

# Prologue

- <sup>1</sup> Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.
- <sup>2</sup> I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

(Psalm 91:1-2)

In May 2006 God told me, "*Teach My name to the Church.*" I thought it was an odd request because at the time, I believed His name was Yahweh or Jehovah and that most Christians already knew those names, plus the compound names Yahweh-Jireh, El Elyon, El Shaddai, and a few others. I had no idea I was embarking on a journey of discovery that would take almost four years to research, write, edit, rewrite, and finally publish the first "*Name & Attributes of God*" online course of study in 2010.

I also had no idea that, rather than that marking the **end** of the journey, it was really only the **beginning**! I thought I had "arrived", that I had completed the work the LORD wanted me to do when, in fact, I had barely begun!

When I started reviewing and editing this in early 2017, I had no idea that I would uncover other information that would drastically challenge some impressions I had published previously.

Suddenly, the "teacher"—the one who deigned to believe she had uncovered and discovered all she needed to know about this knowable God's name and titles, or at least, as much as He wanted me to learn and share—had become the student again. As the LORD has continued to lead me from one source to another to reveal more of Himself to me, gradually my opinions about what I thought I knew before began to change. And the more I learned about Him, the more I learned about myself . . .

As my knowledge of Him has evolved through this latest revision, I've found myself more in awe of Him . . . more in love with Him . . . and actually wondering, if only for a moment, if I had possibly strayed from my first Love... Was that possible? Had I perhaps allowed the academic pursuit of Him to replace the intimate communion we had shared before?

I am so thankful that our loving Father led me down this path—again—of wondrous discovery! If I've learned nothing else from this second study, it's that the more I know, the more I realize how **little** I know and the more I **want** to know!

I have never been more passionate and jealous for Father's true name as I am today, and all I want is for all to know how passionately **He** longs to **be known** by us!





# Introduction

Through the years, I have quite often heard educated and intelligent persons say, "Let me tell you how I discovered God."

Whether these discoverers went on from there to a humble and adoring worship of God I cannot say. I do know, however, that all of us would be in great trouble and still far from God if He had not graciously and in love **revealed Himself** to us.

~A. W. Tozer

The above quote by A. W. Tozer describes very well the purpose behind this study. Our most gracious GOD has lovingly and patiently revealed Himself to us by telling us His name and more than 75 titles that describe/define who He is and who He desires to be in our lives.

This book is not intended to simply enhance your **knowledge** about GOD. After all, if it were possible to grasp GOD—to understand who and what He is—by our intellectual capacities, then, as Tozer also said, would we not then be equal to GOD?

The fact is that GOD has not intended for us to know everything there is to know about Him in the names He's given us. No. He knows that our finite minds are thoroughly incapable of such awesome and delightful knowing. **That** will take all of eternity for us to grasp!

Mere human language—whether Hebrew, Greek, Latin, English, or whatever—falls far short in its attempts to define the One who created all things . . . who measures the Universe with the span of His hand and thrills at the dance of the tiny, multi-colored peacock spider . . . whose voice roars above the mighty waters and stills a storm to a whisper . . . who commands the planets and stars and watches over the sparrow and causes lilies to grow in the desert . . . How can a fallible, created being possibly comprehend and describe the **Uncreated** One who created it? As the Prophet Isaiah wrote: "Shall what is formed say to the one who formed it, 'You did not make me'? Can the pot say to the potter, 'You know nothing'?" (Isaiah 26:16)

Yet, language is all we have. And so, using the language of the ancient Hebrews, GOD has revealed Himself to us—as we can bear it—in a way in which His attributes may be seen and understood by us. In writing this study, I purpose to render a deeper understanding of the GOD behind some of the names He has used by which to know Him better—and thus, to know ourselves—that we might be drawn into a more intimate relationship with Him.

## Anglicized names used in this study.

Besides being referred to as "LORD"/"Lord" and "GOD"/"God" in most English Bibles, some also call the Christian God "Jehovah" or "Yahweh". The last two derive from the Hebrew "יהוה" (Yod-Heh-Vav-Heh), which have usually been transliterated as "YHWH" or "YHVH".

Since...

- Almost everyone is familiar with the use of "LORD" in English Bibles for God's personal name;
- "YHWH" is a more familiar transliteration of the original Hebrew name; and



- most Bible scholars agree that "Yahweh" is a more likely accurate Anglicized interpretation of the Hebrew name...

I will use "LORD", "YHWH", or "Yahweh" throughout this study whenever referring to the distinctive personal name of God; and I will use "GOD" when referring to Him in general.

## What is our purpose on this earth?

That is a very good question, one that practically everyone who's ever lived has asked at one time or another. "What is our purpose? Why am I here?"

The Westminster Catechism states that the purpose of man—the reason we were created—is *"to glorify God and enjoy Him forever."* GOD's Word affirms the first part of this very short answer to a very complicated question.

If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things **God may be praised** through Jesus Christ. To him be the **glory** and the **power** for ever and ever. Amen.  
(1 Peter 4:11 *emphasis added*)

So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the **glory of God**.  
(1 Corinthians 10:31 *emphasis added*)

In order to truly worship and glorify GOD as well as *"enjoy Him forever"*—not simply go through the repetitive motions of religious rituals—we must not only know **about** Him, but we must **know** Him personally.

How do you get to know the all-knowing, all-powerful, self-existent, Most High holy GOD **personally**? Certainly, the very thought of such an endeavor might cause us to cower and resist even the attempt. After all, the Bible says *"no one can see God and live"* (Exodus 33:20)! It also says we are *"only dust."* So, who are **we** to **dare** to approach this GOD who's described as a *"consuming fire"* (Deuteronomy 4:24)?

Those are all quite valid objections and sound reasons for keeping our distance from God and for allowing our Pastor, Priest, or Sunday School teacher to stand between and tell us what we need to know **about** Him. And we certainly wouldn't be the first to respond or react in such a manner. The Israelites refused to draw near to God, but insisted that Moses go for them.

On the morning of the third day there was thunder and lightning, with a thick cloud over the mountain, and a very loud trumpet blast. **Everyone** in the camp **trembled**.  
(Exodus 19:16 *emphasis added*)

- 18 When the people saw the thunder and lightning and heard the trumpet and saw the mountain in smoke, they **trembled with fear**. They **stayed at a distance**
- 19 and said to Moses, "Speak to us yourself and we will listen. But do not have God speak to us or we will die."
- 20 Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid. God has come to test you, so that the fear of God will be with you to keep you from sinning."
- 21 The people **remained at a distance**, while Moses approached the thick darkness where God was.

(Exodus 20:18-21 *emphasis added*)



Nevertheless, God **invites** us to draw near to Him, to learn from Him, and to permit Him to take care of us.

"I will walk among you and be your God, and you will be my **people**."  
(Leviticus 26:12 *emphasis added*)

"I love those who love me, and those **who seek me find me**."  
(Proverbs 8:17 *emphasis added*)

"**Turn to me** and be saved, all you ends of the earth;  
for I am God, and there is no other."  
(Isaiah 45:22 *emphasis added*)

"You will **seek me** and **find me** when you seek me with all your heart."  
(Jeremiah 29:13 *emphasis added*)

This is what the LORD says to Israel: "**Seek me** and **live**;"  
(Amos 5:4 *emphasis added*)

Really, if you think about it, the entire Bible is a collection of 66 invitations from the Almighty for us to learn from Him, draw near to Him, and to **know** Him.

So, how do you get to know the Most High GOD . . . **personally**? Quite simple. How do you get to know **anyone**? You ask their name, spend time with them, listen to stories about their life, learn their likes and dislikes, and maybe even find out their favorite color or favorite food.

The name and titles GOD has shared with us about Himself in the Bible impart to us revelations of His character, His works, His extravagant love, and His relationship to us. It's in the knowing and understanding of His **name** and characteristics that we gain greater insight, love, respect, and reverence for who He is and thus, get to know Him **personally**.

The Bible says, about the **name** of GOD...

Let them **praise** the **name** of the LORD, for his **name** alone  
is **exalted**; his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.  
(Psalm 148:13 *emphasis added*)

[the Apostle Peter, quoting the Prophet Joel]  
"And everyone who calls on the **name** of the Lord will be saved."  
(Acts 2:21 *emphasis added*)

## "A rose by any other name..."

William Shakespeare wrote: "*What's in a name? A rose by any other name would smell as sweet.*" That's true . . . and some might argue the same can be said of GOD. What does it matter what name we call Him so long as **we** know who we're talking about?

My question, then, is this: What do you think of when you hear the word "rose"? Do you immediately think of an onion . . . or a cucumber . . . or a chicken? At the same time, when you think of an onion, do you envision a white or red flower comprised of multiple levels of soft petals with a sweet, almost intoxicating fragrance?

So then, while the rose, itself, may smell the same—regardless of the name—obviously, calling it an "onion" does not elicit the same emotion, memory, or mental picture as is



common with the rose. It doesn't create a desire within you to hold one, to breathe in its essence, or to give it to a loved one on a special occasion. One could argue, therefore, that the name "rose" is critical to our immediate and appropriate response.

I propose, with this study, that the same can be said of the names "God" or "Lord". During the transliteration processes, the names GOD gave us to understand His personality and desires have been reduced to "LORD" or "GOD" with no indication of what the original Hebrew names **mean**.

As we get to know the LORD by the Hebrew names He used to reveal everything He wants us to know about who He is – His identity, attributes, desires – then our emotional and intellectual responses will obviously be altered. He will no longer be an ethereal, dispassionate, and impersonal entity within the "higher power" concept, but a **knowable, approachable, and personal** friend.

## Have we created God in our image?

Too often, we dismiss the idea of needing to know the name(s) and features the Almighty has shared with us about Himself. We are too easily content with worshiping Him by the titles "God" or "Lord"—perhaps because they require less devotion, less obedience, less trust. After all, ascribing to Him such lesser titles puts Him on par with the world's many false gods, thereby making it possible for Him to live up to a lesser standard—one that demands sacrifice but withholds blessing, that promises but disappoints, that holds out an olive branch but strikes with a rod. For it is in His falling short of all we desire Him to be—whether that desire is realistic or not—that we can then pull away from Him, disobey Him, and even denounce and abandon Him, to our own devices.

Then, of course, left to our own devices, we find ourselves more content with the creation rather than the Creator. We can own it, manipulate it, fashion and create it to gratify our carnal nature, and then destroy it or remake it when it fails to satisfy.

Ever since the Serpent first deceived the Woman and she convinced the Man to eat, humankind has favored and pursued the lie over the truth. For thousands of years, the enemy of our souls has succeeded quite handily at convincing us of GOD's malevolence toward us, of Him placing unreasonable demands and restrictions on us, and of the biggest lie of all: our ability to attain our own righteousness. "...you will be like God..." (Genesis 3:5)

We believed it then, and we continue to believe it now as we create and recreate GOD in our image. "God" becomes whatever we decide he, she, or it is. And, rather than believe what He has told us about Himself, we celebrate those megalomaniacs among us who deny reality in favor of their own idealistic opinions conceived, not for truth or excellence, but to reject accountability or for personal exaltation.

## Why are we reluctant to know God better?

I am surprised at how many who claim to know Him resist the notion that there's more to know about the Almighty than the "GOD" or "LORD" preached from most of our pulpits. When I talk to other Christians about this, many seem offended and respond, "**I know Him!**" while going on to tell me when they were saved or that they've "*always been a Christian.*"

Please understand, precious friend, I am not challenging whether you're saved or not, nor am I challenging your personal relationship with the LORD. No, no, no! What I **am** saying is that He is so much more than most of us think He is, that He must have a good reason for giving us **more than 75** names by which to know Him better, and that He cannot be contained or restrained by the human limitations we've placed on Him.



Think of it this way. Have you ever been "in love"? Well then, when you first started dating that person, were you content with only knowing their first name? Didn't you want to know their eye color and birthday? Didn't you want to hear about their birthplace, their childhood, other family members, and education? Didn't you also long to know their hopes and dreams, or their favorite color, food, or place to vacation/holiday? In other words, you wanted to know as much about them as they were willing to share.

Then, why would we not want to know the same about the Most High God? Why are we so reluctant to know Him as He **yearns** to be known by us? How can we **claim to love** Him and yet not desire to **know** Him more intimately? **What's stopping us?**

**Pride?** Undoubtedly. After all, to say that we want to know more about God so we can draw closer to Him means that maybe we're not as perfect Christians as we thought we were! Who wants to admit that they're not as "*tight with Jesus as Peter and John ever were!*"? It's a little laughable, I know, but if you think about it, it's unfortunately more true than we may want to admit.

**Fear?** I'm sure, but of what? Fear of **Him** . . . or of **ourselves** . . . ? We can't claim "fear of the unknown" because throughout Scripture He has strained to make Himself known to us and by us. Could it be fear that the better we come to know Him, the better we will come to know ourselves. So long as we can hold Him at arm's length—keep Him in the "church and devotions box" under the nightstand or on the tea table—we can deny our **need** for something or Someone greater than ourselves.

We're so good at wearing masks to keep others from seeing who we really are. We have our work masks, dating masks, shopping masks, and yes, even our church masks. And sadly, I would dare say we even have a mask we wear just for ourselves. We don't know how to live without them, how to take them off and peer into that dark glass to see what's beneath. We may not like what we see . . . It takes courage to say:

<sup>23</sup> **Search me**, God, and know my heart; **test me** and know my anxious thoughts.

<sup>24</sup> **See** if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

(Psalm 139:23-24 *emphasis added*)

On second thought, then . . . maybe we **can** claim "fear of the unknown." After all, knowing ourselves is a lifelong, albeit sometimes half-hearted, pursuit for most of us—one that even the most learned amongst us has difficulty mastering. It requires moving out of our comfort zone to a more vulnerable—or less defensible—emotional state where our inadequacies and fears, whether rational or irrational, are open to interrogation.

On the other hand, the eternally self-existent Creator and Sustainer of all that exists knows Himself full well. He has no emotional insecurities, no delusions, and no need for compulsive comparisons. As the One who possesses perfect power and knowledge, He has no reason to expose Himself to interrogation or inspection by **anyone**. And yet, He does . . .

While **we** hold **Him** at arm's length, He **invites** us to draw near and to interrogate and investigate every nook, cranny, and vestige of all that He is. He not only passionately **desires to be known** by us, but better yet, He is **knowable!** He has told us **who** He is, what He's **done**, and what He **wants to do** in the future. He has demonstrated time and again not only His **desire** to meet our every need, but His unlimited **capacity** to do so!



He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—  
how will he not also, along with him, **graciously give** us **all** things?  
(Romans 8:32 *emphasis added*)

## Can anyone really "**know**" Almighty GOD?

So now, we come back to the question posed at the beginning of this section: How do we get to **know** this "knowable" God? It's simple, really. There's a story about a dispassionate young man who approached the Greek philosopher Socrates, seeking knowledge.

Puffed up with pride and false humility, the young man said, "*O, great Socrates, I come to you for knowledge.*"

The philosopher took the young man down to the sea, waded in with him, and then dunked him under the water for thirty seconds. When he let the young man up for air, Socrates asked him what he wanted. "*Knowledge, O great one,*" he responded.

Socrates put him under the water again, only this time a little longer. When he let the young man up for air, Socrates asked him again what he wanted, "*Knowledge!*" he sputtered, thinking to impress the philosopher.

He dunked the young man a third time, holding him under until he fought to come up for air. When he let him up the third time, Socrates asked him, "*What do you want?*"

"*Air!*" the young man gasped. "*I want air!*"

"*Good,*" answered Socrates. "*Now, when you want knowledge as much as you wanted air, you shall have it!*"

In much the same way as that young man was gasping for his very life's breath, if we truly want to know GOD in the way that He wants to be known by us, our souls must **hunger** for Him as much as our lungs hunger for the next breath. We must **thirst** for Him as we and all creatures thirst for water.

As the deer pants (longs, thirsts) for streams of water,  
so my soul pants (longs, thirsts) for you, my God.  
(Psalm 42:1 *parenthetical text added*)

Thankfully, when we finally renounce the lies and the liar, shed our pride, confront our fears, and open our hearts to draw near to the Lover of our souls, we find that it requires very little effort on our part. He **has done** and **will do** most of the work for us. We have only to ask, "*Open the eyes of our hearts*" to personally experience all of His power, glory, and majestic beauty.

- <sup>18</sup> I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the **hope** to which he has called you, the **riches** of his glorious inheritance in his holy people,  
<sup>19</sup> and his **incomparably great power** for us who believe...  
(Ephesians 1:18-19a *emphasis added*)





## Jesus prayed that we might know the Father's name!

When Jesus prayed with His disciples in the upper room "*on the night he was betrayed*" (1 Corinthians 11:23), He professed:

"I have revealed **Your name** to the men  
whom You gave to Me out of the world. They were Yours,  
and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. "

(John 17:6 MKJV *emphasis added*)

And before He departed the upper room to begin His journey to the Cross, He concluded His prayer:

"And I **made known** to them Your **name**,  
and will make it known, so that the love *with which*  
You have loved Me may be in them, and I in them."

(John 17:26 MKJV *emphasis added*)

According to John's gospel, these are the last words Jesus spoke before agonizing in the Garden to the point of sweating blood . . . before suffering through an all-night mockery of a trial . . . before having His flesh shredded at the scourging post, His beard ripped out, and thorns pressed into His scalp . . . before being nailed to a tree to suffocate to death . . .

If teaching **Father's name** to His disciples was **Jesus' foremost thought** only hours before coming face-to-face with the worst physical and emotional cruelty humankind and Satan could unleash, should we think it any small matter to the Almighty that **we** should also know His name?

## Why isn't it enough to know the names I already know?

Don't misunderstand me here. I'm not talking about knowing the **words** "Jehovah" or "Yahweh". I'm not talking about knowing the names "El Shaddai", "Jehovah Jireh", "Yahweh Nissi", or any others you've learned in various lessons.

To "**know**" His name and various titles is to know **more** than the words. It's to know all that the names **embody**, all that they reveal to us about this extravagantly-loving, self-existent and eternal GOD who has patiently endured our prideful ambivalence. To "know his Name" is to know **Him!**

"I will walk among you and **be your God**, and you will **be my people**."

(Leviticus 26:12 *emphasis added*)

That's a plea from the heart of Almighty GOD that's been recorded at least six times in Scripture—the LORD God, reaching out, desiring only to **draw us** to Himself so He can take care of us. If we will simply take one step in His direction, He promises:

<sup>11</sup> For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to **prosper** you and not to harm you, plans to **give** you **hope** and a **future**.

<sup>12</sup> Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and **I will listen** to you.

<sup>13</sup> You will **seek me** and **find me** when you seek me with all your heart.

<sup>14</sup> I **will be found by you**," declares the LORD

(Jeremiah 29:11-14a *emphasis added*)



## Do you know Him well enough to fully trust Him in persecution?

The Apostles knew His name and they walked in **power** and **authority**, worked wondrous **miracles**, and turned their world upside-down! The early Christians in Jerusalem and throughout the Roman Empire knew His name, and they endured **horrendous trials** the likes of which cause us to turn away in horror when we hear of some of them.

Reports by first to third-century Christian and non-Christian historians—like Flavius Josephus, Eusebius Pamphili, Publius Cornelius Tacitus, and many others<sup>2</sup>—testify to the following persecutions of early Christians<sup>3</sup>:

Some were sewn into the skins of animals, and then ravaged and devoured by dogs, or they were suspended naked on a piece of wood fixed in the ground and dangled as food for wild beasts.

Others were covered with hot wax until it became hard, then fixed to axletrees, and set on fire to illuminate Nero's gardens, or they had boiled pitch poured upon their heads and were then burnt.

Many were crucified, crowned with thorns, and had spears run into their sides, in imitation of Christ's passion—most after witnessing their spouses and children crucified, as their assailants tried to persuade them to renounce Christ. The Apostle Peter was crucified upside-down after watching his wife suffocate to death on a cross!

The Apostle John was boiled in oil and, having miraculously survived, was later banished to the island Patmos off the coast of Greece.

Like the first martyr, Stephen, many were thrown into pits and pummeled with stones until their broken bodies succumbed to death.

They were scourged until their muscles, tendons and veins lay bare, were pressed to death with weights, had their brains dashed out with clubs, or were thrown from cliffs.

They were scorched on a gridiron, burnt with red-hot irons, torn with sharp hooks, laid naked upon live coals intermingled with glass, or were flayed alive and rubbed with salt until they expired.

Others were stretched upon a wheel by which all their bones were broken, or they were stretched upon a rack until all their joints were dislocated and their limbs separated from their bodies.

They were beaten with rods, de-nailed, scorched with lighted torches, and had their feet pierced with nails by which they were dragged through the streets before finally being beheaded.

They were pinched with fiery tongs, girded with burning plates, and bound hand-and-foot on a grated bed of iron to be roasted alive over a fire pit.

At Utica, 300 Christians were placed round a burning limekiln and were commanded either to sacrifice to Jupiter or to be thrown into the kiln. Unanimously refusing, they bravely jumped into the pit, and were immediately suffocated.



These brave persecuted men, women, and children behaved with such astonishing courage that many of their persecutors converted to Christianity out of their admiration for a faith that inspired such fortitude.

**How** did they endure such horrors? How **could** they? Just like Daniel in the lions' den (Daniel 6:16-27) and Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego who were thrown into a blazing inferno (Daniel 3:13-28), they **knew the name** of the One in whom they had placed all their hopes and trust! When the Apostle Paul was under house arrest in Rome awaiting his execution, he wrote to Timothy:

That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet this is no cause for shame, because **I know whom I have believed**, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until that day.  
(2 Timothy 1:12 *emphasis added*)

Could **you** remain faithful in the face of such terrors? Could **I**? Until and unless I face such a trial, I can't honestly answer that . . .

One thing I **am** sure about, however, is that the generic "God" preached from most of our pulpits or the dainty silver crosses we wear around our necks will likely **not** provide the calm assurance needed at such a moment.

It seems to me, therefore, that we would do well to **learn everything** we can possibly know about the "God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ", the One whose name Jesus taught to His disciples, the One called *God* or *Lord* or *Yahweh* or *Jehovah* or . . .

## Conclusion

Thus, we come to the purpose of this book. I don't claim to know all there is to know about this subject or this most awesome, holy GOD. Certainly, whatever insight I've gained in studying the Almighty's name and attributes barely touches the surface of all there is to know about Him!

My hope is that I might awaken within your spirit a desire to know Him on a more personal level and whet your appetite to go deeper and higher with Him—far beyond what I present within these few pages.

The shepherd boy, David, knew the LORD so intimately that he was able to face the giant, Goliath, armed only with a few stones and the **name** of the LORD!

David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the **name** of the **LORD Almighty**, the **God of the armies** of Israel, whom you have defied."  
(1 Samuel 17:45 *emphasis added*)

And years later, King David knew Him so well and was so passionate about his relationship with Him that he danced and celebrated the LORD in the streets!

- <sup>14</sup> Wearing a linen ephod, David was **dancing** before the LORD **with all his might**,  
<sup>15</sup> while he and all Israel were bringing up the ark of the LORD with shouts and the sound of trumpets.  
(2 Samuel 6:14-15 *emphasis added*)



As a result of the researching, writing, editing and rewriting of this study, I have succumbed to the LORD's relentless love and He has answered the following prayer I've sung countless times in the past.

"Teach me to have a childlike heart  
Free me to **be undignified**  
Teach me to have a childlike heart  
Free me to **dance all over my pride!**

"Gonna **dance like a child**  
Sing like the Son  
**Abandon** myself to the Holy One!"<sup>4</sup>

Like King David, I have reached a point where dancing undignified and abandoning myself to the Holy One is as natural a response to His love as is taking my next breath! I pray that you, too, would reach a point where you would **hunger** to learn more about Him as revealed in His names . . . continue to **draw closer** to Him through those revelations . . . open yourself to **receive** from Him the healing and peace He desires to bestow . . . and abandon yourself to give Him all the **glory due His name!**

- <sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the LORD, you heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD **glory** and **strength**.
- <sup>2</sup> Ascribe to the LORD the **glory due his name**; worship the LORD in the **splendor** of his **holiness**.  
(Psalm 29:1-2 *emphasis added*)

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- <sup>1</sup> Known as the "Tetragrammaton" (Greek for "word of four letters") by Bible scholars and linguists, God's name is comprised of four Hebrew letters: י (Yod or Yud) ה (Heh) ו (Vav) ה (Heh) or, reading right-to-left, יהוה (Yod-Heh-Vav-Heh).
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