This Is The Day

Luther Bolenbarker always began his sermons by saying, "This is the day the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it." He was quoting from Psalms 118:24, which actually reads, "We will rejoice," instead of "let us," but the meaning is the same. I am certain that his point was to remind the Christians assembled that they had every reason to rejoice, as God had allowed them to be alive that day and more importantly to be present with the assembly of His Saints.

The Apostle Paul speaks of the importance of today in writing to the Christians at Corinth. "For He says: In an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation I have helped you Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (2 Corinthians 6:2). Each day we are allowed to be here upon God's earth is a day for us to rejoice, for God did provide the day and allows the faithful Christian the opportunity to walk faithfully therein.

The Christian has reason to rejoice each day because of our relationship with God. Each day provides us one more opportunity to become better servants for Him as we enjoy "His invisible attributes" in creation (Romans 1:20). The Hummingbirds are currently swarming through East Texas. If one ever doubted the existence, power, and majesty of God - simply sit or stand quietly near a Hummingbird feeder and watch as part of His astoundingly marvelous, tiny creation speeds through the air (in great numbers). How could one not possibly rejoice?!

God is truly everywhere, all around us at all times, and such is Paul's point as mentioned above. Each day begins brand new and the Psalmist reminds us that "this day" is yet another day, and reason, for us to rejoice because God made "this

day." Of course, it is our responsibility to use "this day" properly by submitting to our God's will, which gives us even more reason to rejoice in time allowed to please Him.

Today "is the day the Lord had made." Treasure the time that God has given you. Give God the glory, honor, praise, and thanksgiving that He deserves. Search for opportunities to share God’s word with those God has placed along your way. Forgive the person you may have been and "rejoice" in the person God allows you to be through Him (1 Corinthians 6:11). Find reasons through God to celebrate the day God has given you. Each day you wake up, remember, "This is the day the Lord has made... Rejoice and be glad in it."