

# Pleasant Valley Weekly

But as for me, I will come into Your house in the multitude of Your mercy; In fear of You I will worship toward Your holy temple. (Psalm 47 : 6—7)

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## What the Lord has made...

John accurately stated, “All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.” (John 1 : 3) The Lord created everything in existence, you, me, the trees, the animals everything.

However, not only were all things made by the Lord, all things were made with intent, with a purpose. Think about how life works, how things are born, grow, live and then death comes about. How nature is a perfect circle of life.

The Psalmist says that all creation praises Him and exalts His name. (Psalm 148) Paul tells us that nature itself shows His invisible attributes, and there is no excuse not to know He is there. (Romans 1 : 20)

This morning we consider just what the Lord has made. We will consider how the Lord made a day of rest. What His people were supposed to do in order to prepare for this day, and why this day was made for man and not the other way around.

What about under the New Covenant? A new day has been made, not the Sabbath, the Lord's Day. What are we doing to prepare for this day? And why was this day created? Once again, the day was created for us for Him. How are we using what the Lord has made?

## What the Lord has made...

- \* ‘asah’ (h)
  - to do or make; to accomplish
  - to cause to exist in a different form, or as a distinct thing
- \* What did the Lord make?
  - Genesis 1—2
    - With each creation there was intent involved.
- \* Psalm 118 : 24
  - “This is the day the Lord has made...”
- \* God set apart the 7th day
  - Exodus 20—”Remember the Sabbath day...”
  - ‘shabbath’ -> ‘shabath’ - to desist from exertion
- \* For what reason was the Sabbath made?
  - “...for man...” (Mark 2 : 27)
  - “...We will rejoice and be glad in it.” (Psalm 118 : 24)
- \* The First Day of the Week—the Lord's Day
  - The day the Lord has made—we will rejoice and be glad
- \* Just like the Sabbath, there is a reason for the Lord's Day
  - To Assemble for
    - Song, Prayer, Teaching, the Lord's Super, and taking of the collect for the Saints