

“The Sabbath (4): The Invasion”

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Seven striking parallels between Genesis and John:

- ◆ Parallel #1—Genesis _____ and John _____
 - *Desire of Ages* 19—“By coming to dwell with us, Jesus was to reveal God both to men and to angels. He was the Word of God—God’s thought made _____.”
 - Christ is the _____ of the world/universe.
 - The NT is unequivocal—the active divine Agent who created the earth in the beginning, the God who personally shaped Adam and Eve into existence was the preincarnate _____ (see also Colossians 1:16-18; Hebrews 1:1-3).
- ◆ Parallel #2—Genesis _____ and John _____
 - Christ is the _____ of the world.
- ◆ Parallel #3—Genesis _____ and John _____
 - The inhabitants of earth are to be the _____ of God.
- ◆ Parallel #4—Genesis _____ and John _____
 - _____ shatters our relationship with our Creator—and instead of running to Him, we run from Him.
- ◆ Parallel #5—Genesis _____ and John _____
 - C. S. Lewis: “Christianity is the story of how the rightful king has landed, you might say landed in _____ . . . on this enemy-occupied world in human form.” (*Mere Christianity* 51)
 - *Desire of Ages* 23, 24: “So Christ set up His tabernacle in the midst of our human encampment. He pitched His tent by the side of the tents of men, that He might dwell among us, and make us familiar with His divine character and life. . . . Since Jesus came to dwell with us, we know that God is acquainted with our trials, and sympathizes with our griefs. Every son and daughter of Adam may understand that our _____ is the friend of sinners. For in every doctrine of grace, every promise of joy, every deed of love, every divine attraction presented in the Saviour’s life on earth, we see ‘God with us.’”
 - Our Creator came to earth to become our _____.
- ◆ Parallel #6—Genesis _____ and John _____
 - Day 6 of the Creation week and Day 6 of the Passion week both end with the same declaration—“It is _____.”
- ◆ Parallel #7—Genesis _____ and John _____
 - Q: What did the Creator do after he finished his work on the sixth day of the Creation week?
 - A: The same thing he did when he finished his work on the sixth day of the Passion week—he _____.
 - Luke 23:52-56—““They [all of them—Joseph of Arimathea, the women and Jesus] _____ on the Sabbath, according to the [fourth] commandment.”
 - After all, did not Jesus declared, “The Son of Man is Lord of the _____”—which makes the seventh day the _____ Day (Matthew 12:8, Mark 2:28).

□ **These seven parallels between Genesis and John provide incontrovertible evidence that the Creator’s universal gift of the seventh day Sabbath at Creation _____ his universal gift in Redemption today.**

- ◆ Malachi 3:6—“I am the LORD—and I change not.”
- ◆ M. L. Andreasen: “God Himself led the way in the observance of the seventh-day Sabbath. He Himself proclaimed it in flaming fire from the mount. He Himself wrote it in enduring stone. Millions of God’s people were witnesses and heard the proclamation, and myriads of angels were there [Ps 68:17]. None of these conditions was present at the time when the first day of the week was supposed to have been instituted. Sunday came in unannounced, unheralded, unnoticed, in every way an anticlimax to the original institution and inauguration of the Sabbath of the Lord. If God had wanted anything to do with the first day of the week, we must draw the conclusion that He wanted the change made in the most secret and inconspicuous way possible; for on that first Sunday *nobody knew that any change had been made, not even the disciples, who some say are supposed to have made it!* They were in as complete ignorance as the rest, having locked themselves in a room for fear of the Jews.” (127)
- ◆ Matthew 24:15, 16, 20—in predicting the destruction of Jerusalem’s temple in 70 A.D., Christ recognizes that his followers will still be honoring the seventh-day Sabbath.
- ◆ The evidence is clear and compelling—the seventh day Sabbath remains the _____ Day today.
- ◆ Luke 4:16

*What would Jesus do?
What will you do?*

1:1; 1:1-3; audible; Creator; Christ; 1:3,4; 1:4,5,9; Light; 1:26; 1:12; children; 3:1-14; 1:11; Sin; 3:15; 1:14,29; disguise; creator; Savior; 1:31, 2:1; 19:30; finished; 2:2,3; 19:41,42; rested; Sabbath; Lord’s; remains; Lord’s