

El Shaddai
All-Sufficient One

Jehovah Jireh
The LORD Will Provide

Jehovah Rapha
The LORD Who Heals

Jehovah Shalom
The LORD Our Peace

Jehovah Rohi
The LORD Our Shepherd

El Roi
The God Who Sees

Adonai
Master; Sovereign

YHWH
I AM WHO I AM

NAMES OF GOD (THE FATHER)

*Knowing God's Names.
Growing in Your
Relationship with Him.*

*Declaring
His Character.
Trusting
His Faithfulness.
Worshiping
Him Always.*

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE GUIDE

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This guide has been prayerfully prepared to encourage believers to know Jesus Christ more deeply through the study of His character as revealed in Scripture. It is intended for personal Bible study, discipleship, small groups, church classes, and individual spiritual growth.

The author has made every effort to present biblical truth accurately and faithfully. Readers are encouraged to study the Scriptures personally and seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in applying God's Word to their lives.

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"I want to know Christ and experience the mighty power that raised him from the dead. I want to suffer with him, sharing in his death." — Philippians 3:10 (NLT)



About This Guide

This guide is designed to serve as a quick biblical reference to help you begin studying the characteristics of God. It provides key Scriptures and brief descriptions to help you locate where God's attributes are revealed throughout His Word. As you continue exploring this ministry library, you will find additional in-depth studies devoted to many of these characteristics, offering deeper biblical teaching, context, and practical application. My prayer is that this guide will be a starting point that encourages you to know God more fully through the truth of His Word.



Introduction

One of the greatest invitations found throughout Scripture is not simply to know about God, but to truly know Him. From the opening pages of Genesis to the closing chapters of Revelation, God continually reveals Himself to humanity. He does not leave people to wonder what He is like or how He desires to relate to them. Instead, He reveals His character through His Word, His actions, His promises, and the many names by which He makes Himself known.

Each of God's names serves as a window into His divine nature. They reveal His holiness, love, mercy, justice, faithfulness, power, wisdom, and compassion. They remind us that God is not distant or unknowable but a personal God who desires a relationship with His people. As we study His names, we begin to understand not only what God does, but who He is.

This guide is designed to help you move beyond simply recognizing God's names to understanding what each one reveals about His character. Rather than reading them as facts to memorize, allow them to become invitations to know the Lord more deeply. Read the accompanying Scripture passages, pray over what you discover, and ask the Holy Spirit to help you see how each name applies to your own walk with Christ.

My prayer is that this study will deepen your trust in God, strengthen your faith, and increase your worship as you discover the greatness of the One who has revealed Himself throughout Scripture. As David wrote, "Those who know Your name trust in You, for You, LORD, have never forsaken those who seek You" (Psalm 9:10).



Why Does God Have So Many Names?

Many people wonder why God has so many different names throughout the Bible. The answer is both simple and profound: no single name can fully describe the infinite greatness of God. Because His character is perfect and His attributes are limitless, God reveals Himself through many names, each highlighting a different aspect of who He is and how He faithfully works in the lives of His people.

Throughout Scripture, God often revealed a specific name at a particular moment in history. When Abraham needed assurance that God would provide, He revealed Himself as Jehovah Jireh—The LORD Will Provide. When Israel cried out for healing, He declared Himself to be Jehovah Rapha—The LORD Who Heals. During times of fear and conflict, He revealed Himself as Jehovah Shalom—The LORD Is Peace. David experienced Him as The Shepherd, lovingly leading and protecting His people, while Hagar discovered Him as El Roi—The God Who Sees Me, finding comfort in God's care when she felt forgotten.

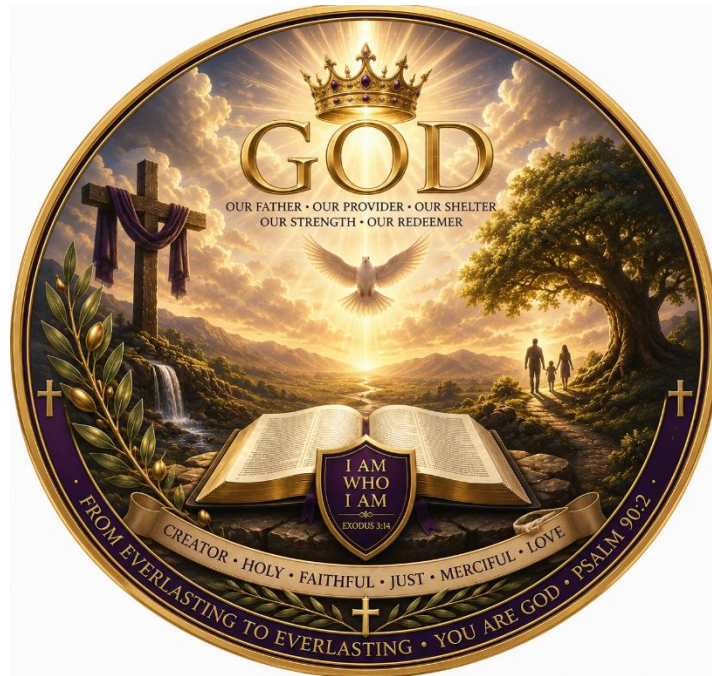
Although these names emphasize different characteristics, they all reveal the same unchanging God. His nature never changes, but our understanding of Him grows as we see His faithfulness displayed throughout Scripture. Every name reveals another facet of His holiness, love, justice, mercy, sovereignty, and grace.

Studying God's names helps us move from simply knowing about Him to knowing Him personally. The more we understand who God is, the more we learn to trust His promises, depend on His strength, worship Him wholeheartedly, and rest confidently in His unchanging character, no matter what circumstances we face.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to be a simple reference for personal Bible study, discipleship, teaching, or devotional reading. Read one characteristic at a time, look up the accompanying Scripture, and observe how Jesus demonstrated that quality throughout His life and ministry. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you understand Christ more deeply and to develop that same characteristic in your own life as you grow to become more like Him.





Names of God (The Father)

- God (Elohim) — The Creator; Mighty One (*Genesis 1*)
- LORD (YHWH) — The Self-Existing, Eternal One (*Exodus 3*)
- Lord (Adonai) — Master; Sovereign (*Psalms 8*)
- God Almighty (El Shaddai) — The All-Sufficient One (*Genesis 17*)
- Most High God (El Elyon) — Supreme Ruler (*Genesis 14*)
- Everlasting God (El Olam) — Eternal God (*Genesis 21*)
- Mighty God (El Gibbor) — Powerful Warrior (*Isaiah 9*)
- God Who Sees Me (El Roi) — The God Who Sees (*Genesis 16*)
- Living God — The True, Living God (*Jeremiah 10*)
- Holy One — Perfectly Holy (*Isaiah 6*)
- Holy One of Israel — Israel's Holy God (*Isaiah 41*)
- King of Glory — Majestic King (*Psalms 24*)
- King Eternal — Eternal King (*1 Timothy 1*)



Names of God (The Father) cont....

- **King of Kings** — Supreme King (*Revelation 19*)
- **Lord of Lords** — Supreme Lord (*Deuteronomy 10*)
- **Father** — Loving Heavenly Father (*Matthew 6*)
- **Father of Mercies** — Source of Compassion (*2 Corinthians 1*)
- **God of All Comfort** — Comforter (*2 Corinthians 1*)
- **God of Peace** — Giver of Peace (*Romans 15*)
- **God of Hope** — Source of Hope (*Romans 15*)
- **God of Love** — Perfect Love (*2 Corinthians 13*)
- **God of Truth** — Completely Faithful (*Isaiah 65*)
- **Faithful God** — Always Keeps His Promises (*Deuteronomy 7*)
- **Righteous Judge** — Perfect Judge (*Psalms 7*)
- **Rock** — Our Foundation (*Deuteronomy 32*)
- **Shield** — Our Protector (*Psalms 18*)
- **Fortress** — Place of Safety (*Psalms 18*)
- **Refuge** — Safe Shelter (*Psalms 46*)
- **Deliverer** — Rescuer (*Psalms 18*)
- **Shepherd** — Guides His People (*Psalms 23*)
- **Light** — Source of Light (*Psalms 27*)
- **Salvation** — Our Savior (*Psalms 27*)
- **Redeemer** — Buys Back His People (*Isaiah 43*)
- **Creator** — Maker of All Things (*Isaiah 40*)
- **Maker** — Our Creator (*Psalms 95*)
- **Potter** — Shapes Our Lives (*Isaiah 64*)
- **Consuming Fire** — Holy Judge (*Deuteronomy 4*)
- **Alpha and Omega** — Beginning and the End (*Revelation 1*)



Names of God (The Father) cont....

- **Ancient of Days** — Eternal Judge (*Daniel 7*)
- **Judge of All the Earth** — Perfect Judge (*Genesis 18*)
- **The LORD Will Provide (Jehovah Jireh)** — Provider (*Genesis 22*)
- **The LORD Who Heals (Jehovah Rapha)** — Healer (*Exodus 15*)
- **The LORD Our Banner (Jehovah Nissi)** — Victory (*Exodus 17*)
- **The LORD Our Peace (Jehovah Shalom)** — Peace (*Judges 6*)
- **The LORD Our Shepherd (Jehovah Rohi)** — Shepherd (*Psalms 23*)
- **The LORD Our Righteousness (Jehovah Tsidkenu)** — Our Righteousness (*Jeremiah 23*)
- **The LORD Is There (Jehovah Shammah)** — His Presence (*Ezekiel 48*)
- **The LORD Who Sanctifies (Jehovah Mekoddishkem)** — Makes Holy (*Exodus 31*)
- **The LORD of Hosts** — Commander of Heaven's Armies (*Isaiah 6*)

Shared Divine Titles of the Father and the Son

One of the beautiful truths revealed throughout Scripture is that certain divine titles belong to both God the Father and Jesus Christ. These shared names are not accidental. They reveal the perfect unity of the Father and the Son and affirm the full deity of Jesus Christ. While the Father and the Son are distinct Persons within the Trinity, they share the same divine nature, glory, authority, and eternal character.

The following titles are used in Scripture for both the Father and the Son:

- **Alpha and Omega**
- **First and Last**
- **King of Kings**
- **Lord of Lords**
- **Savior**
- **Redeemer**
- **Shepherd**
- **Rock**
- **Light**
- **Holy One**



- Judge
- Creator
- Mighty God
- Eternal One
- Faithful and True
- Beginning and End

As you study these shared titles, notice how they reveal the character of God. They remind us that God is holy, loving, sovereign, faithful, just, merciful, eternal, and always present with His people. Every title points us to His unchanging nature and His perfect plan of redemption.

These names also remind us that Jesus is far more than a great teacher, prophet, or moral example. He is fully God. Jesus perfectly reveals the Father, accomplishes the work of salvation, and reigns with the same divine authority and glory. To know Jesus is to know the Father, for Christ is “the image of the invisible God” and “the radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of His nature.”

As you continue studying the names of God and the names of Jesus, allow these shared titles to strengthen your confidence in the truth of Scripture and deepen your worship of the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

“Whoever has seen Me has seen the Father.”

John 14:9

Personal Bible Study Guide

As you work through this guide, remember that the goal is not simply to learn a list of names but to know the God who revealed them. Every name tells us something about His character, His promises, and His relationship with His people. Take your time with each name rather than rushing through the list. Read the Scripture passage where the name first appears and then look for other places throughout the Bible where that same truth is demonstrated. Ask yourself why God chose to reveal that particular name at that moment in history and what it teaches about His heart.

As you study, consider writing your observations in a journal. Record what you learn about God's character, what promise is connected with that name, and how it applies to your life today. Ask questions such as:

- What does this name reveal about God's character?



- What was happening when God revealed this name?
- What need did God meet through this revelation?
- How does this name strengthen my faith?
- What promise can I trust because of this truth?
- How does this name point me to Jesus Christ?
- What response of worship, obedience, or trust should this truth produce in my life?

Most importantly, invite the Holy Spirit to teach you. The purpose of Bible study is not simply to gain knowledge but to know God more intimately and allow His truth to transform your heart. As you grow in your understanding of His names, may your confidence in His unchanging character deepen and your relationship with Him become stronger each day.



A Prayer of Thanksgiving

Heavenly Father,

Thank You for revealing Yourself through Your Word and making Your character known through the many names found throughout Scripture. Each name reminds us that You are faithful, holy, loving, merciful, powerful, and completely trustworthy. Thank You for being our Creator, Father, Shepherd, Provider, Redeemer, Refuge, and Peace. Thank You for seeing us when we feel forgotten, strengthening us when we are weak, and comforting us when we grieve.

Lord, thank You that Your character never changes. In a changing world, You remain the same yesterday, today, and forever. We can rest in Your faithfulness because You are always true to who You are. Thank You for revealing Yourself through Jesus Christ, who shows us the Father and makes it possible for us to know You personally. As I study Your names, may each truth lead me to greater worship, deeper trust, and joyful obedience.

In the precious name of Jesus Christ I pray,

Amen.





A Prayer for the Reader

Gracious Heavenly Father,

I lift up every person who reads this guide. Thank You for drawing them to Your Word and creating within them a desire to know You more deeply. I pray that as they study each of Your names, You would reveal more of Your character to their hearts through the work of the Holy Spirit. May these names become more than words on a page. May they become living reminders of who You are and of Your faithfulness in every season of life.

For those who are weary, reveal Yourself as their Strength. For those who are afraid, remind them that You are their Refuge and Peace. For those who feel alone, assure them that You are the God who sees them and never leaves them. For those who are struggling to trust You, show them again that You are faithful and that every promise You have spoken will come to pass.

Help each reader grow in confidence, faith, and love as they spend time in Your presence. Give them a hunger for Your Word and a desire to know You beyond head knowledge. Transform their hearts so that they increasingly reflect the character of Jesus Christ in their thoughts, words, and actions.

May this study strengthen their relationship with You, deepen their worship, and encourage them to walk faithfully with You every day of their lives.

In the name of Jesus Christ,

Amen.



Continue Your Journey

Learning the names of God is only the beginning of a lifelong journey of knowing Him more deeply. Every page of Scripture reveals more of His character, His faithfulness, His holiness, and His love for His people. The more you study God's Word, the more you will discover that every promise He makes is rooted in who He is. Because His character never changes, you can trust Him completely in every circumstance of life.

As you continue growing in your relationship with the Lord, I encourage you to explore the other Scripture Reference Guides and Bible studies available throughout this ministry library. Each guide is designed to help you understand God's Word more clearly, strengthen your faith, and equip you to walk more closely with Jesus Christ.

Continue your study by exploring:

- The Characteristics of God
- The Names and Titles of Jesus Christ
- Shared Divine Titles of the Father and the Son
- The Prophets of the Bible
- Major Men God Used Throughout the Bible
- The Promises of God
- The Miracles of Jesus
- The Parables of Jesus
- The Characteristics of a Disciple of Jesus
- Walking with God This Week (Weekly Devotionals)

Never stop seeking the Lord. The more you know Him, the more you will love Him. The more you love Him, the more you will trust Him. And the more you trust Him, the more your life will reflect His glory.

"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever! Amen." — 2 Peter 3:18

May God richly bless you as you continue to know Him, trust Him, worship Him, and faithfully walk with Him every day.

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