the Sabbath." It is apparent that he is thoroughly convinced of the Sabbath's importance to the church and to mankind in the late Twentieth Century. He sees the Sabbath as the "most precious symbol of man's fellowship with God" and "the most perfect representation of true spirit-

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# Are You a False Witness?

DR. JOHN C. SPROWLES

**W**HEN we are called the children of God, this means that we claim Him as our Father; it does not mean that we are to act in a childish manner, for we see too much of the immature in everyday life today.

We see men and women dressed alike and we see women who think they are men and men who think they are women. We see one political party calling the other party crooks when they are doing the same things, and we see all parties making noise but doing little if anything to keep the many promises they make to get elected. We see rich doctors of medicine accused of cheating on "medicare" and a church leader running off with church funds; we are all to blame for this confusion for we have all broken the laws which bring happiness; and the way to true happiness isn't Nixon's way, or Humphrey's way, or Wallace's way; or McCarthy's way; these men themselves do not know the way to happiness, or if they do they are keeping it a good secret. The way to true happiness is the way of the law of God, for God gave the law for our good, not to bind us with rules and regulations that have no meaning; yet the typical Protestant claims that there is no law; he says it was "done away at the cross," and the typical Catholic has added meaningless laws and regulations, just as the established church

of Jesus' days on earth did.

The law was not nailed to the cross when Jesus died, for He died because we had broken the law of God; He suffered the penalty of breaking the law in our place, but the law is still in effect and is binding on everyone, and we all will be judged by this law at the last day.

The only way to a real peace and true lasting happiness is the way of the law of God, and in no other way will man ever find peace and happiness.

Truth is God's way to happiness, and every time we depart from it we are punished; for there is no escape from the law of God. Jesus said His word is truth, so truth is the law and word of God also; and if we depart from it we suffer.

Yet there are many who base their whole lives and businesses on dishonest dealings; and who hasn't been guilty of this at some time?

People who lie and cheat and steal their way to "success" never really have it; even if they seem to get what they want, they can't keep it and it won't satisfy. The laws of God won't let it, for true success comes from putting these laws into action, and no one can violate them and succeed for long, and even if his pockets are full of money and he is a seeming success, it won't last or satisfy for long. That is why so few millionaires are really happy. It isn't

the money itself; it's what they did to get it or their worship of it when they have it, and in the end they all die and lose it anyway. Not that money is bad, but we are told to seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be added to us. But the average person does just the opposite and "runs after" money, and this won't work, for God won't allow it to work; we can't lie and cheat and steal and still be happy.

God will not allow a person who denies the truth to be happy, for would He be a just God if He did?

"Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor" is the law of God, and when we lie and cheat we are bearing false witness, and sooner or later pay day comes.

Bearing false witness is breaking God's law, and no one can or ever does get away with doing that.

God's Law exacts a price for every lie told, and everyone pays this price, knowing it or not. Could this be why we see so much sickness and suffering in the world today? Who can deny the fact that people are getting more and more dishonest in all their dealings? God's law exacts a price that no sane human being would be willing to pay if he really understood what was going on, but this ignorance is also part of the punishment for the breaking of divine law.

"You do what you know not"; and no logical person would bear false witness against his worst enemy if he knew the cost to him. A person who lives his or her life on lies is bearing false witness, and is a person with a crippled mind; and God gives all men who will obey Him the gift of a sound mind.

What a person gets or believes he gets by bearing false witness is much too costly, and it shows that such a person is really unfit for life, for he cannot succeed or live with the truth of life, and needs to change the facts of life to fit the concepts of his crippled mind.

Such people are misfits in all ways, and certainly such people are not God's people, for Jesus said, "The truth will make you free." I knew a man once who was willing to spend 20 years in jail to have the \$168,000 he had stolen from a bank when he got out. He was a man of perhaps 30, and was willing to spend the best years of the life God had given him for something that can never really be his.

Certainly God must call such people fools, but the average fool doesn't commit a crime that big; rather, he or she lies and cheats and steals in small ways, but the end result is the same. Children lie about a brother or sister to get more attention from the parent; but even if this should work, what would the child really get?

It wouldn't be real.

Saying that what never happened did happen is the delusion of the mentally ill, and the truth of the matter would remain, no matter if the whole world were to believe the lie. Living a lie is slow death, and all who resort to lies die this death many times each day. God knows everyone and He knows everyone's thoughts and motives, and He allows those who disregard His law to be punished by Satan, just as He allowed Job to be punished by Satan for his self righteousness.

"Thou shalt not bear false witness

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# Young Folks "Say It as It Is"

*Editor's Note: When ninth- and tenth-graders enrolled in the Bible class at the Fort Wayne, Ind., Seventh-day Adventist Church School were asked to write their ideas on the doctrine of the Sabbath, the results showed much thought. We think you will agree as you read what six of them had to say.*

"We are to keep the Sabbath because it is a sign between God and us and we will honor Him by keeping it. The Fourth Commandment shows very plainly that we are to keep the seventh day as Sabbath and to worship on that day."

—CHERYL GRIFFITH

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"Keeping the Sabbath is a sign that we know God. Today many people have forgotten God. They are worshiping images. The Bible states plainly that we should keep the seventh-day as Sabbath. We have a sign of the living God when we keep the Sabbath."

—GARY STOCKS

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"The Seal of God is represented by the keeping of the seventh-day Sabbath. The church has been commissioned to call the attention of the world to the true God who created the heavens and the earth."

—KEVIN HELGESON

"The third doctrine is that of the Seal of God. When it is time for Christ to come, those who have been faithful are given the Seal of God."

—MARK BLACKBURN

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"When God created this earth, He used six days. In these six days He created many beautiful things for us to enjoy, and all He asked in return was for us to keep one day aside to worship Him and rest. And those who are not keeping this day when He comes will receive the mark of death. The Seal of God is given to the righteous..."

—TIM GEPHART

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"The Seal of God means, when God created the earth, He set aside a day as a sign between God and man. This was the seventh day. Gen. 2:2, 3. Therefore, we believe God's Word is unchanging; so we observe the seventh day."

—CRIS GEPHART



# The Sabbath and Sunday

**T**HE history of the seventh day of the week as the Sabbath begins with the history of man. Sacred history upon this point, as exemplified in the first part of the book of Genesis, is corroborated, not only by every other known source of sacred history, but by profane history as well. The Sabbath was not peculiar to the Hebrews. It antedates not only Moses and Sinai, but the patriarchs, Jacob, Isaac, and Abraham, as well. The purity of the seventh day of the week as the Sabbath was preserved by the Hebrews in the same way and for the same fundamental reasons that they preserved the worship of Jehovah, who made them His chosen people.

Jesus and His apostles observed the seventh day of the week, and no other, as the Sabbath. Neither the Old Testament nor the New Testament recognizes any other day of the week as the Sabbath. The early Christian Church faithfully observed the Sabbath of the Master. Indeed, a careful examination of ecclesiastical history yields substantial evidence in favor of the claim that at no time since the institution of the Christian Church, nineteen hundred years ago, has it failed to offer living witnesses to the observance of the Sabbath of Jehovah, and of Jesus of Nazareth.

Sunday as the Sabbath was wholly destitute of any valid claim, whatsoever, upon the Christian Church. The only attested claim it could offer to the world for precedence over any

other day in the week lay in the fact that a pagan world had dedicated it to the heathen worship of the sun in the same way that the same pagan world had dedicated Monday to the heathen worship of the moon, Thursday to the worship of Thor, and the other days of the week to the worship of other heathen deities, respectively.

It is not improbable that at least some of the Gentile Christian churches of the west, inclined to yield to some of the pagan influences with which they were surrounded as early as in the time of St. Paul's missionary activities, had already accepted a certain recognition of the day of the sun-god, thus rendering the legal imposition by Constantine and the pope of its observance less obnoxious than it otherwise might have been. Indeed, though it was still an ordinary work day, about the middle of the second century there appears to have grown up a custom of worship service, including the Lord's Supper, on Sunday; but held early in the morning, so that worshipers might attend before going about their usual work-a-day duties. But the observance of the Sabbath persisted; and it was not until some centuries later that the church authorities ventured to declare that Sunday was substituted for the Sabbath.

It should never be forgotten, therefore,

- 1) That the proclamation of Con-
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# Seek Truth and Pursue It

RICK D. EKLUND

Today skeptics are trying to tell us that a certain command, proclaimed by the God of Abraham's own voice to all His congregation, cannot really be obeyed if we engage in travel far away from home, either east or west. It is the command which says: "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy . . . the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God." Did the God of Abraham so complicate this command that it would require an astronomer to tell us how to obey? For remember that he who offends in one point will be guilty of the whole law (James 2:10). This is where the fortitude of God's people has its place—in keeping the God of Abraham's commands and remaining loyal to the son of man (Rev. 14:12).

It might seem to some who do not stop to think very deeply that you have lost a day if you travel westward around the world, or gained a day if you travel eastward. But this loss or gain is apparent, not real.

This is an important question and one many weaker Sabbathkeepers and ministers do not understand. When a person travels, his days are not of even length. The man who travels from San Francisco to New York in one day by airplane finds that this particular day, for him, is counted as only 21 hours, because the sun sets three hours earlier in New York than in San Francisco, and there is

three hours difference in time between these two cities. If the man returns, also by plane, he finds his day on the return trip to be computed as 27 hours.

Let me explain first that the correct Bible definition of a "day" is not 24 hours of man-made watch, but that period of time from sunset to sunset. A day is not measured by the journey of the earth plus our journey on the earth.

The Sabbath is to be observed "from even unto even" (Lev. 23:32). A day ends, and another begins, when the sun sets (See Mark 1:32, Luke 4:40, etc.) History shows that it was always the custom to end and begin days at sunset until a few hundred years after the Son of man's teachings. If you believe some other human prophet was able to alter the day and please the God of Abraham, this is your belief. I myself accept the Bible Sabbath.

We live on a round earth. A day is measured by the revolution of the earth on its axis in relation to the sun. Since the Sabbath day begins and ends at sunset, we observe it here when the sun sets here. But the sun sets three hours earlier in New York than on the Pacific Coast; hence Sabbathkeepers there begin their Sabbath three hours earlier than those in San Francisco. In London the Sabbath begins nine hours earlier than on the

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# Do All Things Include the Little Things?

MONA DAVIS

**O**NE husband said, "I will settle the big things in our home and you can settle the little things." Yet as the marriage progresses we notice that the little things of debts, small disagreements, irritations, and all add up to big things. So they learn to settle big and little things together.

## All Things Are Possible With God

Matthew 19:26 says, "With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible." All things are possible to the believer. Without faith it is impossible to please God.

How all encompassing is this statement! Can any of us comprehend Yahweh's love, power, beauty, infinity and glory as we are beginning to see it in nature and all His universe?

Perhaps when we think of all things being possible we begin with a seemingly hopeless case of illness of a loved one. A physician says there is no hope, no medical answer as yet. But before we even call in a physician, did we restudy the promises of Yahweh as to health, renewal and abundant life? Has the church we attend taught vividly of natural diet, exercise, thankfulness and transformed thinking, claiming His abundant life? The promises of health must be given

before we consider the research of doctors.

## Thanksgiving with Joy

Yahweh said through Moses in Deuteronomy 28:47: "Because thou servedst not the Lord [Yahweh] with joyfulness, and gladness of heart for the abundance of ALL THINGS; therefore thou shalt serve thine enemies, which the Lord [Yahweh] shall send against you in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of ALL THINGS; and he shall put a yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he have destroyed thee."

Has not America received this yoke of iron on our neck of war, crime, smog, water pollution, divorce, delinquency, and poverty? We ignore the principles given in Yahweh's Word. Do you do this in conversation, letters or planning?

Old Israel died in the wilderness for unbelief and complaining. Will we as latter-day Israel languish and die in a desert of unthankfulness and disobedience?

## Teaching All Things

The great commission to all disciples says what we need. We are to go teach ALL THINGS He commanded in His ALL POWER to ALL NATIONS, knowing He is with us

until the end of the Gentile reign, and He whose right it is to reign sits on not only the throne of our personal lives but the earth.

There are at least seven things which His ALL THINGS commanded include to teach and do. They are His Name, His Day, His Kingdom, His Way, His Word, His Atonement, and His glorious love in which we are immersed. Can we stress only His Day without disobeying the teaching of ALL THINGS commanded?

His Holy Day kept is the time of recharging us to go forth in His ALL POWER to teach His ALL THINGS to ALL NATIONS. In this glory His Name and Way will shine in our face and actions for all to see.

Who is giving joyously the answer to the multiple problems given in all media of communication? How wondrously satisfying is His answer. We must make it ring everywhere! Will they listen? I wonder, for awhile but it will come; be assured of that! But we rejoice even in persecution which includes indifference, lethargy and no response (Matt. 5).

The denominations of Christendom make great efforts to unite in compromise in a babel of voices. We must do it on a higher level of no compromise in the ALL THINGS HE commanded in great love and patience. Fifty seventh-day churches are a babel of voices too.

Now is our time to meet together for His Spirit to talk things over in listening to Him and each other in the spiritual gifts (Joel 2, Acts 2). There are no laity or clergy, but elders and members filled with His Spirit to give the gifts which edify, mature, and unite His Body.

## **In Overcoming We Inherit All Things**

Doesn't this make us exceedingly better than millionaires? We have all our best needs and desires fulfilled which work in with His good, acceptable and perfect will (Rom. 12). We are more than conquerors through Him that loves us.

The seven overcoming of Revelation 2 and 3 show how we overcome.

## **All Things Include Our Goals**

All churches (denominations) are analyzing where they are going and what they believe. I try to summarize into seven goals the all things commanded:

1. One Yahweh, one baptism of water and the Spirit (Eph. 4).
2. Spiritual baptism brings each member a gift to edify, perfect, and unite the Body of Yahweh (1 Cor. 12, 13, 14, Rom. 12).
3. To bring every member to full maturity in Yahshua.
4. To teach His kingdom on earth.
5. To know His name, day, kingdom, and word on earth.
6. To claim His name, word, glory, and love which He gave us (John 17).
7. To teach ALL THINGS by His ALL POWER to ALL NATIONS (Matthew 28:20).

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"There is no word no hint, in the New Testament about abstaining from work on Sunday. . . . The observance of Ash Wednesday or Lent stands on exactly the same footing as the observance of Sunday. . . . Into the rest of Sunday no divine law enters.—*The Ten Commandments*, Canon Eyton (Church of England). London Trubner.



# KEEPING POSTED

## **Church Asks Authority To Use Peyote During Worship**

The Native American church of Navajoland asked for authority to use peyote in religious ceremonies. The group backed its request with a court suit. The suit asks that Arizona lift its ban on the drug for church use.

The church claims that its use of peyote is comparable to other churches who use bread and wine in communion services. The church has about 40,000 members among American Indians. They chew peyote or drink its juices in all-night ceremonies. The drug is derived from a cactus and produces hallucinations.

According to the Indians, the great spirit dwells in the peyote plant. Through using the drug, participants can open communications with the great spirit.

Arizona has denied the church incorporation, thereby getting around a Supreme Court ruling that the drug may be used in religious ceremonies by the Indians.

## **Pastors Bury "Good News for Modern Man"**

The best-selling publication of the American Bible Society was the target of pastors in Concord, N. H. About 20 churches supported the

protest of *Good News for Modern Man*, a contemporary English version of the New Testament. The clergymen called the Today's English Version the masterpiece of the devil and held a mock funeral where they buried a copy. One pastor said that the 1611 King James Version is good enough for today.

## **Sunday Movies Measure Is Returned to Committee**

The Pennsylvania senate sent back to committee a measure which would bar movies and other entertainment events on Sunday. The bill had been passed by the house by a vote of 193 to 2. The senate was in favor of further liberalizing of the Sunday activity law.

At present Sunday movies are banned unless the local municipality votes in favor of them. The senate suggested that the law permit Sunday movies unless the local municipality voted *against* them.

## **Way Is Found to Bypass Sunday Law**

Owners of a food market in Salt Lake City believe they have found a way to circumvent the state's new Common Day of Rest Act, which requires most retail stores and many other businesses to close one day a

week, either Saturday or Sunday.

Gus and Tommiw Sotirious, owners of Broadway Shopping Center, say they will operate the store Monday through Saturday. Their sister will operate the store on Sundays under a lease arrangement which the brothers say, in effect, sets up a second company operating one day per week.

We urge you to send any items of particular interest to Sabbath-keepers that you find. Clip them, write the name of the publication and date with your name, and send them—preferably by airmail—to the editorial office.

### A Question . . .

To the question, "*How can something be wrong to do one day of the week, but morally right to do the other six days of the week?*" W. Allen Bond answered in *The Vision*:

This might well be the question of a rebellious heart, not willing to submit to God's limitations. (Man dares to pass judgment on God's laws!) Or it could be the question from a sincere seeker after God's will. Only

those who are sincere are likely to be helped by my answer.

Some parallel illustrative examples might help us here. Moses wore shoes when God met him at the burning bush, and was told to take off his shoes in that holy place. Now, why should it be morally wrong for him to wear shoes in this place if it was right to wear shoes in other places? Isn't God everywhere? Still God commanded, and that was enough. God puts His limitation in the realm of PLACE.

Consider the marriage relationship. Can it be that it is morally right for me to be intimate with one woman (my wife) but wrong for me to be equally intimate with the wife of another? I feel sure of your answer on this! Yes, we must recognize a difference, for in this case God puts His limitation in the realm of PERSON.

In the case of the Sabbath, also, I am not free to treat every day as being the same, for God has said that He put His special blessing on (in) one day, the Sabbath, which He calls "my holy day." Thus, to disregard the day is to disregard Him. This is a case of God putting His limitation in the realm of TIME.

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Countless times we have received letters criticizing something said in an article which was published in THE SABBATH SENTINEL. We wish to explain again what is stated on page 2 of each issue of this magazine—that articles are the opinions of the respective writers and are not necessarily those of the Bible Sabbath Association.

The writers, though they may all be Sabbathkeepers, represent many different beliefs. It is not possible to keep out every point on which there may not be complete agreement among all Sabbathkeepers, nor are we sure that this would be desirable in a publication of this type. We assume that readers will compare each statement in the articles with the Word of God and be able to separate that which agrees from an occasional statement which may not seem to them to be Bible-based.

Again we say that an article's appearance in this magazine is not necessarily evidence that either the editor, the printer, or the Bible Sabbath Association endorses everything said in the article.

—The Editor

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### THE "LOST" PARABLE

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serving this "Lost" Commandment.

Sadly enough, most of the friends and neighbors take a dim view of the Fourth Commandment. Like the piece of silver, it is hard to see unless you are looking for it. Nevertheless, you will notice, the new convert follows the parable-prophecy until disinterest becomes quite apparent. Some of their friends may come to think-

ing him a nuisance.

"... *Fear God, and keep his commandments; for this is the whole duty of man*" (Eccl. 12:13). "*For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments*" (1 John 5:3). Jesus said, "*If you love me, keep my commandments*" (John 14:15; also verse 24).

Keeping the commandments will not save us; but it is the only scriptural direction given us for showing our love for our Heavenly Father. A loving child is an obedient child. And do not forget; loving your neighbor as yourself is incorporated into the Commandments of God. Can you find a better way to please?

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### ARE YOU A FALSE WITNESS?

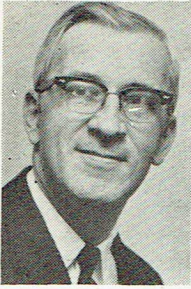
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against thy neighbor," and all men are our neighbors. The truth on everything will be known some day; sooner or later all who bear false witness will be found out, and only a life of living by the law of God is a life worth living.

Jesus said that "if you would enter into life keep the commandments," and one of those very commandments says "Thou shall not bear false witness," and whosoever shall break one of the commandments is guilty of all.

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*The Sabbath Handbook and Directory of Sabbath-Observing Denominations* has been brought up-to-date. To receive a copy, send 50 cents to Bible Sabbath Association, Fairview, Oklahoma 73737.



A Note  
from  
the Editor

## Reaping the Harvest

AS we write these lines, the city of Fort Wayne, Ind., in which we now live, is under a curfew for the second consecutive night. Several stores have been damaged and a radio station burned by lawless groups who are protesting the firing of a disc jockey. We do not know the background of the situation; perhaps the firing was justified, perhaps not.

The sad thing about it, and other like situations over the world, is the appearance of a new philosophy: that lawlessness is justified when done to protest the evils of society or of society's institutions. It is possible that our form of government will be changed radically because of this philosophy—either to the extreme left by those who are promoting the lawlessness or to the extreme right by those who fear that this course is the only alternative to combat it.

"Law" has become almost a dirty word, and those who seek to enforce it are labeled "pigs" in the new nomenclature. Even the decorum of a court room is often undermined by the boisterous conduct of defendants and their lawyers.

What is the cause of this strange

turnabout where evil takes on a form of respectability and lawful conduct becomes a thing to be scorned?

We believe that at least part of the disrespect for law is the result of an era of preaching in which requirements of the Law of God—the Ten Commandments—were buried under an overemphasis on grace. Grace has a vital part in our salvation; "for by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God" (Eph. 2:8). Obedience to the commandments of God has no saving power: but one who has experienced salvation from sin will not knowingly go back to the life from which he has been delivered, of the transgression of divine mandates. Obedience is the *evidence* of a Spirit-filled life that follows forgiveness of past transgressions.

By undermining the requirements of the Ten Commandments, many preachers have—unwittingly, perhaps—laid the groundwork for the disregard for laws of God and man which now threatens our very existence. It is probable that we are seeing only the beginning of this trend—that the time will soon come when those who exalt the Law of God—especially the Fourth Commandment—will be ridiculed and persecuted. Then the promise in Isaiah 51:7 will take on added meaning: "Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart is my law; fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings... my righteousness shall be for ever, and my salvation from generation to generation."

May this promise be our strength in the days to come!

Eugene Lincoln



## SABBATH RE-CREATION

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ual life." For the first time we see the development of the idea that the Sabbath is not only a memorial of creation, but also a memorial of re-creation, redemption and resurrection. The pressures of present-day living in a tense and confused world weigh heavily on the author's mind, and he sees the Sabbath as an antidote to those pressures. He commits himself in a statement of faith: "The Sabbath could become the vehicle for . . . the proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ."

In the fifth chapter, the central concern of the book is brought to a point. There the author speaks to contemporary Christians regarding Sabbath observance. He draws together the several approaches to the Sabbath which have been significant in the past. He sees it as a day of "rest"; its spiritual nature is predominant. He sees it as the base for moral and spiritual renewal, as the expression of God's will for man and man's loyalty to God, as a day for developing and strengthening the interrelationships of family living, and as the base for service to others and the inspiration of social concern.

The author concludes that the Sab-

bath is essential to Christian life and practice. He suggests that the Christian may find it to be the vehicle through which he may express his faith and his concern for the needs of men. He has found much of worth in the Sabbath for the Twentieth Century.

As this review hints, *The Sabbath; Symbol of Creation and Re-Creation* is filled both with affirmations of faith and challenges to long-held presuppositions. It is a thought-provoking presentation of Sabbathkeeping and its meaning to the Christian, to the church, and to the world in the present day. Its theme, drawn from Dr. Lewis, is borne out in the author's development of the need for Sabbath consciousness:

"There is nothing in the Sabbath unless there is much more in it than either its friends or its enemies seem to apprehend."

Adapted from *The Sabbath Recorder*

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By Ithamar Quigley

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## SEEK TRUTH AND PURSUE IT

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Pacific Coast, if kept according to the Bible directions. The answer to it all is to keep the day when the day comes to us.

To go further, we have proof that the Sabbath Day of today is the same day as that the Son of man kept; if you are convinced that the Son of man set us a right example, and that He observed the right seventh day, we need have no further difficulty.

Notice that the day the Son of man kept "as his custom was" was not Sunday (Luke 4:16) but was the same day all the Jews kept, for they were holding their religious service in the synagogue (verses 17, 20).

About 43 years after this the House of Judah was driven into every nation on earth. If time had been lost, the Jews of one part of the world would be observing one day and the Jews of other parts other days. But everywhere—in every nation on Earth—we find the Jews have been keeping the same identical day—the day we call Sabbath—the true seventh day, from Friday sunset to Saturday sunset.

The House of Judah is the miracle of all history—and the Jew is another proof that we have not lost the Sabbath. Ask any Orthodox Jew today if He has lost His Sabbath. Why, such an idea would be nonsense to him. He is not in doubt.

I think it is time we started seriously obeying God instead of finding blind excuses not to keep the Sabbath or saying that keeping the Sabbath is not required any more. I feel it is important to God and it is something we will be judged on.

Pray about it. And repent of your mistakes if you haven't known and followed the Sabbath truth in the past. If there is to be faith when the Son of man returns, it will be found among those individuals who live by His Word and prove all things.

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## THE SABBATH AND SUNDAY

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stantine, by which Sunday was formally and legally inducted into the Church, marked the consummation of a compromise between Christianity and paganism—a compromise which resulted in the great Protestant revolt led by Martin Luther twelve hundred years afterwards.

2) That the principal claim urged in behalf of Sunday today by all but a few, if any, accurate modern scholars of Protestant Christendom, is that of mere convenience—a desire not to disturb the existing order of things.

—*The Sabbath Recorder*

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## THE FRONT COVER

The song "Another Six Days' Work Is Done" was written by Samuel Stennett (1727-1795), a Seventh Day Baptist who also wrote "Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned" and other hymns.

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By daily bread my hunger's satisfied;  
I quench my thirst by earthly waters  
sure;

My weariness is relieved by restful  
sleep,

But still no earthly thing makes my  
heart pure.

Cold fingers I can warm by fires of  
home.

My eyes are blest to look upon a  
lovely scene;

So many things reward from sense of  
touch,

But what, O Lord can make my heart  
serene?

The world provides so much to eye  
and ear,

To sense of touch and smell of frag-  
rance rare;

But calmest day can't calm my doubts  
and fears.

Thou only, Lord, can give my heart  
its fare.

The heart of man Thou made, a bird  
unwinged;

Thou, only can give wings to help  
it rise;

Fill, Thou, this heart, with spirit, holy,  
pure,

So it can rise above these earthly skies.

Alta J. Gleason

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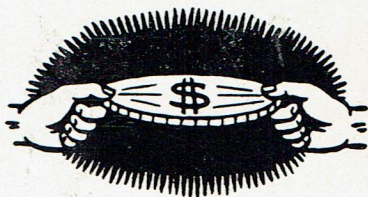
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