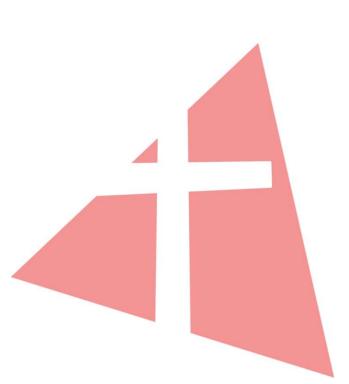
WHO IS GOD?

Part 3: The Names of God

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OUR SERIES

• We live our lives out of how we answer 2 questions

- Who is God?
- Who am I?

• Renewing our minds

- We need the Holy Spirit to give us the answers
- For the Holy Spirit to work in us, we need to do our part

WHO IS GOD?

• The attributes of God

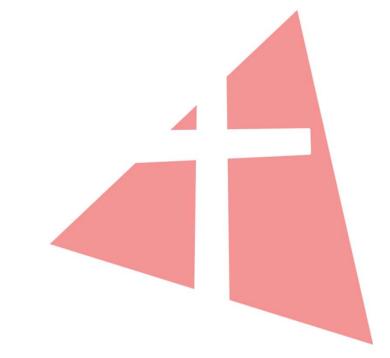
• God is Holy, Love, Just, Merciful

o Jesus is God

 Every encounter Jesus had with people shows how God deals with different aspects of our lives

TOPIC TODAY

• (Some of) The Names of God



THE IMPORTANCE OF NAMES

 Names in the Jewish culture were way more than simply a way to address a person

o Names often said something about

- A person's origin
- A person's character
- A person's purpose
- A person's identity
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A name routinely carries with it the idea of power, responsibility, purpose, and authority

NAME CHANGES IN THE BIBLE

- Several times God gave a person a new name in order to demonstrate that something significant has happened in a person's life
 - Abram to Abraham and Sarai to Sarah
 - Jacob to Israel
 - Peter to Cephas

THE NAMES OF GOD

- The Names of God reveal who God is
- In different situations God uses different names to show the aspect of His character that is behind His action

I AM

o I AM THAT I AM (הָיָה hayah (*haw-yaw)*)

Exodus 3:13-14 And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers has sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them? And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shall you say unto the children of Israel, I AM has sent me unto you.



Psalms 145:3 Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and his greatness is unsearchable.

LORD GOD ALMIGHTY

o El Shaddai (Lord God Almighty, שַׁדַי Shadday shad-dah'-ee)

Psalms 91:1 He that dwells in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

LORD GOD ALMIGHTY

Genesis 17:1 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be you perfect.

o EL ELYON (The Most High God, ' עֶלְיוֹן elyown *el-yone'*)

Genesis 14:22 And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift<mark>ed up</mark> my hand unto the LORD, the most high God, the possessor of heav<mark>en and</mark> earth,

Psalms 57:1-2 Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusts in you: yea, in the shadow of your wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities have passed. I will cry unto God most high; unto God who performs all things for me.

2 Samuel 22:14 The LORD thundered from heaven, and the most High uttered his voice.

Psalms 9:2 I will be glad and rejoice in you: I will sing praise to your name, O most High.

LORD, MASTER

- o Adonai (Lord, Master, ' אֲדֹנָיAdonay *ad-o-noy'*)
- o Often (but not exclusively) used as "My Lord"
 - Can denote a general acknowledgement of God's lordship over the earth
 - Can denote a personal decision to make God Lord of my life

Psalms 38:9 Lord, all my desire is before you; and my groaning is not hid from you. "

LORD, MASTER

Psalms 51:15 O Lord, open my lips; and my mouth shall show forth your praise.

THE SELF-EXISTENT ONE

o Yahweh (LORD, Yehovah, יְהֹוָה Y@hovah yeh-ho-vaw')

Genesis 2:4 These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens,

THE SELF-EXISTENT ONE

Psalms 2:11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

THE SELF-EXISTENT ONE

Psalms 50:1 The mighty God, even the LORD, has spoken, and called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof.

Psalms 50:12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you: for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof.

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

o Jehowah-Raah (The Lord is my shepherd, רְעָה ra`ah raw-aw')

Psalms 23:1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

THE LORD WHO HEALS

o Jehovah-Rapha (The Lord who Heals, רְפָא rapha' *raw-faw'*)

Exodus 15:26 And said, If you will diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD your God, and will do that which is right in his sight, and will give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon you, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD that heals you.

THE LORD WHO HEALS

Lamentations 3:22-23 It is of the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is your faithfulness.

THE LORD WILL PROVIDE

o Jehovah-Jireh (The Lord will provide, יְהְאֵה יִרְאֵה Y@hovah yireh *yeh-ho-vaw' yir-eh'*)

Genesis 22:14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovahjireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.

THE LORD WILL PROVIDE

 Our security must come from knowing that we are doing what God wants us to do

THE LORD WILL PROVIDE

- Most people try to provide for themselves
- True security comes when we are faithful in doing what God wants us to do and know that He will provide for all our needs



We can't simply pick one name we like and stop there
We need to get a balanced view of the Names of God

WHO IS GOD?

• We won't be able to fully answer this question

• But studying aspects of God will give us a pretty clear picture

- The Attributes of God
- Jesus is God
- The Names of God

THE NEXT TOPIC

• Who am I?

- How God created us
- What happened as a result of sin
- What has been restored through the cross, by Faith *A*

IN CONCLUSION

- Meditating on the Names of God can help us know who God is
- Pick one of the names of God and spend some time meditating on that aspect of God