

Why No Sabbath Laws?

➤ Principles are better than laws.

- 1) The principle of no work on Sabbath.
Exodus 20:8-11
- 2) The principle of not buying or selling on Sabbath. **Nehemiah 13:15-22**
- 3) The principle that the Sabbath is the Lord's Day and not our day. **Mark 2:28**
- 4) The principle that the Sabbath was made for us and the "not doing our own ways, finding our own pleasure, or speaking our own words" is a boundary of love given to protect our health, intimacy with loved ones, and connection with God. **Mark 2:27 & Isaiah 58:13**
- 5) The principle of needing to protect "our delight in the Lord as we ride upon the high places of the earth and are fed with the heritage of Jacob"
Isaiah 58:14
- 6) The principle of love for God and man.
Matthew 22:36-40

- 1) The principle that the day of Jesus can only be kept if we have a relationship of faith with Jesus. - **Revelation 14:12 & Romans 9:30-33.**
Our relationship with the Sabbath is linked to our relationship to the Lord of the Sabbath.
 - 2) The principle of preparing for the Sabbath.
Exodus 16:22-26
 - 3) The principle of satisfying hunger on the Sabbath. **Matthew 12:1-4**
 - 4) The principle of stewardship-looking after what we are responsible for. **Matthew 12:5**
 - 5) The principle of mercy. **Matthew 12:5-8**
 - 6) The principle of doing good on the Sabbath.
Matthew 12:9-14
 - 7) The principle of the need to see God as Creator.
Ezekiel 20:20
"God designs that the Sabbath shall direct the minds of men to the contemplation of His created works." **Patriarchs & Prophets page 48**
- Our prayer for continued leading as to how to follow these Sabbath principles.
Psalms 139:23 & 24