

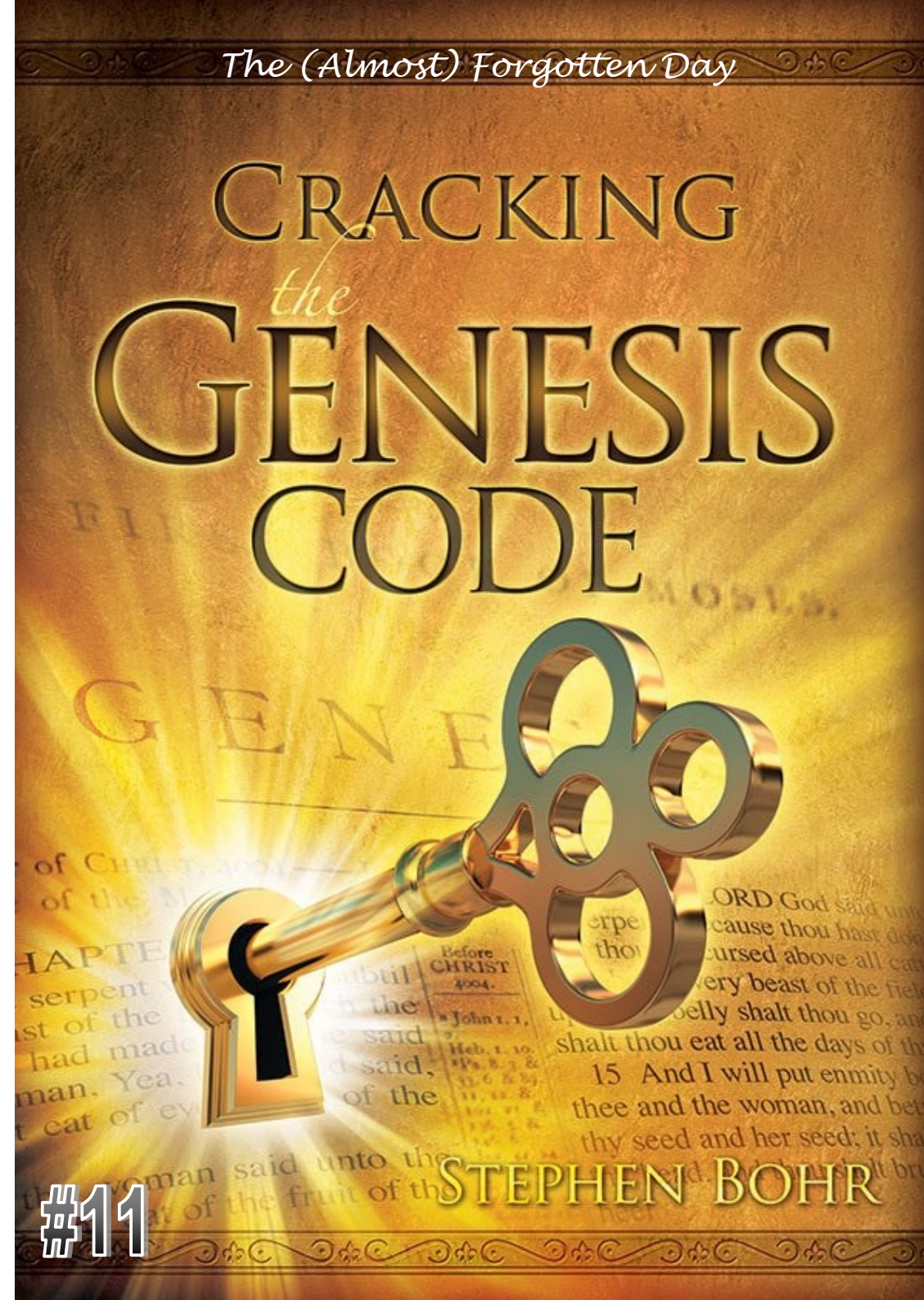
*the city there will be no need of sun or moon, there will be no weekly or monthly cycle. This however overlooks the fact that it's **the city** (not the earth) which **needs** no sun or moon.*

3. Which day of the week will God's people keep holy in the earth made new?

"For as the new heavens and the new earth Which I will make shall remain before Me," says the LORD, "So shall your descendants and your name remain. And it shall come to pass That from one _____ to another, And from one _____ to another, _____ flesh shall come to _____ before Me," says the LORD."

(Isaiah 66:22, 23)

NOTE: This text clearly proves that there will be a weekly and monthly cycle in the earth made new. Eating monthly from the tree of life will constantly refurbish our life (see Revelation 2:7; 22:14). Attending on Sabbath will give us the opportunity to worship our Creator, Redeemer and Restorer.



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Cracking the Genesis Code Lecture #11 "The (Almost) Forgotten Day"

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Genesis 1:31-2:1	Isaiah 56:6-7	Revelation 14:13
Genesis 2:2, 3	Isaiah 58:13, 14	Luke 24:1
Genesis 1:5	Jeremiah 17:24", 27	II Corinthians 5:17
Exodus 16:22	Ezekiel 20:20	John 6:51
Exodus 16:23	Nehemiah 13:15-19	Acts 2:25-27
Exodus 16:24	Genesis 1:1	Matthew 24:20
Exodus 16:25, 26	John 1:1, 3	Acts 13:42, 44
Exodus 16:28-30	Luke 4:16	Acts 16:13
Exodus 20:8-11	Mark 2:27, 28	Acts 17:2
Exodus 31:15	Mark 3:1-6	Acts 18:4
Exodus 31:17	Luke 13:16	Revelation 21:1
Galatians 3:29	Mark 15:42, 43	Revelation 22:2
Exodus 31:18	John 19:30	Isaiah 66:22, 23
Deuteronomy 5:12-15	Luke 23:54-56	

these words might be preached to them the next _____. ...
And the _____ Sabbath day came almost the whole city together
to hear the word of God." (Acts 13:42, 44)

2. Did the apostle Paul meet with believers on Sabbath only in the synagogue?

"And on the _____ day we went out of the city to the _____, where prayer was customarily made; and we sat down and spoke to the women who met there." (Acts 16:13)

3. According to Acts 17:2, for how many Sabbaths did the apostle Paul reason with the Jews of Thessalonica?

"Then Paul, as his custom was, went in to them, and for _____ Sabbaths reasoned with them from the Scriptures."

4. Did the apostle Paul only evangelize Jews on the Sabbath day?

"And he reasoned in the synagogue _____ Sabbath, and persuaded both Jews and _____." (Acts 18:4)

The Sabbath in Eternity

1. What will God make after sin and sinners have been destroyed?

"Now I saw a new and a new _____, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea."
(Revelation 21:1)

2. Will there be a monthly cycle in the earth made new?

"In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the _____ of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every _____." (Revelation 22:2)

NOTE: Some have thought that because Revelation 21:23 states that in

the Manna represent?

“I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone _____ of this bread he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My _____, which I shall give for the life of the World.”

(John 6:51)

8. **What happened with the body of Jesus as He lay in the tomb?**

“For David says concerning Him: ‘I foresaw the LORD always before my face, for He is at my right hand, that I might not be shaken. Therefore my heart rejoiced, and my tongue was glad; Moreover **my flesh** also will **rest** in hope. For you will not leave my _____ in _____, nor will You allow Your Holy One to see _____.’”

(Acts 2:25-27)

NOTE: The Manna which fell from heaven in the Old Testament represents Jesus’ flesh. Remember that the Manna which fell on Friday did not breed worms or stink when it was saved on the Sabbath. In the same way, the flesh of Jesus knew no corruption while He rested in the tomb on Sabbath because in the flesh of Jesus there was no sin.

9. **Which day did Jesus tell His disciples to observe forty years after His ascension?**

“But pray ye that your flight be not in _____ neither on the _____ day.” (Matthew 24:20)

NOTE: If Jesus had intended to do away with the Sabbath. or change it, why did He enjoin His disciples to observe the Sabbath forty years after His resurrection?

The Sabbath in the Book of Acts

1. **On which day of the week did the apostle Paul preach to Jews and Gentiles?**

“So when the Jews went out of the synagogue, the Gentiles begged that

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The Sabbath in the Creation Story

1. **On which day did God finish His work of creation?**

“Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. so the evening and the morning were the _____ day. Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were _____.”

(Genesis 1:31-2:1)

2. **According to Genesis 2:2, 3- on which day did God rest from his work of creation?**

“And on the _____ day God ended His work which He had done, and He _____ on the _____ day from all His work which He had done. Then God blessed the _____ day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.” (Genesis 2:2, 3)

*NOTE: There is no room for misunderstanding. We are told three times that God rested from His works of creation on the **seventh day**.*

3. **According to the creation account, when does the day begin?**

“God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the _____ and the _____ were the first day...So the evening and the morning were the third day...So the evening and the morning were the fourth day...So the evening and the morning were the fifth day...Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day.”

(Genesis 1:5, 13, 19, 23, 31)

NOTE: Four points stand out concerning the Sabbath in Genesis:

*First, God finished His work on the sixth day.
 Second, God rested on the seventh day which is the Sabbath.
 Third, the Sabbath was established to memorialize creation.
 Fourth, the Sabbath begins in the evening at the setting of the sun.
 (see Mark 1:32)*

The Sabbath and the Manna Episode

1. **On which day of the week did Moses command Israel to gather twice as much Manna as on any other day?**

“And so it was, on the _____ day, that they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for each one. And all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses.” **(Exodus 16:22)**

***NOTE:** Israel was commanded by God through Moses to gather Manna every day of the week except on Sabbath. On Friday they were to gather twice as much Manna and save one.-portion for the Sabbath.*

2. **What was Israel commanded to do the day after they picked up twice as much Manna?**

“Then he said to them, ‘This is what the LORD has said: ‘ _____ is a **Sabbath**, rest, a _____ **Sabbath** to the LORD. Bake what you will bake today, and boil what you will boil, and lay up for yourselves all that remains, to be kept until morning.’” **(Exodus 16:23)**

3. **What did not happen to the Manna which Israel stored up for the Sabbath?**

“So they laid it up till morning, as Moses commanded; and it. did not _____, nor were there any _____ in it.” **(Exodus 16:24)**

***NOTE:** It is significant that the Manna was just as fresh on the Sabbath as it had been on Friday. If it was saved up for any other day, however, it bred worms and stank. As we will find later in our study, there was a very special reason for this!*

“That day was the Preparation, and the Sabbath drew near. And the women who had come with Him from Galilee followed after, and they observed the tomb and how His body was laid. Then they returned and prepared spices and fragrant oils. And they _____ on the Sabbath according to the _____.” **(Luke 23:54-56)**

4. **According to the apostle John, what happens with people who have died in the Lord?**

“Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.' " "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may _____ from their _____, and their works follow them.” **(Revelation 14:13)**

***NOTE:** Jesus the Creator (John 1:1-3) and Jesus the Redeemer (John 1:14) followed the same process with regards to the Sabbath. In both creation and redemption Jesus finished His Work on the sixth day. In both creation and redemption Jesus rested from His works on the seventh day Sabbath.*

5. **On which day of the week did Jesus resurrect from the dead?**

“Now on the _____ day of the week, very early in the _____ they, and certain other women with them, came to the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared.” **(Luke 24:1)**

6. **According to the apostle Paul, what do we become when we receive Jesus?**

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new _____ old things **have** passed away; behold all things have become _____.” **(2 Corinthians 5:17)**

7. **What relationship exists between Jesus and the Manna and What does**

silent. And when He had looked around at them with _____, being grieved by the hardness of their hearts, He said to the man, ‘Stretch out your hand. And he stretched it out, and his hand was _____ as whole as the other. Then the Pharisees went out and immediately plotted with the Herodians against Him, how they might _____ Him.” (Mark 3:1-6)

***NOTE:** Some Christians affirm that Jesus broke the Sabbath when He healed the afflicted on it. If this were so, we have a serious theological problem. Sabbath observance is enjoined by the fourth commandment of the law of God. Sin is the transgression of the law (1 John 3:4). If Jesus broke the Sabbath, He was a sinner and needed a Redeemer!!*

6. **On which day of the week did Jesus deliver a woman who had been bound by Satan for eighteen years?**
“So ought not this woman, being a daughter of _____ whom Satan has bound--think of it—for eighteen years, be loosed. From this bond on the _____?” (Luke 13:16)

The Sabbath a Sign of Redemption

1. **What does Mark call the day before the Sabbath?**
“Now when evening had come because it was the _____ day, that is, the day _____ the Sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent council member, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, coming and taking courage, went in to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.” (Mark 15:42, 43)
2. **What soul wrenching words did Jesus utter on the cross when He died?**
“So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “It is _____.” And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.” (John 19:30)
3. **What did the women do after Jesus was buried in Joseph’s tomb?**

4. **According to Moses, which day is the Sabbath?**
_____ (Exodus 16:25, 26)

5. **Who gave Israel the Sabbath?**
“See! For the _____ has given you the Sabbath; therefore He gives you on the sixth day bread for two days. Let every man remain in his place; let no man go out of his place on the _____ day.” (Genesis 16:29)

6. **What was Israel not to do on it?**
“Then Moses said, "Eat that today, for today is a **Sabbath** to the LORD; today you will not find it in the field. _____ days you shall gather it, but on the _____ day, the _____, there will be none.” (Exodus 16:25, 26)

***NOTE:** Several points are clear in these verses.*

***First,** Israel was to gather Manna six days.*

***Second,** God gave twice as much Manna on the sixth day.*

***Third,** Israel was not to gather Manna on the seventh day because it was the Sabbath.*

***Furthermore,** we are clearly told that the Sabbath was the LORD’S— it was not Moses’ Sabbath.*

7. **Is the Sabbath of the fourth commandment the same day as the Sabbath at creation and the Sabbath in the Mana episode?**
"Remember the _____ day, to keep it holy. _____ days you shall labour and do all your work, but the _____ day is the Sabbath of the LORD your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. For in _____ days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the _____ day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it. (Exodus 20:8-11)

***NOTE:** The fourth commandment has many of the same elements as the*

Sabbath in Exodus 16. Expressions such as six days, seventh day, of the LORD, are common to both. Clearly the Sabbath existed before God wrote it in the Ten Commandments.

The Sabbath in Exodus 31 and Deuteronomy 5

1. According to Exodus 31, what punishment was executed against those who profaned the Sabbath?

“You shall keep the Sabbath, therefore, for it is holy to you. Everyone who profanes it shall surely be put to _____; for whoever does any work on it, that person shall be _____ off from among his people. Work shall be done for six days, but the seventh is the Sabbath of rest, _____ to the LORD. Whoever does any work on the Sabbath day, he shall surely be put to _____.”
(Exodus 31:15, 16)

NOTE: Some people have assumed that if Sabbath observance is still binding today, then the death penalty for its violation must also be binding. This argument is flawed. Just because we don't execute the death penalty today for its violation, does not mean that the Sabbath is not still binding. In Israel adultery is also punished With death. Does this mean that because we do not execute the death penalty for adulterers today, it is alright to commit adultery? Certainly not!

2. For how long was the Sabbath to be a sign between the LORD and Israel and for what reason?

“Therefore the children of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, to observe the Sabbath throughout their generations as a _____ covenant. It is a _____ between Me and the children of Israel _____; for in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, and on the seventh day He rested and was refreshed.” (Exodus 31:16, 17)

NOTE: Sabbath observance was to be an eternal sign between God and Israel. “But”, someone might object, “We are Christians, not Jews.” This statement is only partially true. It is true that many Christians are not ethnic Jews. But as we shall see in our next question, an Israelite is one who has been baptized into Jesus Christ.

Jesus, the Creator and Arbiter of the Sabbath

1. Who was the creator of the Sabbath?

“In the _____ God _____ the heavens and the earth.” (Genesis 1:1)

“In the _____ was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were _____ through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.” (John 1:1-3)

2. On which day did Jesus customarily attend church?

“So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His _____ was He went to the synagogue on the _____ day, and stood up to read.” (Luke.4:16)

3. According to Jesus, for whom was the Sabbath originally made?

“And He said to them, ‘The Sabbath was made for _____, and not man for the Sabbath.’” (Mark 2:27)

4. Of which day is Jesus Lord?

“Therefore the Son of Man is also Lord of the _____.”
(Mark 2:28)

5. Did Jesus break the Sabbath which He created or did He break the Sabbath of the Pharisees?

“And He entered the synagogue again, and a man was there who had a _____ hand. So they watched Him closely, whether He would heal him on the Sabbath so that they might _____ Him. And He said to the man who had the withered hand, ‘Step forward.’ Then He said to them ‘Is it _____ on the Sabbath to do good or to do evil, to save life or to _____? But they kept

into Jerusalem on the Sabbath day: and I testified against them in the day wherein they sold victuals.” (Nehemiah 13:15, KJV)

2. What were the inhabitants of Tyre doing in Jerusalem on the Sabbath?

There dwelt men of Tyre also therein, which brought _____, and all manner of ware, and _____ on the Sabbath unto the children of Judah, and in _____.” (Nehemiah 13:16, KJV)

3. With what strong words did Nehemiah rebuke the nobles of Jerusalem for allowing commerce transactions in Jerusalem on the Sabbath?

“Then I contended with the _____ of Judah, and said unto them, what evil thing is this that you do, and _____ the Sabbath day? Did not your fathers thus, and did not out God bring all this evil upon us, and upon this city? Yet ye bring more wrath upon Israel by profaning the Sabbath.” (Nehemiah 13:17, 18, KJV)

NOTE: Jeremiah 17:21-27 clearly explains that the destruction of Jerusalem was due, in great part to the profanation of the Sabbath. Nehemiah now rebuked the people after the captivity for doing that which had led to the captivity.

4. What did Nehemiah do to solve this problem?

“And it came to pass, that when the gates of Jerusalem began to be dark _____ the Sabbath, I commanded that the gates should be _____, and charged that they should not be opened till after the Sabbath: and some of my servants set I at the gates, that there should no _____ be brought in on the Sabbath day.” (Nehemiah 13:19, KJV)

3. According to the Apostle Paul, who is Israel?

“And if you are _____, then you are Abraham's _____ and heirs according to the promise.” (Galatians 3:29) (see also Romans 2:28, 29; 9:6-8)

NOTE: The apostle Paul makes it abundantly clear (as did Jesus in John 8:31-58) that in order to be a true Jew or Israelite, it is necessary to accept Jesus as personal Saviour. If the Sabbath was given as an eternal sign to Israel and we are Israelites in Christ, then the Sabbath must be a sign between God and us.

4. Who engraved the Ten Commandments on tables of stone?

“And when He had made an end of speaking with him on Mount Sinai, He gave Moses two tablets of the Testimony, tablets of stone, written with the _____ of God.” (Exodus 31:18)

NOTE: The Ten Commandments is the only portion of the Bible which God Wrote with His own finger. The finger of God is the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 12:28; Luke 11:20)

5. What motivation does Deuteronomy 5:12-15 provide for the observance of the Sabbath?

“Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it _____, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the _____ your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your ox, nor your donkey, nor any of your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. And _____ that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God _____ you out from there by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm; _____ the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.” (Deuteronomy 5:12-15)

NOTE: It will be noticed that the Sabbath commandment in Deuteronomy

5 has a different motivation clause than in Exodus 20:8-11. The motivation for keeping the Sabbath in Deuteronomy was redemption. Israel had two reasons to keep the Sabbath: Creation and redemption.

The Sabbath in the Prophets

1. Was Sabbath observance intended only for literal Israel in the Old Testament?

“Also the sons of the _____, that join themselves to the LORD, to serve him, and to love the name of the LORD, to be his servants, every one that keepeth the Sabbath from _____ it, and taketh hold of my covenant; Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my _____ of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for _____ people.” (Isaiah 56:6, 7, KJV)

NOTE: Isaiah makes it very clear that the Sabbath, even in the Old Testament, was intended for all people and not only for the Jewish nation.

2. What did the prophet Isaiah say about proper Sabbath observance and to whom does the Sabbath belong?

“If you turn away your _____ from the Sabbath, From doing your _____ on _____ holy day, And call the Sabbath a _____, The holy day of the LORD _____, And shall honour Him, not doing your own _____, Nor finding your own _____, Nor speaking your own _____, Then you shall _____ yourself in the LORD; And I will cause you to ride on the high hills of the earth, And feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father. The mouth of the LORD has spoken.” (Isaiah 58:13, 14)

NOTE: This passage from Isaiah provides some very important principles of Sabbath observance. It is a day to totally forget our words, business and pleasure. It is a day to exclusively enjoy our relationship with

Jesus— twenty-four hours of loving fellowship between us and our Maker and Redeemer.

3. What did God Promise His people in the days of the prophet Jeremiah?

“And it shall come to pass, if ye diligently hearken unto me, saith the LORD, to bring in no _____ through the gates of this city on the Sabbath day, but _____ the Sabbath day, to do no work therein; Then shall there enter into the gates of this city _____ and princes sitting upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their princes, the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: and this city shall remain for _____.”

(Jeremiah 17:24, 25, KJV)

NOTE: The flip side of this promise is found in Jeremiah 17:27. “But if ye will not hearken unto me to hallow the Sabbath day, and not to bear a burden, even entering in at the gates of Jerusalem on the Sabbath day; then will I kindle a fire in the gates thereof, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem, and it shall not be quenched.”

4. According to the prophet Ezekiel, of what is the Sabbath a sign?

“And hallow my Sabbaths; and they shall be _____ a between me and you, that ye may _____ that I am the LORD your God.”

(Ezekiel 20:20)

NOTE: Ezekiel quotes the words of the LORD to the effect that the Sabbath is a sign of the His relationship with His people.

The Sabbath after the Babylonian Captivity

1. What were some Jews doing in Jerusalem shortly after the Babylonian captivity?

“In those days saw I in Judah some _____ wine presses on the Sabbath, and bringing in _____ and lading asses; as also wine, grapes, and figs, and all manner of burdens, which they _____