

Two Approaches to An Eternal Principle -- The Sabbath

Seventh-day Adventist Church			Latter-day Saints Church				
The Bible is Authority, and we believe in Prophets			Led by Apostles and Prophets				
When	Day Observed	Basis of Observance	Comments	When	Day Observed	Basis of Observance	Comments
Oct. 6, 1861 to the Present	Sabbath (Sunday to Friday to Sundown Saturday)	Ten Commandments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Sabbath Observance on THE seventh day by church members is consistent worldwide.</i> The United Nations recognizes 228 countries on planet Earth. Seventh-day Adventists have active missionary work in 204 of these countries.	Apr. 6, 1830 to Aug. 7, 1831	Sunday	Tradition from "that great and abominable church"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the gospel and the church were restored in 1830, why keep a practice dating from the Great Apostasy?
				Aug. 7, 1831 to Nov. 20, 1972	Sunday	Modern revelation through the prophet Joseph Smith Jun.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Admits that Sunday observance without modern revelation is based on mere probability. (Brigham H. Roberts, 1915). Simply "moves the question" to whether modern revelation through Joseph Smith is valid or not. Still no Biblical mandate for practice.
				Nov. 20, 1972 to Present	Sunday, Saturday, Friday	Added decree by First Presidency (Harold B. Lee)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Localized adaptation of Sabbath observance</i> calls to question the whole transference theory. Active mission work in 162 countries.