SERMON: THIS DAY

Psalm 118:24

This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Introduction

So often we focus on the disappointments and failures of yesterday or the uncertainties of tomorrow that we miss the beauty, joy, and productivity of today.

Someone has said that there are three days on everybody's calendar: yesterday, today, and tomorrow. The most important day on the calendar is today. Yesterday is gone into the tomb of time. To live in yesterday is to waste today and rob tomorrow. To live in tomorrow may cause you not to come to grips with the present. We should celebrate the present to the fullest and live responsibly, for what we do today will determine our life tomorrow. It's all about temporal balance. The psalmist admonishes us to rejoice today. So, with all of the things going on in our world, let's see how we can do this.

Exposition

- Let Us Accept This Day And Each Day As A Gift From God. (All Good And Perfect Gifts Come From God.) (Use This Gift Wisely.) (Sometimes You Simply Need To Rest.)
- **2. Let Us Not Just Seize The Day But Also Rejoice In The Day.** (*Carpe Diem* Versus *Gaudete In Diem*.)
- **3. Let Us Make Each Day A Day Of Prayer.** (Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread.)

4. Let Us Make Each Day A Day Of Thanksgiving.

(In Everything Give Thanks.)

Closing Thoughts

Let us be grateful for this day, for in it we have the opportunity to worship, witness, work, and rest. Let us rejoice in this day, for in it we have the opportunity both to give and to receive. Let us give God praise and when the praises go up the blessings will come down. Let us rejoice and be glad in God's love for us. Let us rejoice in the privilege of being sons and daughters of God. Let us rejoice and be glad because of the privilege of service to our Lord. Let us rejoice and be glad in the blessed assurance of an eternal home in the future. Let us rejoice and be glad today in anticipation of rewards for our faithfulness when we meet our Savior face-to-face. Give God Glory! Give God All The Glory!

<u>Related Scriptures</u> James 1:17 Matthew 6:11 1st Thessalonians 5:18 Psalm 95:6-8 Hebrews 3:15

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