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I was touched by those two songs being back to back. That we are called to sing a new song unto the Lord, and we are singing My Glorious. Whenever we sing a song unto the Lord whether it be a new song, an old song or whatever, the Lord gives us the grace to praise his name. And in doing so, we disarm the principalities and powers that are at work against us. Praising his name brings his glory present. Singing My Glorious - he does save the day. He brings his power and his grace where his name is being lifted and exalted on high. Do not be afraid. Sing the praises of the Lord. When times are dark, don't be afraid to glorify his name and to give him praise. For there he is exalted; he is lifted high. And the powers and principalities are disarmed and brought low in those times. When God is exalted, the enemy is defeated.

Before Ben started playing that song, I felt like the Lord was saying to me that even when we are not in those dry and weary places he still calls us to praise him just because of who he is. And sometimes when things aren't going rough or horrible, we forget, and we get kind of in a comfortable place. But when we praise him from our comfortable places, he takes us even to a higher and better place. And I think he is just telling us today, "Don't forget. Don't get too comfortable where you are. Go ahead and praise me even when things aren't so bad or so rough. Go ahead and lift your arms, lift your heads, open your mouths, and sing to me. Just because of who I am, and not all because of what I do."