

wherefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.

58. Q. What is required in the fourth commandment?

- A. The fourth commandment requireth the keeping holy to God such set times as he hath appointed in his Word; expressly one whole day in seven, to be a holy Sabbath to himself.

59. Q. Which day of the seven hath God appointed to be the weekly Sabbath?

- A. From the beginning of the world to the resurrection of Christ, God appointed the seventh day of the week to be the weekly Sabbath; and the first day of the week ever since, to continue to the end of the world, which is the Christian Sabbath.

60. Q. How is the Sabbath to be sanctified?

- A. The Sabbath is to be sanctified by a holy resting all that day, even from such worldly employments and recreations as are lawful on other days; and spending the whole time in the public and private exercises of God's worship, except so much as is to

be taken up in the works of necessity and mercy.

61. Q. What is forbidden in the fourth commandment?

- A. The fourth commandment forbiddeth the omission, or careless performance, of the duties required, and the profaning the day by idleness, or doing that which is in itself sinful, or by unnecessary thoughts, words, or works, about our worldly employments or recreations.

62. Q. What are the reasons annexed to the fourth commandment?

- A. The reasons annexed to the fourth commandment are, God's allowing us six days of the week for our own employments, his challenging a special propriety in the seventh, his own example, and his blessing the Sabbath day.

63. Q. Which is the fifth commandment?

- A. The fifth commandment is, *Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.*