

Handout #17

2:16

Is “sabbath” here consistent with the ceremonial/ritual/symbolic language of the rest of the verse?

In other words, is it temporary language or permanent language?

“food”—

Lev 11

“drink”— ?Nazarite vow

Num 6

What do all the taboos have in common?

“festivals”—cf. Lecture/Handout 16

“new moon”—Num 28:11 with 29:6

Isa 60:19-20

Rev 21:23

Conclusion: “sabbath” here is _____

“sabbath” here is not _____

Where is “Sabbath” not _____ ?

There it is _____

Conclusion:

OT ceremonial sabbaths

Lev 23:34-35 with v. 39

Lev 23:24

Lev 23:27 with 16:29, 31

These ceremonial/ritual/temporary sabbaths have been _____

The moral/weekly/perpetual Sabbath of the _____ remains.

NB: festival or ceremonial sabbaths shift days in the OT calendar

Weekly or moral Sabbath is always the same one-in-seven day

Which particular one-in-seven day under the OT? (Ex 16:22, 24)

Which particular one-in-seven day under the NT? (Jn 20:19; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor 16:2; Rev 1:10)

Conclusion:

There are ceremonial temporary sabbaths in the OT ritual law.

There is a moral perpetual Sabbath in the OT moral law (Ten Commandments).

Paul is NOT annulling the latter in Col 2:16, but recognizing that the former have been fulfilled and thus no longer in force (cf. v. 17).

James T. Dennison, *The Market Day of the Soul*