

God's Top 10 List!
"Number 3: The Reverence of God's Name"
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What's the *big deal* about a n a m e?

A name signifies one's:

- C h a r a c t e r (Isa 51:15; 63:16; Jer 33:2)
- R e p u t a t i o n (Deut 7:9; Ps 25:8; 111:4)
- A u t h o r i t y (1 Sam 17:45; Amos 1:3,6,9)

God's name has immense s i g n i f i c a n c e:

- G o d (El, Elohim)
- L o r d (Yahweh)
- J e s u s the C h r i s t

What does it mean to m i s u s e God's name?

- Misusing God's name means to "carry" God's name in an e m p t y, u n s u b s t a n t i a l or w o r t h l e s s way.

I can *misuse* God's name with my w o r d s

- V o w s (Lev 19:12; Matt 5:33-37; Jas 5:12)
- P r o f a n i t y (Prov 8:13; Eph 5:3-4)
- B l a s p h e m y (Lev 24:10-16; Isa 52:5; Job 1:22)
- I r r e v e r e n c e (Eccl 3:14; Matt 6:7)

I can *misuse* God's name with my a c t i o n s

- H y p o c r i s y (Isa 29:13; Matt 6:5; 1 Tim 4:12)
- An U n g o d l y lifestyle (Ezek 20:27-29; Acts 11:26; Titus 2:8)
- As a m e a n s for selfish g a i n (Prov 30:7-9; 1 Tim 6:5; Titus 1:10-11)

I *misuse* God's name whenever I m i s r e p r e s e n t Him, whether with my words or my actions.

- God will v i n d i c a t e His Name (1 Cor 15:22-28; Phil 2:5-11)

What's in a name?....

How am I doing in my use of God's name?

Do I misrepresent Him with my *words*?

Do I misrepresent Him with my *actions* (lifestyle)?

How can I better demonstrate reverence to His name this week?

God reveals Himself in the *Old Testament* by various names:

EL:-ELYON:

the Most High God; God most high
(Genesis 14:18,20,22; Exodus 32:8)

EL-SHADDAI:

God Almighty; the Almighty God
(Genesis 17:1; 35:11; Exodus 6:3; Job 5:17)

EL-HAI:

the Living God (Deuteronomy 5:26; 1 Samuel 17:26,36)

JEHOVAH-JIREH: "The Lord will provide" (Genesis 22:14)

JEHOVAH-RAPHA: "The Lord that heals you" (Exodus 15:26)

JEHOVAH-NISSI: "The Lord my banner" (Exodus 17:15)

JEHOVAH-ELOHENU: "The Lord our God" (Ps 99:5)

JEHOVAH-SHALOM: "The Lord our peace" (Judges 6:24)

JEHOVAH-ROHI: "The Lord is my shepherd" (Ps 23:1)

JEHOVAH-ELYON: "The Lord most high" (Ps 7:17; 47:2; 97:9)

JEHOVAH-TSIDKENU: "The Lord our righteousness" (Jer 23:6)

God reveals Himself in the *New Testament* by the name of:

JESUS (Joshua/Yeshua):

Jehovah is salvation; God saves; SAVIOR
(Matthew 1:21-22; John 14, 17-18; 17:6)

CHRIST (Christos/Messiah):

Anointed One (Matthew 16:15-17; 26:63-64)