

Thank You Lord!!

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Psalm 136:1 (NASB)

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good. For His lovingkindness is everlasting.

In my time of meditation this morning I was reading this Psalm. I realized that in the 26 verses in this Psalm that the second line always ended with “for His lovingkindness is everlasting.” In my understanding of the word of God is that when there is a repetitive dialogue there is something that God wants us to really get.

The first line of every verse is a variant of life’s circumstances for the Israelites. But the second line remained the same “His lovingkindness is everlasting”. So, I took a deeper dive into the word “lovingkindness”. In Hebrew, lovingkindness relates to “mercy”. The biblical definition of mercy leads to many other synonyms which tells me that what God is saying to us is that no matter what the situation I am there for you.

God is there when mercy is needed. He’s there when favor over our lives is needed. He’s still there when reproach (discipline) is required. He’s definitely there when love is needed. His goodness and mercy will follow us every day of our lives.

There comes a peace and joy in knowing that no matter what, God is there with me, providing whatever I need, even if I don’t see it at the time. This morning I give thanks to the Lord, for He is good. His lovingkindness is everlasting!!