

self-examination. — Matt. 28 : 19, 20 ; Acts 2 : 41, 42 ; 8 : 12 ; 8 : 36-39 ; Rom. 6 : 4 ; Matt. 26 : 26-29.

#### XV. THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH.

We believe the Scriptures teach that the first day of the week is the Lord's Day, or Christian Sabbath, and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes, by abstaining from all secular labor and worldly recreation, by the devout observance of all the means of grace, both private and public, and by preparation for that rest that remaineth for the people of God.—Exod. 20 : 8 ; Isa. 58 : 13, 14 ; John 20 : 1, 19, 26 ; Acts 20 : 7 ; Heb. 10 : 25 ; Rev. 1 : 10.

#### XVI. CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

We believe the Scriptures teach that civil government is of divine appointment, for the interest and good order of human society, and that magistrates are to be prayed for, conscientiously honored and obeyed, except only in things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the only Lord of the conscience and the Prince of the kings of