

# GOD OF WONDERS

## **Jehovah Nissi** **The LORD is my Banner**

**Exodus – We find God as Jehovah Nissi –**  
The LORD My Banner in war, He provides the power for victory over the “Amalekites” in your life: the world system that oppose God.

**Jehovah - Nissi.**  
**“The LORD is my Banner”**

When you are weary in battle, God is your victory.

The Lord My Refuge

**(Ps 46:1)**

God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble.

## Exodus 17: 8-16 The Reading of Scripture “Simone”

8 The Amalekites came and attacked the Israelites at Rephidim. 9 Moses said to Joshua, “Choose some of our men and go out to fight the Amalekites. Tomorrow I will stand on top of the hill with the staff of God in my hands.” 10 So Joshua fought the Amalekites as Moses had ordered, and Moses, Aaron and Hur went to the top of the hill. 11 As long as Moses held up his hands, the Israelites were winning, but whenever he lowered his hands, the Amalekites were winning. 12 When Moses’ hands grew tired, they took a stone and put it under him and he sat on it. Aaron and Hur held his hands up—one on one side, one on the other—so that his hands remained steady till sunset. 13 So Joshua overcame the Amalekite army with the sword. 14 Then the Lord said to Moses, “Write this on a scroll as something to be remembered and make sure that Joshua hears it, because I will completely blot out the name of Amalek from under heaven.” 15 Moses built an altar and called it The Lord is my Banner. 16 He said, “Because hands were lifted up against the throne of the Lord, the Lord will be at war against the Amalekites from generation to generation.”

## 1. There is an Enemy (Challenges)

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## **The Enemy 1 Peter 5:7-10**

7 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. 8 Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. 9 Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings. 10 And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.

**Amplified:** Be well balanced (**temperate, sober of mind**), be vigilant and cautious at all times; for that enemy of yours, the devil, roams around like a lion roaring [in fierce hunger], seeking someone to seize upon and devour.

**Barclay:** Be sober; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

**NLT:** Be careful! Watch out for attacks from the Devil, your great enemy. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for some victim to devour.

**Phillips:** Be self-controlled and vigilant always, for your enemy the devil is always about, prowling like a lion roaring for its prey.

**Wuest:** Be of a sober mind, be watchful. Your adversary who is a slanderer, namely, the devil, as a lion roaring in fierce hunger, is constantly walking about, always seeking someone to be devouring.

**Young's Literal:** Be sober, vigilant, because your opponent the devil, as a roaring lion, doth walk about, seeking whom he may swallow up,

## **Stephanie's Personal Paraphrase:**

Peter says, be sober and awake spiritually, be mindful, be self-controlled, watch your emotions and desires and the expression of your behavior, be alert, show sound moral judgment (NOW because it is very urgent). Hey You!!!! Be alert and watch for danger and difficult moments. Open your eyes to what's going on in your spiritual life (Important, will you pay attention)? Your opponent, the one that is against you, (adversary the devil, Satan, liar) is like a lion continually roaring and howling (trying to urge you and persuade you to act in a violent or unlawful way and to cause you to be fearful), they announce their presence and are continuously walking around (pacing back and forth), continuously seeking to drink (you) down, hurt you and devour (you).

## **2. You must know that it's going to require God's help if you're going to survive the enemy's attacks.**

Israel prevails in battle as Moses prays.

So, Joshua did as Moses said to him, and fought with Amalek. And Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. And so, it was, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed; and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed.

- a. Don't face your challenges alone – choose the right friends.
- b. Fight your enemy (mentality & spiritually)
- c. Moses supported the battle behind the scenes in prayer.

### **3. Face your challenges with the rod of God**

- a. Moses began to see the rod as a (symbol of his life). Holy & supernatural.
- b. Like Moses, as you surrender our life to Christ It ceases to be yours. **Romans 14 “You are bought with a price...”**

Tomorrow we will face our challenges with the rod of God in our hand. How do we face our challenges with the rod in our hand?

Take His names and bury them in your heart. Know who He is, pray and call upon Him.

**Elohim** – Creator – All Powerful

**Yahweh** – God who reveals himself to you

**El-Roi** – God who See's

**Adonai** – Master, Lord, Ruler

**Jehovah Shalom** – God of Peace

**Jehovah Tsur** - The Lord my Rock (Psalm 18:2)

**1. The Lord our Rock gives us Refuge & Safety, Strength, Foundation.**

**Jehovah Nissi** – The Lord is our Banner



#### **4. Give God the praise no matter what you are going through.**

Jehovah Nissi (Don't be mad at God for unanswered prayer.)

Moses' hands are strengthened in prayer. But Moses' hands became heavy; so, they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. And Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. So, Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

- a.** When Moses had his hands up they were winning.
- b.** Fight with your hands raised.
- c.** Don't let the enemy take the praise of God out of your mouth.

Ministry of Epaphras – laboring fervently for you in prayer.

#### **Col. 4:12**

Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with Thanksgiving.

#### **Col 4:2**

Aaron & Hur - came alongside Moses and literally held his hands up in prayer. They helped him and partnered with him in intercession.

**Joshua still had to fight / Moses had to pray / Aaron & Hur had to support.**

**5. Write down your memorial in a book and recount it.**

**(14-16)** Then the LORD said to Moses, “Write this for a memorial in the book and recount it in the hearing of Joshua, that I will utterly blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven.” And Moses built an altar and called its name, THE-LORD-IS-MY-BANNER; for he said, “Because the LORD has sworn: the LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.”

- a. Write it down in a book.
- b. I will utterly blot out the remembrance of your enemy from under heaven
- c. Moses built altar and called its name, The-Lord-is-my- Banner, for he said, “Because the Lord has sworn: The Lord will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.”

He named the altar Jehovah Nissi (Named God what he needed Him to be for that very moment) in the middle of my battle, the one I'm facing right now!



My banner of victory through my circumstances.  
My banner of tranquility or over worry, thoughts and fears.

My banner of peace over anxiety.

My banner of hope over trying to control my situation.

My banner of love over broken relationships.

My banner of strength helping me against temptation and my impulse to give in to the attacks of the enemy.

Attribute: Love

God is love and has demonstrated that love in everything that he does. Paul compares faith, hope, and love, and concludes that “the greatest of these is love” **1 Cor. 13:13**

“God Is Love.” Agape the love theme of the Bible, can only be defined by the nature of God. John affirms that “God is love”

**1 John 4:8.** God does not merely love; he is love. Everything that God does flows from his love.

John emphasizes repeatedly that God the Father loves the Son

**John 5:20, 17:23, 26** and that the Son loves the Father **John 14:3.** Because the Father loves the Son, he made his will known to him. Jesus in turn demonstrated his love to the Father through his submission and obedience.