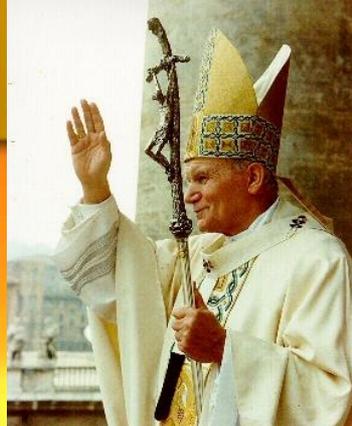


SABBATH



From Sabbath to Sunday: The Real Reasons

By
George S. Dadey



**“In the beginning God
created
the heavens and the earth.”**



CREATION WEEK

Gen 2:1 - 3

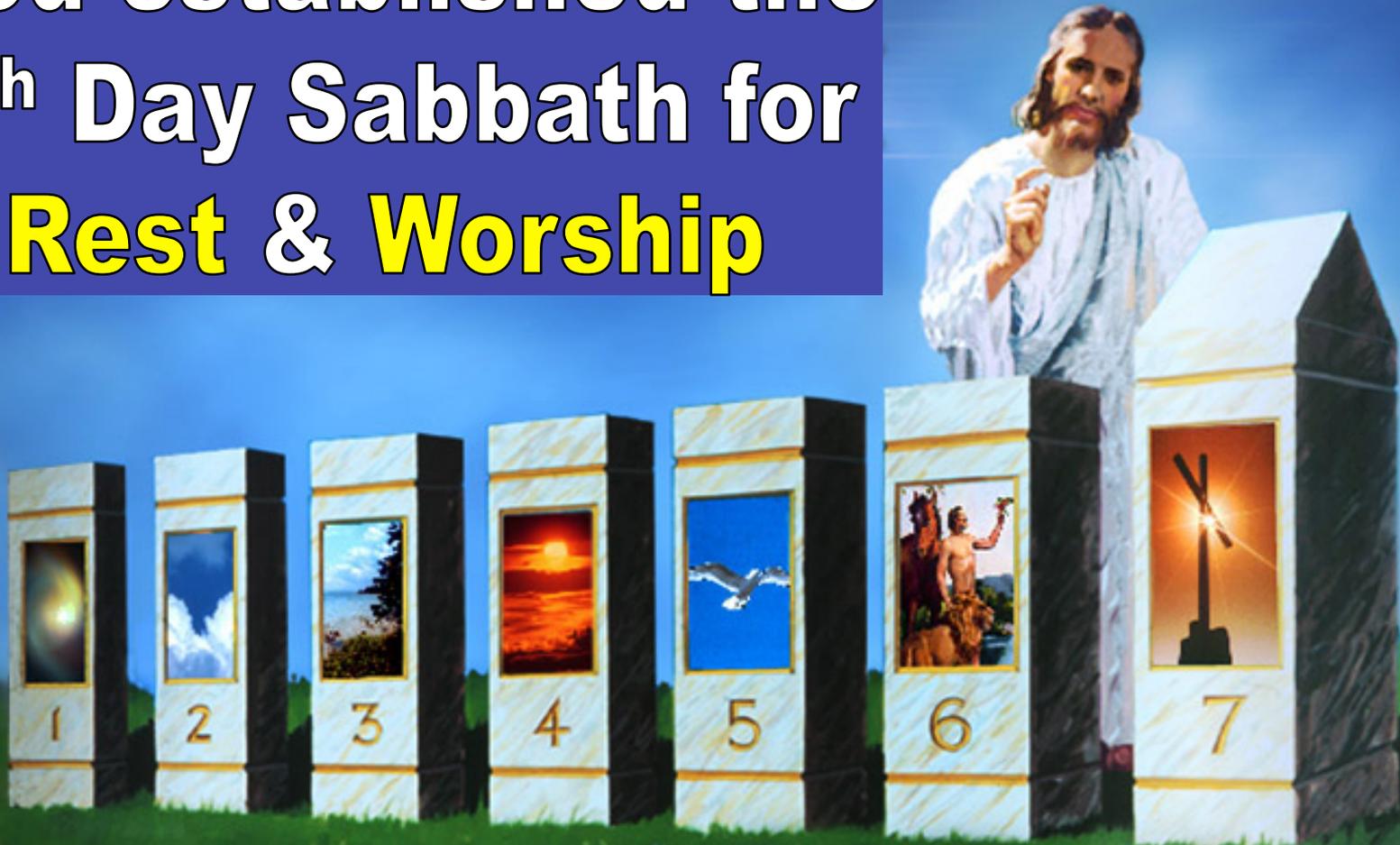
The Seventh Day

God

- Rested
- Blessed
- Sanctified



God established the
7th Day Sabbath for
Rest & Worship



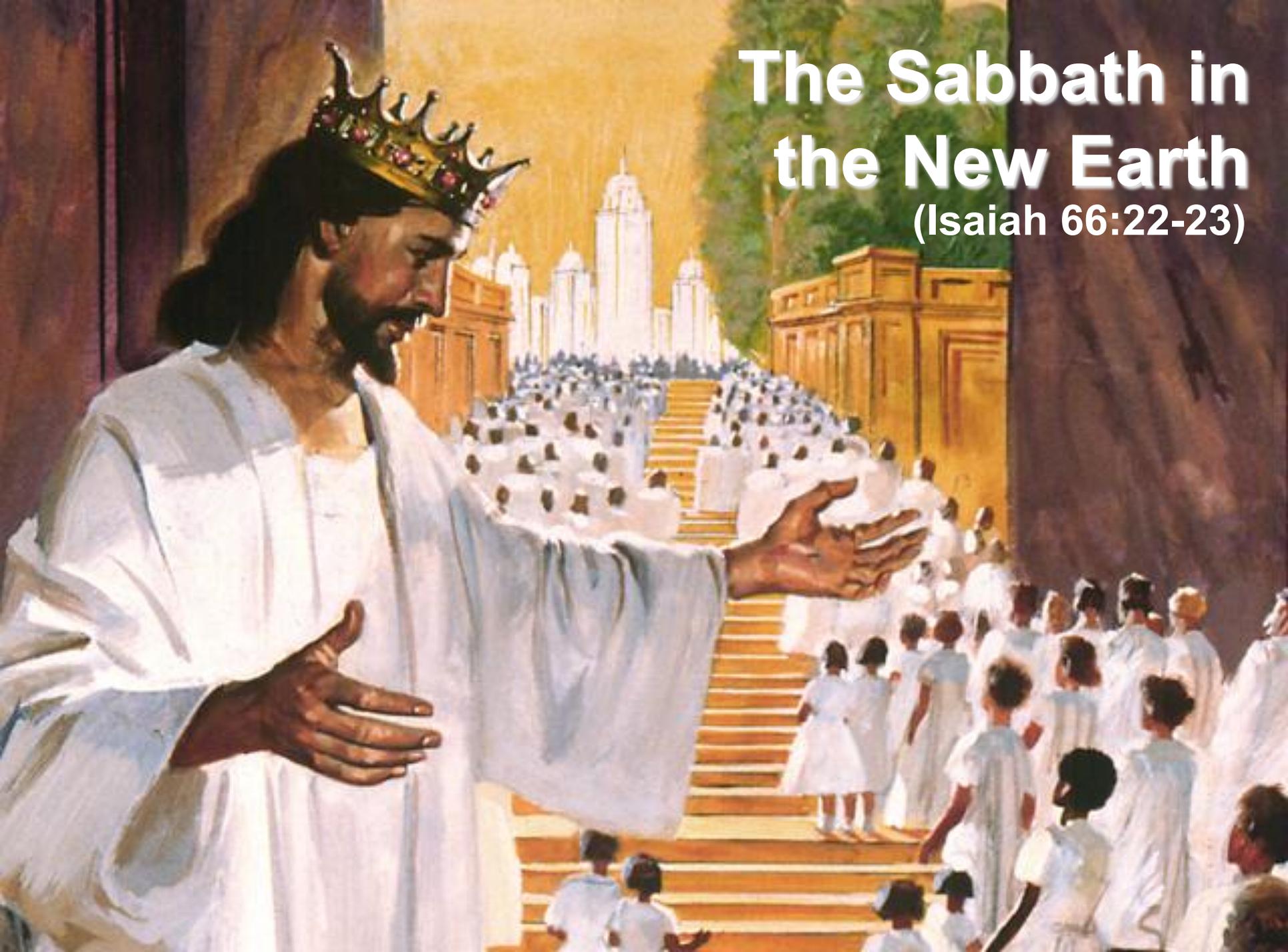
Continuity of *The Sabbath:*

1. Given at Creation
2. Given at Sinai
3. Kept by His people
4. Kept by Jesus
5. Honored by the disciples
6. Sign of God's power
7. Kept on the New Earth

(Isaiah 66:22-23)

The Sabbath in the New Earth

(Isaiah 66:22-23)



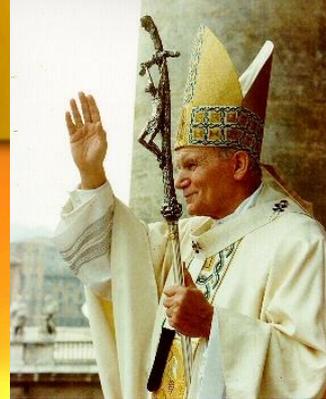


Questions:

- 1. Why** do People now Worship on Sunday?
- 2. Who** changed the Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday & **How?**

Reasons Usually Given:

1. The 1st Sabbath **never ended**, so God is still resting & never **commanded** us to keep the Sabbath from **the 1st week**.
2. The Sabbath was given to the Jews only at the Mt Sinai after deliverance from Egypt (Dt 5:15).
3. Jesus Resurrected on Sunday.
4. The Apostles Worshiped on Sunday from Easter Sunday (see John 20:19 – “Fear of the Jews”).
5. Paul worshiped on Sunday (cf Acts 17:1-3)
6. The Law was nailed to the Cross (Col 2:14; cf Deut 31:24-26; Dan 9:27).



From Sabbath to Sunday: The Real Reasons



**The Bible predicted that
Some Power would**

**"...think to
change
times and
laws."**

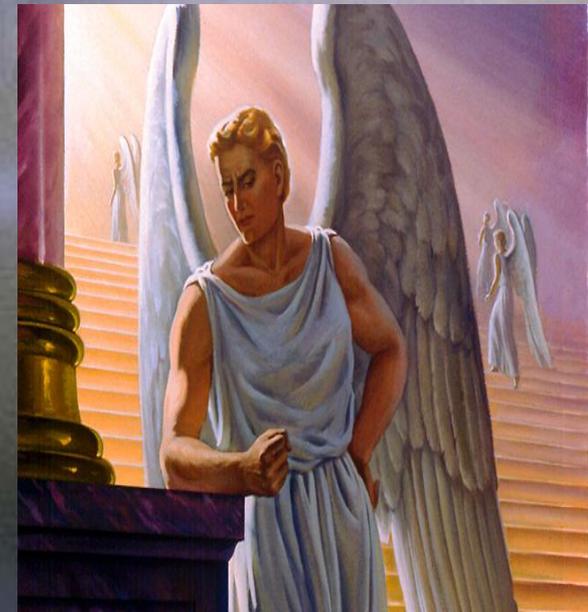
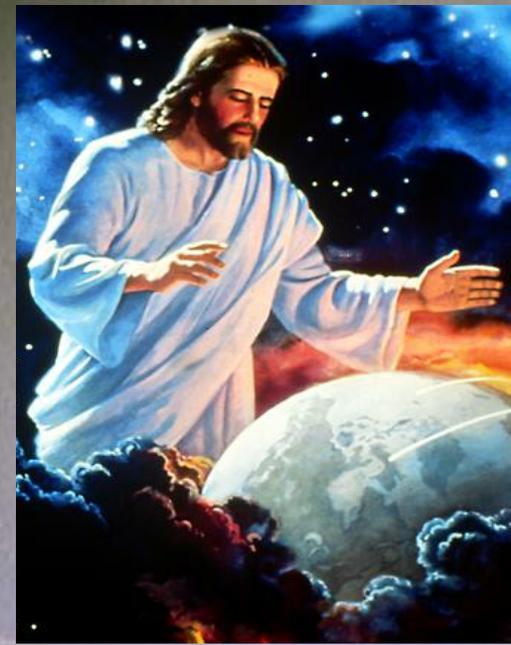
Daniel 7:25

KJV



Worship

is at the Centre of
the Great Controversy

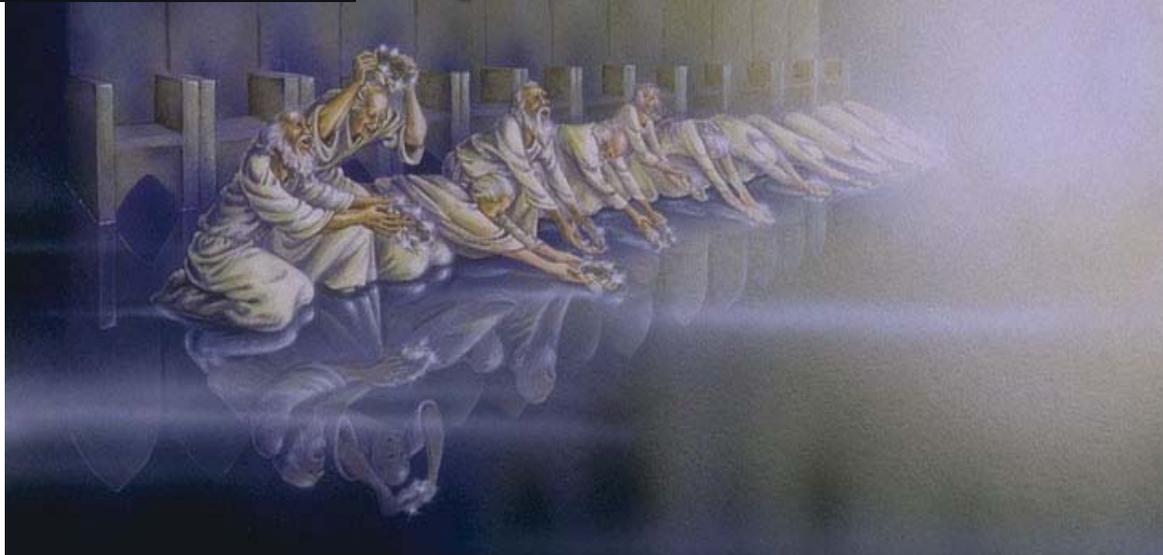


GOD'S THRONE ROOM



Worship in Heaven

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The Quest for Worship

**... I will
be like
the Most
High."**

**Isaiah 14:13,14
NKJV**





Lucifer & his Angels cast out of Heaven

A man with a beard and dark hair, wearing a red robe, is shown in profile from the chest up. He is holding a sword with a dark hilt and a silver blade. He is looking towards the left. The background is a plain, light-colored wall. The lighting is dramatic, with strong highlights on his face and the sword, and deep shadows on his robe and the background.

**He established a
Counterfeit Worship:**

- **On his own Day**
- **In his own Way**

Counterfeit Worship



SUN-WORSHIP

The Tower of Babel

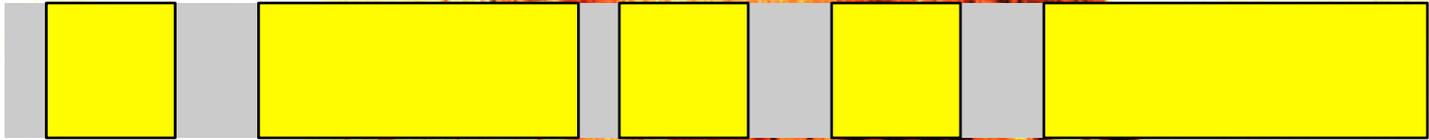
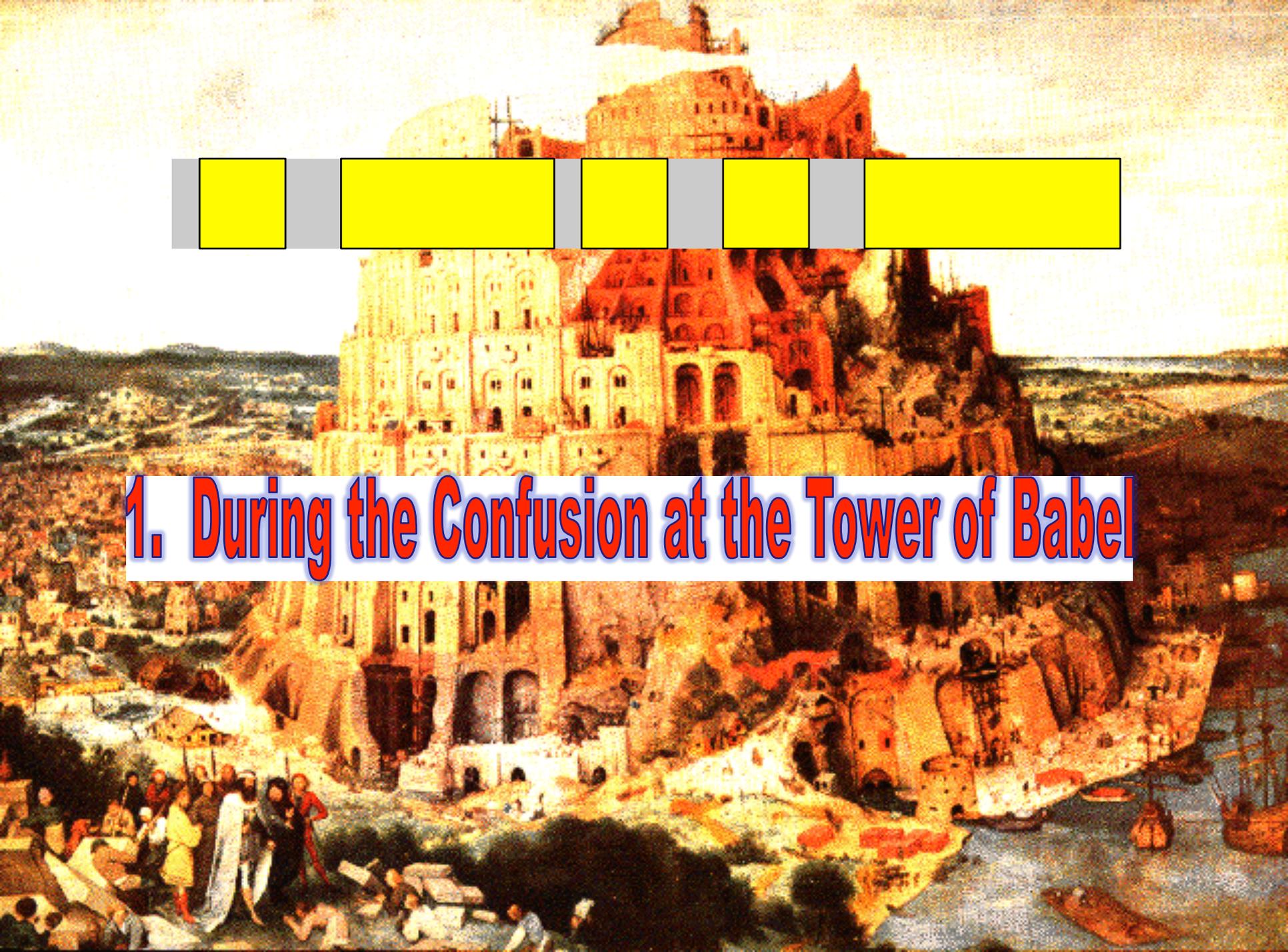


**Sun-Worship
began in Babel or
Ancient Babylon**

Baal Marduk



The Babylonian Sun-god was Baal Marduk
Who was believed to be the Creator of heaven and earth



1. During the Confusion at the Tower of Babel

2) During the Neo-Babylonian Empire under King Nebuchadnezzar



Baal Marduk - Babylonian Sun-god

3. During the World Political Conquests down to Rome



BABYLON

HEAD OF GOLD



PERSIA

CHEST & ARMS OF SILVER



GREECE

THIGHS OF BRONZE



ROME

LEGS OF IRON



DIVIDED EUROPE

FEET OF IRON & CLAY



**How did sun worship
enter the church?**



Three Reasons for the Change:

The Roman Empire's Problems

1. Jewish Revolts

There were 2 Jewish Revolts:



The 1st Jewish Revolt resulted in the Destruction of Jerusalem in 70 A.D.



2nd Jewish Revolt - 135 AD

135 A.D.

**JEWISH REVOLT
LED BY BAR-KOKKBA**

Persecution of the Jews, esp in Rome

REJECTION OF *Jews*

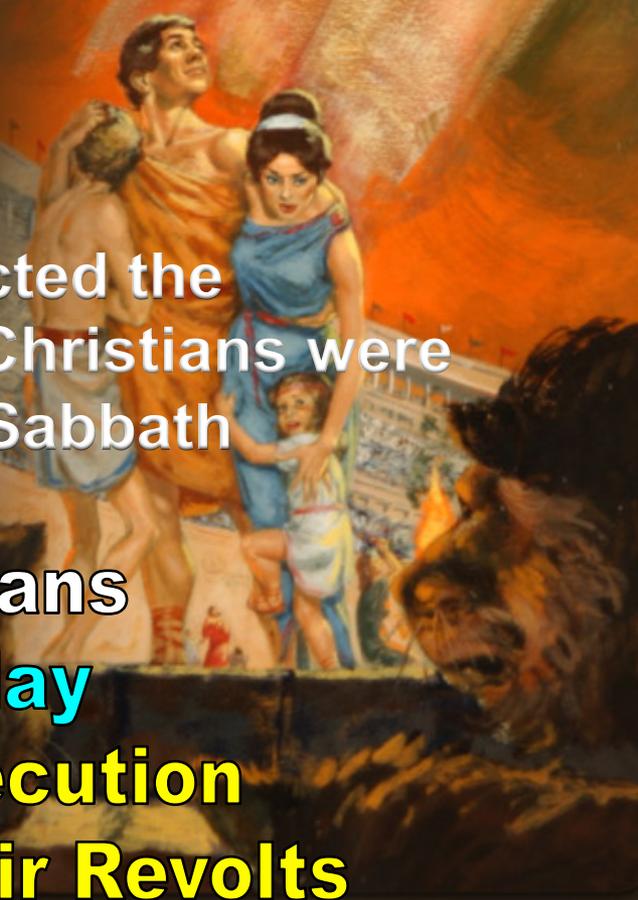


A Gradual Change

1. The Jews were being persecuted.

The Jewish persecution also affected the Christians because both Jews & Christians were worshiping on the same day, the Sabbath

Consequently, some Christians started worshiping on **Sunday** to **Escape the Roman Persecution of the Jews because of their Revolts**





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**“Beginning with the first
Jewish Revolt against
Rome (66-70), various
repressive measures—**



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**military, political and
fiscal—were imposed
by the Romans upon
the Jews.”**

A stack of three books with blue covers and gold lettering, positioned to the left of the title.

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**“Hadrian at this time
prohibited the practice
of the Jewish religion
throughout the empire,**



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**condemning especially
Sabbath observance.”**



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**“Impressive indications
(suggest) that Sunday
observance was
introduced at this
time in conjunction
with Easter–Sunday,**



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as an attempt to clarify
to the Roman authorities
the Christian distinction
from Judaism.”

SUNDAY

1

Which Christians?

&

WHY SUNDAY

?



Which Christians?

ROMANS 11:13 N I V

**“I am talking
to you
Gentiles ...”**

**(The Gentile Christians,
not the Jewish Christians)**



These Gentile Christians, recently converted from paganism, were not as well established in Sabbath-keeping as were the Jewish Christians, who had always practiced Sabbath-keeping



Why Sunday?



The pagans in the Roman Empire had been **sun worshipers** for many years celebrating **Sunday** as the sun's day.

Why Sunday?

**John Eadie, D.D., LL.D,
A Bible Encyclopedia, p. 561**

**“Sabbath...A
Hebrew word
signifying rest
...Sunday was
the name given
by the heathens**



Why Sunday?

**John Eadie, D.D., LL.D,
A Bible Cyclopedia, p. 561**

**to the first day
of the week,
because it
was the day
on which they
worshipped
the sun.”**



A wide-angle photograph of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, Italy, taken from an elevated position. The basilica's grand facade, featuring a portico with Corinthian columns and a large dome, dominates the background. In the foreground, St. Peter's Square is filled with a large crowd of people, many of whom are gathered on the wide, tiered steps leading up to the church. The sky is clear and blue, and the overall scene conveys a sense of a significant religious event or a major gathering.

**This is how Sunday worship
began in Christendom, &
why it began in Rome**

2. Constantine's Attempt to Unite both Christians & Pagans



CONSTANTINE - a PAGAN EMPEROR

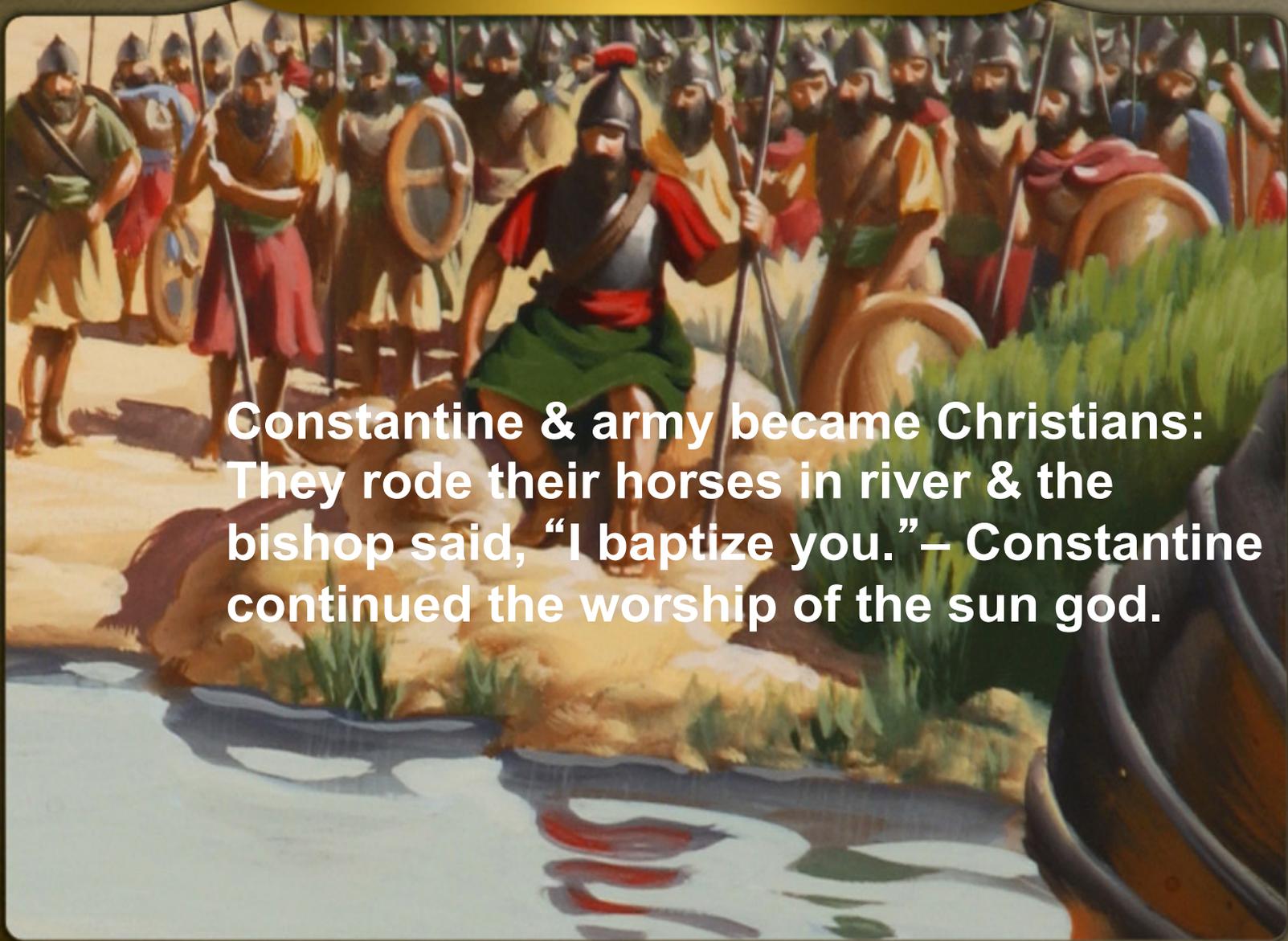
THE MIRACULOUS

CONVERSION OF EMPEROR CONSTANTINE

Constantine's Vision in 312 AD:
The Cross on the Sun

“By this symbol you will conquer.”





**Constantine & army became Christians:
They rode their horses in river & the
bishop said, “I baptize you.” – Constantine
continued the worship of the sun god.**

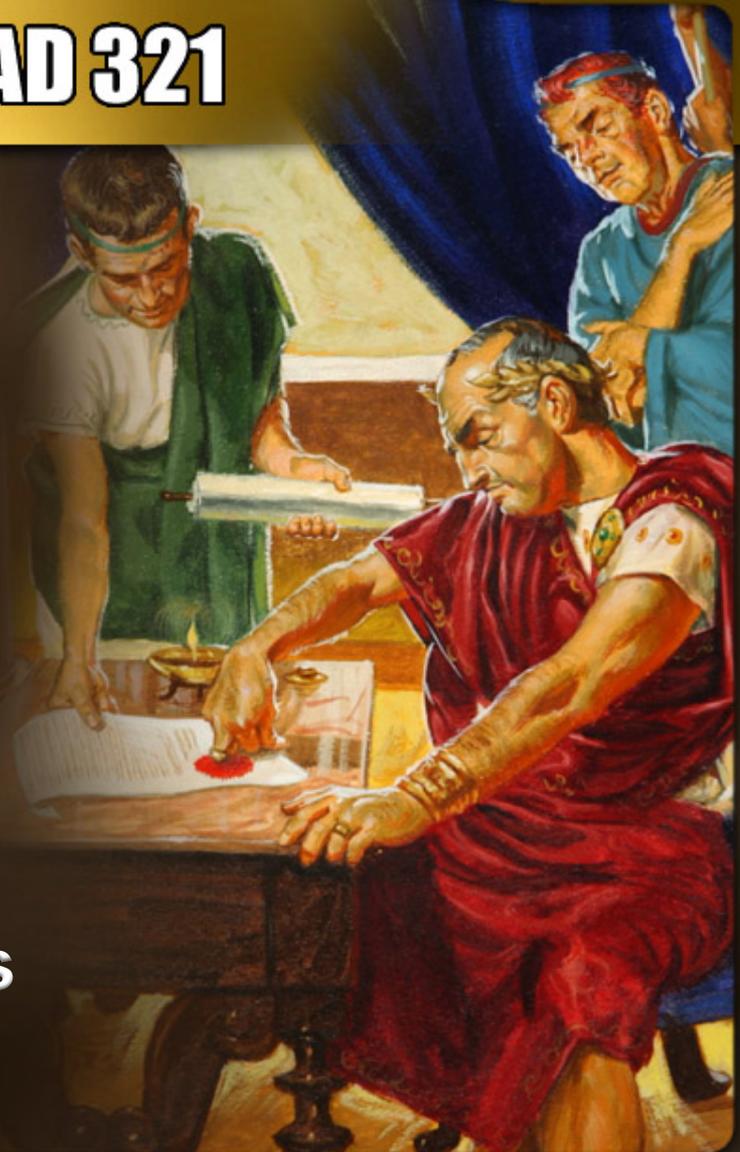
*First Civil
Sunday Law Passed:*

March 7, 321 A.D.



Edict of Constantine, AD 321

“On the venerable Day of the Sun let the Magistrates and people residing in the cities rest, and let all workshops be closed.”





History of

the Christian Church

ed. 1902, v. 3, p. 380

**In the country,
however, persons
engaged in agricultre
may freely and lawfully
continue their pursuits.”**

Constantine moved the Churches from worshipping
In Houses into the **Temples of the gods** with all their **Images** &
made the **Priests of the gods** serve as the **Priests of the Churches**.
(All this was in an attempt to help pagans feel comfortable).



Pagan Temples => Cathedrals (filled with Images of Idols)



St. Peter?

Jupiter.

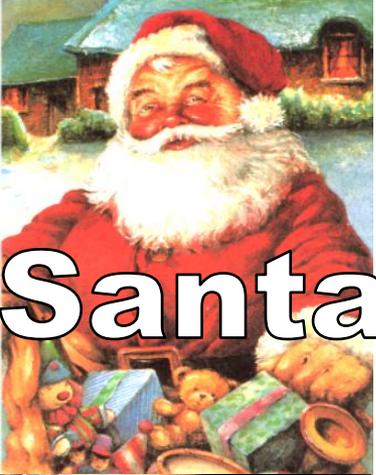


Pagan gods were Renamed as Saints

ISHTAR (or Semiramis)
& her Son, THAMMUS

Were Changed to:
MARY & BABY JESUS





Santa

Easter Eggs



**CHRISTMAS
& EASTER**



"In **313 A.D.**, Emperor Constantine declared **25th Dec** to be the **Birthday of Jesus.**

Easter celebration of the Death & Resurrection of Tammuz was also introduced into the Church as the Death & Resurrection of **Jesus Christ.**

A topographical map of the Mediterranean region, including parts of Europe, Africa, and Asia. The map is color-coded with green for land and blue for water. A yellow curved arrow points from the location of Rome in Italy to the location of Constantinople in the Balkans. The text is overlaid on the map in white and yellow.

Constantine later moved his capital to **Byzantium** and changed its name to **Constantinople** in honour of himself.

Constantine then gave his seat, **the Vatican**, his capital, **Rome**, plus a vast treasury & an army, to the **Bishop of Rome**.

Rev 13:2b – “The dragon gave him (the Beast) his power, his throne, and great authority.”



Vatican

Pope => Head of
Church & State

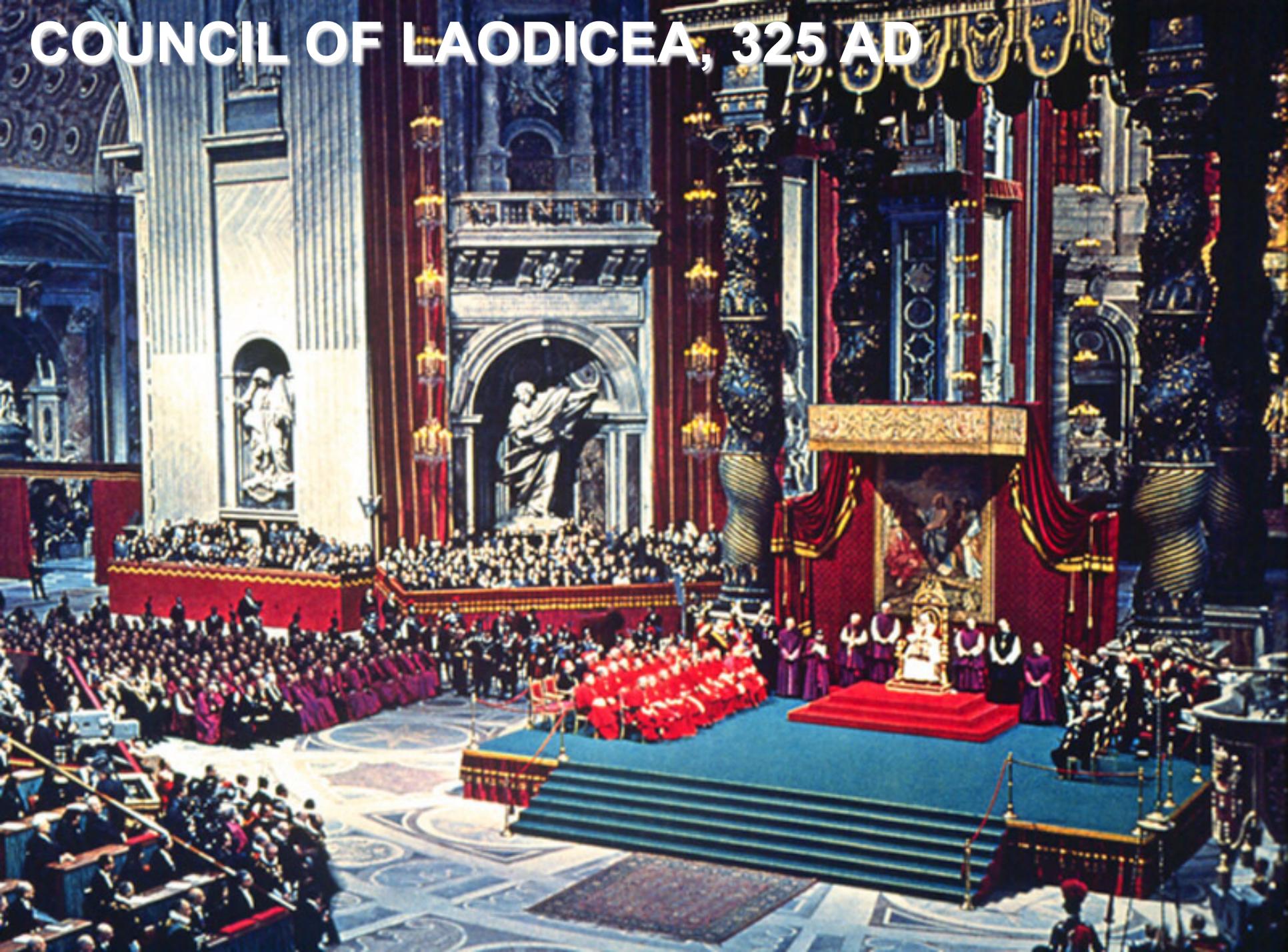




3.

**Church leaders
accepted this compromise.**

COUNCIL OF LAODICEA, 325 AD





Historia Ecclesiastica

Council of Laodicea *p. 739*

325 A.D.

“In the year 325,
Sylvester, Bishop
of Rome changed
the title of the
first day, calling
it the Lord’s day.”





A History of the Councils of the Church

Council of Laodicea v. 2, p. 316

364 A.D.

“Christians shall
not Judaize (keep
Sabbath) and be
idle on Saturday
... but shall work
on that day;





A History of the Councils of the Church

Council of Laodicea *v. 2, p. 316*

364 A.D.

but the Lord's
day they shall
especially
honour, and, as
being Christians,
shall if possible,





A History of the Councils of the Church

Council of Laodicea v. 2, p. 316

364 A.D.

do no work
on that day.
If however,
they are found
Judaizing,





A History of the Councils of the Church

Council of Laodicea v. 2, p. 316

they shall be
shut out ...
from Christ.”

364 A.D.



TRADITION

OR
BIBLE

Council of Trent in 1562





Canon and Tradition

p. 263

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“Finally, at the last opening on the eighteenth of January, 1562, all hesitation was set aside:



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the Archbishop of Reggio made a speech in which he openly declared that tradition stood above scripture.



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The authority of the church could therefore not be bound to the authority of the Scriptures *because the church had changed . . . the Sabbath into Sunday,*



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not by a command of
Christ, but by its
own authority.”



Catholicism & Fundamentalism

p. 38

Karl Keating

“...fundamentalist meet for worship on Sunday, yet there is no evidence in the Bible that corporate worship was to be made on Sundays. The Jewish Sabbath, or day of rest,



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was, of course, Saturday. It was the Catholic Church that decided Sunday should be the day of worship for Christians, in honor of the resurrection.”

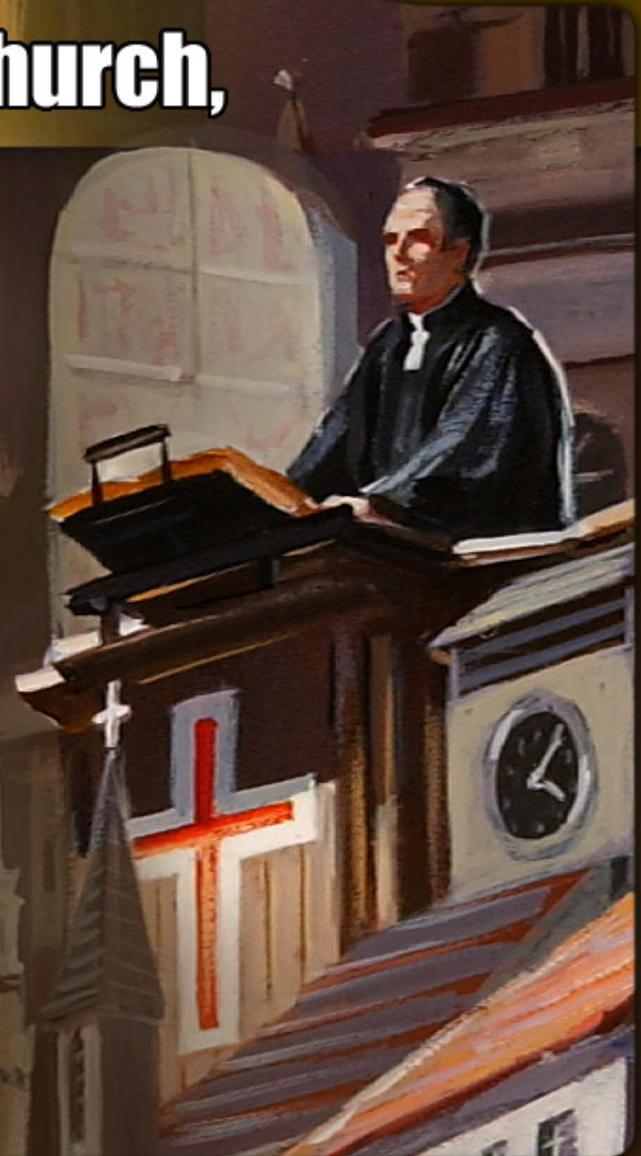
**Letter, Oct. 28, 1895,
from C. F. Thomas**

“Of course the Catholic Church claims that the change was her act... And the act is a mark of her ecclesiastical power and authority in religious matters.”



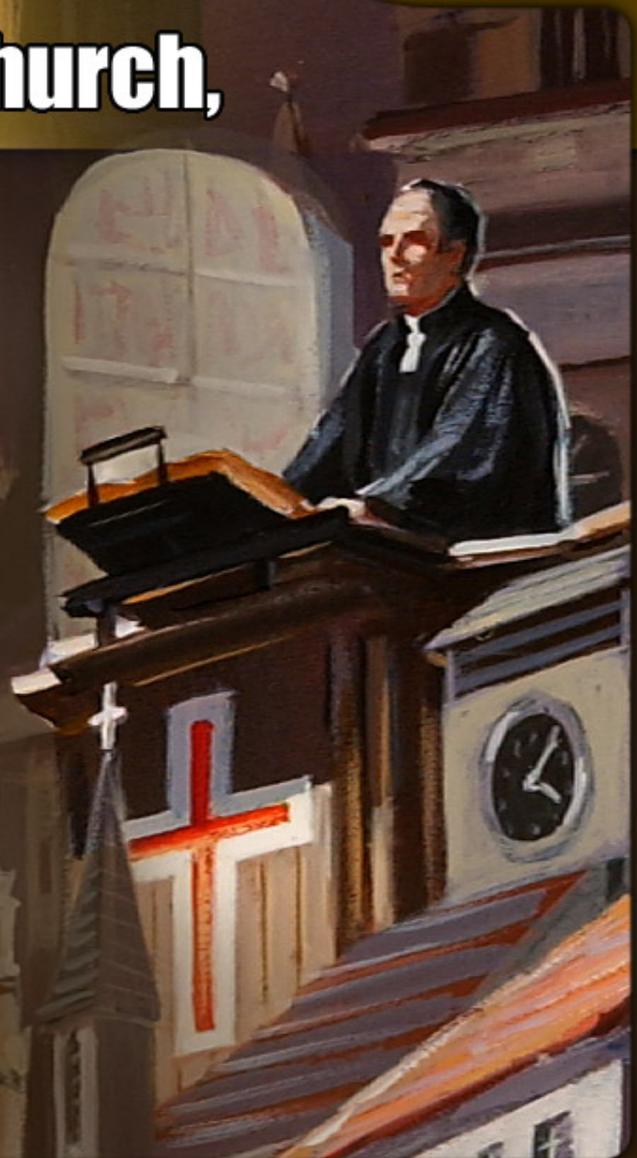
**St. Catherine Catholic Church,
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**“Perhaps the boldest
thing, the most
revolutionary
change the Church
ever did happened
in the first century.
The holy day, the
Sabbath,**



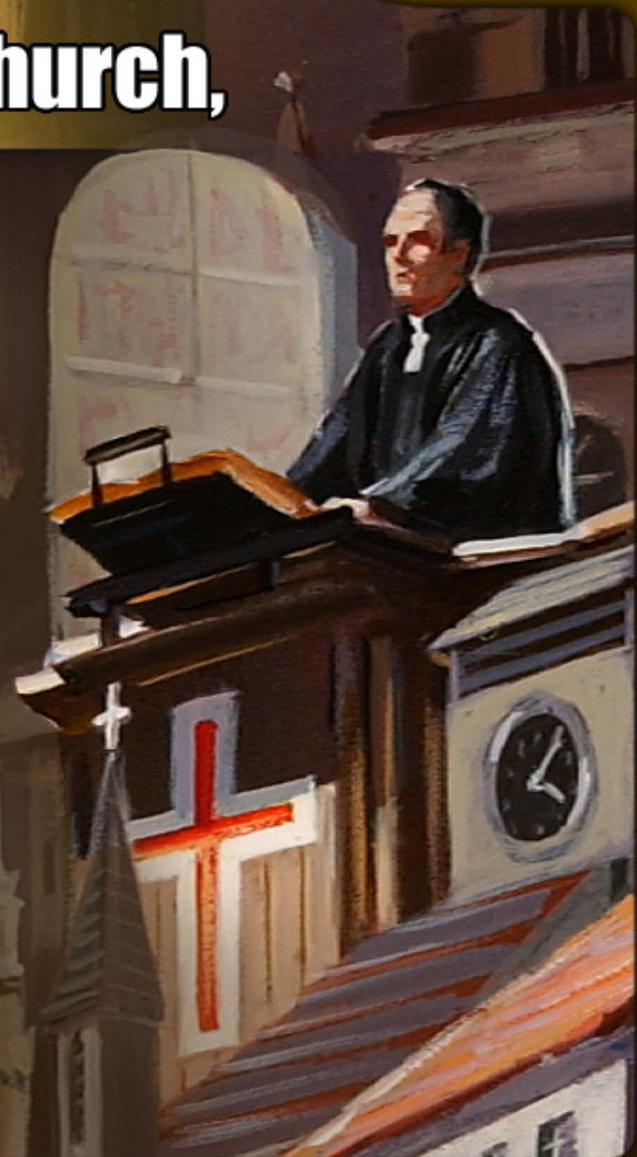
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was changed from
Saturday to Sunday
... not from any
directions noted in
the Scriptures, but
from the Church's
sense of its own
power...



**St. Catherine Catholic Church,
Sentinel, May 21, 1995**

People who think that the Scriptures should be the sole authority, should logically become 7th Day Adventists, and keep Saturday holy."



THE
CONVERT'S CATECHISM
OF
CATHOLIC DOCTRINE

BY
REV. PETER GEIERMANN, C. SS. R.

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The Convert's Catechism

Q. Which is the Sabbath day?

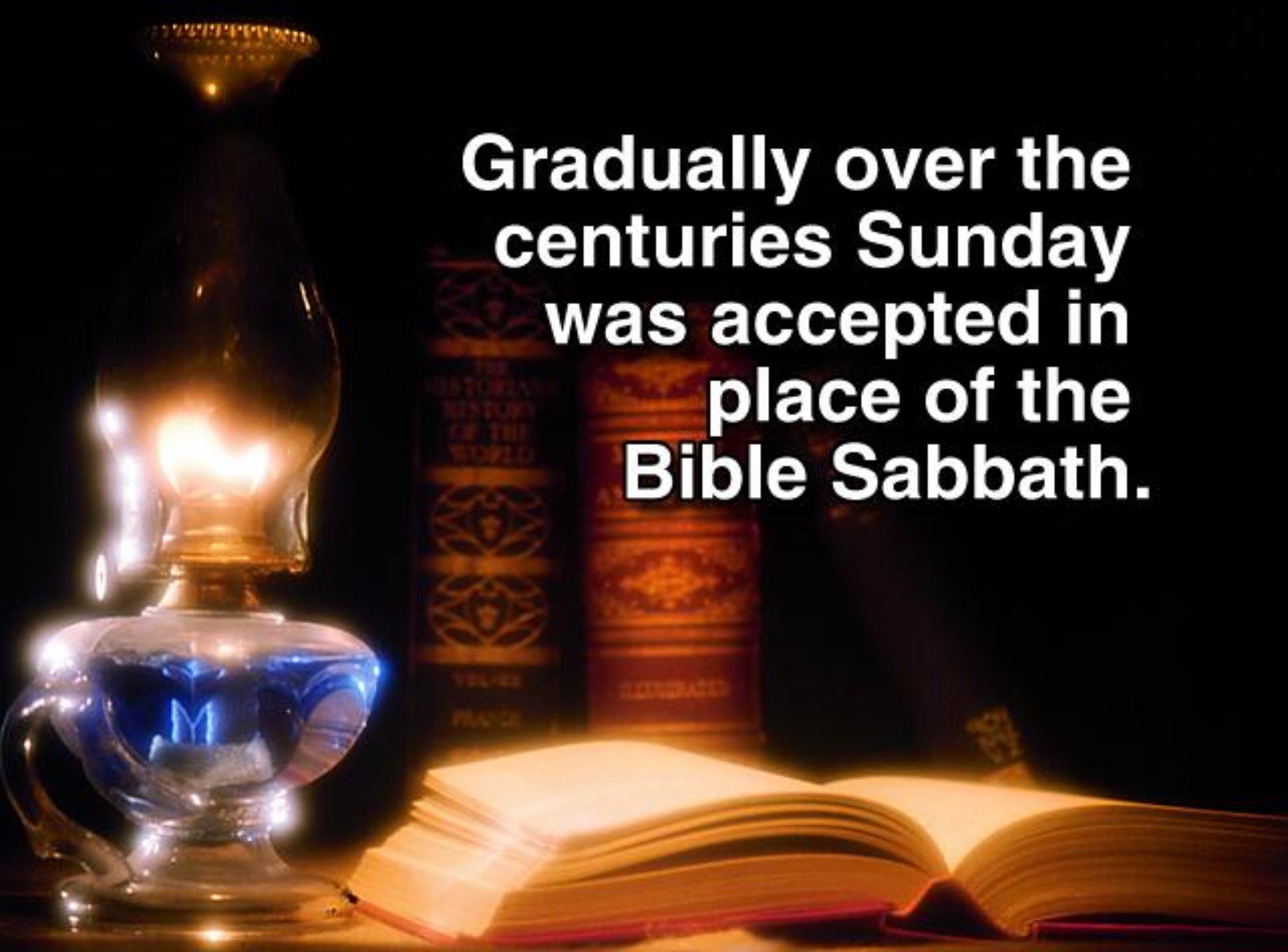
A. "Saturday is the Sabbath Day."



The Convert's Catechism

Q Why do we observe Sunday instead of Sabbath?

A "...because the Catholic Church transferred the solemnity from Saturday to Sunday."

A lit oil lamp with a glass chimney and a glass reservoir containing blue liquid. The lamp is lit, casting a warm glow. In the background, there are several books with ornate covers. In the foreground, an open book is lying flat, its pages illuminated by the lamp's light. The scene is set against a dark background.

**Gradually over the
centuries Sunday
was accepted in
place of the
Bible Sabbath.**

The Bible predicted that Some Power would:

DANIEL 7:25 K J V

“... think to
change times
and laws ...”



THE ROMAN “DECRETALIA”

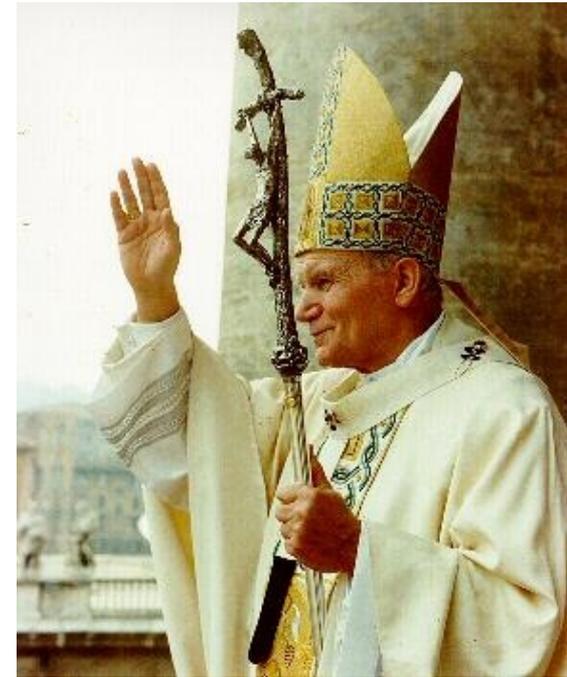
Decretal De Translat. Espiscop. Cap.

**“The Pope has
power to change
times, to abrogate
laws, and to
dispense with all
things, even the
precepts of
Christ.”**



THE ROMAN “DECRETALIA”

- **“He can pronounce sentences and judgments in contradiction to the Rights of Nations, to the Law of God and man ... He can free himself from the commands of the Apostles, he being superior, and from the Rules of the Old Testament.”**
- **(Decretal, de Translat. Episcop, Cap)**





The Catholic Encyclopedia

Vol. 4, p. 153

“The Church, after changing the day of rest from the Jewish Sabbath of the seventh day of the week,

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made the third *
Commandment
refer to Sunday
as the day to
be kept as the
Lord's Day."

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Catholic Ten Commandments (Ex 20:1-17)

Biblical Ten Commandments

1. You shall have no other gods before me.
2. You shall not make for yourself an idol.
3. You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God.
4. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
5. Honor your father and your mother.
6. You shall not murder.
7. You shall not commit adultery.
8. You shall not steal.
9. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
10. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

Catholic Ten Commandments

1. You shall not have strange God's before me.
2. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.
3. Remember to keep holy the LORD's Day.
4. Honor your father and your mother.
5. You shall not kill.
6. You shall not commit adultery.
7. You shall not steal.
8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
9. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife.
10. You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.

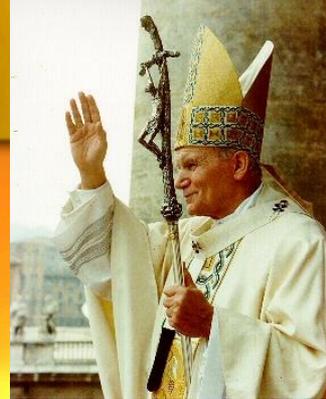
"From Catechism of the Catholic Church"

The Ten Commandments were changed by the Roman Catholic Church:

1. They took away the 2nd commandment, "You shall not make idols."
2. They also changed the Sabbath day into Lord's Day (Sunday.)
3. And the 10th commandment was divided into two.



Jewish Revolts



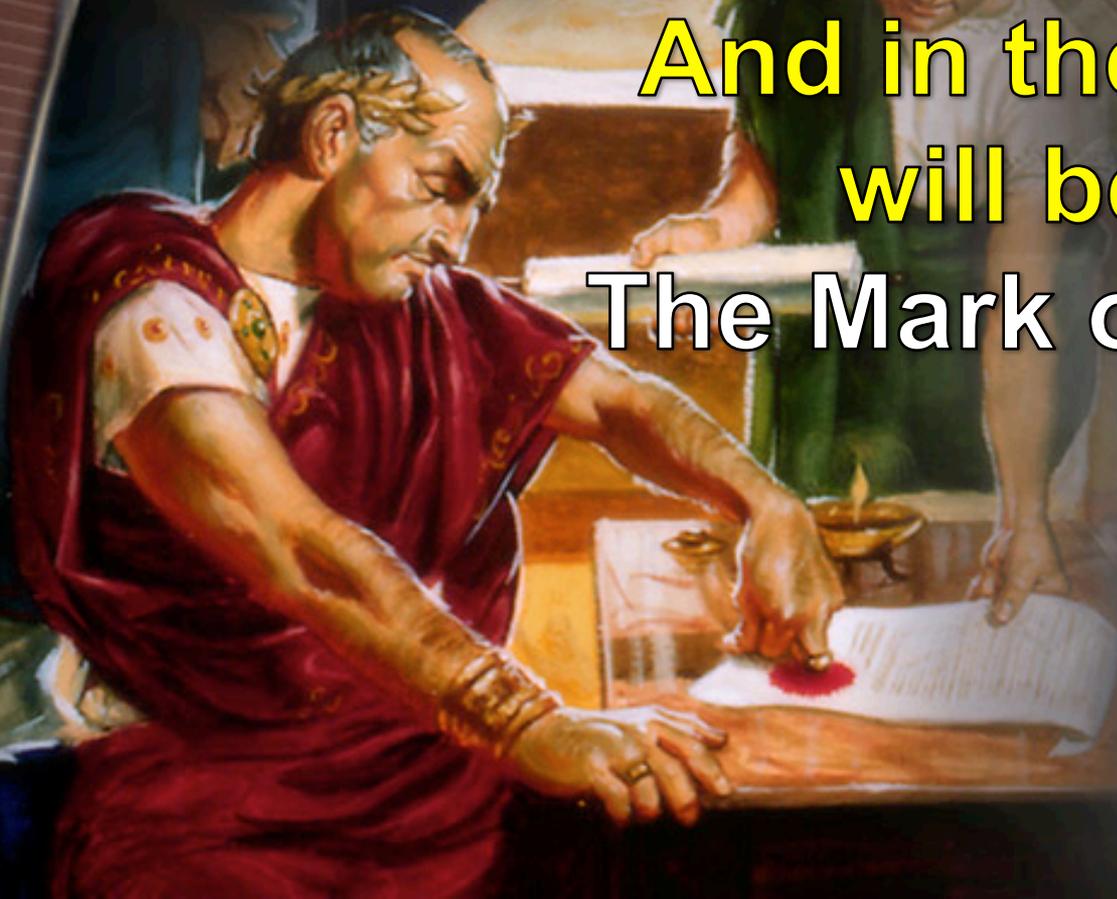
The Church



Emperor Constantine

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Sunday Worship
has therefore become the
Roman Catholic Church's
Mark of Authority
And in the End time
will become
The Mark of the Beast



E G White , MS 118, 1899

- **“Sunday-keeping is not yet the Mark of the Beast, and will not be until the decree goes forth causing men to worship this idol Sabbath. The time will come when this day will be the test, but that time has not come yet.”**

Catholic Record, Sept. 1, 1923

**“Sunday is our mark
of authority... The
Church is above the
Bible, and this
transference of
Sabbath observance
is proof of that fact.”**





Matthew 15:3

“Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?”



MATTHEW 15:9 K J V

**“But in
vain they do
worship Me,
teaching for
doctrines the
commandments
of men.”**





**PURE WOMAN
REPRESENTS
PURE CHURCH**

Acts 17:30 –
“And the **times of this
ignorance** God winked at;
but **now** commandeth all
men every where to **repent.**”



**FALSE WOMAN
REPRESENTS
FALSE CHURCH**



**IF YOU LOVE ME,
KEEP MY
COMMANDMENTS**

**IF YOU LOVE ME,
KEEP MY
COMMANDMENTS**

The Seventh-Day

SABBATH

Is the **LORD'S DAY**
& the **Seal of God!**



The Seventh Day

God

- Rested
- Blessed
- Sanctified



NEW EARTH

