

DISCIPLESHIP GUIDE

A Life-Group guide for sermon discussion, personal reflection, and next steps



NAMES OF GOD | YOUTH TAKEOVER: FOUR NAMES OF GOD | MADDIE, ELI, PAYTON, JACOB | JUNE 28, 2026

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

As disciples, we're called not just to be informed but to be transformed into people who look more like Jesus—in our homes, our workplaces, and our communities. This guide helps you apply what we're learning at New Life Church to your weekly rhythms. Use it to engage in daily Bible reading, have meaningful conversations with your group, and take clear next steps in following Jesus.

WEEKLY SUMMARY

This Youth Takeover week brought four seven-minute messages from Maddie, Eli, Payton, and Jacob, each showing a different name of God and a different way His character meets real life. Maddie pointed to Jehovah Rapha, the Lord who heals our brokenness and restores us through Jesus. Eli reminded us that Jehovah Raah, the Lord our Shepherd, provides, guides, and protects His people. Payton preached Jehovah Nissi, the Lord our Banner, calling us to live under God's victory in the battles we face. Jacob closed with Jehovah Shammah, the Lord Is There, reminding us that God is with us in the highs, the lows, and the places where we feel alone. Together, the messages call us to know God not only by name, but by trust, obedience, surrender, and daily dependence.

MADDIE

JEHOVAH RAPHA

God heals

ELI

JEHOVAH RAAH

God shepherds

PAYTON

JEHOVAH NISSI

God fights

JACOB

JEHOVAH SHAMMAH

God is there

RESOURCES

- [Sunday's Sermon](#)
- [Table Talk Podcast](#)
- [Download the New Life Church app](#)

KEY SCRIPTURES

Jehovah Rapha: "I am the LORD, who heals you."

Exodus 15:26

Jehovah Raah: "The LORD is my shepherd."

Psalms 23:1

Jehovah Nissi: "The LORD your God is the one who goes with you to fight for you..."

Deuteronomy 20:4

Jehovah Shammah: "The LORD Is There."

Ezekiel 48:35

GROUP DISCUSSION



Use these questions to walk through the four messages in the order they were preached: Maddie, Eli, Payton, then Jacob.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

MADDIE - JEHOVAH RAPHA

- Exodus 15:22-26 shows Israel moving from miracle to bitter water. Where have you experienced a spiritual high followed by real disappointment or struggle?
- Maddie said healing is not only physical - God heals hearts, thoughts, relationships, and sin. What kind of healing do you need to bring near to Jehovah Rapha this week?

ELI - JEHOVAH RAAH

- Psalms 23:1-4 describes the Lord as Shepherd who provides, guides, and protects. Which of those do you need to trust Him for most right now?
- Who or what is guiding your decisions right now - the Shepherd's voice, the Bible, prayer, godly leaders, or the voices of the world?

PAYTON - JEHOVAH NISSI

- Deuteronomy 20:4 says God goes with His people to fight for them and give victory. What battle is making you fearful, silent, or hesitant to follow Jesus boldly?
- Gideon's story in Judges 6-7 reminds us that victory belongs to God, not our own strength. Where do you need to trade self-reliance for surrendered obedience?

JACOB - JEHOVAH SHAMMAH

- Ezekiel 48:35 names the restored city, "The LORD Is There." Where do you most need to remember that God is already present?
- Jesus promised in Matthew 28:20, "I am with you always." How should that change the way you live outside the church walls this week?

WEEKLY CHALLENGE

Choose one name of God from this week's messages and put it into practice every day. To Know God, read the Scripture connected to that name. To Find Freedom, surrender the fear, wound, habit, or burden connected to it. To Discover Purpose, ask God how He wants to use your story. To Make a Difference, encourage one person with the truth of who God is.

PRAYER GUIDE

Father, reveal Yourself to us as Healer, Shepherd, Banner, and the God who is there. Heal what is broken, guide what is confused, strengthen what is fearful, and remind us that we are never alone. Help us not only hear these names, but live as people who trust Your character. Make our homes, schools, workplaces, teams, and relationships places where Your presence is seen. In Jesus' name, amen.

CLOSING THOUGHT

"I am with you always, even to the end of the age." - Matthew 28:20

The names of God are not just information to memorize; they are invitations to trust Him. This week, wherever you need healing, guidance, victory, or the reminder that you are not alone, draw near to the God who has already drawn near to you in Jesus.