OF IMMENSE VALUE

The essence of humanity’s dignity is a common creation. The fact that we are uniquely created by God places value on every human being. The unborn in the mother’s womb, the quadriplegic teenager, the young adult with Down syndrome, and the Alzheimer-afflicted grandmother all have immense value to God. He is their Father. They are His sons and daughters. “God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands. . . . And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth” (Acts 17:24–26).

Ours is a shared heritage. We belong to the same family. We are brothers and sisters fashioned, shaped, and molded by the same God. Creation provides a true sense of self-worth. When the genes and chromosomes came together to form the unique biological structure of your personality, God threw away the pattern. There is no one else like you in all the universe. You are unique, a one-of-a-kind creation, a being of such immense value that the God who created the cosmos took upon Himself our fleshly bodies and offered Himself as a sacrifice for you and your sins!
Write out Exodus 20:8–11 and Deuteronomy 5:12–15 from the translation of your choice. If you are pressed for time, write out Exodus 20:11 and Deuteronomy 5:15. You may also rewrite the passage in your own words, or outline or mind-map it.
Go back to your scribed text and study the passage.

Circle repeated words/ phrases/ideas

Underline words/phrases that are important and have meaning to you

Draw Arrows to connect words/ phrases to other associated or related words/phrases

What special insights do your marks seem overall to point to?

Memorize your favorite verse. Write it out multiple times to help with memorization.

Think about how our society operates based on moral relativism. What does biblical judgment imply about issues such as accountability and responsibility?

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After looking at your scribed and annotated text, what special insights do your marks seem to point to overall?

What questions emerge after studying this passage? What parts are difficult?

What other principles and conclusions do you find?

How are the judgment, the commandments of God, and worship linked?

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What relationship do the following verses have with the Sabbath and the end?

Psalm 33:6, 9
James 2:8–13
2 Peter 3:13
Revelation 21:1
Romans 14:10
Hebrews 11:3

What other verses come to mind in connection with Exodus 20:8–11 and Deuteronomy 5:12–15?

Review your memorized verse from Exodus 20:8–11 and Deuteronomy 5:12–15.
Meditate on Exodus 20:8–11 and Deuteronomy 5:12–15 again and look for where Jesus is.

How can you personally make the Sabbath a foretaste of heaven in your own life and in your family?

How do you see Jesus differently in the light of this week’s lesson?

How do you see Jesus differently or see Him again?

What is He saying to you personally through these texts?

Prayer Response:
Review the memory verse. How does it apply to your life this week?

After this week’s study, what are new revelations in your spiritual life?

What are some ways to make these revelations more practically relevant?

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Share insights from this week’s memory verse and Bible study as well as any discoveries, observations, and questions with your Sabbath School class (or Bible study group). Consider these discussion questions with the rest of the group.

Why is the idea of fallen humans being able to add anything to what Christ did on the cross such a heretical idea?

How does the Sabbath commandment reveal the link between Creation and Redemption?

How does our understanding of Creation influence our behavior?

What relationship do heredity and environment have with the daily choices we make?

How does the message of the Sabbath answer the great questions of life, such as where we came from, why we’re here, and what our eternal destiny is?

How do we show someone who believes in millions or even billions of years of evolution as the means of creation the irrationality of keeping the seventh-day Sabbath as a memorial to that creation?