

SABBATH EXCUSES EXAMINED AND ANSWERED – PART 11

The Bible mentions that the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples on the day of Pentecost (see Acts 2:1-2). It is then claimed that this was a Sunday, and then further claimed that this great event proves that the first day of the week should be observed today instead of the seventh day Sabbath of the Lord.

Now even if the day of Pentecost occurred upon the first day of the week, it would still remain to be proven that this day thereby became the Sabbath. Yet the Bible shows that it was the feast of Pentecost itself, and not the first day of the week, that God designed to honor.

The day of Pentecost is distinctly named, but the day of the week on which it occurred is passed by in silence. This shows that it was not the design of Heaven to honor the first day of the week, but instead to mark the anti-type or fulfillment of the feast of Pentecost.

The ancient slaying of the Passover lamb on the fourteenth day of the first month met its anti-type or fulfillment in the death of the Lamb of God on that same day some 1500 years later (see Exodus 12; John 19; 1 Corinthians 5:7). The ancient offering of the firstfruits on the sixteenth day of the first month had met its anti-type in the resurrection of our Lord on that same day, the firstfruits of them that slept (see Leviticus 23; 1 Corinthians 15:20-23; Acts 1:1-2). And the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost fulfilled the type of the ancient feast of Pentecost. It was therefore not the day in which these events occurred that was of importance, but instead that these ancient symbolic ceremonies and services were meeting their fulfillment in type.

So you can clearly see that because God spoke nothing in this place respecting the day in which these events occurred reveals that no Biblical proof exists for a change in the timing of God's weekly Sabbath! This means that God's holy Sabbath still occurs today, just like it has done since creation, on the very same seventh day or Saturday of each week.

As this is true, then this teaching and belief that the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost occurred on a Sunday and therefore Sunday instead of Saturday was now to be the day to worship God in this New Covenant, is not found written in the Bible at all. Therefore this belief is not a doctrine of God taught in the Scriptures, even though many people have been deceptively led to believe that it is indeed taught there.

In this regard, God clearly warns:

“Add thou not unto His words, lest He reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.” Proverbs 30:6.

This then means that when any Protestant or Catholic believer uses the argument that the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost occurred on a Sunday, and therefore Sunday instead of Saturday was now to be the day to worship God in this New Covenant, in their efforts to try and prove that Sunday is God's Sabbath day today, will find themselves in agreement with the teachings of pure human reasoning alone, but not in agreement with the truth of God's holy Scriptures!

For more information, please visit www.LightMinistries.com