

“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the **Sabbath** of the Lord your God. *In it* you shall do no work.... For *in* six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and **rested** the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the **Sabbath** day and hallowed it.” (Exodus 20:8-11)

“In the original language ‘**Sabbath**’ means rest. The **Sabbath** was the holiest thing among the children of Israel because it represented the Lord. The six days represented His labors and battles with the hells. The seventh day represented His victory over the hells and **the resulting rest**.... When the Lord came into the world, however, and therefore symbols representing Him were no longer needed, the **Sabbath** day was turned into a day for **instruction** in divine things, for **rest** from labors, for **meditating** on things related to salvation and eternal life, and for **loving** our neighbor.” (True Christianity 301)

“Love of God and love of the neighbor...is what binds society together and makes its goodness. **It is by this that God is glorified, and afterwards by worship at prescribed times.**” (Conjugal Love 9)

“Therefore it is lawful to **do good on the Sabbath.**” (Matthew 12:12)

“The seventh day means our **becoming connected to the Lord** and our being regenerated as a result. As long as this battle continues, we have spiritual labor; but when we have been regenerated, **we rest.**” (True Christianity 302)

“Surely My **Sabbaths** you shall keep, for it is **a sign between Me and you** throughout your generations, that you may know that **I am the Lord who sanctifies you.**” (Exodus 31:13)

“In the heavenly meaning this commandment refers to **connecting to the Lord and having peace as a result**, because we are then safe from hell. The **Sabbath** means ‘rest,’ and in the highest sense ‘**peace.**’ For this reason the Lord is called ‘*the Prince of Peace,*’ and also calls Himself peace. See the following passages:.... “*Jesus said, ‘Peace I leave to you. My peace I give to you’*” (John 14:27). “*Jesus said, ‘I have spoken these things so that you may have peace in Me’*” (John 16:33).... Other passages treat further **the state of peace that people can come into with the Lord's help**. The people to be accepted into the New Church that the Lord is now establishing are going to come into this peace.” (True Christianity 303)

“See! For **the Lord has given you the Sabbath**; therefore He gives you on the sixth day, bread for two days. Let every one remain in their place; let no one go out of their place on the seventh day.” (Exodus 16:29)

“Thus says the Lord: ‘Take heed to yourselves, and **bear no burden on the Sabbath day.**’” (Jeremiah 17:21)

“Remember the Sabbath”

May 28, 2023

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Please join us on Zoom
at 11:00am Sunday for a discussion.

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Please note: This service is live-streamed and recorded. You and your family may be on camera, and your comments will be part of the live stream and recording.

Song Leader: Shawn Rose
Julie Conaron, Scott Russell
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“**Heavenly peace** is peace in relation to the hells - a peace because evils and falsities will not rise up from there and break in. Heavenly peace can be compared in many ways to earthly peace. For example, it can be compared to the **peace** after wars when all are living in **safety** from their enemies, **protected** in their own city, in their house, with their own land and garden.... Heavenly peace can be compared to **rest and recreation for the mind** after working extremely hard, or to a mother's **consolation** after giving birth, when her instinctive parental love unveils its pleasures. It can be compared to the **serenity** after storms, black clouds, and thunder; or to the spring that follows a severe winter, with the **uplifting** effect of seedlings in the fields and blossoms in the gardens, meadows, and woods; or to the state of mind felt by **survivors** of storms or hostilities at sea who reach port and set their feet on longed-for solid ground.” (True Christianity 304)

“This is clear from the meaning of ‘*not doing any work*’ as rest and peace, thus heaven, for when a person is in heaven they are **free from all apprehensiveness, uneasiness, and anxiety**, and when free from these, blessedness is theirs.” (Secrets of Heaven 8890)

“‘**Remember**’ means what is perpetually in the thoughts.” (Secrets of Heaven 8885)

“[A Psalm. A Song for the **Sabbath** day.] It is **good to give thanks to the Lord**, And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High.” (Psalm 92:1)