

## **Psalm 136      Thank God for His lovingkindness**

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<sup>1-3</sup> Praise and thank the LORD! Do it because He is good, because He is the God of gods, and because He is the LORD of lords. The main reason to praise Him is because He pours out His tender love and kindness upon those He loves, and His lovingkindness is eternal and will never end.

### ***Thank Him for His wonderful works***

<sup>4</sup> Thank and praise Him because He alone has the power to do great wonders. <sup>5</sup> He created the earth's atmosphere with great wisdom, <sup>6</sup> He caused the dry land to appear above the surface of the oceans, <sup>7</sup> He created all of the heavenly bodies and put them in their places, and <sup>8-9</sup> He caused the sun to warm the earth by day and the moon and stars to shine at night. He did all of these things because His tender love and kindness is eternal and will never end.

### ***Thank Him for rescuing Israel from bondage in Egypt***

<sup>10</sup> Thank and praise Him because He alone had the power to kill all of the firstborn children of the Egyptians, <sup>11-12</sup> He alone had the mighty power to deliver the children of Israel from bondage in Egypt, <sup>13-15</sup> He alone had the mighty power to cause the Red Sea to part down the middle so that the children of Israel could cross over safely, and He alone had the mighty power to cause the sea to come crashing back together killing Pharaoh and his whole army. He did all of these things because His tender love and kindness is eternal and will never end.

### ***Thank Him for leading Israel to the Promised Land***

<sup>16</sup> Thank and praise Him because He alone had the power and wisdom to lead Israel through the wilderness for those forty years, and <sup>17-20</sup> He alone had the power to kill all of the great kings of Canaan by empowering Israel's armies to be the victorious in battle. <sup>21-22</sup> Then He gave all of the land of Canaan to Israel as an inheritance forever. He did all of these things because His tender love and kindness is eternal and will never end.

### ***Thank Him for loving Israel***

<sup>23</sup> Thank and praise Him because He remembered Israel when they were about as low as they could go, <sup>24</sup> He rescued Israel and bought her back from her enemies, and <sup>25</sup> He provides food for every living thing. He either does or did all of these things because His tender love and kindness is eternal and will never end.

<sup>26</sup> Therefore, thank Him because His lovingkindness is eternal and will never end.