

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Part 8 of Names of God

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Jehovah Shalom – God revealed as The LORD who is Peace – bringing wholeness, restoring what fear, sin, and disorder have fractured.

The Path to Peace

1. Cry (Judges 6:6–7)

- Israel reached a place of desperation and finally cried out to God for help. Their turning point began not with strength, but with surrender.

Discuss:

- *What keeps you from bringing your needs honestly and quickly to Him in prayer? How can you be more intentional about your vocal prayer life?*

2. Confrontation (Judges 6:8–10)

- Before God brings peace, He addresses what's been out of alignment. He reminded Israel of His faithfulness and exposed their disobedience.

Discuss:

- *Is there anything God might be bringing to your attention right that needs your obedience to bring peace?*

3. Calling (Judges 6:11–14)

- God met Gideon in hiding and spoke identity and purpose over him. Even in fear, God called him forward.

Discuss:

- Have you ever felt unqualified or unseen in a place where God was calling you?
- How can you speak life over the current truths of your situation?



4. Comfort (*Judges 6:22–24*)

- In Gideon's fear, God spoke peace directly to him: "Peace be to you. Do not fear." God didn't just give instructions, He gave His presence.

Discuss:

- *Where in your life do you most need to hear God say, "Peace be to you"?*

5. Cleansing (*Judges 6:25–26*)

- God asked Gideon to tear down the altar to Baal before building a new altar to Him. Peace requires removing what competes with God in our lives.

Discuss:

- *Are there any "altars" in your life that need to be torn down in order to fully follow God and experience His peace?*
- *What is one practical step you can take this week to remove distractions or idols?*

6. Clothing (*Judges 6:34*)

- God didn't just call Gideon. He empowered him. The Spirit of the Lord "clothed" Gideon, covering his weakness with God's strength.

Discuss:

- *Where do you feel inadequate or unprepared right now?*
- *How does it change your perspective to know that God equips you with His power, not your own ability?*