**THE HEBREW NAMES OF OUR MIGHTY GOD**

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Our key verse for this Newsletter is **Psalms 8:1** – O Lord our Lord, How Excellent is thy Name in all the earth! Who has set thy glory above the heavens. That word Excellent in the Hebrew definition means: “How great and powerful, mighty, worthy and majestic is thy name in all the earth.” **Jer. 10:6**  says: For there is none like thee O Lord; thou art great and thy Name is great in might. **Ps. 66:2** – Sing forth the honor of His Name. **Ps. 72:19** – Blessed be His Glorious Name forever.

The original scriptures of our Old Testament King James Bible were written in the Hebrew language. King James sought out the most trusted and accurate scholars of his day, who were men of humility and prayer to translate the Hebrew text into our English language. Forty-seven dedicated men started translating the Hebrew manuscripts into English in the year 1604. History says these men of integrity prayed and sought one another’s knowledge on each scripture to get the exact meaning and interpretation from the sacred scriptures. It took them 7 years to translate our Bible that we read and hold in our hand today.

So, if you could hold the original manuscripts of our Old Testament in your hand and read the Hebrew language, you would discover that there are at least 21 different Hebrew names that refer to God. Whereas our Bible today would use God, Lord, the Lord God and Jehovah in a broad sense in reference to God, the writers of the original Hebrew text would use specific Hebrew names and titles that describe God. Each of these different names would describe His character, His power and His personality. Each of these names would tell us what kind of mighty God that we serve. For instance, when the Angel Gabriel told Mary to name her son Jesus, the Hebrew name was Yeshua which means to Save, rescue and deliver.

**ADONAI**

 Let’s look at the first Hebrew name of God – Adonai. It’s one of the most common names of God in the Old Testament. It is the word for Lord, meaning – Master and Ruler, someone having great power and authority. When the name Adonai was

used, it was a title showing respect. Adonai – our God is Lord over all the earth. He is Master and Ruler. **Ps. 29:10** – The Lord sitteth upon the flood; yea, the Lord sitteth King forever. Our Jesus who came to reveal the Father is Master of the Sea! He speaks to the winds and they obey Him. The disciples said – “Never a man spake like this man!”

 Can I tell you that nobody can speak like the Lord can? **Ps. 29** – The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. The voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty. It divides the flames of fire and breaketh the mighty cedars of Lebanon. He is Adonai – Master and Ruler! When He speaks, all creation stands at attention, Hell hushes and demons flee. I’m glad that Adonai my Lord and Master spoke to me. He called my name and I answered.

**MASTER OF EVERY CIRCUMSTANCE**

 There’s not a problem too big, a trial too hard or a circumstance too difficult for Him to handle and bring you through! Have you ever felt that you were taking on water and you were going down? Dear Lord - my boat, my life, my family is going down. This storm is too big to handle – it looks like we are going to drown. The waves are too big and I just can’t handle it! No matter what I do, the waves just keep pounding, the water is filling my vessel. Lord, I just can’t get it together, I can’t control what is happening – I’ll never make it to the other side! My boat Jesus is surely going down! Have you or someone you know been there dear reader? This is when you need the Master and Ruler – Jesus, Immanuel - God with us – **Adonai**!!

 In Mark 4 and Luke 8, the writers tell about a storm that hit them from out of nowhere. The disciples that was on the boat that stormy night said they thought for sure they all were going down.

 And it came to pass on a certain day that He (Jesus) went into a ship with His disciples and He said unto them – let us go over to the other side of the lake! And they launched forth. Do you remember the day or night you launched forth from an altar of prayer when you repented and gave your heart to Jesus and you set out with a desire to go to the other side – “Heaven?” The Bible says as they sailed, there arose a great storm of wind that came down on the lake. Scripture says that Jesus was in the hinder part of the ship asleep on a pillow. The Son of God, the Master was out of their sight asleep. The waves beat into the ship so that it was now full of water. Luke said – we were in jeopardy! But don’t forget the mighty God Adonai, was on board with them in Christ. There wasn’t any way that boat could ever go down. Jesus told them when they started – we are crossing to the other side!

 The disciples panicked and with great fear went to Jesus and awoke Him saying – Master, carest thou not that we perish? Jesus arose and I can see Adonai – the Master and Ruler of all creation manifested in the flesh standing on board and speaking to the wind – “peace be still” and there came a great calm, so much so that the water became a sea of glass, calm as crystal reflecting the light of the moon. Jesus looks at His disciples and said – “Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?”

 Jesus was saying, didn’t you realize that I was with you in the storm as we sailed to reach the other side? Don’t you know that I Am Adonai, the Master? I still know how to control the elements for my children. I know how to bring peace in every situation as you sail along. The disciples looked at one another that night out in the middle of Galilee and said – “What manner of man is this that the winds and water obey Him?”

As we see and hear of the horrible news and things unfolding in our society and the world around us, I believe in this last day and hour of fear, pressures and unrest, Jesus is saying to us – “Fear not, I will bring my children through every storm and I will make sure they make it across to their home shore evermore! I still have power to speak the Word in every storm you face. As long as I Am with you and you abide in the boat and obey me, I will bring you through. I will bring you safely over to your blessed Haven of rest. You don’t have to worry or fear, just trust me! Remember, I Am still the Master. The storms and angry winds cannot have you - you belong to me! Like the chorus of the song: “I’ve anchored my soul in the Haven of rest, I’ll sail the wide seas no more; the tempest may sweep over the wild stormy deep, in Jesus I’m safe evermore!”

**ELOHIM**

 The next name of God in the Hebrew language is Elohim. This mighty name means – God the Creator. It is used over 2500 times in the original Jewish Hebrew text of the Old Testament. In **Genesis 1:1** our Bible starts out “In the beginning, God (Elohim the Creator), created the Heaven and the earth. He brought it all into existence. His very name shows His mighty power to create everything we see of this physical world out of nothing. **Heb. 11:3** – Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the Word of God. This mighty God that we serve (Elohim), stood on nothing and He reached out into the empty space of time and created a whole Universe, our present day solar system in the middle of the Milky Way galaxy with it’s sun, moon, stars, planets and this big earth of ours with the circumference of 24,900 miles around the center of it. How mighty is He? He measured the waters in the hollow of His hand that covers 75% of our globe. His very hand laid the foundation of the earth. He weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance and He comprehended the dust of the earth. His right hand meted out the heavens with a span and when He calls to them, they stand up together. Multiplied billions of stars fill our big solar system and God (Elohim) calls them each one by name. O what a Mighty God we serve!!

**GOD’S CREATION PRAISE THEIR CREATOR**

 Scientists with their satellites and sophisticated measuring equipment with their sensors in space have discovered that each star and planet emanates its own tone. Each star and heavenly body as it travels and makes its circuit through space and the universe, gives off its own unique sound and frequency and every one of them is different. There’s not a one of them with the same sound as another. They each have their own voice. Do you know what they are doing? They are praising their mighty creator! The Holy Ghost inspired the Psalmist David to write in **Ps. 148** – Praise ye the Lord from the Heavens: Praise Him in the heights. Praise ye Him, sun and moon: Praise ye Him all ye stars of light. Praise ye Him ye heaven of heavens – for He (Elohim) commanded and they were created. To the earth – Praise the Lord ye mountains and all hills, Praise Him ye fruitful trees and ye men, maidens and children. Let them praise the Name of Elohim the Creator of all! Everything in its own way praises God! **Ps 65:9** - Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it: thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, which is full of water: thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it.

 10 Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: thou settlest the furrows thereof: thou makest it soft with showers: thou blessest the springing thereof.

 11 Thou crownest the year with thy goodness; and thy paths drop fatness.

 12 They drop upon the pastures of the wilderness: and the little hills rejoice on every side.

 13 The pastures are clothed with flocks; the valleys also are covered over with corn; **they shout for joy, they also sing.**

**Isa 55:12** - For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Our God is surely worthy of praise! **Re 4:11** - Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for **thy** **pleasure** they are and were created. Therefore, let me lift my voice among the many of creation and Praise you with gladness of heart!

 You may have wondered lately, and maybe you are questioning now in your trial – “Does God know where I am? Does He really know where I’m at? Does He see me? Does He know my situation and does He really care? **YES!** He does – a thousand times yes and He will take care of His own and you are His very own. He is so considerate of you that if you ask Him for something you really need and He doesn’t have it, He can create it just for you. Remember, He’s still Elohim the Creator! He still has power to speak and bring good things into being. He speaks and brings forth blessings. O that men would Praise the Lord for His goodness and His wonderful works to the children of men. In the beginning when this big earth was dark and without form and void, this mighty God that we serve moved upon the face of the waters; He spoke and there was light. Darkness did flee away. He made the mountains, lakes and streams; He created the beautiful flowers, grass and trees. He gave us rainbows and sunsets to see. And more than all that – He made you and me! He is Worthy! He is Worthy, He is worthy of our Praise! **Ps. 8** – O Lord, our Lord, how Excellent is **thy Name** in all the earth. Thank God, He gave us His Name to Call upon. Call on Him child of God in the midnight hour, call on Him when you are in trouble; call on Him when you’re hurting and down and out and He will be there!

**EL-OLAM**

 The next Hebrew name of God is EL-Olam. This name means: The Eternal, Everlasting God – The Strong One. Knowing the very Hebrew names of God and their meanings gives us Faith in Him. EL Olam – He is Everlasting, He’s the Beginning and the End! There’s nothing before Him and nothing shall be after Him. He is before all things. Remember, Jesus came in the Glory of His Father. Jesus is the express image of (God’s) person. He came in His Father’s name saying – I AM Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last – I AM the fulness of the Godhead bodily. I AM the light of the world. I AM the heavenly manna, the Bread of Life that came down from heaven. I AM God manifest in the flesh. I came to earth to Save and Heal!

Isaiah prophesied of Jesus 700 years before He came to earth, saying: His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father and the Prince of Peace. God revealed Himself and His power to us through His Son! He is EL-Olam, more powerful than all false gods. Every idol god of this world will let you down. They’ll leave you empty, deceived and dry – but not this mighty God EL-Olam that we serve! You can depend on Him. His compassions fail not, they are new every morning. His Mercy endures forever, His Grace is abundant, He fainteth not nor grows weary; there’s no searching of His understanding. He never changes, His character does not alter, His power never wanes – He’s the same yesterday, today and forever. He doesn’t change with the weather, no matter how bad the forecast. He doesn’t go down with the stock market. Our God is High and lifted up. Heaven is His throne and earth is His footstool.

**EL-ROI**

 Children, our God wants us to really know Him! How else is He revealed to us? What other name is He called in the Hebrew language that reveals His Divine character? In the sacred scripture, the Holy Ghost calls Him EL-ROI which means: The God who sees me!” He sees me! Thank God He sees you and me! What is this Hebrew name telling us? The Eternal Everlasting God saw you in the beginning before the foundation of the world, before you ever came along. – Before He created the Grand Canyons, the mountains, the vast plains and seas, He saw you! O the Omniscient – all knowing foreknowledge of God! He saw you then and He sees you now. He knew you before your Great Grandparents were ever born. He looked down through the bloodline and saw you coming!! He is EL-ROI! Dear child, you are definitely, at this very moment, in His thoughts. He has a plan and a purpose for you – that’s why you are here!

 God said to His people in **Jeremiah 29:11** – For I know the thoughts that I think toward you saith the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you an EXPECTED END! God is saying about you – I want to give you a good, happy and peaceful ending! I have done all this that you might have a blessed afterward. I see you right now, you are in my thoughts.

**LORD, YOU SURELY KNOW**

**AND CARE ABOUT ME!**

 David the Psalmist – Look what the Holy Ghost inspired him to write in Psalms 139 to let every person know! “Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up. You understand my thoughts afar off. All through my life, you compass my path and my lying down. You are acquainted with all my ways. You hear every word my tongue utters. You have beset me before and behind, you are all around and about me. No matter where I go – you are there. Your all-seeing eye is upon me. I could never flee from thy presence. If I should ascend into Heaven – you are there; If I made my bed in hell (the grave), behold, thou art there. The pains of death could never cover and hide me from you! If I should take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me! If I say – surely the darkness covers me; even the night shall be light about me. Lord, you are surely my light in the darkness. I know that the darkness does not hide me from you.”

 Notice what the Spirit of God inspires David to write now: The Holy Ghost takes David back to the time he was conceived in his mother’s womb. It was the Lord’s way of showing David that He was there with him, working and designing a life that would one day sing God’s praises to his Maker!

 Lord, I know that you have possessed my reins (giving me a mind with emotions and feelings); you covered me with flesh. I will praise you for I am fearfully (most reverently) and wonderfully made: Marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.

 Lord, my substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret and curiously (so meticulously and intricately designed) wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. (When I was conceived in my mother’s womb, there in the darkness you did a most marvelous work on a microscopic level when the cells of my little body began to form and take shape!) Thine eyes did see me my substance coming together – they were not hidden from you. O the knowledge and great love you had for me my Lord! And O what a plan and purpose you had for my life. I surely know that I was created for a reason – that I might love, serve and worship you! You knew my makeup - You knew beforehand what size shoes I would wear, what color my eyes would be and the height of my stature when I grew up. You put musical ability within my Being as I was being formed, and you knew that one day, I would hold a harp and you would anoint my hand to play skillfully for you. My Father, you made me to be a blessing. You would put within me the ability to write beautiful psalms and hymns that would bless millions of people through the ages. You would bless your children through me!

 Lord, this knowledge is surely too great for me to even comprehend, that you would write all my members down in your book even before they ever came together and was formed. O how precious are thy thoughts unto me, O God! How great is the sum of them! If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee.

 What David was saying – Lord, you knew me then and you know me now. You loved me then and I am sure that you Love me now! You cared all about me in my mother’s belly and you still do today, no matter how old I get. You are still with me in whatever I may go through or face! Your Love never fails. Nothing can ever change that fact, no matter what I may face. I was made for a purpose. Therefore, will I glorify you. While I am alive and have breath, I will praise you and thank you and serve you till the day I die and leave this world!

 Can I tell you dear reader; Our God is Adonai - the Master and Ruler; He is Elohim – our Great Maker and Creator; El-Olam – the Eternal Everlasting God who never changes; and He is El-Roi – the great loving, caring and mighty God who sees and knows and cares all about us!

May God Bless all my Readers!!