

OUR CREATOR GOD- THE POWER BEHIND THE SABBATH- PART 2 - Ex 20:11 7/11/21

Deut 5¹⁴ but the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your ox, your donkey or any of your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns, so that your male and female servants may rest, as you do.

- Why is the fourth command- "Keep the Sabbath"- so broad? Down to the care animals?

❖ ABBA FATHER'S CARE FOR A _____

- Gen 1²² God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let the birds increase on the earth."
- Ex 23⁴ "If you come across your enemy's ox or donkey wandering off, be sure to return it. ⁵ If you see the donkey of someone who hates you fallen down under its load, do not leave it there; be sure you help them with it.
- Ex 23¹² "Six days do your work, but on the seventh day do not work, so that your ox and your donkey may rest, and so that the slave born in your household and the foreigner living among you may be refreshed.
- Lev 25³ For six years sow your fields, and for six years prune your vineyards and gather their crops. ⁴ But in the seventh year the land is to have a year of sabbath rest, a sabbath to the LORD. Do not sow your fields or prune your vineyards. ⁶ Whatever the land yields during the sabbath year will be food for you—, ⁷ as well as for your livestock and the wild animals in your land. Whatever the land produces may be eaten.
- Num 22²⁷ When the donkey saw the angel of the LORD, it lay down under Balaam, and he was angry and beat it with his staff. ²⁸ Then the LORD opened the donkey's mouth, and it said to Balaam, "What have I done to you to make you beat me these three times?"
- Dt 5¹⁴ but the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your ox, your donkey or any of your animals.
- Dt 22⁶ If you come across a bird's nest beside the road, either in a tree or on the ground, and the mother is sitting on the young or on the eggs, do not take the mother with the young. ⁷ You may take the young, but be sure to let the mother go, so that it may go well with you and you may have a long life.
- Dt 25⁴ Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain.
- Pro 12¹⁰ The righteous care for the needs of their animals, but the kindest acts of the wicked are cruel.

- Work, wages, and workers
- Lev 25²⁰ You may ask, "What will we eat in the seventh year if we do not plant or harvest our crops?" ²¹ I will send you such a blessing in the sixth year that the land will yield enough for three years. ²² While you plant during the eighth year, you will eat from the old crop and will continue to eat from it until the harvest of the ninth year comes in.

❖ ABBA FATHER IS G _____!!!

- Ps 19¹⁰ They (God's Word and commands) are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb. ¹¹ By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward.
- I Tim 4⁴ For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving,
- I Tim 6¹⁷ Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.
- I John 5³ In fact, this is love for God: to keep his commands. And his commands are not burdensome

❖ WHAT'S GOD SAYING TO YOU? - write it down, pray it back, share it with others!

- Jonah 4¹¹ And should I not have concern for the great city of Nineveh, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left—and also many animals?”
- Mt 6²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?
- Mt 10²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father’s care.

❖ ABBA FATHER’S CARE FOR P_____

- Lev 25³ For six years sow your fields, and for six years prune your vineyards and gather their crops. ⁴ But in the seventh year the land is to have a year of sabbath rest, a sabbath to the LORD. Do not sow your fields or prune your vineyards.
- Mt 6²⁸ “And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith?”

❖ ABBA FATHER’S CARE FOR M_____

- Ps 19¹ The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
² Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.
- Ps 147⁴ He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name.
⁵ Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit.
- Ps 148³ Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars.
- Lk 19⁴⁰ “I tell you,” he replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

❖ ABBA FATHER’S CARE FOR H_____

- Heart & lungs
 - Ex 23¹² “on the seventh day do not work...so that the slave born in your household & the foreigner living among you may be refreshed (breathe-soul).
- Brain
 - Ps 127² In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat— for he grants sleep to those he loves.
 - Prov 3²¹ My son, do not let wisdom and understanding out of your sight, preserve sound judgment and discretion; ²² they will be life for you, an ornament to grace your neck. ²³ Then you will go on your way in safety, and your foot will not stumble. ²⁴ When you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet.
 - Pro 6²⁰ My son, keep your father’s command and do not forsake your mother’s teaching. ²¹ Bind them always on your heart; fasten them around your neck. ²² When you walk, they will guide you; when you sleep, they will watch over you; when you awake, they will speak to you.
 - Eccl 5¹² The sleep of a laborer is sweet, whether they eat little or much, but as for the rich, their abundance permits them no sleep.
 - Eph 4²⁶ “In your anger do not sin”: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry,