

Forever Love

הודו לאלהי האלהים כי לעולם חסדו
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Hodu laylohay ha'Elohim Ki'olam chasdo

Hodu la'Adonay Ha'Adonim Ki'olam chasdo (Psalm 136:2)

Praise the God of gods, whose steadfast love is Forever.

Praise the Lord of lords, whose steadfast love is Forever

We are loved unconditionally with a forever love. Many religious traditions make a terrible mistake by planting in us the idea that when bad things happen to us, it somehow means that God has withdrawn Her Love, that we are being punished or have been abandoned. Then, on top of our painful situation, we suffer shame for not being “good enough” or deserving of God’s love. Then when good things happen, we may make the mistake of feeling entitled or “better than” others who are less fortunate.

The forever love is steadfast, holding us through all that it means to be human- the blessings and the challenges. In praise, we open to that love, leaning into the Divine embrace.