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Entry into Jerusalem, sarcophagus of Junius Bassus, detail, ca. 359 AD, Vatican Museum, Vatican City.

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- ✠ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- ✠ The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
- ✠ This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ✠ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- ✠ Save us, we beseech you, O LORD!
- ✠ O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!
- ✠ Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.
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