

LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE VINDICATED

JESUS DID NOT OBSERVE THE SEVENTH DAY.

After the resurrection Jesus *did not observe the Seventh-Day Sabbath*. We can find no instance where He did. Nor did He honor this day by His presence in temple or synagogue after His resurrection. He left the Jews' Sabbath to them, as He had previously left to them their temple (Matt. 20: 38); whereas, on the first two consecutive Lord's Days Jesus honored the Christian community He had partly organized with His presence, His council and His blessing. On a subsequent Lord's Day He sent the Holy Spirit, the promise of the Father, and His own promise, and *endued* them with power from on high. This was in the upper room, the Christians' meeting-house at Jerusalem.

The Jewish meetings, so far as they continued, were devoid of the Divine blessing and barren in character. God was not with them. The Christian assemblies, on the other hand, rejoice in the Divine Presence, grow in strength, and prosper both in numbers and in power.

SUMMARY.

We conclude, therefore, and affirm—

(a) *That Christians, as such, should not observe the Mosaic Sabbath*, for the following reasons, elaborated at some length in this work: