

## God's Name

Philippians 2:8-11

## Etymology

The study of the origin and development of a word.

## What's In A Name?

A NAME IS VERY IMPORTANT TO GOD

- Isaiah 9:6 - For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace
- Genesis 17:5 - No longer shall your name be called Abram, But your name shall be Abraham; For I have made you the father of a multitude of nations.
- Genesis 17:15 - Then God said to Abraham, As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah *shall be* her name.

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- Philippians 2:8-11 - Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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- Acts 4:8-12 - Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, Rulers and elders of the people, if we are on trial today for a benefit done to a sick man, as to how this man has been made well, let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead – by this name this man stands here before you in good health. He is the **STONE WHICH WAS REJECTED** by you, **THE BUILDERS**, but **WHICH BECAME THE CHIEF CORNER** stone. And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.

## Examples

- 1) etymology : etymos = true  
logos = description
- 2) woman : wo = from  
man
- 3) history : hist = to visit in order to become  
acquainted with  
story
- 4) worship : worthy  
ship = state of being
- 5) provide : pro = before (providence)  
videre = to see
- 6) Jesus : ?

## The Tetragrammaton

The 4 consonants of the ancient Hebrew name for God  
(transliterations to English)

- YHVW
- IHVH
- JHVH
- JHWH (German, French, Dutch)
- YHWH (English)

𐤀𐤅𐤄𐤂 Paleo-Hebrew

𐤀𐤅𐤄𐤂 Aramaic

יהוה Modern Hebrew

## The Tetragrammaton

Vowels are needed to make a word pronounceable.

- Lord = Adonai : vowels a,o,i
- God = Elohim : vowels e,o,i
- JHVH => Jehovah
- YHWH => Yahweh (note Yah)

Exodus 3:14 – And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

John 8:58 – Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was born, I am.

I AM = hayah => yah (Hebrew verb) = TO BE or TO EXIST

## Attributes Of God

- Godhead: Father, Son, Holy Spirit

Colossians 2:9  
For in him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily.

Acts 17:29  
... we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold ...

Romans 1:20  
... *even* his eternal power and Godhead...

## Attributes Of God

- Father : Head

1 Corinthians 11:3  
But I want you to understand that Christ is the head of every man, and the man is the head of a woman, and God is the head of Christ

## Attributes Of God

- Holy Spirit : Helper, Comforter, Guide, Reveals

John 14:26

But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.

John 16:13

But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come.

## Attributes Of God

- Son : Salvation

Luke 19:10

“For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.”

## Attributes Of God

- Salvation = Hosea = Hoshea = Hoseah => hoshia = to help
- Yah => Yahweh => Jehovah
- Yah + hoshia => yehoshua = help of Jehovah (John 3:16)
- Yehoshua => Jehoshua
- In summary : Jehovah + hoshia => Jehoshua => Joshua (i.e. Yeshua)
- (Modern example: Joseph => Joey => Joe)
- Joshua = Salvation of Jehovah

## Physical / Spiritual Analogies

- Copy and shadow of the heavenly things (Hebrews 8:5)
- Shadow of the good things to come (Hebrews 10:1)
- Examples:
  - Animal sacrifices / Jesus' sacrifice
  - Laver / Baptism
  - Holy Place / Church
  - Most Holy Place / Heaven
  - Joshua => Physical promised land (Joshua Ch. 3)
  - Joshua => Spiritual promised land (John 14:2-3)
- Joshua/Yeshua (Hebrew) = Iêsous (Greek) = Jesus (English)

## Jesus is also:

- Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6)
- Alpha and the Omega, Almighty (Revelation 1:8)
- The Living One (Revelation 1:18)
- Sovereign (Potentate), the King of kings and Lord of lords (1 Timothy 6:15)

## Jesus is also:

- The Bread Of Life (John 6:35)
- The Light Of The World (John 8:12)
- The Door Of The Sheep (John 10:7)
- The Good Shepherd (John 10:14)
- The Resurrection, The Life (John 11:25)
- The Way, The Truth, The Life (John 14:6)

## Jesus is also: Emmanuel

- Emmanouel (Greek) Matthew 1:23
- Immanuel (Hebrew) Isaiah 7:14
- im = with, anu = us, el = God
- Immanuel = with us, God
  
- Elohim = God
- Michael = like God
- Gabriel = man of God