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Father EL ELYON, thank you for enough money to mail three Monarchs this year.



ANGELS

Angels appeared in the sky over Baltimore Maryland on October 2, 1981 with a command to me. They told me to study and teach about the different names of God.

This MONARCH is a continuation of my response to that command.

OLD TESTAMENT NAMES OF GOD

There are 5 different Hebrew (transliterated) words that are translated in our Old Testament as one English word or thought -- "**GOD.**" Sad.

EL ELYON

YAHWEH, ELOHIM, EL SHADDAI ELOAH

1. **EL ELYON**, the Name of the nature of God that is the MOST HIGH GOD, possessor of heaven and earth. Androgynous gender. The father of JESUS CHRIST. God of the nations.

2. **YAHWEH**, the Name of the nature of God that gives law, leads to victory, judges, punishes, wounds, heals, delivers. Masculine gender. The God of Israel.

3. **ELOHIM**, the Name of the nature of God that creates. Androgynous gender.

4. **EL SHADDAI**, the Name of the nature of God that loves, nourishes, and provides. Feminine usage.

5. **ELOAH**, the Name of the nature of God that is the MESSIAH, CHRIST, life giving, creative force, anointing, Holy Ghost. Feminine Old Testament gender. Masculine New Testament usage.

This December insert has been put inside the May to November **MONARCH** in an effort to save the postage and mailing costs. I hope that it works and that you receive both **MONARCHS** in this single, lower cost, mailing.

ONE GOD

These are five primary Names of five natures of our ONE GOD. Deut. 6:4, "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is ONE LORD."

These are not complete descriptions of our ONE GOD because it takes the whole Bible to try to describe GOD, and that has not been really sufficient either. But at least the primary NAMES do provide an orderly start so that we can try to understand the Bible and understand our God. Many other NAMES of God (72!) are mentioned later, but these are the main ones to study for the present.

GOD CHANGED HIS NAME

We also find that God did not appear with the same NAME to everyone. God appeared to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, by the NAME of EL SHADDAI - the provider God. (Ex. 6:2-3) But, about 500 years later, when He appeared to Moses (Ex. 6:2-3), God changed His NAME to YAHWEH (the God of ISRAEL).

Now we can begin to see some reasons for the differences between Abraham, Moses, David, and JESUS, when we see that they each knew God by a different NAME. They all loved God. But they did not act the same way because they served different NAMES (natures) of the same God.

In other words, when we want to know what God is like, we must also define the time period about which we are thinking. We must ask, "Who's doing the talking, and when? What NAME did he use?" We will follow the word "NAME" with the descriptive word "nature" to keep reminding the student that the two words are very close to meaning the same thing.

Perhaps it might be good to read Ex. 6:2-3 in context in order to gain more insight into the whole subject of the NAMES OF GOD.

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

Only a few months before this passage in Exodus, when God changed His NAME (nature) (Ex. 6:2), the people of Israel had never heard of using the NAME "YAHWEH" for God. They all knew God by the NAME (nature) of "EL SHADDAI," the God of provision. In fact, "EL SHADDAI" was the NAME of God that they used for the preceding 450 years, including while they were slaves in Egypt. When Israel came out of Egypt then God reintroduced Himself/Herself with a new NAME (nature), YAHWEH. Personal pronouns, when relating to our God, probably should be androgynous, i.e., Himself/Herself, especially in a story like this where YAHWEH and EL SHADDAI interact. More about the gender of the various NAME (natures) of God in later MONARCHS).

When they left Egypt, the nation of Israel needed a masculine NAME (nature) of the God of war, hosts, armies and victory. That's what YAHWEH is. They needed that more than they needed a feminine NAME (nature) of the God of provision. That's what EL SHADDAI is. From the time of Abraham's wanderings in the desert, through the time of Israel's slavery in Egypt, Israel only knew God as EL SHADDAI. So, God changed His/Her NAME (nature) when the events changed, from slavery in Egypt, to entering and possessing Canaan's fair land.

TRANSLITERATED

We mentioned that the Hebrew words were transliterated. That means to represent or spell words, letters, or characters of one language (Hebrew in this case) into the words, letters, or characters of another language or alphabet. (English in this case). Language experts are never completely satisfied with any transliteration attempts. But, most agree that transliteration is better than nothing. And since the Hebrew language is all Greek to me (that's a joke son), I praise our God for anything that makes Bible study easier and/or more accurate; and that includes transliteration.

MANY OTHER NAMES

We will now look at a few of the many other Hebrew NAMES that the Old Testament uses for God.

EL

EL is used both in the singular and plural and used chiefly in poetry and prophetic discourse. The word EL does not follow a general pattern like the other words for God do. The usage of EL seems to be generalized so that it can include any of the ideas from any of the other NAMES. Since EL at times seems to include the other NAMES, I have decided to not include EL in the list of primary NAMES.

We might properly think of the NAME of EL as ANY NAME and/or EVERY NAME. Also, EL seems to be an abbreviation at times.

Here are EIGHT ways that the Bible uses EL, that should be mentioned here, in passing:

EL ELYON - MOST HIGH GOD

EL SHADDAI - GOD ALMIGHTY

EL OLAM - EVERLASTING GOD

EL HAI - LIVING GOD

EL ROI - GOD OF SEEING

EL ELOHE ISRAEL - GOD, THE GOD OF ISRAEL

EL GIBBOR - HERD GOD

EL BRIT - GOD OF THE COVENANT

ADONAI

ADONAI is translated into the word LORD. ADONAI also appears as a NAME for the word "God." But, ADONAI was also used by the Masorite scribes as a substitute word for YAHWEH, for their own reasons, some of which we will study later. Thus, the Masorite scribes erroneously (but purposefully) corrupted the transmitted texts by changing YAHWEH into ADONAI as they hand copied the texts. And centuries later the English translators erroneously (but not on purpose like the Masorites) translated ADONAI into LORD, rather than God.

The simple form of ADON occurs with and without the article. It also occurs as a divine NAME, ADONI and ADONAI.

CONFOUNDED CORRUPTION

The Hebrew NAMES OF God were not copied consistently by the ancient scribes. As a result they were sometimes confounded as they were translated into English. A sad example of this confounding is demonstrated in many of the Bible passages that appear before Ex. 6:2-3. The NAME YAHWEH erroneously appears in a number of verses in Genesis, (in the transmitted text) but the text in Ex. 6:2-3 says that it is impossible for YAHWEH to appear in the Bible before Exodus chapter 6.

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

Scholars give us the answer to the conflict when they tell us that the sacred transmitted texts were purposefully corrupted by the ancient scribes. As the Bible was hand copied from generation to generation, the Jewish scribes purposefully substituted the NAME OF God that their (denominational) superiors commanded. A few modern Bible scholars have spent their whole lives in the attempt to right that wrong by restoring the NAMES OF God as they appeared in the original texts and/or to identify the corrupted verses. Some have even gone so far as to identify when they thought the corruption occurred and by which group of Priests or Rabbis.

ADONAI also means lord, as in the case of a boss of a field, or a manor, or a work crew, and it is also translated that way. ADONAI also appears in its simple form, ADON, as a divine NAME. ADONAI is not listed here with the five primary NAMES OF God because ADONAI was purposefully corrupted by the Masorite scribes by substituting it for YAHWEH when ever they came across that word (but there were exceptions wherein they didn't substitute, which we will study in detail later). As a result the pattern of the use of ADONAI is not consistent throughout our English language Bible. It is probably one of the most confusing and most upsetting studies with which advanced Bible students have had to deal.

BAAL

BAAL is apparently used as an equivalent for YAHWEH. It also appears as an element in a number of compound proper names, such as Jerubbaal, Meribbaal, Ishbaal, etc. BAAL is also the name of a Canaanite Deity having nothing to do with our God. I have not listed BAAL with the primary five because BAAL is an equivalent NAME.

ZEBAOT

ZEBAOT means armies or hosts of men and/or angels. The NAMES YAHWEH and ELOHIM frequently occur with the word ZEBAOT. YAHWEH ZEBAOT means the God of the armies of Israel. YHWH ELOHE ZEBAOT means, YAHWEH GOD OF HOSTS. ZEBAOT does not appear at all in the Pentateuch, Joshua, or Judges.

The singular ZABA means heavenly host.

Some authorities call ZEBAOT a NAME OF GOD, others disagree considering it a common name.

YHWH ZEBAOT is associated with the Ark, which was the symbol of God's presence in the midst of the hosts of His people. Later in prophetic passages YHWH ZEBAOT was transferred to the heavenly hosts, in fact the heavenly hosts were added to the earthly hosts.

I have elected to not include ZEBAOT in the list of primary NAMES OF GOD because whatever is said about YAHWEH or ELOHIM can be said to include the idea of HOSTS OF ISRAEL or HEAVENLY HOST, that is, ZEBAOT.

EHYEH-ASHER-EHYEH

EHYEH is part of the word YAHWEH. EHYEH-ASHER-EHYEH was translated "I am that I am" in the KJV. EHYEH-ASHER-EHYEH means God's potency in the immediate future, according to some authors. Some say that it means, "I will be, because I will be." Others say that it means, "I am whatever I want to be." What ever is said about YAHWEH is true about EHYEH-ASHER-EHYEH. That is why I have decided to not list EHYEH-ASHER-EHYEH with the primary NAMES OF GOD.

YAH

The NAME YAH is composed of the first letters of YAHWEH. It is part of the expression "Hallelujah." HALLELUJAH probably means "Praise ye YAH." It is an abbreviation for YAHWEH. That is why YAH

is not listed in the primary NAMES OF GOD.

NEW NAMES

Under the listing NAMES OF GOD, the JEWISH ENCYCLOPEDIA relates the following astonishing facts. "Like other Hebrew proper names, the name of God is more than a distinguishing title. It represents the Hebrew conception of the divine NATURE or character and of the relation of God to His people. It represents the Deity to His worshipers, and stands for all those attributes which He bears in relation to them, and which are revealed to them through His activity on their behalf. A new manifestation of His interest or care may give rise to a NEW NAME. So, also, an old name may acquire new concept and significance through new and varied experience of these sacred relations."

Personally, I am thrilled to find that statement in Jewish literature. I wish that every Christian and Jew could read it and understand it.

One obvious example of that quote from the JEWISH ENCYCLOPEDIA is in Exodus 6:2-3. *"And ELOHIM (God) spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I am YAHWEH (the LORD)! And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of EL SHADDAI (GOD ALMIGHTY), but by my name YAHWEH (JEHOVAH) was I not known to them."*

In other words, God changed His NAME. He said, I used to go by the NAME of EL SHADDAI (God Almighty) but now Moses, to you my new NAME will be YAHWEH. The early patriarchs did not know YAHWEH, the God of Israel; they used to know God as EL SHADDAI (God Almighty).

In Exodus 6:2-3, we find THREE NAMES (natures) of God: 1. ELOHIM, 2. EL SHADDAI, 3. YAHWEH.

Did you notice that **THREE** different Hebrew words were used for God? But the **THREE** were translated into **FOUR** different English words, 1. God, 2. the LORD, 3. God Almighty, and 4. Jehovah. They all mean the same thing - "GOD." And to make matters worse, one Hebrew word, "YAHWEH," was translated into **two** different English words, "the Lord" and also into "Jehovah" in the same passage.

No wonder that there is very little agreement among Christians, or among Jews, or between Christians and Jews as to what God is like! In fact, there are as many different definitions of "God" as there are readers of this MONARCH. No one agrees completely.

THE ANGEL MESSAGE

The angels over Baltimore said that the God of Judaism, Roman Catholicism, and Protestantism, was YAHWEH.



They went on to say that the God of the **New Religion** will be EL ELYON. The **new religion** will be as different from Christianity as Christianity was different from Judaism.

Professional preachers told me to **not** use the words **New Religion**. The angels said to report a **New Religion** was coming. What shall I do?

MERRY CHRISTMAS

May this **Christmas** be merry and bright.

I pray God your whole **spirit**, and **soul**, and **body**, be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Thess. 5:23)

