

## *The Days of our Lives:*

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*I know that sounds like a Soap-Opera, but it is not. "This is the Day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it," Psa. 118: 24.*

The Lord made this day for his own pleasure, but he has allowed us to see this day, and once this day has passed you will never see it again. This is a day of your life. What have you done this day to praise the God of your creation? Did you thank him for waking you up this morning? Did you thank him for the food upon your table? How many people even consider that Jesus has given us this day, or any day? Most people just take it for granted that tomorrow follows today, but there are no guarantees that tomorrow will ever get here for some of us. Tomorrow is not promised to any of us. We should live every day of our lives like there is no tomorrow, make the very best of each and every day that the Lord blesses us with. For today will fade into the past and will never be seen again.

Every day is a day that the Lord has made. It may not suite us, but God has made it to suite himself, and because he has blessed you enough to see another day a person should rejoice in it. If the Lord wants it to rain, we should put on our raincoats or grab an umbrella and rejoice in it, for it has pleased the Lord.

Well I went to church Sunday, and praised him; for all that he has done, but what about today. That was yesterday, this is a new day, isn't God still God on Monday and all through the week as he is on Sunday? What if your child got sick on Wednesday and you went to the Lord in prayer, and he said to you, "I'm sorry, this is not Sunday, and I can't answer your prayer today." That is the way we treat the Lord. Sorry Lord, I don't have time to praise you nor thank you today for your many blessings on me and my family. I'll remember you Sunday and give you a little praise. Do you think this pleases the Lord? I don't think so. He is the same on Monday as he was on Sunday. Jesus is a seven days a week God. "For I am the Lord thy God and I change not." Do people think that the church house is the only place we can give praise to the Lord who blesses us every day? Cannot we praise him in our homes, in our cars, our bedrooms, our kitchens? He is not a tiny God, he fills all space. Is in the church house the only place we are not ashamed or embarrassed to praise him.

“For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels,” Mark 8: 38.

If the only time you can praise the Lord, is when your pastor tells you to lift your hands and praise the Lord, or say hallelujah, or thank you Jesus, then there is something wrong. These are the days of your lives. Make everyone count.

Do we have to be told to get down on our knees and pray? God is Lord over this day as well as all seven days of the week. He does not have to please us with bright sunshiny days, but we need to please him. He is the one that died upon the Cross of Calvary for you and me, that we may have this life. He is the one who brought salvation to us for us to reach out and take hold of. Are we so ungrateful we cannot praise him except when we are in the church building? He dwells in the midst of praises. If you want God to smile upon you, try praising him more for what he has already done for you. Do you want God just to keep heaping blessings upon you, and you don't even thank him for the blessings you have all ready received? Praise Him; let everything that has breath praise the Lord.