Why Sunday Rather than Saturday as a Day of Worship?
Exodus 20:1-17

Introduction:
A. “Remember the Sabbath...the seventh day” is the fourth commandment.
   1. If it is one of the “ten commandments”, should be not do it?
   2. Aren’t Christians supposed to keep the “ten commandments?”
B. Why then do we meet on Sunday rather than Saturday?
   1. If asked, could you tell why?
   2. Is it mere tradition?
   3. Has it just proven to be a better day worship?
C. Let’s see what the Bible says about the two days.

Discussion:
I. The Sabbath Day?
   A. It was a day of strict rest.
      1. Not a work day (v. 10; Ex. 16:22-26; 31:12-15)
      2. Did not forbid spiritual and necessary activities (cf. Mt. 12:5; Lk. 13:15; 14:5)
   B. It was given to Jews. (Ex. 20:2; Deut. 5:1-6)
      1. A sign between Jews and God. (Ex. 31:17)
      2. A reminder of their Egyptian bondage. (Duet. 5:15)
      3. Similar to 4th of July for Americans, but not same for British.
   C. It was part of the Old Testament law.
      1. Law blotted out. (Col. 2:14-16; Heb. 8:6-13; Gal. 5:4)
      2. Include the ten commandments (Rom. 7:6-7)
      3. Included animal sacrifices (Num. 28:9-11)
      4. Included Levitical priesthood. (cf. Heb. 7:11,12)
      5. Included annual feasts.

II. The First Day Of The Week?
   A. Not as "Christian Sabbath" - Rules of Sabbath do not apply.
   B. It has special significance to Christians.
      1. Jesus arose on 1st day of week. (Mk. 16:9; cf. Ps. 2:7; Acts 13:32,33)
      2. Jesus appeared to disciples on 1st day. (John 20:19,26)
      3. Church established on first day of week.
         a. Pentecost (Lev. 23:11,15)
   C. It is the day for assembling for Lord's supper. (Acts 20:7) - Not a common meal (1 Cor. 11:22,34)
   D. It is the day church to gather a contribution. (1 Cor. 16:1,2)
   E. It is likely the "Lord's Day" of Rev. 1:10.

Conclusion:
A. Saturday not a required day of rest or worship under N.T. system.
B. Sunday is a required day for Christians to assemble for L.S. and give along other worship that may be done any day.