

A Note To Parents



Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates. Deuteronomy 6:5-9

This year your child will be studying God's use of His names as a means to reveal His character. To maximize the benefit of this study for your child, we will be sending a parent page home each week which will include the name studied, the scripture used and key themes we emphasized. We would encourage you to look at these scripture portions and ask God to reveal to you the greatness of His character.

The names of God are a revelation of His character. Your child can memorize these names and become more "knowledgeable;" or more importantly, God could so move the heart of your child that these names *live* in the heart of your child. To that end, the suggestions in numbers three and four of the take home sheets, ***TELL THE NEXT GENERATION***, are especially important.

Deuteronomy 6:6-7 says that the words of scripture must first be upon our hearts before we can impart God's truth authentically to our children. If we so love the Word of God and our hearts are in tune with His purposes, our instruction will be the natural overflow of a heart committed to God.

How easy it is to share our faith with our children if we really believe that God is a God whose character is portrayed in His awesome array of names. El Roi, The God Who Sees, knows every heartache we have ever experienced; He sees our frustrations and our joys; He sees our victories and our defeats – and looks upon us with eyes of compassion. Jehovah-Jireh is our Provider and will give us the patience to deal with a difficult boss, the wisdom we need to parent our children well, and the resolve to live as a person of integrity. Jehovah-Shalom can give us peace in the midst of unemployment and the assurance that He is in control in the face of unexplained illness.

We need to strive for these truths to live in our own hearts, so we can nurture the faith of our children. If we can truly say in our hearts, "O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens" (Psalm 8:1), it will be easy in our everyday conversation to share our God with our children.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU AS YOU LEAD THESE YOUNG ONES

HOW MAJESTIC IS YOUR NAME includes the following names.
(It is possible that some names will not be covered in class.)

ELOHIM: *Strong Creator*

EL SHADDAI: *God Almighty*

JEHOVAH-JIREH:
The LORD Will Provide

JEHOVAH-ROPHE:
The LORD Our Healer

JEHOVAH-NISSI: *The LORD My Banner*
(The LORD My Victory)

JEHOVAH-ROHI:
The LORD My Shepherd

JEHOVAH- EL EMETH:
The LORD God of Truth

JEHOVAH-OR: *The LORD is Light*

KING OF KINGS

FATHER, ABBA FATHER

LAMB OF GOD, SAVIOR, MESSIAH

CORNERSTONE

COMING KING

ALPHA AND OMEGA

EL KANA: *A Jealous God*

JEHOVAH, YAHWEH, I AM:
Self-existent One, Unchanging One

ADONAI: *Lord, Master*

EL ROI: *The God Who Sees*

JEHOVAH-SABAOOTH: *The LORD of Hosts*

JEHOVAH-SHALOM: *The LORD is Peace*

JEHOVAH-SHAMMAH: *The LORD is There*

JEHOVAH-MAGINNENU:
The LORD Our Defense

EL ELYON: *The Most High*

OTHER NAMES OF GOD: *Fortress, Refuge, Hiding Place, Rock, Lion of the Tribe of Judah, Mighty God (El Gibbor), King of the Nations, King of the Ages, King Eternal, King of Heaven, Helper, God of Our Fathers, The Faithful God*

WORD

HIGH PRIEST, MEDIATOR, INTERCESSOR

ADVOCATE

OVERCOMER

JUDGE OF THE WHOLE EARTH

THE UNKNOWN NAME

COUNSELOR