

~Sabbaths and new moons~

We believe that all Sabbaths were ceremonial days, included in the group of festival days. They are usually always coupled with 'new moons, feast days' etc.

1 Chr 23:31

"And to offer all burnt sacrifices unto the LORD in the *Sabbaths, in the new moons, and on the set feasts*, by number, according to the order commanded unto them, continually before the LORD:"

2 Chr 2:4

"Behold, I build an house to the name of the LORD my God, to dedicate it to him, and to burn before him sweet incense, and for the continual shewbread, and for the burnt offerings morning and evening, on the *Sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts* of the LORD our God. This is an ordinance for ever to Israel."

2 Chr 8:13

"Even after a certain rate every day, offering according to the commandment of Moses, on the *Sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts*, three times in the year, even in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles."

2 Chr 31:3

"He appointed also the king's portion of his substance for the burnt offerings, to wit, for the morning and evening burnt offerings, and the burnt offerings for the *Sabbaths, and for the new moons, and for the set feasts*, as it is written in the law of the LORD."

Neh 10:33

"For the shewbread, and for the continual meat offering, and for the continual burnt offering, of the *Sabbaths, of the new moons, for the set feasts*, and for the holy things, and for the sin offerings to make an atonement for Israel, and for all the work of the house of our God."

Isa 1:13

"Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; *the new moons and Sabbaths*, the calling of assemblies, I cannot bear with; it is iniquity, even the solemn meeting."

Ezek 45:17

"And it shall be the prince's part to give burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and drink offerings, *in the feasts, and in the new moons, and in the Sabbaths*, in all solemnities of the house of Israel: he shall prepare the sin offering, and the meat offering, and the burnt offering, and the peace offerings, to make reconciliation for the house of Israel."

Ezek 46:3

"Likewise the people of the land shall worship at the door of this gate before the LORD in the *Sabbaths and in the new moons*."

Hosea 2:11

"I will also cause all her mirth to cease, *her feast days, her new moons, and her Sabbaths*, and all her solemn feasts."

Along with Feast days and New Moon festivals, the Sabbaths were Jewish ceremonial days. I believe that is why neither Paul, nor any other writer of Holy Writ, ever commands New Testament believers to keep the weekly or yearly Sabbaths.