

The First Day Of The Week **John 20:1-10**

Gathering on the First Day of the week is not just a random choice

Much has changed about our attitudes regarding the First Day of the week through the years.
Even some practices have been adjusted
Yet reasons for gathering on First Day remain the same.
At least 3 collective responsibilities on First Day

Evidence For The First Day

Paul waited for First Day Lord's Supper observance in Troas - **Acts 20:7**

Hastening to make Jerusalem by Pentecost - **Acts 20:16**

Gathering included focus on Word also

Instruction for gathering collection for needy saints - **1Corinthians 16:1-2**

This was given to both Corinth and Galatian brethren

Had previously spoken of their gathering for the Lord's Supper - **1Corinthians 11:18-20**

Three examples

Lord's Supper

Teaching

Giving

The Lord's Day

John was in the Spirit - **Revelation 1:10**

Only the "Supper" receives the same designation (kuriakos) - **1Corinthians 11:20**

There is no other teaching, thus authority for observance of the Lord's Supper on any day other than the First Day of the Week.

John considered it a day for the Lord

Importance Of The First Day

Scripture reminds us of some significant events that are unique to this day

Jesus arose from the dead

They found the tomb empty - **Luke 24:1**

Two disciples discussed the day as the third since His death. - **Luke 24:13,21**

Jesus then told them that His resurrection was the third day. Jesus' testimony declares the first day as His day of resurrection. - **Luke 24:46**

God acknowledged Jesus as Son by raising Him from the grave - **Psalm 2:7; Acts 13:32-33; Romans 1:4**

Jesus appeared proving resurrection - **Mark 16:9; Matthew 28:9-10; Luke 24:13-15,33-36; John 20:19,26**

Events of Pentecost took place - **Leviticus 23:15-16**

Holy Spirit came on the apostles - **Joel 2:28-32; Acts 2:1-4**

Christ's rule as king and high priest began - **Zechariah 6:13; Acts 2:29-36**

The new covenant went into effect - **Isaiah 2:3; Luke 24:47-49; Acts 2:38**

Salvation from sins became a reality - **Acts 2:40-41,47**

The church ("the mountain of the Lord's house") was established - **Isaiah 2:3; Acts 2:17,41,47**

The First Day Of The Week

Christ chose the first day for good reasons

We have no right to disregard His reasons or His choices!

The Lord's Day should be special to the Lord's People

Do you consider it significant? Why Not?

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