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Introduction

- Jesus as 'Lord of the Sabbath' (Matt 12:8)
- Why do Christians no longer observe the Jewish (Saturday) Sabbath?
- What is the Lord's Day and how did the church come to observe it?

Rom 14:1-6

¹ Receive one who is weak in the faith, *but not to disputes over doubtful things.*² For one believes he may eat all things, but he who is weak eats only vegetables.³ Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. ⁴ Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand. ⁵ One person esteems one day above another; another esteems every day alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind.⁶ He who observes the day, observes it to the Lord; and he who does not observe the day, to the Lord he does not observe it.

Mark 7:19

Since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.)

Didache 14:1

And on the Lord's own day gather yourselves together and break bread and give thanks, first confessing your transgressions, that your sacrifice may be pure. (before 285 AD, possibly before 131 AD)

Ignatius to Magnesia 9:1

If, therefore, those who were brought up in the ancient order of things have come to the possession of a new hope, no longer observing the Sabbath, but living in the observance of the Lord's Day, on which also our life has sprung up again by Him and by His death... (115 AD)

Conclusion

Beware of legalism in both directions...