

Did the Early Church Worship Regularly on a Particular Day of the Week, if so, Which One Did They Identify as Holy?

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Even though the Pharisees did not obey God correctly, they understood enough to know that one cannot be a man of God and disobey the Sabbath (Jn. 9:16). Christ was accused of breaking this commandment by some of the Pharisees because he did not follow *their* Jewish traditions regarding Sabbath conduct (Mk. 7:6-13; Ti. 1:13-14).

As Christ did not sin, we know that he did not break the Sabbath (Heb. 4:15; 7:26; 1Pe. 2:21-22). Sin is the transgression of the law (1Jn. 3:4), therefore if Christ had broken the Sabbath, he could not be our savior (Jn. 4:42; Eph. 5:23). The scripture in John 15:10 shows there is no difference in the Father's commandments and Christ's because Christ only did his Father's will (Jn. 5:30; 6:38).

The followers of Christ continued to obey the Sabbath after his death and resurrection (Ac. 13:13-16; 42-44; 16:13; Heb. 4:9; Col. 2:16; Mt. 24:20 - prophetic).

The Bible states that the seventh day of the week (Saturday) is called the Sabbath. It is the day that is set aside by commandment of God for weekly rest and worship (Gen. 2:2; Ex. 20:8-11; Mt. 28:1). This day is to be kept by all of mankind (Num. 15:29; Mk. 2:27). Daniel 7:25 warns that future organized religions under the influence and protection of world governments, would seek to change times and law (i.e. God's calendar and holy days). This explains why some religious organizations keep Friday while others keep Sunday. God provided mankind with a calendar (Ex. 12:2) enabling us to correctly

worship Him according to His appointed times (De. 16; Ex. 23:14-17; Lev. 23). God's sacred calendar is not the same as the Hillel calendar introduced in the 4th century CE, and currently used by many Jewish groups and various churches. God's calendar was never abolished and continues today (Mal. 3:6; Col. 2:16; Jas. 1:17).

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