

**PRAYING THE NAMES OF GOD**  
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In Matthew 6 Christ gave to the Disciples what we often call, "The Lord's Prayer". This prayer can be repeated in 15 seconds: Yet, it is possible to pray through it for hours. The power comes, not in the saying, but in the praying.

This morning I want to draw attention to the Personality of the Father as revealed in His various names: "Our Father, which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name..." We do well to know the character of the Father to Whom we pray. (Matthew 6:9).

There are many names for God. I enjoy praying through each of them.

The *ELOHIM* names emphasize God's mighty power and majestic character. These names put our Heavenly Father in proper perspective; but they do not tell us much about our personal relationship with Him.

The *JEHOVAH* (YHWH) names of God emphasize the personality of God our Father. They reveal His loving and intimate relationships with us.

THERE ARE EIGHT JEHOVAH NAMES.

*1. JEHOVAH-TSIDKENU = JEHOVAH OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS*

This name describes the benefit of forgiveness of sin and our qualifications for eternal life in Heaven. Read 2 Corinthians 5:21 and 1 John 1:7-9.

*2. JEHOVAH-M'KADDESH = JEHOVAH MY SANCTIFIER*

This name describes deliverance from sin's dominion! The blood of Christ breaks the power of sin! Read 1 Corinthians 6:11; 1 Thessalonians 4:3-4 and 1 Thessalonians 5:23.

The blood of Christ overcomes sin. Read Romans 6:17-18 and Hebrews 13:12.

*3. JEHOVAH-SHALOM = JEHOVAH IS PEACE*

We need peace in our lives. Don't we? This name reminds us of our harmony with God and contentment and satisfaction in life. Read Colossians 1:19-20.

*4. JEHOVAH-SHAMMAH = JEHOVAH IS THERE*

This name refers to God's indwelling presence. Read Colossians 1:27.

We are all temples of God the Holy Spirit. Read 1 Corinthians 3:16.

*5. JEHOVAH-ROPHE = JEHOVAH HEALS*

*Rophe* means to restore or cure or heal in the physical, moral, and spiritual sense. I pray every day for Jehovah-Rophe to heal and cleanse my body. Read Isaiah 53:5.

#### 6. JEHOVAH-JIREH = JEHOVAH'S PROVISION SHALL BE SEEN

This name reveals that Jehovah is our Provider. Personally, as I pray through this name I consider everything on my calendar for the day. I ask God to provide daily for my... finances... health... needs... problems... etc.

God sees our needs beforehand and will provide for them. Read Romans 8:32 and Philippians 4:13.

#### 7. JEHOVAH-NISSI = JEHOVAH MY BANNER

This name reminds us of our deliverance and salvation. Christ is the banner of our redemption and spiritual warfare. Christ has conquered for us. He has given us the victory and makes us conquerors along side of Him. Read John 16:33; Ephesians 1:19-22; Romans 8:31, 37 and 1 Corinthians 15:57.

Christ has abolished death and brought us life and immortality. We no longer need to fear death. Read 2 Timothy 1:10 and Hebrews 2:14-15.

I pray every day that God's "flag" may fly from my flagpole wherever I am and whatever I am doing.

#### 8. JEHOVAH-ROHI = JEHOVAH IS MY SHEPHERD

"The Lord is my shepherd, He is all I want." Read Psalm 23.

God's solid foundation stands firm, sealed with this inscription: "The Lord knows those who are His." Read 2 Timothy 2:19.

We must never take the name of God in vain. We must never consider His name to be empty of power or of the ability to perform. When we take His name in vain we often allow the enemy victory in a variety of areas in our lives. We must then reconfess His name and reclaim the victory. READ 1 KINGS 8:33-35.

## JESUS

The name of Jesus is a powerfully glorious name of our *Savior*. Read John 1:12-13.

*Philippians 2:9-11: "Therefore God... gave him a name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow... and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."*