

Staying at Home on Sh'bayt (Sabbath)

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The majority of people in our world today who give any credence to the Sh'bayt (Sabbath) concept are keeping Sh'bayt (Sabbath) on the Roman 7th day, and in doing so, are going to a synagogue or church (SDA) of some kind. Often they will travel great distances to do so. But this is not at all what YaH intended originally.

In ancient times, the 12 tribes of Y'shr'Al (Israel) were encamped around the Tent of YaH in Sh'kam (Shechem), and simply stayed dwelling in their tents on the Sh'bayt (Sabbath). The key phrase used in all Sh'bayt (Sabbath) commandments used over and over is "in your dwellings," "in your houses/habitations," "in all your lands," and doing no "work" within those spaces. In fact the very first example of keeping Sh'bayt (Sabbath) in the wilderness with YaH after being delivered from slavery, YaH instructed them not to leave their places. "M'meqomu," that is, "from his place of rising/standing/dwelling," stated in Sh'moot (Ex.) 16:29. They surely would have enjoyed their immediate property and faced towards the Tent of YaH and worshiped. They would have enjoyed a complete day of rest. But it was on their property, not taking a horse or car or running across town to get to the synagogue.

No, Y'shr'Al (Israel) wasn't out climbing 11 flights of steps like some rabbis do on their Sh'bayt (Sabbath) when they don't want to press an elevator button because that would be "work." But how much people have learned this principle, to stay home and enjoy the Sh'bayt (Sabbath) and not work or go to some synagogue? As for me and my house, we will serve YaH according to His Turah (Law).