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## SINGING THE PRAISE OF OUR WARRIOR KING

*Psalms 124*

Sermon notes from 7/6/08

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### Summary

**Songs of Ascents**  
This collection of 15 songs (Ps 120-134) was a special hymn book for Israel's use on their way to Jerusalem for the covenant feasts. They help us give voice to the longing of God's people to be with our God together. Let us sing His praises and recite His promises.

### Text

**If the LORD had not been on our side**—let Israel say—

<sup>2</sup> if the LORD had not been on our side

**when men attacked us,**

<sup>3</sup> when their anger flared against us,

**they would have swallowed us alive;**

<sup>4</sup> the flood would have engulfed us,

the torrent would have swept over us,

<sup>5</sup> the raging waters would have swept us away.

<sup>6</sup> **Praise be to the LORD,**

who has not let us be torn by their teeth.

<sup>7</sup> We have escaped

like a bird out of the fowler's snare;

the snare has been broken,

and we have escaped.

<sup>8</sup> **Our help is in the name of the LORD,**

the Maker of heaven and earth.

### Message

**I. The Reality of the Warfare (1-5)**

**II. Praising Our Savior (6-7)**

**III. The Name of the Lord (8)**

### Application

*Please pray and ask the Holy Spirit to guide you with the following questions:*

How real does this spiritual battle seem to you? Why? Is that reality?

From what has God saved you? How do you express your gratitude?

What specific ways can we call upon the name of the Lord today?

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