

Give Thanks to the Lord: From Psalm 136 KJV

(Psalm 136: 1-9, 23-26)

Arranged for Readers Theater by Carol Montgomery

Performance Time = about 1 1/2 minutes

CAST (6+):

Child 1

Child 2

Child 3

Child 4

Dad

Mom

Children (May use Child 1, 2, 3, 4.)

Ladies (means all females—including girls, young ladies)

Men (means all males—including the boys, young men)

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Child 1: O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good:

Ladies: For his mercy endureth for ever.

Child 2: O give thanks unto the God of gods:

Men: For his mercy endureth for ever.

Child 3: O give thanks to the Lord of lords:

Ladies: For his mercy endureth for ever.

Child 4: To him who alone doeth great wonders:

Men: For his mercy endureth for ever.

Dad: To him that by wisdom made the heavens:

Children: For his mercy endureth for ever.

Child 1: To him that stretched out the earth above the water:

Ladies: For his mercy endureth for ever.

Child 2: To him that made great lights:

Men: For his mercy endureth for ever:

Child 3: The sun to rule by day:

Ladies: For his mercy endureth for ever:

Child 4: The moon and stars to rule by night:

Men: For his mercy endureth for ever.

Mom: Who remembered us in our low estate:

Children: For his mercy endureth for ever:

Child 1 & 3: And hath redeemed us from our enemies:

Ladies: For his mercy endureth for ever.

Child 2 & 4: Who giveth food to all flesh:

Men: For his mercy endureth for ever.

Parents: O give thanks unto the God of heaven:

Children: For his mercy endureth for ever.

All: His mercy endureth for ever.

Curriculum Links (Valid in 2010):

<http://rotation.infopop.cc/eve/forums/a/tpc/f/6216088121/m/6461007361>

Full of ideas on teaching this Psalm: art, banners, creative writing, culinary, drama, games, music...

<http://littleblots.com/LessonThanksgiving.html>

Thanksgiving Bible lesson links, plus links for Thanksgiving crafts, songs, printables...

<http://praythepsalms.com/?p=265>

This site takes Psalm 136 and personalizes it. Use it as an idea for a writing assignment: compose your own psalm to the Lord. For young children the psalm can be dictated to you, the scribe. ☺

You Tube Videos:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jM6I-jGap50>

Worshipful song, “His Mercy Endures Forever” by Jimmie Black
(This song has very few words & would lend itself well to a time quiet time of listening following the Readers Theater reading of Psalm 136.)