

# The Names of God – Part 2 | 11/5/17

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- Introduction
  - This is a continuation of examining the many names of God that we find in the Old Testament.
- Yahweh-Jireh [yah-way-ji-reh] – The Lord Will Provide
  - This particular name only occurs a single time in the Scriptures, but this single use is quite significant and powerful.
  - That passage is Genesis 22:14
    - “So Abraham called the name of that place, “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”
  - **This shows the character trait of God in that He is a provider and that He is always there for us.**
  - This verse comes from the passage where Abraham was showing his unwavering obedience to God in that He was going to sacrifice his promised son Isaac.
    - Isaac was a miracle child given to Abraham and Sarah.
      - Genesis 21:1-3
        - “The LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did to Sarah as he had promised. And Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham called the name of his son who was born to him, whom Sarah bore him, Isaac.”
      - God tested Abraham to see if he truly would obey God no matter what. So God told Abraham to take the promised son Isaac and to sacrifice him.
        - Genesis 22:1-2
          - “After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.”
        - Abraham was obedient to God and was going to sacrifice Isaac
          - Genesis 22:10
            - “Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son.
          - But God seeing Abraham’s obedience and his fear of Him, he saved Isaac.
            - Genesis 22:11-12
              - But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” He said, Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.”
            - Then God provided Abraham with a ram to sacrifice instead of his son.
              - Genesis 22:13
                - “And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son.
              - Here Abraham realized that ultimately The Lord will provide
                - Genesis 22:14
                  - “So Abraham called the name of that place, “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”
    - This character trait of God shows us that even in our darkest times, or when we have to make unbearable decisions that if we fear or trust in God that He WILL provide.

- God provided for Abraham a sacrifice to use a replacement for Isaac, this act showed Abraham that because he trusted in God that he would always provide for him.
- This act of God made not only an impact on Abraham, but it shows us more about God's character.
- God will provide in many aspects of our lives
  - He will provide for us in our time of need.
    - Philippians 4:19
      - "And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
  - He will provide a way out of our temptations.
    - 1 Corinthians 10:13
      - "No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also **provide the way of escape**, that you may be able to endure it."
  - **Just as God provided for Abraham, God will provide for us.**
- God will provide even in seemingly impossible situations.
  - Even when we think things are impossible, we find that nothing is impossible for God.
    - Luke 1:37
      - "For nothing will be impossible with God.
    - As God demonstrated with the birth of Jesus Christ
  - **What does this name and character trait of God "The Lord will provide" mean to you?**
- Yahweh-Shalom [yahway-shah-lohm] – The Lord Our Peace
  - **The exact use of Yahweh-Shalom is only used once in the Old Testament but the description of both God and Christ as peace are seen throughout the Scriptures.**
  - The Lexham Bible Dictionary provides us with this definition
    - "A pervasive concept in the Bible that most commonly relates to a relationship of love and loyalty with God and one another."
    - This definition certainly describes God, Christ and His relationship with us in the Scriptures.
  - Peace is also describing harmony, order and clarity instead of confusion or chaos.
    - 1 Corinthians 14:33a
      - "For God is not a God of confusion but of peace."
    - God is not one of chaos or confusion, but of perfect harmony and clarity.
  - This name is revealed by Gideon when he built an altar to God we he realized that he did not die after seeing the angel of the Lord and being in the presence of God.
    - **An angel visited Gideon and God spoke through him to show Gideon that He would be there with him to go out and defeat the Midianites.**
      - Judges 6:11-12
        - "Now the angel of the LORD came and sat under the terebinth at Ophrah, which belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, while his son Gideon was beating out wheat in the winepress to hide it from the Midianites. And the angel of the LORD appeared to him and said to him, "The LORD is with you, O mighty man of valor."
      - Judges 6:16
        - "And the LORD said to him, "But I will be with you, and you shall strike the Midianites as one man."

- Judges 6:20-21
  - “And the angel of God said to him, “Take the meat and the unleavened cakes, and put them on this rock, and pour the broth over them.” And he did so. Then the angel of the LORD reached out the tip of the staff that was in his hand and touched the meat and the unleavened cakes. And fire sprang up from the rock and consumed the meat and the unleavened cakes. And the angel of the LORD vanished from his sight.”
- Gideon after realizing that he was in the presence of God felt the weight of his unworthiness and feared death.
  - Judges 6:22-24a
    - Then Gideon perceived that He was the angel of the LORD (yhwh). And Gideon said, “Alas, O Lord (adonai) GOD (yhwy)! For now I have seen the angel of the LORD (yhwh) face to face.” **But the LORD (yhwh) said to him, “Peace (shalom) be to you. Do not fear; you shall not die.”** “Then Gideon built an altar there to the LORD (yhwy) and called it, **The LORD (yhw) Is Peace (shalom)...**”
  - **Gideon knew that he was not worthy to be in the presence of God and he felt the guilt of his unrighteousness.**
- God showed Gideon His mercy and grace through His character trait of peace.
  - The LORD (yhwy) is Peace (shalom)
    - Peace - “A pervasive concept in the Bible that most commonly relates to a relationship of love and loyalty with God and one another.”
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        - “For God is not a God of confusion but of peace.”
  - **God did not kill him, but showed him mercy and peace which is a character trait of God that we see throughout the Scriptures.**
  - In the book of Isaiah, we see this is one of the names given to Jesus Christ centuries before His birth.
    - Isaiah 9:6
      - “For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, **Prince of Peace (shalom).**”
    - Even before Jesus was ever born He was known as the Prince of Peace.
    - This is because this is a character trait and a name of God, whom they share in their relationship within the Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Spirit).
    - **This peace was also proclaimed at his birth that He would have with those who have faith in Him.**
      - Luke 2:14
        - “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”
  - **Peace is what we have with God when we have been deemed justified because of our faith which is a demonstration of His grace and mercy.**
    - Romans 5:1
      - Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
    - **Before our justification we were against Jesus in that because of our sins we are guilty and deserve punishment.**

- He has reconciled us even though we were at once against Him.
  - Colossians 1:21-22
    - “And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.”
- **But because of our faith in Christ we are justified and have peace.**
- What does God’s character trait of peace mean to you?