

GOD OF WONDERS

“Yahweh”

“I AM THAT I AM”

Introduction: Yahweh is God’s personal name.

Isaiah 42:8

“I am the Lord, that is My name;
I will not give My glory to another,
Nor My praise to graven images.

Yahweh: Self-Existent – Eternal God
He is a Relational God / Covenant God

Yahweh

I’m the One who is always Faithful
I will always keep my promise
I am here for you
I am your God

“Yahweh”- Self-revealed / “To be”

God’s name – “LORD” (all caps) “Yahweh”
“I AM” / “I Am That I AM” / “I AM Who I AM”

Attribute: Omniscient

“Total knowledge, knowing everything.”

God’s omniscience gives us confidence in prayer knowing that He will not lose our prayers and that He always knows the best answer, even knowing our needs before we ask.

(Matt. 6:31, 32, 33, 34; Isa. 65:24)

Facts about the name Yahweh, “I AM” “GOD”

- 1.** He’s the beginning and has no end.
- 2.** God is complete reality.
- 3.** God is Sovereign (supreme ruler). He does not depend on anything.
- 4.** All the universe is by comparison to God as nothing.
- 5.** God is solid - firm, He is the same yesterday, today, and forever.
- 6.** He cannot be made better – built upon-enhanced.
- 7.** God is the complete truth. He is the standard of what is right.
- 8.** God is the most important and most valuable reality and person in the universe.
- 9.** He is worthy of our interest and attention.
- 10.** Worthy of our praise.

Yahweh – is linked to God's redeeming acts for his chosen people.

1. How did Yahweh speak to Moses Exodus 3
Life Played out in three areas of Moses Life:

Act 1 - He spent 40 years thinking he was somebody.

- Moses was born to Hebrew slaves.
- His birth mother had to give him up.
- Then adopted by the first daughter of Egypt.
- He grew up in privileges. (Nannies, butlers, chefs, servants, & tutors).
- He sees an Egyptian beating a Hebrew.
- He kills the Egyptian.
- His adopted mother had to give him up also.

Act 2 – He spent 40 years realizing he was nobody.

Back side of the desert - shepherding animals

- Moses found a wife.
- For 40 years he kept his father-in-law, sheep.
- Suddenly an angel appeared to him in a burning bush.

Act 3 – He spent 40 years discovering God can use nobodies.

- Moses was minding his own business.
- An angel appeared to him in a flame of fire from a burning bush. (The bush was not consumed)
- God saw the burning bush it caught Moses attention.

"4 So when the Lord saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!"

• He said Moses – Moses "**He said, Here I Am**"

5 Then He said, "Do not draw near this place. Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground."

Humility – the practicing obedience and submission to God, **Colossians 3:12-13**

Greatest act of humility?

Jesus had hours of great suffering, He submitted Himself to the Father. He allowed Himself to be hung upon the cross.

6 He said, "I am the God of your father"...Yahweh
There was Separation but not Distance

7 And the Lord said: "I have surely seen the oppression of My people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. 8 So I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians..."

10 I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.
God had a Heart of Compassion

11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?"

12 So, He said, "I will certainly be with you. And this shall be a sign to you that I have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.

13 Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you, and they say to me, 'What is His name? What shall I say to them?'"

14 And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, say, "I AM has sent me to you"

15 This is My name forever, Yahweh and this is My memorial to all generations...

16 But I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go, no, not even by a mighty hand. 20 So I will stretch out My hand and strike Egypt with all My wonders which I will do in its midst; and after that he will let you go.

2. Has Yahweh spoken to you in a burning bush?

He can show up in the word & other ways

- a. He always challenges you to trust Him?
- b. He wants you to get a hold of Him for the reason He got a hold of you?
- c. He asked you to surrender your will to His will?

3. Yahweh appears for a reason and a season to get your attention.

Where did God speak to you last?

What did He say to you?

Note: If you got off track, get back on where you got off.

God introduces himself to us as “Yahweh” tells us that He is seeking to have a relationship with his people. When you pray to “Yahweh”

- a. Yahweh is the same God who will save you from sin.
- b. Just as he delivered his people from the terrible enslavement of Egypt, He will deliver you.
- c. Yahweh appears to you for a reason and a season, what are you going to do about His call and His purpose in your life ?

Discussion Question:

- 1.** Why did God create the burning bush for to Moses to see?
- 2.** How can “I Am That I AM” apply to your situation?
- 3.** Why did Moses become a fugitive? Discuss how God still used Moses after his mistakes.
- 4.** Discuss: Moses spent the first 40 years thinking he was somebody, he spent the next 40 years realizing he was nobody, he spent the last 40 years discovering God can use nobodies.
- 5.** In what ways has God appeared to you? What impact has it had on your life and others?