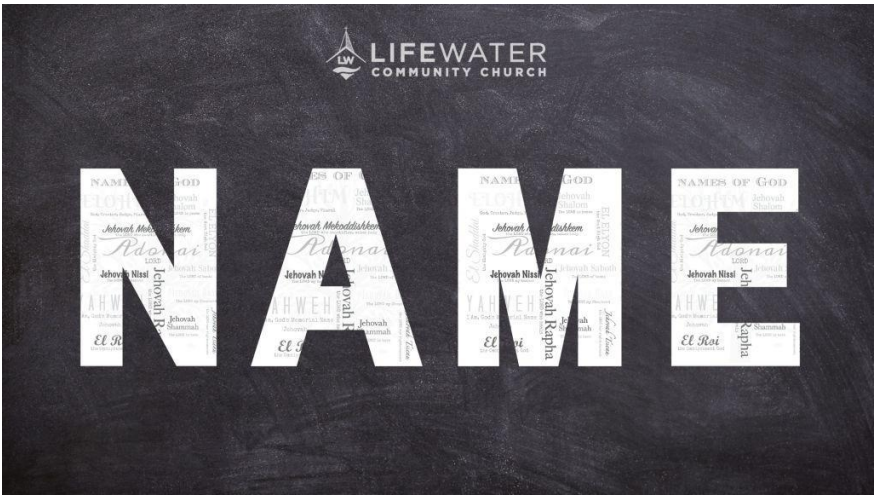


LifeGroup Sermon Series Study

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Series Six



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“Name”



By the time this is published, my daughter Kati and her husband Brian will have had their beautiful daughter. It has been interesting watching them try to figure out a name for their child.

Sometimes naming children can be very difficult. Husbands, wives, parents, and friends seem to always have an opinion. Naming children is a lot different today than in Bible times. Today we usually name our children based on what sounds good, what is popular, or a good memory of a particular name.

In Bible times naming someone was much more significant. Names were chosen based on what they meant. Every name reflected a purpose, or a future hope, or a character quality. For example, Abram which means “exalted father,” was changed to Abraham which means “father of a multitude.” Jacob means “grabber of the heel” and “deceitful.” The biblical Jacob also received the name “Israel” (after wrestling with God) which means “one who prevails.” In the New Testament, Simon’s name was changed to Peter which means “rock.”

In English we only have a few names for God - God, Lord, Jesus, the Holy Spirit. But in Hebrew we find in the Old Testament many names for God; and each name has a significant meaning describing a quality of God.

In this series we are going to look at six names that reflect some very significant qualities of God. We can spend the rest of our lives trying to discover who God is; but by simply looking at the names given to God we will effectively be progressing in our search.

I am looking forward to learning together in this series as we seek to know God better by studying His name.

For His Kingdom,

Pastor Doug

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“Name”
Foundational Name for God
“Elohim”
Genesis 1 & 3
Lesson 1

I. Purpose:

- A. To help us understand that God is the creator of the heavens and earth.
- B. To help us know the personal side of God.
- C. To help us see how powerful God really is.

II. Community that Cares: (10 minutes)

- A. How are you doing with taking your next step?

- B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?

III. Community that Learns: (15 minutes)

- A. Review the points of the Pastor’s message.
- B. Sermon outline: Foundational Name for God – Elohim.
 - 1. Introduction: Elohim means The Strong Creator God.
 - 2. The Name Elohim describes God in four ways:
 - a. He is an all-(_____) God. Genesis 1:1

 - b. He is a (_____) God. Genesis 1:3-5

 - c. He is (_____). Genesis 1:26-27

 - d. He is ever-(_____). Genesis 3:8-10;
Jeremiah 23:23-24

Lesson 1 cont.

- C. Additional scriptures to look at: Genesis 1, 2 & 3; Jeremiah 23:23-24; Isaiah 45:18; Matthew 28:19; Luke 1:37; Hebrews 4:4, 9-11.

IV. **Community that Applies: (20 minutes)**

- A. What can the universe tell you about God?
- B. Does the power of God make you feel fear or peace?
- C. Do you feel like your God is a personal God? Why or why not?
- D. Is the Trinity significant to you? Why or why not?
- E. How does it make you feel that God is always with you? Why?
- F. Is this a new perspective of God for you? Why or why not?
- G. If it is a new perspective, how does this change your idea of who God is?
- H. What should you do differently or change because of your new view of God?

V. **Community that is Accountable: (15 minutes)**

If this is an area that God is speaking to you about, then what is the next step you need to take as a result of your understanding of God?

VI. **Community that Prays: (5 minutes)**

Spend a few minutes silently praying about what impacts you the most about God and what your next step should be.

VII. **Community that Looks Ahead:**

- A. The scriptures next week are Exodus 3:2-14.

- B. If you missed Sunday's sermon, watch online at www.lifewatercc.org before the next LifeGroup.
- C. Reflect on next week's questions during your five minutes of daily silence.

“Name”
Foundational Name for God
“Jehovah”
Exodus 3:2-14
Lesson 2

I. Purpose:

- A. To help us understand how much God wants to connect with us.
- B. To help us know that God still calls people to His purposes.
- C. To help us see God’s stability and creativity.

II. Community that Cares: (10 minutes)

- A. How are you doing with taking your next step?

- B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?

III. Community that Learns: (15 minutes)

- A. Review the points of the Pastor’s message.
- B. Sermon outline: Foundational Name for God – Jehovah.
 - 1.Introduction: Jehovah means The Relational God.
 - 2.The Name Jehovah describes God in three ways:
 - a. He is a (_____) God. Exodus 3:13-14

 - b. He is a (_____), (_____) God. Exodus 3:2-6

 - c. He is a (_____) God. Exodus 3:9-10
- C. Additional scriptures to look at: Genesis 2:7-22; Exodus 32:14, 33:19-23; Jonah 3:10; Malachi 3:6; Hebrews 13:8.

Lesson 2 cont.

IV. Community that Applies: (20 minutes)

- A. When you think of God, do you think of Him as someone who wants to connect with you individually? Why or why not?
- B. Does it encourage you knowing that God never changes? Why or why not?
- C. Does it make you nervous that God is responsive to you? Why or why not?
- D. Have you ever felt a calling from God? Share your experience.
- E. Is this a new perspective of God for you? Why or why not?
- F. If it is a new perspective, how does this change your idea of who God is?
- G. What should you do differently or change because of your new view of God?

V. Community that is Accountable: (15 minutes)

If this an area that God is speaking to you about, then what is the next step you need to take as a result of your understanding of God?

VI. Community that Prays: (5 minutes)

Spend a few minutes praying with one other person about what impacts you the most about God and what your next step should be.

VII. Community that Looks Ahead:

- A. The scriptures next week are Genesis 15:1-18.
- B. If you missed Sunday's sermon, watch online at www.lifewatercc.org before the next Life Group.
- C. Reflect on next week's questions during your five minutes of daily silence.

“Name”
Foundational Name for God
“Adonai”
Genesis 15:1-18
Lesson 3

I. Purpose:

- A. To help us understand that God is our owner.
- B. To help us know that He is our great provider.
- C. To help us see that God rules over us.

II. Community that Cares: (10 minutes)

- A. How are you doing with taking your next step?

- B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?

III. Community that Learns: (15 minutes)

- A. Review the points of the Pastor’s message.
- B. Sermon outline: Foundational Name of God – Adonai.
 - 1. Introduction: Adonai means The God Who Rules.
 - 2. The Name Adonai describes God in three ways:
 - a. God is an (_____) provider. Genesis 15:1-2

 - b. God is our final (_____). Genesis 15:4-8

 - c. God is (_____) us. Genesis 15:18
- C. Additional scriptures to look at: Exodus 4:10-13; Judges 6:15; Psalm 50:10, 97:5; 1 Peter 3:6.

IV. Community that Applies: (20 minutes)

- A. Do you struggle with the fact that God claims you as His own? Why or why not?

Lesson 3 cont.

- B. Do you struggle with the idea that God wants final authority over your life? Why or why not?
- C. What does it mean to you that God can provide anything He chooses to (there are no limits)?
- D. Do you believe that God is more powerful, more insightful, wiser, and more amazing than you or anyone you know?
- E. Do you believe that God knows best and wants the best for your life? Why or why not?
- F. Is this a new perspective of God for you? Why or why not?
- G. If it is a new perspective, how does this change your idea of who God is?
- H. What should you do differently or change because of your new view of God?

V. Community that is Accountable: (15 minutes)

If this is an area that God is speaking to you about, then what is the next step you need to take as a result of your understanding of God?

VI. Community that Prays: (5 minutes)

Spend a few minutes praying in groups of three about what impacts you the most about God and what your next step should be.

VII. Community that Looks Ahead:

- A. The scriptures next week are 1 Samuel 17:26-49.
- B. If you missed Sunday's sermon, watch online at www.lifewatercc.org before the next Life Group.
- C. Reflect on next week's questions during your five minutes of daily silence.

“Name”
Compound Name for God
“Jehovah Tsaba”
1 Samuel 17:26-49
Lesson 4

I. Purpose:

- A. To help us understand that God is our protector.
- B. To help us know that God is our warrior.
- C. To help us see that God is a powerful provider.

II. Community that Cares: (10 minutes)

- A. How are you doing with taking your next step?

- B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?

III. Community that Learns: (15 minutes)

- A. Review the points of the Pastor’s message.
- B. Sermon outline: Compound Name of God – Jehovah Tsaba.
 - 1. Introduction: Jehovah Tsaba means The Lord is our Warrior.
 - 2. The Name Jehovah Tsaba describes God in three ways:
 - a. God is our (_____). 1 Samuel 17:26-27

 - b. God is our (_____). 1 Samuel 17:32-37

 - c. God is our (_____). 1 Samuel 17:38-49

- C. Additional scriptures to look at: Genesis 6:4; Numbers 13:32-33; Deuteronomy 3:11; 1 Samuel 17:51-53; 2 Samuel 21:20; Joel 2:25.

Lesson 4 cont.

IV. Community that Applies: (20 minutes)

- A. What is your reaction knowing that God is our warrior?
- B. Does it give you confidence knowing that God is your protector? Why or why not?
- C. What is your reaction to the fact that the power of God is inside every follower of Christ?
- D. What do you think when you hear that God is our provider?
- E. Is this a new perspective of God for you? Why or why not?
- F. If it is a new perspective, how does this change your idea of who God is?
- G. What should you do differently or change because of your new view of God?

V. Community that is Accountable: (15 minutes)

If this is an area that God is speaking to you about, then what is the next step you need to take as a result of your understanding of God?

VI. Community that Prays: (5 minutes)

Spend a few minutes praying with the person to your right about what impacts you the most about God and what your next step should be.

VII. Community that Looks Ahead:

- A. The scriptures next week are Judges 6:1-24.
- B. If you missed Sunday's sermon, watch online at www.lifewatercc.org before the next Life Group.
- C. Reflect on next week's questions during your five minutes of daily silence.

“Name”
Compound Name for God
“Jehovah Shalom”
Judges 6:1-24
Lesson 5

I. Purpose:

- A. To help us understand God is the source of peace.
- B. To help us know that God does allow us to choose our own way.
- C. To help us see that God will provide peace when we turn to Him.

II. Community that Cares: (10 minutes)

- A. How are you doing with taking your next step?

- B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?

III. Community that Learns: (15 minutes)

- A. Review the points of the Pastor’s message.
- B. Sermon outline: Compound Name of God – Jehovah Shalom.
 - 1. Introduction: Jehovah Shalom means The Lord is our Peace.
 - 2. The Name Jehovah Shalom describes God in three ways:
 - a. God will let us go to (_____) our own consequences.
Judges 6:1-10

 - b. God is always near (_____) for us to come back to Him. Judges 6:13-19

 - c. God is for us and will provide rest for our (_____).
Judges 6:21-24

Lesson 5 cont.

- C. Additional scriptures to look at: Isaiah 9:6, 48:18, 57:20-21; Matthew 11:28-29; John 14:27, 16:33; 2 Thessalonians 2:7; Hebrews 7:2; James 3:18.

IV. **Community that Applies: (20 minutes)**

- A. What does it mean to you that God is the Lord of Peace?
- B. Why do you think God lets us go and live our life the way we want to (and suffer the consequences later)?
- C. What is your reaction knowing that God is always near waiting for you to come back to Him?
- D. How have you seen God being for you in your life?
- E. How has God provided rest for your soul?
- F. How do you balance “burnout” and God providing rest for your soul?
- G. Is this a new perspective of God for you? Why or why not?
- H. If it is a new perspective, how does this change your idea of who God is?
- I. What should you do differently or change because of your new view of God?

V. **Community that is Accountable: (15 minutes)**

If this is an area that God is speaking to you about, then what is the next step you need to take as a result of your understanding of God?

VI. **Community that Prays: (5 minutes)**

Spend a few minutes praying together silently about what impacts you the most about God and what your next step should be.

VII. Community that Looks Ahead:

- A. The scriptures next week are Exodus 15:22-27.
- B. If you missed Sunday's sermon, watch online at www.lifewatercc.org before the next Life Group.
- C. Reflect on next week's questions during your five minutes of daily silence.

“Name”
Compound Name for God
“Jehovah Rapha”
Exodus 15:22-27
Lesson 6

I. Purpose:

- A. To help us understand that God does heal us.
- B. To help us know that God does allow us to suffer through times of testing.
- C. To help us see obedience is key to our healing.

II. Community that Cares: (10 minutes)

- A. How are you doing with taking your next step?

- B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?

III. Community that Learns: (15 minutes)

- A. Review the points of the Pastor’s message.
- B. Sermon outline: Compound Name of God – Jehovah Rapha.
 - 1. Introduction: Jehovah Rapha means The Lord Heals.
 - 2. The Name Jehovah Rapha describes God in three ways:
 - a. God does test us for His (_____). Exodus 15:22-25

 - b. God is more (_____) than anything we could face.
Exodus 15:25-26

 - c. God (_____) healing for all who are obedient.
Exodus 15:26-27

Lesson 6 cont.

- C. Additional scriptures to look at: Exodus 15:1-3; 2 Kings 5; Psalm 103: 2-3; Isaiah 1:5-6; Daniel 1; John 7:37-38; 2 Corinthians 1:8-10; James 5:14-15.

IV. **Community that Applies: (20 minutes)**

- A. Does it give you confidence knowing that God heals? Why or why not?
- B. It is very difficult when we are being tested through illness. Was there a time when God did this but sustained you through your illness? Looking back, how did it help you?
- C. Do you believe that God is more powerful than any illness that you could get? What does it look like to live like that?
- D. Why do you think our obedience helps with healing?
- E. Is this a new perspective of God for you? Why or why not?
- F. If this is a new perspective, how does this change your idea of who God is?
- G. What should you do differently or change because of your new view of God?

V. **Community that is Accountable: (15 minutes)**

If this is an area that God is speaking to you about, then what is the next step you need to take as a result of your understanding of God?

VI. **Community that Prays: (5 minutes)**

Spend a few minutes praying as a group about what impacts you the most about God and what your next step should be.

VII. **Community that Looks Ahead:**

- A. The scriptures next week are John 1:42, 17:26.
- B. If you missed Sunday's sermon, watch online at www.lifewatercc.org before the next Life Group.

- C. Reflect on next week's questions during your five minutes of daily silence.

“Name”
Lesson 7
Celebration Sunday

I. Purpose:

- A. To help us understand better who God is.
- B. To help us know why God moves the way He does.
- C. To help us see God in our lives.

II. Community that Cares: (10 minutes)

- A. What is the next step God is asking you to take and how are you doing?
- B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?

III. Community that Learns: (15 minutes)

- A. What spoke to you, challenged you, or encouraged you the most in this series?
- B. What is one thing you learned, relearned, or were reminded of as we looked at the last six weeks of scriptures?
- C. Additional scriptures to look at: John 1:42, 17:26.

IV. Community that Applies: (20 minutes)

- A. What concept is the hardest to understand about God?
- B. What do you appreciate the most about God?
- C. What new concept did you learn about God that you had never heard or thought of before?

Lesson 7 cont.

- D. How has your idea about God changed because of this series?
- E. What have you committed to do or change as a result of this series?

V. **Community that is Accountable: (15 minutes)**

If this is an area that God is speaking to you about, then what is the next step you need to take as a result of your understanding of God?

VI. **Community that Prays: (5 minutes)**

Spend some time praying silently about the next step that you are attempting to take.

VII. **Community that Looks Ahead:**

- A. The scriptures next week are Acts 1.
- B. If you missed Sunday's sermon, watch online at www.lifewatercc.org before the next Life Group.
- C. Reflect on next week's questions during your five minutes of daily silence.

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Prayer Requests**

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