



NAMES

A SERIES ON THE CHARACTER OF GOD

STRENGTH AND FAITH

God's name is more than identification— It's a description of his character. In this four-week study on a few of the many names God is called throughout Scripture, we learn who God is and what that means for us today. God is our provider, our shepherd, a banner, and our great healer.

Week One

God is more than just our Lord and Savior. The bible teaches that He is also our great provider. He provides for our physical, emotional, and most importantly our spiritual needs. In this first week of the new series, we look at how God provides for us. He doesn't just simply give us what we want but he knows what we need. Because he created us, he knows how to provide for us.

CHALLENGE

God as our provider does not mean that he is just a magic genie in a bottle doing all that we want. Rather, because he knows us and created us, he knows what we need. This week practice asking for God's desires to become your desires. Thank God for how he has provided for you and remember his provision as it helps keep our hearts and minds focused on his heart rather than our sinfulness.

QUESTIONS

1. How has God provided for you in the past? Why was it significant to you?
2. Do you struggle to trust God to provide? Why or why not?
3. In what areas are you asking God to provide in your life?
4. How can you practice asking for God's desire and his way of providing?

week two

More commonly known by its meaning rather than the name itself, **Jehova Rohi** - The Lord our Shepherd, found in Psalm 23, reveals the loving, patient, and protective nature of our Lord! A shepherd, by practice, is someone who cares for a flock, leading them to safe pastures, protecting them from danger. And David, the guy who wrote Psalm 23, totally got this! He was a shepherd himself for many years, so he knew exactly what it meant to care for and protect his flock, even facing down lions and bears. So when David calls the Lord his Shepherd, he's drawing from this experience, knowing exactly what it means to be in the Shepherd's care.

In describing God as his Shepherd, David also acknowledges his own role as a sheep-dependent vulnerable in need of guidance. Without the Shepherd, he would be lost! And this image isn't just David's reality; it's ours as well. We, too, are like sheep, in need God's constant guidance, care, and protection. So let's rejoice in the comfort that comes from knowing **Jehova Rohi** - our Lord who loves us, guides us, and protects us.

CHALLENGE

Read Psalm 23 and sit with the verses and the Lord for a minute. How incredible is it to know that God doesn't just watch from a distance but is our **Jehova Rohi**? He's right here, guiding, protecting, and leading us every step of the way. And through Jesus, by making him Lord of our lives, He's extended this gift to each of us! So, this week let's celebrate and walk in the confidence found in knowing that we have a Shepherd who knows us, cares for us, and never leaves our side!

QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever followed a not-so-good leader into a bad situation? What happened when you did?
2. Who's leading you in your life? Explain your answer and why you're following them.
3. How does God lead us as our shepherd based on Psalm 23?
4. What is standing in the way of you returning to God? What can you do this week to follow the good Shepherd?

week three

We continue our series on the names of God with week 3 of Names. Every name attributed to God has a marvelous story behind them that was not only applicable to the original audience but is applicable to us today. Not only that His names paint a beautiful picture of who God is and His attributes. In week 3 we focus on **Jehovah YHWH Nissi - The Lord is my Banner**. In Exodus 17 we get to see how God is not only a protector but He is our rallying point when enemies attack, and when we come together under Him and His instruction no attack will prevail against those who follow the Lord.

APPLICATION

Everyone is facing an attack or a "battle" and a lot of times it feels like we are losing these fights and there's nothing we can do. What we know from Exodus 17 is that as followers of Jesus we are not alone in these battles, **THE LORD IS WITH US!** When we are facing a battle we know we cannot win, we cannot give up or face it head on. We must run to the Lord, listen and follow His instructions and invite fellow believers into the fight. When we do this we can trust that the Lord will carry us through all things.

QUESTIONS

1. Do you feel like you're losing a battle right now?
2. What keeps us from running to God as our banner?
3. How can you rally under the Lord as your banner this week?

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