May 31, 2009 Pastor Dave Hook

"Song of the Saints: The Ministry of Singing and Warfare"
II Chronicles 20:1-25

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Small Group & Personal Bible Study
Pastor Dennis Hadley

Memory Verse: Psalm 136:1
"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, His love endures forever."

Daily Reading

- Day 1: Psalm 136
- Day 2: 2 Chronicles 20:1-25
- Day 3: 1 Chronicles 16:1-36 (David)
- Day 4: 2 Chronicles 5:1-14 (Solomon)
- Day 5: Ezra 3:7-11 (Ezra)

Lesson: "The Ministry of Singing and Warfare"
Throughout history, God's people have come together to worship and give thanks because of what He has done, because He is good and His love endures forever. Hear that, His love endures forever, both yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

"When God's people came near to God He would always come near to them and bring healing and victory over the attacks they experienced." James 4:7-8

1. **Read Psalm 136:** Stop at each verse and reflect on who God is and what He has done and promised. After reading list the things that stand out to you about God.

Today, God's people are called to continue to sing and shout praises to His name as an act of worship, submission, and dependence on the Father. When we acknowledge that the battle is not ours but God's (2 Chronicles 20:15-17) and then we can experience true spiritual victory. Jehoshaphat knew how God had done this before as His people praised Him. Stories of Joshua and King David as examples had to encourage Him to obey and declare thanks and praise to God for victory.

2. How has God used your submission in praise and worship to help you overcome spiritual warfare?

3. What are you dealing with right now that perhaps God is telling you it is time to let go and let God. He wants to move from sorrow to song, from woe to worship, from poor me to praise Him? How can you change? What will you do?