

*Finding Yourself in the Psalms*  
*Psalm 134*  
*A Psalm for God's Servant's*

Antiphonal Psalm

The DEPARTING WORSHIPERS to the MINISTERING PRIESTS

Sing "Behold, Bless Ye the Lord"

(Psalm 84:10) *"Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere; **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked."***

END of the Songs of Ascent

Worship is ended

Praise to the LORD for worship

A FITTING Doxology

WORSHIP and SACRIFICE is ended

**24** Levites, **3** priests and the **captain** of the guard stand watch from SUNSET to SUNRISE

I. The Privilege of Serving God. 134:1-2

A. We Serve God in **HOPE**. We minister by Night, but day is coming! *"Who minister by **night**"*

1. "For the Christian, the time is NIGHT, but ETERNITY is DAY!"  
(Scrogie)
2. "Here, the servants of the Lord were privileged people, priests and Levites; but in this dispensation there are not such, for the whole Christian Church is a kingdom of priests unto God." Scrogie
3. (Revelation 1:6) *"and has made us to be a **kingdom and priests** to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen."*
4. (Romans 8:23-25) *"Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what he already has? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently."*

B. We Serve God with **ENDURANCE**. We do not lose heart during the night of service.

1. 2 Cor 4:1
2. 2 Cor 4:5-6
3. 2 Cor 4:16
4. (Psalm 30:4-5) *"Sing to the Lord, you saints of his; praise his holy name."*

*For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime; weeping may remain for a night, but rejoicing comes in the morning."*

C. We Serve God in **HUMILITY**

1. "Who minister by *night*"
2. This was not a menial task
3. Find Joy in EVERY ACT of Service
4. "Standards for Short term mission trips"
  - a. #1 = It is for GOD and not for ME.
  - b. We are *servants*, not *tourists*!

D. We serve God in **UNITY**. 134:3

1. 134:3 The Priests reply to the People
2. SEE Psalm 133
3. (Romans 14:19) "*Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification.*"
4. (Hebrews 12:14) "*Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord.*"
5. (Ephesians 4:3) "*Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.*"