

Study Guide on Exodus 20:8-11; 31:12-16

New Revised Standard Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Exodus 20:8-11; 31:12-16

(Exodus 20:8) “Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy.

(Exodus 20:9) Six days you shall labor and do all your work.

(Exodus 20:10) But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns.

(Exodus 20:11) For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

(Exodus 31:12) The LORD said to Moses:

(Exodus 31:13) You yourself are to speak to the Israelites: “You shall keep my sabbaths, for this is a sign between me and you throughout your generations, given in order that you may know that I, the LORD, sanctify you.

(Exodus 31:14) You shall keep the sabbath, because it is holy for you; everyone who profanes it shall be put to death; whoever does any work on it shall be cut off from among the people.

(Exodus 31:15) Six days shall work be done, but the seventh day is a sabbath of solemn rest, holy to the LORD; whoever does any work on the sabbath day shall be put to death.

(Exodus 31:16) Therefore the Israelites shall keep the sabbath, observing the sabbath throughout their generations, as a perpetual covenant.”

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?