

NOTES: "The observance of Sunday by the Protestants is an homage they pay, in spite of themselves, to the authority of the [Catholic] church."- *Plain Talk About the Protestantism of Today*, page 213.

The conscientious observance of Sunday as the Sabbath on the part of those who hitherto have supposed it to be the Sabbath, has, without doubt, been accepted of God as Sabbath-keeping. It is only when light comes that sin is imputed. **John 9:41; John 15:22; Acts 17:30**

26. What does Christ say about our duty to the state?

"Render therefore unto _____ the things which are _____; and unto God the things that are God's." **Matthew 22:21**

NOTE: The Sabbath belongs to God. Its observance, therefore should be rendered only to Him.

27. What special miracle is finally to be performed to deceive men, and fasten them in deception?

"And he doeth great wonders, so that *he maketh* _____ *come down from heaven on the earth in the* _____ *of men.*" **Revelation 13:13**

NOTE: In the time of Elijah, in the controversy over Baal-worship, this was the test as to who was the true God,-the God that answered by fire. **1 Kings 18:24**. Now, as a counterfeit test, fire will be made to come down from heaven to confirm men in an idolatrous and false worship.

28. To what length will this effort to enforce the worship of the image of the beast be carried?

"And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause [decree] that as many as would not worship the image of the beast *should be* _____." **Revelation 13:15**

29. What deliverance will God finally bring to His people in this controversy?

"And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and _____ *that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name*, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God." **Revelation 15:2**

30. What song will they sing?

"And they *sing the song of* _____ the servant of God, *and the song of the Lamb.*" **Revelation 3**

31. What was the song of Moses?

A song of deliverance from oppression. **See Exodus 15**

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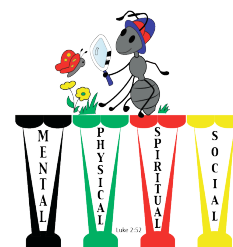
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It is proper and right for the church to teach Sabbath observance, and decry Sabbath desecration; but it should not attempt to secure Sabbath observance through compulsory legislation; nor should it seek to fasten upon the people by any means the observance of a day which God has never enjoined and for which, as is admitted on all hands, there is no Scriptural command.

18. What does the prophet say the two-horned- beast power will attempt to enforce upon all the people?

"And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a _____ in their right hand, or in their foreheads." **Revelation 13:16**

NOTES: This mark is the mark of the beast, or the false Sabbath. **See Revelation 14:9-10.** God's seal, or mark, is set in the forehead (**Revelation 7:3; Revelation 14:1**), the seat of the mind, the Lord accepting only the worship of conviction of conscience. The mark of the beast however, is said to be received in the hand or forehead. Some are deceived and give assent to the false teaching with their minds, receiving the mark in the forehead; others, coerced or indifferent, give formal, outward consent, and so receive the mark in the hand. Let the reader note this twofold aspect of the Sunday sabbath, as expressed by one of the most ardent and active Sunday-law advocates in the United States: "We, the Sabbath Union, W.C.T.U., all the churches, and the Y.M.C.A., are laboring with all our might to carry the *religious* Sabbath with our right arm, and the *civil* sabbath with our left. Hundreds of thousands will receive it as a religious institution, and all the rest will receive it as a civil institution, and thus we will sweep in the whole nation."-**Rev. W. F. Crafts, in Sunday Union Convention, Wichita, Kans., Sept. 20, 1889.**

19. What means will be employed to compel all to receive this mark?

"And that no man might ____ or ____, save he that had the ____, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name." **Revelation 13:17**

NOTE: That is, all who refuse to receive this mark will be boycotted, or denied the rights and privileges of business and trade, or the ordinary means of gaining a livelihood. Already this spirit has begun to manifest itself in the movement to enforce Sunday observance. In a sermon preached in Burlington, Kans., Sunday, Jan. 31, 1904, Rev. Bascom Robins said:-

"In the Christian Decalogue the first day was made the Sabbath by divine appointment. But there is a class of people who will not keep the Christian sabbath unless they are forced to do so. But that can be easily done. We have twenty million of men, besides women and children, in this country, who want this country to keep the Christian sabbath. **If we would say we will not sell anything to them, we will not buy anything from them,** we will not work for them or hire them to work for us, the thing could be wiped out, and all the world would keep the Christian sabbath."

20. By what authority was Sunday sabbath- keeping instituted?

By the authority of the Catholic Church.

21. Why were the ancient Sunday laws demanded?

"That the day might be devoted with less interruption to the purposes of devotion."

"That the devotion of the faithful might be free from all disturbance." - **Neander's "Church History," Vol. II, pages 297, 301.**

NOTE: In short, it was to secure the enforced observance of the day, and through this means church attendance, and control over the people in religious things.

22. Why are they demanded now?

"Give us good Sunday laws, well enforced by men in local authority, and our churches will be full of worshipers, and our young men and women will be attracted to the divine service. A mighty combination of the churches of the United States could win from Congress, the State legislatures, and municipal councils, all legislation essential to this splendid consummation." -**Rev. S. V. Leech, D. D., in Homiletic Review, November, 1892.**

23. Who is responsible for the present State Sunday laws of the United States?

"During nearly all our American history *the churches* have influence the States to make and improve Sabbath laws."- **Rev. W. F. Crafts, in Christian Statesman, July 3, 1890.**

NOTES: "These Sunday laws are a survival of the complete union of church and state which existed at the founding of the colony." -**Boston Post, April 14, 1907.** "Such laws [as the Maryland Sunday law 1723] were the outgrowth of the system of religious intolerance that prevailed in many of the colonies." -**Decision of Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia, Jan. 21, 1908.**

The first Sunday law in America, that of Virginia, in 1610, required church attendance, and prescribed the death penalty for the third offense. **See "American State Papers," edition 1911, page 33**

24. Why is a national Sunday law demanded?

"The national Sunday law is needed to make the State laws complete and effective." - **Christian Statesman, April 11, 1889.**

25. Since the Sunday sabbath originated with the Roman power (the beast), to whom will men yield homage when, knowing the facts, they choose to observe Sunday, instead of the Bible Sabbath, in deference to compulsory Sunday laws?

"Know ye not, that *to whom ye yield yourselves* _____ to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey." **Romans 6:16**