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Both the death and the resurrection of Christ are in view. Christ was the rejected Stone, and His Father, through the resurrection, has made Him the headstone of the corner. The believing heart can only respond in one way: “This is the LORD’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes” (Psalm 118:23). This leads to verse 24: “This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.”

While we should rejoice in every day the Lord gives us, yet this verse refers to **a special day**, the day of Christ’s resurrection. The resurrection made it possible for the rejected Stone to become the Head of the corner. Every first day of the week (Sunday), we commemorate the resurrection of our Lord which has made possible new life in Christ and a new standing in grace. Each Lord’s Day should be a reminder of the marvelous work God has done in raising His Son and exalting Him as Head over a new body and building, His Church (Eph. 1:19-23). *May the Lord’s Day never lose its marvel and wonder.*

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