



Middleburg Memos

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_____ is not arbitrarily chosen as the Lord's Day but is designated as such in _____, which states that the apostles and other disciples gathered for worship on the _____ of the week.

TURN TO: **Acts 20:7**

Undoubtedly this practice is tied to the _____ of the Lord Jesus Christ on the first day of the week, indicating the centrality of _____ to the very structure of the church in Christian worship.

As Christians gather on the first day of the week, this regular observance gives structure to Christian _____ and _____.

On the Lord's Day Christians affirm that we give _____ not only to acts of personal devotion and discipleship but also to _____.

The Lord Jesus commissioned His church to be _____—and so we are during the week (**Matthew 5** and **John 17**). However, the gathered community of the church is called together on the Lord's Day to fulfill the biblical command that we not forsake the assembling of ourselves together (**Hebrews 10:25**).

_____ and _____ questions relate to what we should and should not do on the Lord's Day, and Christians sometimes _____.

The debate goes all the way back to the time of the _____. (Consider **Romans 14:5–6**)

Jesus _____ this kind of thinking when He told the Pharisees, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath" (**Mark 2:27**).

Christians should strive to _____ their lives so that they do not neglect the _____ of corporate worship on the Lord's Day.

Believers should find deep, _____ joy in such worship and should order their lives to best demonstrate that _____.

The Christian's _____, informed by _____, yielded to Christ's lordship, and _____ to the local congregation, must guide the believer's decision making about how to observe the Lord's Day.

Cross-References: *Exodus 20:8-11; Matthew 12:1-12; 28:1ff.; Mark 2:27-28; 16:1-7; Luke 24:1-3, 33-36; John 4:21-24; 20:1, 19-28; Acts 20:7; Romans 14:5-10; I Corinthians 16:1-2; Colossians 2:16; 3:16; Revelation 1:10*