

the normal commitments, to honor the Lord and enjoy His presents is the intent.

Conclusion:

It is regrettable that some seek to keep the Sabbath while not thinking much of the God who provided the occasion. To these persons God is lost in traditions and practices. They are like those who argue over the seasoning of a dish rather than enjoying their guests and food. But the real problem is not in their action, it is in their failure to think of God.

The Lord gave Israel a day that they might set it apart for their welfare and His honor. When the eyes of the nation were taken off God everything else soon failed. The total lesson is more than "Keep the Sabbath"...and sounds more like "Honor the Lord." The honor includes His Person, worship, name and day. It is yieldedness to Him that makes this honoring possible.

As we close this discussion, let us not ask so much whether we keep the commandments as whether we trust God enough to honor Him in the means He has given. If you do not have a sense of trust in God all of His laws will be wasted on you. Look to Him and see that He has provided a means whereby we might know His love and come to grips with His law. That means is Jesus...believe that he is the revealer of God and the redeemer of men and receive the love of God that makes obedience not only possible but also enjoyable.