

Unshakable Series

I AM who I AM (God's Identity)

Elohim and Jehovah

ICEBREAKER: Is there a name that you really like?
Why?

Aim of Discussion: To learn about the different names of God, so we can live out our faith knowing exactly who our God is.

Introduction:

- Exodus 3:14 – *God said to Moses, “I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: ‘I am has sent me to you.’”*
- Whatever our needs are in life, God is the I AM to us. I AM your healer, I AM your provision etc.
- God has many names and each name says something about who He is and what He's like.
- When God describes Himself, He uses terminologies that we can comprehend.

Elohim (Creator God)

Genesis 1:1 - *In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.*

- The name is given to Adam before the fall. It's a plural word, which we can see clearly in the personhood of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- This name speaks of the creative power of God who formed everything out of nothing.
- Jesus is the perfect representation of the name, Elohim - He is creative.
 - He created money out of the mouth of a fish (Matthew 17:27)

- Jesus mixed mud with His Saliva and spread the mud over the blind man's eyes (John 9:6) - Some theologians believe He created an eye-ball just like how God created Adam from mud.
- Ask God to give us new creative things. There's no limit to what God can do.
 - Paul's handkerchief / Peter's shadow could heal people.
 - Smith Wigglesworth punched people and they got healed.
 - Ask God to give us a new pair of eyes, a new heart.

Link for deeper study on the name "Elohim"

<https://vision.org.au/radio/2019/02/26/the-names-of-god-elohim/>

Jehovah (Relational)

Genesis 2:7 - *Then the Lord God formed a man[a] from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.*

- In the garden of Eden, it was the first revived church (because everything was growing and multiplying). Everyone lived together in peace - even with animals.
- Satan was around too... wanting to disrupt.
- When there's revival, beware of Satan's deception.
- After the fall, that's when man focused on the natural physical man and saw the shame in each other. They hid.
 - When we sin, we always try to hide. But there's no secret with God. We need to repent and turn around.
 - We need to see in the spirit and not in the natural. That's why we need to be born again (in the spirit).
- Jehovah speaks about a covenantal God - It's about God and His people. The whole Genesis talks about the relationship that God wants with His creation.
 - The woman at the well was full of sin (opposite to God), but Jesus went to her.

QUESTION:

1. What is God to you? When we close our eyes to pray, how do we see or imagine God to be?
2. Have you been limiting God before this? How can you change the way you approach life knowing that we can call onto the Almighty, Creative God?
3. What is repentance to you? Have we taken it for granted? Are there areas in your life that you need to repent of?

Things you can do:

1. Write down or print out a list of God's names and stick it somewhere in your house. Learn to pray and call out the different names of God. Do further study and research to learn more about the different names of God.
2. This coming week, apply the two names we have learned:
 - a. Look for opportunities to pray for healing
 - b. Intentionally build relationship with God and with others eg. ask someone out for a coffee