

# LIFE GROUPS

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. In Biblical times, names meant something. Children were often given a name for a very specific reason. Do parents still give names with purpose? Try to think of some examples.
2. We often get offended when people gossip about us. If our name gets 'run through the mud' it incites a response in us. Why does it bother us when our name is misused? Should the use of our name matter to us? Why or why not?
3. Read Exodus 20:1-7. This was written over 3,000 years ago. Does this still apply today? Do people ever use God's name to justify evil? What are some modern examples of this?
4. God says he will not hold guiltless those who misuse his name. Why is he so passionate about his name?
5. Your Bible uses many different names for God. This week we are focusing on one specific name for God which is "THE LORD". What does "THE LORD" mean in Hebrew?
6. God has always existed. There was no beginning to him and there will be no end. Why is it important that he is the one and only "I AM"? How does this set him apart from every other being?
7. God's name carries with us a reminder that: HE WAS – HE IS – and HE WILL ALWAYS BE. Why does this matter to us on a personal level? How does God's unchanging existence affect our daily lives?
8. Re-read Exodus 20: 1-2. It is no coincidence that the 10 commandments start off with a clear reminder that the "I AM" did something. What is he reminding his people about? Why is it important to remember the past acts of the "I AM" in our life?
9. What does it look like to properly use God's name? What are some ways that we can bring glory to God's name? How does that look in your school, office, home, etc.?
10. Have you ever specifically asked God to make you passionate about His name? Use this time in your life group to ask God to make you passionate about his name. Pray for the glory of his name to be spread throughout the whole earth.



### Cherish

Exodus 20:7

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