

## Time of Praise - Praising from the names of God

God reveals His nature and characters through His names.

- 1. Praise God for who he says He is using the meaning of the Name**
- 2. Reflect on how God has been true to His name by identifying specific events from your life**
- 3. Pray and ask for what you need connected to that particular name.**
- 4. Thank God for being entirely faithful to His name**

For example:

- understanding the name;
- applying the name in faith to see who God is in your situation;
- thanking the Lord for BEING who and what that name describes in your life;
- thanking the Lord for DOING whatever the name describes in your life (according to the attribute of His nature that any specific name reveals); and
- asking Him to manifest Himself in that way even more in your life.

For example when the Bible says God is my Rock ...

### **Name #1: My Rock - Psalm 18:2a**

*“Father God, thank You for being My Rock. Thank You for being solid and stable and sure. You are the Rock beneath my feet; You are the Rock who is higher than I. I cling to You, Abba Father. Thank You for being here for me. Please keep me safe, stable, steady, and secure right now and all day today.*

*Father, my world is shaking around me, but I thank You that You are never shaken. You never fear; You never tremble; You never move. And Lord, with You as my Rock, I shall not be moved either. Thank You, Abba Father. I give You all the praise. In Jesus' name, amen.”*

### **Name #2: My Shield - Psalm 18:2b**

*“Father God, You are my Shield. Thank You, Abba Father, for shielding me from the storms. Thank You for always being there for me. You've always kept me safe and protected, and You always will. You alone are a Shield for me; You are my glory and the lifter of my head.*

*Father, in Jesus' name, I ask You to help me now. Keep me safe. Help me to abide in You and to stay under the shadow of Your wings, where You will keep me safe and protected. Thank You, Lord. In Jesus' name, amen.”*

### **Name #3: I am God who saves and rescues me from my enemies - Ps. 18:3**

*“Father, thank You for seeing me. Lord, You see that I am in trouble. But Lord, You are greater than my troubles—and I thank You for that. I boldly confess Your Word today that You are my rescuer. Lord, You are my shield and my safe place. You are the one upon whom I am calling, for You will answer me and show me great and mighty things that I do not know as I call upon You.*

*I thank You that I can depend on You. And Lord, I ask You right now to come to my rescue. Rescue me from the attacks of satan on my mind and my emotions. Help me to recognize a lying thoughts and deflect it and not let it gain entrance into my mind. Renew my mind and teach me to think about what is right and true and honorable and perfect. Thank you for your Spirit of self control. Thank you that I am not a victim of my sinful thinking or toxic emotions.*

## **Name #4: I am God who shoots arrows and scatters your enemies so that they are confused. Psalm 18:14**

*“Abba Father, I come before You in Jesus' name. Father, thank You for hearing my prayer. In accordance with Your Word, I want to intercede for my country right now.*

*Abba Father, Your Word says that righteousness and justice are the foundations of Your throne. Your Word says that it is by the blessing of the righteous that a city is exalted; how much more a country?*

*Father, we need Your help in my country right now. I ask in Jesus' name that You would send out Your arrows right now in this land and scatter them to do Your bidding:*

- *Let the mighty arrows of Your Spirit's conviction penetrate the heart of every person in government.*
- *Let the mighty arrows of Your Word thunder from the mouths of Your people as we decree Your Word over our nation, and let Your Word run swiftly to accomplish its purpose as we do so.*
- *Let the mighty arrows of Your right hand do Your bidding in every way in our nation, Lord, to bring righteousness and justice to our land.*
- *Father, we need Your help. You are the one who moves the hearts of kings like water. So Father God, in Jesus' mighty and precious name, I ask You to send forth Your arrows of every kind to do warfare on Your behalf, on behalf of Your Kingdom, and on behalf of us Your people.*
- *I pray right now in Jesus' name that You would arise and scatter Your enemies, O Lord; and that this nation would turn and worship You once again. In Jesus' name I pray, amen.”*

From Psalm 18, we learn many of God's names (there are 95 names/characteristic of God in this Psalm. See if you can find them all and then reflect on each one sometime during Holy Week.

Remember to.... (Writing this out is very helpful)

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1. God my Strength (Psalm 18:1) ....
2. The Lord my Rock (Psalm 18:2) ...
3. The Lord my Fortress (Psalm 18:2) ...
4. The Lord my Savior (Psalm 18:2) ...
5. My God my Rock in whom I find protection (Psalm 18:2) ...
6. My Shield (Psalm 18:2) ...

Additionally, some of the other most popular and well-known names of God in the Bible include:  
(in no particular order)

1. Emmanuel, God With Us (Matthew 1:23)
2. Author and Finisher of your faith (Hebrews 12:2)
3. Lamb who was slain from the foundation of the world (Revelation 13:8)
4. Creator (Genesis 1:1)
5. El Shaddai—the Many-Breasted One (Genesis 17:1)
6. Dayspring from on high (Luke 1:78)
7. Son of David (Matthew 1:1)
8. Jesus (Matthew 1:21)
9. Lamb of God (John 1:29)
10. Lord God the Almighty (Revelation 1:22)
11. The Root and the Offspring of David (Revelation 22:16)
12. Bright Morning Star (Revelation 22:16)
13. The God of the spirits of the prophets (Revelation 22:6)
14. The Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14:6)
15. The Preparer of your place in Heaven (John 14:3)
16. The Commander of the army of the Lord (Joshua 5:14)
17. Helper (John 14:26)
18. Jesus, the true vine (John 15:1)
19. I am gracious to whom I will be gracious (Exodus 33:19)
20. I am merciful to whom I will be merciful (Exodus 33:19)
21. The Lamb who was slain (Revelation 5:12)
22. I am He who sits on the throne (Revelation 5:13)
23. Your Maker and your Husband (Isaiah 54:5)

24. Lord of hosts (Isaiah 54:5)
25. Redeemer (Isaiah 54:5)
26. God of the whole earth (Isaiah 54:5)
27. God the Father, the Vinedresser (John 15:1)
28. Friend (John 15:15)
29. Spirit of truth (John 15:26)
30. Lord and Teacher (John 13:14)
31. I am the Resurrection and the Life (John 11:25)
32. The Door of the sheep (John 10:7)
33. I am the Good Shepherd who laid down My life for the sheep (John 10:11)
34. Light of the world (John 8:12)
35. Light of life (John 8:12)
36. I Am before Abraham was (John 8:58)
37. Living Water (John 4:10, John 7:38)
38. Bread of life (John 6:35)
39. I am the Spirit who gives life (John 6:63)
40. I am miraculous provision in your place of rest (John 6:1-13)
41. He who baptizes with the Holy Spirit (John 1:33)
42. Messiah (John 1:41)
43. I am the great light (Isaiah 9:2)
44. I am the light shining in a land of deep darkness (Isaiah 9:2)
45. Wonderful Counselor (Isaiah 9:6)
46. Mighty God (Isaiah 9:6)
47. Everlasting Father (Isaiah 9:6)
48. Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6)

49. The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (Acts 3:1-13)
50. The Holy One of Israel (2 Kings 19:22)
51. Great High Priest (Hebrews 4:14)
52. The Builder of all things (Hebrews 3:4)
53. The Founder of your salvation (Hebrews 2:10)
54. Merciful and faithful High Priest (Hebrews 2:17)
55. Apostle and High Priest of our confession (Hebrews 3:1)
56. I am the Builder of My own house (Hebrews 3:3)
57. The Lion of the tribe of Judah (Revelation 5:5)
58. The Root of David (Revelation 5:5)
59. I am God who will abundantly pardon the penitent ones who return to Me (Isaiah 55:6-7)
60. I am the Builder of My house of prayer (Isaiah 56:7)
61. I am the Lord God who gathers the outcasts of Israel (Isaiah 56:8)
62. I am Greater than your heart (1 John 3:20)
63. And Exodus 34:6-7 contains one of the longest, but most powerful and most specific names the Lord shows us in the Bible: *The Lord passed in front of Moses, calling out, “Yahweh! The Lord! The God of compassion and mercy! I am slow to anger and filled with unfailing love and faithfulness. I lavish unfailing love to a thousand generations. I forgive iniquity, rebellion, and sin. But I do not excuse the guilty. I lay the sins of the parents upon their children and grandchildren; the entire family is affected— even children in the third and fourth generations.” (Exodus 34:6-7)*