

Names of God

Jehovah Shammah –Jehovah is there. Ez 48:35 Where ever you are and what ever your struggle you can know Jehovah is there! It was prophesied when Israel went into captivity, their sacred Temple they loved was destroyed. In a strange land, living as slaves Ezekiel says: The Lord is there! In all your difficulties you can know, “Jehovah is there!” Mt 28:19,20

El Elyon – The God Most High! All of the names of God fit into our sin damaged lives to make us whole and restore us into his image. In Is 14:13,14 Satan desired this title that belongs to God. It implies superiority and power over all. Satan says “I will” five times in this passage but read the next verses 15-20, God over all responds with “you will” and declares what will be. Get a glimpse of the unmatched superiority of El Elyon, who speaks and it is so. Ps 18:13-17 He is our voice of victory. Ps 21:7 He is our security and stability. Psalms 57:2 He performs and accomplishes on our behalf. Ps 78:35 He is our Redeemer. Ps 82:6 He is our Father. Ps 91:1-9 He promises to be our secret shelter. Da 4:24,25 Ps 83:18, 7:17

Jehovah Tsebaoth – Lord of Hosts. tsaba = to wage war/ render service to God is the verb form. As a noun it implies armies or multitudes. Sometimes it is translated ‘God of the armies of heaven’. Stars are included as multitudes or hosts, Ps 147:4 and angels Ps 68:17, Heb 1:14 Jesus said he could command 12 legions of angels if he wished (72,000) to rescue him. Look what one angel can do. 2Kgs 19:35 Now think what Ps 34:7 means to you since Jehovah Tsebaoth is your Lord. Da 6:22 2Kg 6:14-18

Jehovah Makkeh “The Lord, our smiter” Ez 7:9 Knowing that God makes sure we are dealt with when we go astray should put the fear of God in us. I know in my own areas of weakness, the repeated smiting after falling away was a teacher that it was indeed wrong and put the fear of God in me not to go that way again. Sometimes when we are immature or blinded to our own failure like David was with Bathsheba, we desperately need God to smite us. He also smites the hearts of unbelievers with conviction of sin. Proverbs 19:25, Ps 141:5 God smote Jesus! Is 53:4,5 Mt 26:31, Mal 4:6

Jehovah Gmolah “The Lord of Recompenses” Jer 51:56 He repaid Babylon for conquering Israel by having the Medes and Persians conquer them 70 years later. But God also repays good. Moses was Prince of Egypt and in line to rule the most advanced civilization in the world. He decided freeing Israel would bring a greater reward, Heb 11:26. Ro 11:35 God is always just and even delights in rewarding us for things we do for the Kingdom in his service. Heb 2:2,3 Ruth 2:12, Col 3:18-24

Jehovah Elohay – the Lord, my God Judges 6:15 He is a personal God!

El – Elohay- Israel – the personal God of Israel Gen 3:18-20

Jehovah Eloheenu – the Lord, our God Deut 5:24, 6:4 He is also the God over the body of Christ. Thus we have individual and corporate worship.