

FOUNDATIONAL BIBLE STUDY



The Name Above Every Name

In this Bible study we'll be attempting to accomplish two goals. First, we'll be looking at who God says He is and the embodiment of that in Jesus Christ. Secondly, we'll be looking at the differences in Bible translations. Bible translations are just that...translations. Because translations bridge the gap between our language and the original languages, you might notice differences between the various versions of Bible translations. Unless you can read Hebrew and Greek you are forced to read a translation of some type.

Some Bible translations attempt to make the wording as literal as possible and some try to make the intent of the scripture more clear. Regardless of which translation (version) you prefer, the message should be the same. Obviously, we're not endorsing one version over another; we encourage you to read and compare the scriptures for yourself and allow the Holy Spirit to speak to you.

In this study we will be utilizing the King James Version of the Bible as we attempt to understand who God says He is. For simplicity sake we have included the King James text. However, as we work through this study we'll also be asking you to read and compare the same scriptures in a different version (translation) of your choice. Ok, let's get started.

(Please take a moment and pray that God would make His Word clear to you.)

Let's look at who God says He is:

Exodus 6: 2-3: (KJV) *And God spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I am the LORD: (3) And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty, but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them.*

Psalms 83:18: (KJV) *That [men] may know that thou, whose name alone [is] JEHOVAH, [art] the most high over all the earth.*

Isaiah 26:4: (KJV) *Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH [is] everlasting strength: {everlasting...: Heb. the rock of ages}*

After reading these three scriptures,
Who does God say He is (what is the Name of God?) _____

(Please read the same scriptures in **another version** (translation) and compare the different wording.)

Now read:

Exodus 3:13 & 14: (KJV) *And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath 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 shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.*

- Who does God say He is? _____. (If you are studying this material with another person, take a moment and discuss the meaning and/or significance of God saying He is I AM.)

Read Exodus 3:13 & 14 in another version.

- Although the wording may be different do you get the same message? _____

Based on the scriptures we have read:

- Can we say that the God says of Himself: I AM JEHOVAH? _____.

Now read:

Exodus 15:26 (KJV) *And (God) said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD that healeth thee. (Some translations list the Hebrew; Jehovah-Rapha)*

Read Exodus 15:26 in **another translation** and fill in the blank below.

- I AM JEHOVAH-RAPHA: I am the God who _____ you.

Genesis 22:13 & 14 (KJV) *And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son. And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah-Jireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.*

Read Genesis 22:13 & 14 in **another translation** and fill in the blank below.

- I AM JEHOVAH-JIREH: I am the God who will _____ for you.

Judges 6:24 (KJV) *Then Gideon built an altar there unto the LORD, and called it Jehovah-Shalom:*

Read Judges 6:24 in **another translation** and fill in the blank below.

- I AM JEHOVAH-SHALOM: I am the God who will give you _____.

Now read:

Psalms 23 (KJV) *The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever. (Some translations list the Hebrew Jehovah-Rohi)*

Read Psalms 23 in **another translation** and fill in the blank below.

- I AM JEHOVAH-ROHI: I am the Lord (God) your _____.
- What does a Shepherd do? _____.

Based on the scriptures we have read, does God say ***I am God, I will provide for you. I will give you peace. I will heal you. I will lead you?***

Yes or no? _____.

Now read the following scriptures in **any translation** and fill in the blanks:

John 10:30:

- I and the _____ are one.

John 14:9-11:

- Anyone who has seen _____ has seen the _____.
- I am in the _____, and the Father is in _____.

Now based on the **entire study**, please fill in the blanks:

- _____ and God are one.
- (If Jesus and God are one) _____ is our (good) shepherd.
- (If Jesus and God are one) _____ is the source of our peace.
- (If Jesus and God are one) _____ is our provider.
- (If Jesus and God are one) _____ is our healer.

Now let's answer this most important question:

- What is the NAME ABOVE EVERY NAME? _____

Note: This has not been a comprehensive study of the name(s) of God. For further study we suggest you ask your Pastor to help you or go on-line and search "the Names of God."

Suggestion: Please pick a verse that spoke something to you and memorize it.