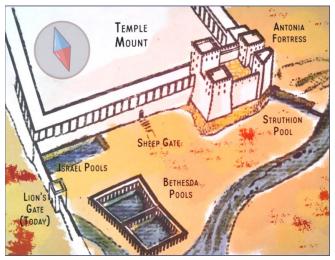
John 5 - The Lord of the Sabbath

John 5:2-10 (NKJV)

Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep *Gate* a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches. ³ In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind,

lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. ⁴ For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had.

⁵ Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. ⁶ When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been *in that*



condition a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?"

⁷ The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me."

⁸ Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk." ⁹ And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked.

And that day was the Sabbath. ¹⁰ The Jews therefore said to him who was cured, "It is the Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your bed."

✓ The only thing which the religious elites of His day could see after Jesus healed the lame man was that this man was...

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Genesis 2:1-3 (NKJV)

Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. ² And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. ³ Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

✓ God observed the first Sabbath as a _____ and as a means of recognition for the completion of His creative week.

✓ Jewish teaching on work:

_____ is the same as ______ .

- ✓ The French once tried to do away with all religious influences. This failed experiment led to the creation of the very short lived:
- ✓ The concept of _____ continues today, but our observance of it has changed.

Romans 14:5-6 (NKJV)

One person esteems one day above another; another esteems every day alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶ He who observes the day, observes *it* to the Lord; and he who does not observe the day, to the Lord he does not observe it. He who eats, eats to the Lord, for he gives God thanks; and he who does not eat, to the Lord he does not eat, and gives God thanks.

 \checkmark The Jewish focus on separate words for work throws into sharp contrast the

blatant ______ of the Pharisees.

Mark 3:1-2 (NKJV)

And He entered the synagogue again, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ² So they watched Him closely, whether He would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse Him.

- ✓ The Pharisees believed fully that Jesus heal the man with the withered hand.
- ✓ They simply waited to see if He heal him.

The Commandments of God are intended

for our and not our .