



Sermon Discussion Guide for I AM Worship Church

I AM: The Name That Fights For You

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We hope this material will continue to minister as the sermon was preached during our weekly worship service. When we receive God's Word at church, we need not only to hear the message, but we ought to walk it out in our daily lives. We should "be doers of the word, not only hearers." (James 1:22)

- Step 1: GET TOGETHER with your family or group.
- Step 2: REVIEW the key points and scriptures from the message.
- Step 3: SHARE with your group what God is saying to you through the message.
- Step 4: PRAY together, for each other and over each other to continue to walk this word out.

The Big Idea

God reveals Himself to Moses as **I AM**—the eternal, self-existent One who becomes exactly what His people need, exactly when they need Him. Jesus steps into that very identity when He declares, "I AM the door" and "I AM the good shepherd." This name is not just a title—it is a revelation that God Himself fights for us, leads us, protects us, and provides for us. The Christian life is not about being strong enough to overcome the wolves around us; it is about knowing the Shepherd who stands beside us.

Don't Miss This Point!

Read Exodus 3. The name "I AM" reveals that God is always present and always enough. God does not give Moses a résumé, a title, or a description—He gives a name that is limitless: "I AM WHO I AM." His name declares that He is unchanging, faithful, not bound to time, or defined by circumstances, and not limited by our fears. His name invites us to trust Him, not by definition, but by experience.

Another Great Point!

God reveals His nature through His covenant names—each one meeting a specific need. Throughout Scripture, God lets His people experience who He is: Jehovah Jireh when we need provision, Jehovah Rapha for healing, Jehovah Shalom for peace, Jehovah Nissi for victory, and Jehovah Rohi for guidance. Each name is God saying, "I AM that...when you need that." These are not just theological terms; but encounters that shape our faith and reveal God's identity in every battle..

One Last Point!

Read John 10:7-11. Jesus steps onto the scene as the fulfillment of "I AM," the Door and the Good Shepherd. Jesus makes a claim that shakes both earth and hell: "I AM the door... I AM the good shepherd." As the Door, He protects access to our lives—what enters and what cannot cross the line. As the Good Shepherd, He defends, leads, restores, and lays down His life for His sheep.

Let's Be Doers!

Identify where you need the Great I AM to reveal Himself. (1) **Name your need**—healing, peace, guidance, provision, restoration. (2) **Declare who God is in that area**—"You are my Shepherd... You are my Peace... You are my Provider." (3) **Trust His presence**—remember that you fight from victory, not for it, because the Shepherd fights for you. (4) **Follow His voice**—choose surrender over self-reliance, knowing sheep don't overcome wolves by strength but by proximity to the Shepherd.