

Parkman Congregational Church

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Finally, Matthew tells us that Jesus said, “**For the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath.**” As we seek to understand this amazing assertion, we need to remember the origin of the Sabbath. Yes, it was one of the Ten Commandments God gave to his people through Moses at Mount Sinai.

But that was not the origin of the Sabbath. At Sinai, God was simply telling the Israelites to remember something that was already in effect: that one day out of seven is consecrated and not to be profaned. The Sabbath day was instituted in creation, God formed the heavens and the earth in six days, and on the seventh day He rested (Genesis 2:2-3). As the Creator of the Sabbath, God rightly had absolute authority to say how it should be observed. Therefore, this statement by Jesus was nothing less than another assertion of His deity. He was saying that He had instituted the Sabbath.

So, in this incident, when the Pharisees came to Jesus filled with righteous indignation, He ably defended Himself with an argument that must have shocked the Pharisees to the very core of their beings. First He told them that they had entirely missed the point of the Sabbath. They had turned God’s wonderful provision for rest and worship into an instrument of slavery for God’s people. Then He claimed the right to make that assertion by declaring Himself to be the Creator of the Sabbath and therefore the Lord of the Sabbath.

Certainly the Pharisees did not miss the point of what Jesus was saying. From this point in Matthew’ narrative, we will see an escalation in the frequency and stridency of their confrontations. In fact, in the upcoming verses we will see the beginning of the Pharisee’s plot to destroy Him.

- R.C. Sproul

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