

Seventh-day Sabbath Survived

The seventh-day Sabbath of the Ten Commandments survived, in spite of theological arguments, anti-Jewish prejudice, and the decree of an emperor. **Historical sources reveal that the first-century Christians did not shift the day of worship from the seventh day of the week to the first day.** The replacement of the Sabbath with Sunday did not take place until sometime during the first half of the second century, and then only in certain places. This change seems to have been driven by anti-Semitism and the need for Christians to distinguish themselves as separate from Jews.