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Psalm 92

A Psalm or Song for the sabbath day.

T is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High:

- 2 To shew forth thy lovingkindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night.
- 3 Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the psaltery; upon the harp with a solemn sound.
- 4 For thou, LORD, hast made me glad through thy work: I will triumph in the works of thy hands....
- 12 The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.
- 13 Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.
- 14 They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing;
- 15 To shew that the LORD is upright: he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.



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What Is The Sabbath Day?

TERRIL D. LITTRELL

OFTEN when we are visiting with some friend or relative, mention will be made somewhere along in our conversation about the Sabbath.

"Just what do you mean, Sabbath Day," they are sure to ask.
"Isn't that just a peculiar notion
of some religious extremists?" darkness, and the darkness has not

To most people the day commonly called Saturday is one of these two days called "weekend"; just a day designed to be "autotune-up" day, "mow-the-lawn" and "trim-the-hedge" day, or "run-to-the-beach" day. These and many other connotations are what a great many people think the Sabbath to be. A fuller understanding of the meaning of the Sabbath is needed. Therefore, it is the purpose of this article to brush away some of the cobwebs of deceit.

First, the Sabbath is "the day of light."

Hosts of moral darkness surround us all week long. The mind, the will, the emotions are engaged in a relentless struggle with evil. The tempter begins very early in the week the devious deception on the souls of men, women, and young people. The Sabbath can be a "day of light," chasing away the accumulated gloom of darkness gathered throughout the week. God alone can overcome the depraved, haunting blackness enshrouding man today. The Sabbath makes real the testimony concerning Christ: "The light shines in the

darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it" (John 1:5, R.S.V.).

Further, the Sabbath is "the day of rest."

Perhaps here one will encounter the greatest dilemna of modern times. When once unrest seemed only the pagan's pitiable plight in heathen darkness, now twin waves of forment and torment are continually dashing and crushing over the shores of the souls of men. Where once the day of rest was planned for relaxation of body, mind, and spirit, modern man has changed the pattern. It has become "the do-something-different" day. Farmers of old can still teach us the deeper meaning of resting on the Sabbath Day. Necessary chores were never neglected, but work that filled the whole day was abandoned on the seventh day of the week. Idleness was not the pattern. It was to them a "dosomething-different" day. Church, Bible study, rest for the body, were all a part of this day's activity. No wonder we are tired and weary people. American activists never seem to pause for rest.

Once many years ago a large

number of mule teams were to be driven across Canada. It was decided that half would go straight through without stopping to rest, but the other half of the mule teams would rest each Sabbath. You can be sure for the first few weeks the wagon teams that did not have a day off forged far ahead, but then the mules began to get sore shoulders, the men became tired and irritated; there were breakdowns and forced delays. In the end the group that rested on the Sabbath came to their destination ahead. Our bodies, minds, and spirits need a day of rest and worship at the close of each week.

Sabbathkeeping is God's therapy

for a restless world.

We say to you without embarrassment, "You need the Sabbath for yourselves." If you turn your back upon it, you will ruin yourself physically, mentally and spiritually. It is necessary for us to keep the Sabbath that we might establish a proper relationship to the natural world in which we live. This world can be our maser, or we can be the master of the world. The Sabbath helps us to establish the proper stance to this world. The family and the nation that knows the Sabbath Day will ultimately experience the riches of God's saving grace.

The Sabbath is the vestibule to heaven. It is the day when the soldiers of the heavenly King prepare to march for His glory. This is the secret to Sabbath observance. It is a wonderful blessing to know.

Then again the Sabbath is "a day of peace."

Trace the rivers of discord among nations back to their source. Such

an exploring trek traverses varied countrysides. One moves through tangled vines of racial fears, dark steaming woods of social distrust, sharp rocks of economic unbalance, and politically fog-shrouded areas, only to find the source of the fetid stream bubbling up from the boggy marshes of the sin-sick souls of men. How urgently we need a day to set our hearts and minds at peace. No wonder mankind lives in a continual war-ofnerves state, when God's provisions of periodic peace are so persistently ignored,

The Sabbath is "a day of prayer."

What blessed sweet communion and fellowship, when hungry souls reaching up for God, find their heavenly Father reaching down to meet them! It is a time when rebellion is replaced with restoration. The prodigal's joy is relieved as warring wayfarers find a wooing Father waiting to receive them. How destitute life can be, how frustrating and meaningless events appear, how large loom the "why" of it all without that time in God's house and in His presence! The world around us is filled with slippery places and like the Psalmist of old our feet. too, could "well nigh slip." But a day of prayer can be a day of salvation. To use the time allotted for the purpose of prayerful communion with God can surely bring a change. Yes, the psalmist's almost failures could be ours and would be most certainly without his redeeming experience.—Hallelu-YAH!

What is the secret of escaping such failures?

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Where in the Bible does it state that the old covenant is divided into moral and ceremonial law?

The Two Laws

By M. L. BARTHOLOMEW

THAT there are a moral and a ceremonial law cannot be disputed. To say that the law was, and is, divided into moral and ceremonial aspects is just a plain statement of fact. First of all, the Ten Commandment law is a law of moral ethics. The sacrifices and ceremonies given to man by God at Mount Sinai were laws imposed upon Israel until Jesus came into the world. The coming of Jesus marked the time of reformation.

Hebrews 9:6-12 reads: "Now when these things were thus ordained, the priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service of God. But into the second went the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and for the errors of the people: The Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing: Which was a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience; which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation. But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us."

These ceremonies and sacrifices were written by Moses in a book, as is stated in Deuteronomy 31: 24-26: "And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of writing the words of this law in a book, until they were finished, that Moses commanded the Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of the Lord, saying, Take this book of the law, and put it in the side of the ark of the covenant of the Lord your God, that it may be there for a witness against thee."

Let us now look at God's moral law, the Ten Commandments. I shall make eight statements concerning this law and shall follow each statement with a text, or texts, to substantiate it.

 These commandments were written by God himself on tables of stone.

Exodus 31:18: "And he gave (Continued on page 17)

History of the Calendar

CLIFFORD A. REEVES, M. A., B.D.

Have you ever noticed this interesting fact in connection with our calendar? The length of the day is determined by the rotation of the earth on its axis; the length of the month is governed by the time required by the moon to encircle the earth; the year is the time taken by one revolution of the earth around the sun.

But there is, there always has been, another period of time—the week. How is that reckoned? Unlike the other three time periods in common use, all having an astronomical basis, the week has no relationship at all to the movements of the heavenly bodies.

The week belongs to religion. Its origin is closely associated with the history of man as related in the Bible. From the distant ages of the past the voice of Scripture proclaims the divine truth that on the seventh day God rested, and He blessed and sanctified that day (Gen. 2:1-3). Here we find the beginning of the weekly cycle, with every seventh day as a marker, or time-keeper, that would preserve the week unbroken to the human family with its ever-recurring Sabbath day. Thus we see that the week and the Sabbath are as old as man himself. Both date from the garden of Eden. The noted French astronomer M. Edouard Baillard, director of the Paris Observatory, has declared that the continuity of the week is "the most ancient institution bequeathed to us by antiquity" and this ancient origin of the weekly cycle has been endorsed by other outstanding authorities (See Encyclopaedia Britannica, Vol. 4, p. 988, Eleventh Edition).

It is a striking fact that the three great world religions, Judaism, Christianity, and Mohammedanism, have separate calendars, each differing in many respects from the others. Yet the only time reckoning on which all agree is that of the days of the week.

The word "week" as found in the Old Testament Hebrew writings comes from a root meaning "seventh." In fact, written withcut vowels, as they were in ancient Hebrew, the words translated "seven" and "week" are identical. Thus planted in the heart of that old language is found one of the strongest proofs, not only of the existence, but also of the great antiquity of a time cycle of seven days.

Calendars have changed, but the week has never been broken from the beginning of time. Twice, and then only briefly, has a breach in the continuity of the week been attempted—in the French Revolution and in Soviet Russia. Both

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IT IS YOUR DECISION

Have You Made It?

THERE are many decisions which must be made in this world. We need to decide what we will do with our lives; we need to decide what we will do for a living; and we need to decide what kind of education we will need for our vocations. We have found out that we must be prepared for the future. We must plan ahead.

Have you prepared for the future? I am not inquiring about your future in this world, but the next world. The Scripture says that the wages of sin is death (Rom.

6:23).

When we break the Law of God, we are found guilty in His sight. Tell me, have you kept God's Law perfectly? Read it through in Exodus 20 and answer honestly. According to the Holy Bible, every single person has failed at this point (Rom. 3:23). But God loved us so much that He sent His only Son, Jesus Christ, to live a sinless life keeping the Law of God perfectly, so that He could die for our sins (Rom. 5:8).

God says, "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved" (Rom. 10:9).

What does this mean? It means that you must realize that you are a sinner eternally lost. You have broken God's Law and are worthy of death. You must realize that you need a Saviour who has borne your sins for you. You must accept Him as your Saviour by repenting of your sins and putting your faith and trust in Him, and you must be willing to give Him your loving obedience.

If you really love Him, you will be willing to keep His commandments (John 14:15). He said that the greatest of all commandments is that you shall love the Lord with all your heart (Matt. 23:37). Love is the fulfilling of the Law (Rom. 13:10). Your love for Him will keep you from having any other gods, from making graven images, from taking His name in vain, and from desecrating His Sabbath day (Exodus 20). Do you love Him enough to be willing to keep His commandments (1 John 5:3)?

Many Christians do not realize the role that the Law of God should have in their lives. Yes, those Christians will admit that the Ten Commandments are a standard for living, but the meaning of the whole Law of God is lost when they speak of the Fourth Commandment (Jas. 2:10). Every Christian will agree that the other nine should be kept, but God gave us ten commandments. He who gave the other nine also said, "Remember the sabbath day, to keep

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on Sabbathkeepers

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE CHURCH OF GOD (SEVENTH DAY)

The first formal organization of the Church of God (7th Day) was effected in Michigan in 1865; the first general conference was held in 1883, and the body was incorporated in 1899 in Gentry County, Missouri. Headquarters were then established at Stanberry, Missouri. The present headquarters are located at 1510 Cook Street, Denver, Colorado.

The chairman is Elder Robert Coulter; secretary, David Kauer. This body observes the seventh-day Sabbath; practices foot-washing and takes the Lord's Supper annually in the evening preceding the 14th day of Nisan (Hebrew month); believes in the imminent, personal, and visible return of Jesus Christ; and teaches that the abode of the righteous will be here on the earth forever. They accept no other writings on par with the Bible.

There is a publishing house at Stanberry, Mo., where much literature is printed and four periodicals are published regularly. Midwest Bible College, also located in Stanberry, gives courses in Bible and church leadership as well as secretarial training. Spring Vale Academy, a boarding high school, is at Owosso, Mich.

The General Conference also supports a national radio ministry called "Faith for Our Time," with Elder Kenneth H. Freeman, speaker.

The General Conference meets every two years; an executive board of 12 ministers is the direct administrative body, and seven departments are maintained. The church is divided into districts with accredited overseers. Within the districts may be found state conferences. The credentialed and licensed ministers of the church form the ministerial council, which considers doctrinal subjects and spiritual objectives.

Information may be obtained by writing to Church of God Publishing House, Stanberry, Mo. 64489

THE CHURCH OF GOD (SEVENTH DAY)

The Church of God (Seventh Day) with world headquarters at Salem, W. Va., was organized according to the New Testament pattern of the twelve apostles, seventy elders or prophets, and seven deacons (financial stewards) in 1933.

In August of 1949 the leadership of the Salem and Stanberry organizations merged. Following the merger, some ministers and members of the former Salem group launched a "back-to-Salem" movement which resulted in the present work at Salem.

The present officers are Elder

M. L. Bartholomew, chairman of the Apostolic Council, and Elder Chris W. Royer, vice-chairman. The twelve apostles are chosen from the ordained ministers around the world regardless of nationality or race.

The organization maintains printing facilities at Salem where the official publication, Advocate of Truth, is published. The publishing house also issues numerous tracts, quarterlies, and books. Mailing address is Box 328, Salem, West Virginia, U. S. A.

THE RADIO CHURCH OF GOD

The Radio Church of God is the result of the ministry of Herbert W. Armstrong. The church maintains three colleges known as Ambassador Colleges at Pasadena, Calif., St. Albans, England, and Big Sandy, Texas. The Ambassador College Press sends each month The Plain Truth, "a magazine of understanding," free of charge to thousands around the world. Mr. Armstrong and his son, Garner Ted Armstrong, analyze today's news with the prophecies of the world tomorrow on "The World Tomorrow" broadcast.

There are congregations in most large cities and towns across the nation. The Radio Church of God supports elementary and secondary schools that build character and standards to live by. The headquarters of the church are at Ambassador College, Pasadena, Calif., and all communications should be addressed to Herbert W. Armstrong, Box 111, Pasadena. Calif. 91109.

THE CHURCH OF GOD (Jerusalem, Israel)

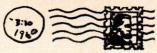
This church maintains its world headquarters at Jerusalem, Israel, and through its world outreach proclaims the gospel as taught by the primitive Church of God. The publishing house in Jerusalem publishes each month the Mount Zion Reporter and Jerusalem Messenger. The Reporter is a sixteen page monthly magazine in colors. proclaiming the truth, Bible prophecies fulfilled in modern Israel, and news of interest. Elder A. N. Dugger is the editor.

There are ministers and churches in several nations around the world that are in the brotherhood. recognizing Jerusalem as world headquarters of the Church of God. For information and free sample copies of the above mentioned magazines or Bible truth tracts write to: Post Office Box 568, Jerusalem, Israel.

THE CHURCH OF GOD BIBLE BEACON, INC.

This church organization maintains its general offices at 3316 South Atlantic, New Smyrna Beach, Fla. Elder D. E. Skaggs is the chairman. The doctrines and tenets of faith of the Bible Beacon are: "We cling to the Bible as the inspired Word of God, Bible name for the church or family of God, apostolic organization, divine healing, tithing, annual commemoration of the Lord's Supper, baptism by immersion, rejection of unclean meats, tobacco and alcohol. We believe the day called Satur-(Continued on page 16)

From the Mailbag



We are writing for information concerning the Sabbath bumper stickers. We think it is a wonderful idea and I sure want to introduce them to my friends and neighbors. We desire to help bring the Sabbath blessings into homes that will receive it.

I hope to get some new members into our Bible Sabbath Association. We need to know more Sabbathkeepers about all where they live and worship. Then when passing through their towns, we can call on them. We are now writing to many Sabbathkeepers we never heard of until this May. We fellowship together and hope soon to get a camp meeting started among Sabbathkeepers east of the Mississippi River, as we are too, far to visit our west camp meeting. If anyone is interested, please contact me.

> —Mrs. William C. Ball 824 Phillip Street Dyersburg, Tenn. 38024

Editor's Note—The Sabbath bumper stickers are available for 25 cents each from the Bible Sabbath Association, Fairview, Ok!a. 73737.

QUOTES

Thank you for the tracts you mailed me on my recent request. I did not get enough of the leaflet "Facts On The Sabbath Question" so am enclosing 25 cents for more of these leaflets. It is most com-

prehensive and good for those in other churches.

I am sending a check for \$20 to apply toward the radio work. So far I have not heard any programs. (Note: for several years this lady sent regular contributions and asked we place them in a fund to sometime be used for radio work.) Also here are some names to whom you may sent some "Bible Sabbath" literature.

We have had a very nice summer and a nice garden. It seems every year the Lord shows His love in so many ways toward us. Faith is a wonderful thing—so few have real faith when put to a test. I believe that is why things are the way they are in this world. If you can't have faith in the Lord how can you expect Him to show a helping hand toward you?

I have been in the service since July. I have talked to several boys interested in the Sabbath. I thought it a good idea to order some tracts and leaflets to give to them and put out for reading. It might also be wise to send a few extra Sabbath Sentinels.

It is a wonderful feeling to know that someone such as The Bible Sabbath Association is thinking of a boy in service so far from his home state.

(Later) There is much work I can do in this group by way of introducing the true Sabbath. Most of the boys in this advanced training group come from Sunday-observing homes.

I think often of the Association and its work.



Basic English New Testament

The American Bible Society has published an illustrated paperback edition of the New Testament, entitled Good News for Modern Man. This new translation in basic English is especially for those with limited knowledge of English.

Of interest to Sabbathkeepers is the translation of Acts 20:7, a text often used by Sunday observers to prove that the apostles met on Sunday: "On Saturday evening we gathered together for the fellowship meal. Paul spoke to the people, and kept on speaking until midnight, since he was going to leave the next day."

This edition is available for 25 cents per copy from The American Bible Society, P. O. Box 100, Ansonia Station, New York, N. Y.

10023.

Two Chicago Arrests

Mrs. Veronica Bernico was maligned as a "nut" passing out "filthy literature" by park officials when she was handing out gospel tracts at Soldiers' Field in Chicago Aug. 28.

At her trial on Sept. 28 she was fined \$25 for "inciting to riot and molesting people" as charged by the official Chicago lawyer. Only park employees testified against

her. Her tracts were confiscated

and destroyed.

Pastor Vernon C. Lyons, a Baptist minister who handed out copies of Acts at Grant Park, also in Chicago, was charged with distributing literature containing commercial advertising and with littering and loitering.

His lawyer was not allowed to give the jury any arguments on religious liberty and freedom of the press. On Oct. 17, at the close of the three-day trial, the jury gave a verdict of guilty of littering.

Sixty ministers waited in the hall of the Criminal Court the first day of his trial. One observer commented, "There is no doubt in the mind of any one of those ministers that the Apostle Paul would be arrested if he came to this city."

Sunday Closing Support

Representatives of 40 Fort Wayne, Ind., businesses agreed to support a state-wide drive to regulate Sunday business. They also approved an \$8,000 contribution to the campaign to get a Sunday closing law passed by the 1967 General Assembly. A 1905 state law regulating Sunday business has been widely ignored.

The group included representatives from five chain stores— Sears, Montgomery Ward, J. C. Penney, F. W. Woolworth, and S. S. Kresge.

Robert Lamb of Indianapolis, executive secretary of the Committee for a Uniform Business Week, told the group a bill modeled after one in Missouri would be drafted and would list items prohibited from being sold on Sunday.

The businessmen said they oppose Sunday operations because their employees dislike it, they are unable to get sufficient help, the understaffing produces an increase in shoplifting and it is expensive.

Sunday Plea

With Sunday no longer a legal, no-working holiday in Ceylon, a predominantly Buddhist country, the Roman Catholic bishops have urged employers to give their workers time off to attend Mass.

They made the plea after the chamber of deputies approved legislation establishing the Buddhist "Poya" (sabbath) day as the weekly day of rest. Under the law, schools and commerce will continue on Sundays.

Sabbath Blue Law

Israeli factory owners, shopkeepers, and others whose places of business operate on the Sabbath will face fines of 1,000 Israeli pounds (about \$333) if a bill introduced in the Knesset (Parliament) should be passed. Dr. Elimelech Rimalt of Gahal has protested that "the legislature has no right" to enforce Sabbath observance.

In Malaya, Too

In accordance with a recent State Islamic religious enactment Muslims of Malaya can be fined \$80 for failure to attend weekly prayer services. Muslims who miss Friday prayers for three consecutive weeks can be brought to trial. State Islamic Council President Haji Ahmad Maliki, reports the measure quite effective; there have been no known offenders since the notice was issued in July.

We urge you to send us any items of particular interest to Sabbathkeepers that you find in your local paper. Clip them, write the name of the paper and date with your name, and send them—preferably by airmail—to the editorial office.

WHAT IS THE SABBATH DAY?

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"Until I went into the sanctuary of God." God's house: the HOUSE OF PRAYER being attended by His people on "the day of prayer."

Philip Schaff, the great church historian, has accurately evaluated the Christian centuries: "God gave, for blessing to the human race, three institutions: His Word, His Church, and the Sabbath Day." Whenever the Sabbath has not been observed, the word has not been heard and the church has been without power.

The greatest fact concerning the Sabbath is that the basic concept set down in the Ten Commandments to "remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy" was not destroyed by Christ. How rich does the Sabbath really become as He-

brews 4:3-9 speaks to us! "For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.

"For he spake in a certain place of the SEVENTH DAY on this wise, and GOD DID REST THE SEVENTH DAY from all his works.

"And in this place again, If they

shall enter into my rest.

"Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief:

"Again, he limited a CERTAIN DAY, saying in David, Today, after so long a time; as it is said, Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

"For if Jesus had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of ANOTHER DAY?

"There remaineth therefore a rest [keeping of a Sabbath, marginal reference] to the people of God."

Thus the day to which Christ has given great meaning must be to us indeed a very sacred day. This is truly "the day that the Lord has made."

There is no need to remain in ignorance concerning Sabbath observance, nor is there any reasonable basis for moving into the vacuous void of modern materialism.

If no other answer would or could be given to our original question, the fourth chapter of Hebrews would be sufficient.

The question of what is the

Sabbath cannot be answered in the number of church services attended, nor in the amount of Scripture studied, nor the number of hours in resting. These will be done if fundamentals are faithfully followed. When Christians give serious attention to these fundamentals, they will be happy for a respite from the feverish tossing of the week's demands.

A basic philosophy with regard to God's place in the affairs of men will reveal the needful importance for a day belonging to Him. Such will not cancel out profitable pleasure, but rather give decisive direction to all plans and purposes. Life will hold much more by way of happiness and pleasure when God is FIRST. The Sabbath will become the crowning day of the week which will reward man for his toil, emphasizing what God has done for man through creation.

Every mind was made for growth, for knowledge; and its nature is sinned against when it is doomed to ignorance.

-Channing

Listen . . .

to "Echoes from Eden," sponsored by the Bible Sabbath Association, over XEG (1050 kc.) at 9:45 p.m. C. S. T. each Sunday, and over XERB (1090 kc.) at 7:30 p.m. P. S. T. each Tuesday.

Pray for this program and support it with offerings, marked "radio fund" to The Bible Sabbath Association, Fairview, Oklahoma 73737.

New Assistant Editor

TERRIL D. LITTRELL, minister of the Church of God (7th Day), has accepted the call to become the assistant editor of THE SABBATH SENTINEL.

Our incoming assistant is a native Kentuckian, where he has served as minister of two congregations. He has been a Sabbatarian for five



TERRIL D. LITTRELL

years. Before that he was a minister of an independent Pentecostal Holiness movement. He has served as an evangelist for over ten years, and has preached to thousands in various parts of the United States and Mexico. He has vigorously campaigned for Christ because of what Christ has done for him.

Raised an orphan boy with little opportunity to succeed in life, he took advantage of what few opportunities did come his way, seeing each one as a responsibility and applying his stewardship according.

Because of poverty and discouragement he became a school drop-out at an early age. He was converted at the age of 10; and while living with an uncle near Atlanta, Ga., he began preaching at only 15. The fol-

lowing school term, he re-enrolled in high school at his home town in Henderson, Ky., where with much hardship he was graduated, receiving two high honors in vocal music.

His wife is the former Chloe Ann Johnson of Beech Creek, Ky. The Littrells have two children—a son, Donald, age 6, and a daughter, Terrie, age 5.

Mr. Littrell has done theological work at Midwest Bible College, Stanberry, Mo., and now is enrolled at Ozark Bible College, Joplin, Mo., working toward a Bachelor of Theology degree. He plans to continue his education, and eventually receive an M.A. degree in education.

He is presently serving the Joplin and El Dorado Springs, Mo., congregations of the Church of God (7th Day) as minister.

Mr. Littrell has been actively interested in the Bible Sabbath Association since he became a Sabbathkeeper in 1961.

He will assume his new duties with the association beginning January 1, 1967.

You think you can't?

Just Try It!

So you think that you "just can't" write the story of your experience in accepting the Sabbath, or that others would not be interested in reading it? How do you know if you haven't given it a try?

We are desperately in need of original articles, especially those telling of personal experiences connected with the Sabbath, how you found out about the seventh-day Sabbath, how you accepted it, and experiences in Sabbathkeeping; and, as always, we need articles approaching the Sabbath phase of truth from a new direction.

Although we cannot pay for articles, the feeling that your efforts may help bring someone else to a knowledge of God's holy day will help repay you for your efforts.

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IT IS YOUR DECISION

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it holy...the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord" (Ex. 20:8, 10).

Do you love Him enough to be willing to keep His Sabbath day? Don't keep the Sabbath to obtain a righteous status in the sight of God, for this righteousness comes only through faith in Christ. Keep

the Sabbath as a matter of obedience—because you love Him.

I have accepted Him as my Saviour and have changed my day of worship to His day of worship, the seventh day, because I want to show Him my love through my obedience. I pray that you will make this decision also. It is your decision; only you can make it.

—From a tract of the American Sabbath Tract Society (Seventh Day Baptist), P. O. Box 868, 510 Watchung Avenue, Plainfield, N. J.

HISTORY OF THE CALENDAR

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were an endeavor to wipe out every trace of religion.

Under our present calendar the year contains fifty-two weeks and one day (approximately). There are some who urge the adoption of a new calendar in the interests of industry and commerce. The reformed calendar, they say, should have extra days which would be called "blank days." These inserted "blank days" would cause the first, sixth, and seventh days of worship to rotate through the week from year to year. Any doubtful material advantages would be offset by the fact that it would disturb and set aside the fixed religious days of the religious world—Catholic, Protestant and Jewish. Most seriously it would disrupt God's ancient measurements of the times and seasons. Economic and religious disabilities and hardships would be inflicted on those who proved faithful to their convictions. Should man think to change what God has established?

From the Office of Secretary-treasurer

We so often wish for time and opportunity to meet each dear one who writes us or sends an order or maybe just a love offering for the work. Each bit of personal greeting is much appreciated and we do want to say that if only time would allow we would love placing a personal greeting with each letter or package going out from the office here. Please accept this brief greeting as personal to each contact we have.

These are days of unrest and discontent for the world in general but as sincere followers of our Lord and Saviour we should have a peace and joy in our hearts that can be seen and felt by those with whom we mingle. Tender compassion for all men and a sweet acceptance of our daily tasks and trails as we trust His promises and look forward to "that better day" cannot help but be a blessing to ourselves and all others about us.

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SPOTLIGHT

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day is the seventh day of the week and is the only Sabbath in the Bible, and that the righteous followers of Christ shall inherit the earth (Eden restored)." The official publication is *The Bible Beacon*. Mission work is supported in Nigeria, West Africa.

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(for the Sabbath)

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-Darlene Lincoln

What is your favorite recipe for Sabbath meal, to be prepared on Friday? Please send it to us.

[&]quot;A Note from the Editor" will return next month.

THE TWO LAWS

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unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God."

Deuteronomy 9:10: "And the Lord delivered unto me two tables of stone written with the finger of God; and on them was written according to all the words, which the Lord spake with you in the mount out of the midst of fire in the day of the assembly."

2. This law was placed inside the ark.

Exodus 25:16, 21: "And thou shalt put into the ark the testimony which I shall give thee. . . . And thou shalt put the mercy seat above the ark; and in the ark thou shalt put the testimony that I shall give thee."

3. The moral law is called a perfect law and the law that converts the soul.

Psalm 19:7: "The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple."

Romans 7:12, 14: "Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.... For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin."

4. The carnal mind is not subject to this moral law.
Romans 8:7, 8: "Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God."

5. Paul delighted in this law.
Romans 7:22: "For I delight
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6. Heaven and earth shall pass away, but the moral law shall remain.

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7. The keeping of this law identifies God's remnant.

Revelation 12:17: "And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ."

8. This law identifies the saints.
Revelation 14:12: "Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus."

In conclusion, God's moral law is eternal, while the law of ceremonies and sacrifices was temporary. The moral law is our passport into the city of God. Revelation 22:14: "Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city."

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