

Extracts from *The Remnant of Israel* regarding the Feast Days

[NB: as far as can be determined, Rupert first presented his views on the feast days in *The Bible Advocate* May, June, July 1913]

Vol. I (June, 1915), pages 6-7:

"[Paul] scrupulously observed the Jewish feasts..."

"The facts are there is not a single text in the New Testament that teaches that any law that God ever gave was abolished and nailed to the cross..."

Vol. III (April, 1919), page 1:

Is there a true organization?

"To the above we certainly say yes. There is also a true church. As to this organization and church, man has had nothing whatever to do in shaping it in any way. It is not of man's wisdom or planning. All man has ever had to do with it was to accept it as it was made by the Lord himself. The mind that guides this organization and service is divine. It needs no constitution, or by-laws, that are not given in the Bible. It has no committees to nominate its officers or plan for its finances. The same laws that governed Adam and Eve govern each member today. It has but one head and that is Christ..."

It is called the 'Church of the Firstborn'. It is called 'The Church'. It is called the 'Church of God,' and so on. In its divided congregational loyalties, these are called the churches, whether it is in a house or synagogue, as they meet for service..."

We enter this church by the new birth, by being born again, through the word and the power of the Holy Spirit. Man cannot add one single member of the church. God does that..."

Vol. III (June, 1919), page 1:

Christ and the Passover

"The deliverance of Israel from Egypt and the observance of the typical feasts instituted to commemorate past events in Israel's history are of special interest to the Remnant people now. Nothing is more evident than the repetition of past events are to be lived over by the Remnant..."

Vol. III (Sept, 1919), page 4:

"[We] do not believe the Bible teaches the present system [of the Stanberry Church of God] of church organization. We held that the true church of the Firstborn of whom Christ is the

manager of each individual but not by man. Neither is it visible, but that church is made up of the true children of God whose names are written in heaven."

Vol. IV (Sept, 1921), page 1:

The Wave Sheaf and What Sabbath Was It?

"We reply the seventh day sabbath. It could not be the annual sabbath. If it was, then Pentecost would occur every seven days instead of every fifty days. Thus the seven weeks or forty-nine days would always end at the close of the forty-ninth day or the close of the seventh sabbath. Thus it does not take great wisdom to tell what day of the week the fiftieth came on, which was the first day of the week, when all were required to bring a new meat offering of the first fruits. Christ the true unleavened bread rested in the grave on the Sabbath as the Broken loaf teaches..."

[NB: the following appeared in *The Remnant of Israel* by his successors]

Vol. VII (July, 1925), page 1:

".. the Church of God of the Bible was, and is, and will always be, only nondenominational. Its organization is spiritual and divine, not human."

Vol. X (Sept, 1929), page 1:

The 'Memorial of Blowing of Trumpets'

"The creation of the Heavens and the earth would long, long ago been entirely forgotten, only that God established a weekly memorial (the Holy Sabbath Day). The crucifixion and death of Jesus could easily be forgotten only that God has given us a memorial. 'As oft as ye do this ye do show my death till I come.' (1 Cor 11:25—26). So to show and constantly remind us that God's loving care over us extends even to giving clue notice of all coming important events, (The Second Appearing of Jesus and all), He has given us a certain Sabbath to observe..."

Vol. X (Sept, 1929), page 2:

The Day of Atonement

"So we are invited and exhorted to "Let this mind be in us which was also in Christ Jesus" (Phil 2:5). That of course, was God's mind. So that invitation is to be of One—Mind with God. At-One-Mind (At—One-Ment) or Atonement. There are two phases to the Christian life. First, get converted (which can be instantaneous) and second, keep it up (which is a life-long, drawn—out affair)."