

The Faith I Live By: January 22 - January 28

All Nature Upheld by God, January 22

And he is before all things, and by him all things consist. [Colossians 1:16-17.FLB 28.1](#)

(1) "The works were finished from the foundation of the world." [Hebrews 4:3](#). But the _____ of _____ is still _____ in _____ the _____ of His _____. Every breath, every pulsation of the heart, is an evidence of the care of Him in whom we live and move and have our being. [FLB 28.2](#)

(2) The God of heaven is constantly at work. It is by His _____ that _____ is _____ to flourish, that _____ leaf appears and _____ flower blooms. _____ drop of rain or flake of snow, _____ spire of grass, _____ leaf and flower and shrub _____ of God.

(3) _____ is the _____ of her _____. God does not annul His laws, or work contrary to them; but He is _____ using them as His _____. [FLB 28.5](#)

(4) God's handiwork in nature is not God Himself in nature.... While _____ is an expression of God's thought, it is not nature but the _____ of nature that is to be _____. [FLB 28.6](#)

(5) The hand that sustains the worlds in space, the hand that holds in their orderly arrangement and tireless activity all things throughout the universe of God, is the _____ that was _____ to the _____ for us.

The Crowning Act of Creation, January 23

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him. [Genesis 1:27.FLB 29.1](#)

(6) After the earth, with its teeming animal and vegetable life, had been called into existence, _____ the _____ work of the _____, and the one for whom the beautiful earth had been fitted up, was brought upon the stage of action....[FLB 29.3](#)

(7) The genealogy of our race, as given by inspiration, traces back its origin, not to a line of developing germs, mollusks, and quadrupeds, but to the great Creator. Though formed from the dust, _____ was "the _____ of God."[FLB 29.5](#)

When Adam came from the Creator's hand, he bore, in his physical, mental, and spiritual nature, a likeness to his Maker.... It was His _____ that the _____ man lived the more _____ he should _____ this image—the more fully reflect the glory of the Creator.

What Is Your Life? January 24

The life is more than meat, and the body is more than raiment. [Luke 12:23.FLB 30.1](#)

Our life was given us of God, and is dependent upon Him, as the leaf is dependent upon the bough for sustenance. [FLB 30.2](#)

(8) Life is a _____ of God's love. It is a _____ which God has committed to our care, and it is a very _____ talent, as viewed in the light of the _____ of God's Son. It is an expression of the _____ of God. We are His by _____, and doubly His by redemption.

(9) What is Christian life? It is a life _____, a life taken out of a world of _____ and attached to the life of Christ. [FLB 30.6](#)

What is your life? You must meet and answer that question sometime.

Instituted at Creation, January 25

And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made. [Genesis 2:2, 3.FLB 31.1](#)

(10) And God “rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made...” God looked with satisfaction upon the work of His hands. All was _____, worthy of its divine Author, and He _____, not as one _____ but as well _____ with the fruits of His _____ and _____ and the manifestations of His _____. [FLB 31.2](#)

(11) When the foundations of the earth were laid, ... then was laid the foundation of the Sabbath. Well may this institution _____ our _____; it was ordained by no _____ authority, and rests upon no human _____; it was established by the Ancient of days, and commanded by His eternal word. [FLB 31.5](#)

A Holy Memorial, January 26

He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the Lord is gracious and full of compassion. [Psalm 111:4.FLB 32.1](#)

(12) All things were created by the _____ of _____. “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God... All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.” [John 1:1-3](#). And since the _____ is a memorial of the work of creation, it is a _____ of the _____ and _____ of Christ. [FLB 32.3](#)

(13) God ... has given man six days in which to labor. But He _____ the day of His rest, and gave it to man to be kept, _____ from all _____ labor. By thus setting apart the Sabbath, God gave the world a _____. He did not set apart one day and any day in seven, but one _____ day, the seventh day.

Had the Sabbath always been sacredly observed, there could never have been an atheist or an idolater . [FLB 32.6](#)

A Special Sign, January 27

Moreover also I gave them my sabbaths, to be a sign between me and them, that they might know that I am the Lord that sanctify them. [Ezekiel 20:12.FLB 33.1](#)

(14) As the Sabbath was the sign that _____ Israel when they came out of Egypt to enter the earthly Canaan, so it is the _____ that now distinguishes God's _____ as they come out from the _____ to enter the heavenly _____. [FLB 33.2](#)

The observance of the Sabbath is the means ordained by God of preserving a knowledge of Himself and of distinguishing between His loyal subjects and the transgressors of His law. [FLB 33.3](#)
The Sabbath is a golden clasp that unites God and His people.

Preparing for the Holy Day, January 28

(15) At the very beginning of the _____ commandment the Lord said, “Remember.” He knew that amid the multitude of cares and perplexities man would be tempted to _____ himself from meeting the full requirement of the law, or would _____ its _____ importance. Therefore He said: “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.” [FLB 34.2](#)

All through the week we are to have the Sabbath in mind and be making preparation to keep it according to the commandment.... [FLB 34.3](#)

(16) There is another work that should receive attention on the _____ day. On this day all _____ between brethren, whether in the _____ or in the _____ should be put away. Let all bitterness and _____ and _____ be expelled from the soul. In a humble spirit, “_____ your faults one to another, and _____ one for another.” [FLB 34.6](#)

Before the setting of the sun let the members of the family assemble to read God's Word, to sing and pray. [FLB 34.7](#)

We should jealously guard the edges of the Sabbath. Remember that every moment is consecrated, holy time. [FLB 34.8](#)