

THREE WAYS GOD USES TO COMMUNICATE WITH US

First, we need a short review. Here are 5 different Hebrew (transliterated) words that appear in our Old Testament as one word or thought - "GOD."

EL ELYON

YAHWEH, ELOHIM, EL SHADDAI

ELOAH

1. **EL ELYON**, the **name/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/nature** of GOD that gives law, leads to victory, judges, punishes, wounds, heals, and delivers. Masculine gender. The **name/nature** of the God of Israel.

3. **ELOHIM**, the **name/nature** of GOD that creates. Androgynous gender.

4. **EL SHADDAI**, the **name/nature** of GOD that loves, nourishes, and provides. Feminine usage.

5. **ELOAH**, the **name/nature** of GOD that is the Messiah, Christ, life giving, creative force, anointing, and Holy Ghost. Feminine Old Testament gender. Masculine New Testament usage.

ONE GOD

These are five primary **names/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, 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** (The Jews say there are 72!) are mentioned in the Bible, but these are the main ones to study for the present.

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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) in 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.

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 **ELOHIM** (GOD) spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I am **YAHWEH** (the LORD): 6:3 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.*

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.

Here is some **new** information about the **THREE WAYS GOD USES TO COMMUNICATE WITH US**.

Numbers 24:16, *He hath said, which **heard** the words of **EL** (God), and **knew** the **knowledge** of **ELYON** (the most High), which saw the **vision** of **SHADDAI** (the Almighty), falling into a trance, but having his eyes open: (KJV)*

NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION

Numbers 24:16, *the oracle of one who hears the words of **EL** (God),
who has knowledge **from** **ELYON** (the Most High),
who sees a vision **from** **SHADDAI** (the Almighty),
who falls prostrate, and whose eyes are opened: (NIV)*

The NIV quoted above seems to reflect the meaning of the passage better than the KJV. Whereas the KJV uses the word “**of**” to connect the **name/nature** of God with an attribute, the NIV uses the word “**from**” to do the same. The NIV makes more sense. For instance:

Balaam did **not** have knowledge **of** **ELYON** (the Most High), he received knowledge **from** **ELYON** (the Most High), like the **NIV** says.

Balaam did **not** receive visions **of** **SHADDAI** (the Almighty); he received visions **from** **SHADDAI** (the Almighty), like the **NIV** says.

Hear EL(OHIM).

You **hear** the words of **EL**.

We must insert a fact here. Most scholars say that the word **EL** can stand alone as a **Name Of God**, but it is also used as an abbreviation for the various other **Names Of God** and that most often it stands for **ELOHIM**, the creator GOD. We tend to believe it.

- 1.) We **hear** the voice of **EL(OHIM)**.
- 2.) **Knowing** about spiritual and temporal things comes from **EL ELYON**.
- 3.) **Visions** and **dreams** come to us from **EL SHADDAI**.

GOD SPEAKS THE WORD

Concerning the fact that we **hear** from **EL(OHIM)**, remember that **ELOHIM** **spoke** words to create things. "*And ELOHIM said, let there be light.*" (Gen. 1:3).

"In the beginning was the WORD, and the WORD was GOD. The same was in the beginning with GOD. All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made." (John 1:1-3).

When you **study** the **word of God** and/or when you **hear** an articulate **word** from our GOD in your ear (like a prophet sometimes does) then you are moving in the consciousness of **ELOHIM**, the creator. And the instructions that you receive are usually creative.

KNOWLEDGE IS FROM EL ELYON

Balaam indicated that he knew the difference between the ways the different **name/natures** of God communicate with us when he said he knew the **knowledge** from **EL ELYON**. Did you ever have a knowing? You knew that you knew, but you could not explain how you knew. When that knowing is genuinely from the Holy Spirit (and not just your own SOUL wishing) then that knowing is from **EL ELYON**, the possessor of heaven and earth, the **Most High God**.

King Nebuchadnezzar seemed to understand that **knowing** comes from **EL ELYON**, the **Most High God**. He said, "*Mine understanding (knowing) returned to me and I blessed ELYON (the Most High),*" (Dan. 4:34).

Some people say that the **Most High** method of direction is an inner knowing. Others say to follow your inner peace. I believe that they are all saying very nearly the same thing.

Personally, I would rather be led by an inner knowing of right or wrong from **EL ELYON** by the Holy Spirit, rather than a word from a preacher (prophet) or a dream or a vision, even though they all have their place. I'm not saying that I reject the other types of leading.

VISIONS AND DREAMS FROM EL SHADDAI

There are times when the pressures of life, cares of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches all crowd in to confuse our minds. Often, we just don't know.

DREAMS FOR JOSEPH

Can you imagine how confused Joseph, the husband of Mary must have been. I'll bet that he couldn't trust any of his thoughts. Talk about pressures of life and cares of the world - he had them. So, look how good our GOD was to Joseph. Our GOD bypassed the mind of JOSEPH and communicated to him in a dream, several times. And its a good thing He did, because I don't believe that Joseph would have taken care of Mary and JESUS like he did without the supernatural direction he received in dreams.

*Matthew 1:20, But while he (Joseph) thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a **dream**, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.*

*Matthew 2:13, And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a **dream**, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.*

*Matthew 2:19-20, But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a **dream** to Joseph in Egypt, 20 Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life.*

NEED DIRECTION?

When you are so confused that you could scream - you need a **vision** or a **dream from EL SHADDAI**. Our studies reveal that visions and dreams are very much the same, except as to when they occur. However, prophets are given to visions and most other people usually have dreams rather than visions.

VISIONS ARE FROM EL SHADDAI

Balaam said that he receives **visions** (and dreams) from **EL SHADDAI**, the loving, caring GOD of provision. They come to us like a **mother's** voice of warning or direction. They often direct us to do things that we normally would not do.

YAHWEH MISSING

Ballam did **not** mention YAHWEH when he enumerated different ways God communicates with us and connected each method of communication with

a specific **name/nature** of the Godhead. He never knew **YAHWEH**. Balaam couldn't talk about the Old Testament Bible, the word of **GOD**. He didn't know about the Pentateuch. He did not refer to the 613 **TSAVA** laws that **YAHWEH** gave to Moses. Balaam didn't even know the 10 commandments.

A fragmentary Aramaic text written on wall-plaster at Tell Deir 𐤀𐤃𐤁𐤏 in the Jordan valley about 700 BC relates another story about Balaam. Here he is involved with several gods and goddesses. He knew about several other **name/natures** of God.

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

Q. I have never noticed that Balaam did **not** pray to **YAHWEH**. How do you explain that?

A. Balaam was an avarious reprobate prophet but he exercised supernatural powers. However, he was not a prophet of Israel. In fact, he was hired to curse Israel as they passed through the wilderness from Egypt to the Promised Land. Balaam said that he 1.) **heard** from **EL(OHIM)** and 2.) secondly, that he **knew knowledge** from **EL ELYON** and also 3.) thirdly, that he had **visions** from **EL SHADDAI** (Num. 24:16). A very noticeable thing is that Balaam never mentioned **YAHWEH**. The best answer I have found to the question of why, is that only a few years before - Moses would have not prayed to **YAHWEH** either.

Q. Wasn't Moses a prophet of **YAHWEH**? Why wouldn't Moses pray to **YAHWEH**?

A. Moses never heard of **YAHWEH** a few years before. In fact **ELOHIM** did not appear to Moses as **YAHWEH** until about the time to lead Israel out of Egypt. (Ex. 6:2)

Exodus 6:2, *And **ELOHIM** (GOD) spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I am **YAHWEH** (the LORD): 3 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.*

No one ever heard of **YAHWEH** before that time. Balaam never heard of **GOD** as **YAHWEH** either. Besides, **YAHWEH** was the **GOD** of Israel, not other nations, and Balaam wasn't from Israel.

This **MONARCH** has been adapted from my new book, **EL ELYON, NOW**, which has lately consumed most of my time and which is still in preparation. To those students who have continued to support this ministry, while I have temporarily withdrawn from the lecture circuit, in order to devote enough time to finish writing the new book about the **Names Of God**, I send to you my humble "Thank you." The expression seems to be inadequate, but it's all I have to send. Thank you again.

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