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Exploring the Names & Attributes of God Through Worship (Part 3)

Greetings in the Name of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Welcome to the fifth edition of W.o.W. (Word on Worship)—the monthly newsletter from Teshua Ministries designed to inspire, equip, and deepen our understanding of true worship. Whether you are joining us for the first time or returning, we are delighted to walk this journey of worship with you as we seek to glorify God and grow stronger in faith.

This publication reflects the heart and mission of Dr. Janicka, founder of Teshua Ministries, who is passionate about helping believers experience victorious worship that transforms lives. We pray that each edition ignites a greater hunger for God's presence and empowers you to worship Him in spirit and in truth.

Thank you for being part of the W.o.W. Word on Worship family. Let's continue this journey onward and upward to victory in Christ!

Blessings,
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**EXPLORING THE NAMES & ATTRIBUTES OF GOD
THROUGH WORSHIP(PART 3)**



Dr. Janicka

Introduction

Today, our series on the names and attributes of God through the lens of worship continues for the month of September. Together, we are exploring the following: Jehovah: A Hiding Place, Jehovah-Jireh, Jehovah-Shalom, Jehovah: King of Glory, Jehovah: Living God, Jehovah: Refuge, Jehovah: Potter, and Jehovah: Redeemer.

The names and attributes of God have a spiritual impact on worshipers, helping to establish a strong foundation in Christian worship. Drawing closer to God leads believers to want to understand more about WHO GOD IS, which is significant when examining the attributes of God in the life of a worshiper in the areas of personal and corporate worship.

Let's explore what it means when we call God, Jehovah-Shalom!

JEHOVAH-SHALOM BIBLICAL MEANING AND USE

"Then the Lord said to him, 'Peace be with you; do not fear, you shall not die.' So Gideon built an altar there to the Lord, and called it The-Lord-Is-Peace. To this day, it is still in Ophrah of the Abiezrites." (Judges 6:23-24)

The-Lord-Is-Peace is the biblical meaning for Jehovah Shalom. Gideon, the son of Joash, an Abiezerite part of the tribe of Manasseh, called God Jehovah-Shalom when he was assured by the Lord that he had no fear of death, but peace.

The story began with the children of Israel being oppressed by the Midianites. As usual, the children of Israel were doing evil, such as worshiping idols like Baal, so God allowed them to be under the oppression of the Midianites for seven years. The situation was so bad under the Midianites that the Israelites lived in dens, caves, and strongholds in the mountains. When the Israelites sowed anything to produce from the earth, the Midianites, Amalekites, and

Jehovah-Shalom

Meaning

- The-Lord-Is-Peace is the biblical meaning for Jehovah Shalom

Biblical Use

- Judges 6
 - Gideon, chosen to deliver the Midianites
 - Judges 6:23-24

Then the LORD said to him, "Peace be with you; do not fear, you shall not die." So Gideon built an altar there to the LORD, and called it The-LORD-Is-Peace. To this day it is still in Ophrah of the Abiezrites.

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people of the East took over their area, the East took over their area, reaping what was sown and destroying the land in the process. The Israelites cried out to the Lord because they were starving and poor. God sent a prophet to tell the Israelites that they were in their current state because they did not obey His voice. The prophet reminded them of how God was faithful in delivering them from Egypt, but instead, they rejected Him. After this visit, the Angel of the Lord appeared to Gideon in Ophrah. The Angel of the Lord told Gideon that the Lord was with him. Gideon's response was, If that is true, then why are we suffering? Where are the miracles? The Lord tells Gideon that he will save Israel. Gideon expressed doubt again and said,

"O my Lord, how can I save Israel? Indeed, my clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house." And the Lord said to him, "Surely I will be with you, and you shall defeat the Midianites as one man." (Judges 6:15-16)

Gideon wanted a guarantee that he had favor in the Lord's sight and requested a sign to confirm that he was actually talking to the Lord. Gideon prepared a young goat, unleavened bread, and broth and presented all of it to the Lord. The Lord instructed Gideon to put the meat and bread on a rock. When the Lord used his staff to touch the meat and bread, fire came out of the rock and consumed the meat and

bread. The Angel of the Lord disappeared, and Gideon realized that he had seen the Angel of the Lord face to face. Then the Lord told Gideon that peace is with him, and in response, Gideon built an altar and called it Jehovah-Shalom.

Gideon lacked faith, trust, and more importantly, he did not believe or have peace about what he was called to do, which was to deliver the Israelites from the hand of the Midianites. The Lord told him in Judges 23,

"Peace be with you, do not fear, you shall not die."



Peace in this verse means shālôm, to be safe, well, happy, at peace, rest, and all is well (**The New Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible**). The Lord was telling Gideon that he did not have to fear anything but would succeed in his calling to save the Israelites from the Midianites. God reassured him that he could rest in his mind, body, and soul, knowing all is well. Gideon affirmed his belief in the Lord's peace when he said, The-Lord-Is-Peace, Jehovah-Shalom.

Personal Worship

The story of Gideon and the Israelites is a lesson about personal worship. The Israelites were going against God's Commandment to have no other gods before Him, an offense they often committed. In this case, God condemned them for seven years of hardship in their dwelling place, land, and health. Daily, believers have to be sober and vigilant not to fall into the same trap as the Israelites.

Idols can become anything in a believer's life today. These idols can be "fantasy, pornography, illicit sex, alcohol, drugs – in other words, gods of self-indulgence, self-centeredness, (and) self-abandonment." **(Called to Worship: From the Dawn of Creation to the Final Amen, Vernon M. Whaley)**. As a believer, prayer, meditating upon His Word, and seeking His daily presence are essential to avoiding the pitfalls of today's version of idols. This means that daily His Word has to be used to govern a believer's mind and life's choices so that there is a right vertical relationship with God as the sole object of one's worship.

Personal Worship Pointers

- Read Psalm 139:23-24
- Be sober and vigilante to not fall into the same trap as the Israelites
- Know that idols can become anything in a believer's life today
- Pray, meditate upon His Word
- Seek His presence daily to avoid the pitfalls of today's version of idols.

A believer in their daily worship has to be committed to allowing God to search them daily. In Psalm 139:23–24, David wrote,

"Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; And see if there is any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting."

By humbling themselves daily in prayer and listening to the leading of His Spirit, one can maintain a loving relationship with Jehovah-Shalom. A believer can rest and know that all is well because their heart and mind are peacefully aligned in their worship of The-Lord-Is-Peace.

Personal Worship Pointers (cont'd)

- Use the Word to govern your mind and life's choices for right vertical relationship with God
- Commit to allow God to search you daily.
- Humble yourself daily in prayer
- Listen to the leading of His Spirit
- Rest and know that all is well

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Corporate Worship

Shalom, when spoken in its proper context, "expresses the hope that the person may be well in every sense of the word – fulfilled, satisfied, prosperous, healthy and in harmony with themselves, others and God." (**Praying the Names of God: A Daily Guide, Ann Spangler**) For this to happen as a body of worshipers, people have to

Corporate Worship Pointers

- Ensure that corporate worship is focused on God and nothing and no one else
- Ensure that God is the object of corporate worship
- Focus who is being worshiped, which is Jehovah
- Focus on intentional discipleship
- Make preaching of the Word of God central to worship
- Properly use tools for worship, like music, to glorify God
- Worship as brethren with God as the focus to yield harmony with Jehovah-Shalom

In a presentation called "Worship as the Golden Calf," Dr. Lavon Gray stated, "For the past 20 years, we have managed to elevate the methodology of worship where many churches, many Christians are now worshipping an approach to worship rather than the object of worship, which is God." If this is true, then the public worship is at risk of committing idol worship in the sanctuary and offending God, risking the benefits of God's peace not being present during corporate worship. When it comes to public worship, worshipers need to focus on intentional discipleship and make preaching of the Word of God central to worship. We also need to focus on who is being worshiped, which is Jehovah, and properly use tools for worship, like music to glorify God, advises Ann Spangler in her book, **Praying the Names of God: A Daily Guide**. By doing so, the worship experience can avoid the slippery slope of inadvertently participating in idol worship. Consequently, the corporate worship will be spiritually satisfying for all in attendance. The worshiping of brethren with God as the focus will also yield harmony with Jehovah-Shalom.

Let's Pray...

Father God,

In the name of Jesus Christ, thank you for the knowledge that in our time of need and worship, we can lean and depend on you to be our peace. You, Oh Lord, are our peace in every situation of our lives as believers. May we always be spiritually in right standing with you, whereas nothing and no one signifies an idol in our lives. Lord, if one does exist, please reveal it to us so we can purposely discard any idol and walk in perfect harmony with you. May you guide and establish us as believers, and we continually experience you as Jehovah-Shalom in our lives, Amen.

Join us next month to explore the meaning of God as Jehovah: King of Glory!

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