

Great and Unique Passages from the Bible

Psalm 136

We Truly Need the Lord

A. *Reminded of our nature.*

Prince Caspian: Peter, Susan, Edmund, Lucy and ASLAN

A cautionary tale of:

- *Powerful people with evil motives*
- *Good people relying on themselves*
- *The youngest and smallest one attuned the most important*

Peter (High King of Narnia) – the danger of self-confidence

Lucy (the youngest and smallest) – a sensitive spirit toward God

Edmund – resisting temptation because he had known its grip

Reminded of our need for forgiveness.

B. *Overwhelmed with gratitude.*

Luke 7:36-50

A contrast in responses to Jesus.

The respected “godly” man.

The despised sinful woman.

With which one do we most identify?

The Lord’s Supper

C. *Giving great thanks for a “steadfast love that endures forever.”*

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v. 1 *Give thanks to the Lord for He is good.*

v. 4 *The only One who does great wonders!*

v.10 *Firstborn slain – His steadfast love endures forever*

v.16 *He leads his people.*

v.23 *Remembered, rescued and fed*

Psalm 136 (ESV)

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
- 2 Give thanks to the God of gods,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
- 3 Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
- 4 to him who alone does great wonders,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 5 to him who by understanding made the heavens,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 6 to him who spread out the earth above the waters,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 7 to him who made the great lights,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 8 the sun to rule over the day,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 9 the moon and stars to rule over the night,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 10 to him who struck down the first born of Egypt,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 11 and brought Israel out from among them,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 12 with a strong hand and an outstretched arm,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 13 to him who divided the Red Sea in two,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 14 and made Israel pass through the midst of it,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 15 but overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 16 to him who led his people through the wilderness,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 17 to him who struck down great kings,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 18 and killed mighty kings,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 19 Sihon, king of the Amorites,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 20 and Og, king of Bashan,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 21 and gave their land as a heritage,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 22 a heritage to Israel his servant,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
- 23 It is he who remembered our low estate,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 24 and rescued us from our foes,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
- 25 he who gives food to all flesh,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
- 26 Give thanks to the God of heaven,
for his steadfast love endures forever.