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A SONG OF REDEMPTION

Psalm 126

Sermon notes from 7/20/08

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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

¹When the LORD **brought back the captives** [restored the fortunes] to Zion,
we were like men who dreamed.
² Our mouths were filled with laughter,
our tongues with **songs of joy**.
Then it was said among the nations,
"The LORD has done great things **for them**."
³ The LORD has done great things **for us**,
and **we** are filled with joy.
⁴ **Restore our fortunes**, O LORD,
like streams in the Negev [Southern Desert].
⁵ Those who sow in tears
will reap with **songs of joy**.
⁶ He who goes out weeping,
carrying seed to sow,
will return with **songs of joy**,
carrying sheaves with him.

Message

- I. **God's Astounding Restoration (1-3)**
- II. **Cry for Mercy (4)**
- III. **Proverbs of Redemption (4-6)**
- IV. **Our Fortunes Restored in Christ**