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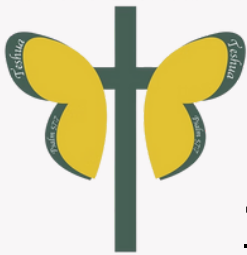
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Monthly Newsletter

The Names and Attributes of God Through the Lens of Worship (Part 7)

Greetings in the Name of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Welcome to the seventh 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 THE LENS OF WORSHIP (PART 7)**



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Introduction

Today, our series on the names and attributes of God through the lens of worship continues in February 2026. Last year, we explored the following: Jehovah: A Hiding Place, Jehovah-Jireh, Jehovah-Shalom, Jehovah: King of Glory, Jehovah: Living God, and Jehovah: Refuge. We will conclude our series by examining Jehovah: Potter and Jehovah: Redeemer.

Understanding the names and attributes of God can transform and influence worshipers by establishing a healthy spiritual foundation in Christian worship. By drawing closer to God, believers will develop a desire to know more about WHO GOD IS. This is essential when examining the attributes of God in a worshiper's life, particularly in personal and corporate worship. Let's explore what it means to recognize and reverence God as Jehovah: Potter!

JEHOVAH: POTTER BIBLICAL MEANING AND USE

The Hebrew term for potter is yâtsar. Yâtsar means squeezing into shape, to mold into form, to determine a form of resolution, fashion, frame, make, purpose, and potter (**The New Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible: Dictionary of the Hebrew Bible**). In the book of Isaiah, the prophet is praying to God in chapter 64. In verse 8, he says, "**But now, O Lord, You are our Father; We are the clay, and You our potter; And all we are the work of Your hand.**" Isaiah, the prophet, was praying for the Lord's attention. Isaiah knew the Jews were guilty of sins such as greed, self-indulgence, idolatry, cynicism, and hypocritical self-righteousness (**The Nelson Study Bible**). However, Isaiah was seeking God to appear and respond to his plea for salvation and restoration for the Jews. Isaiah asked the Lord to come down and make His name known among his adversaries. Isaiah reminded the Lord how He had come down in the past. Isaiah also acknowledged that he knew God was angry due to the Jews' past spiritual

Jehovah: Potter

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Biblical Use

- Isaiah 64: Isaiah Prays to God
 - "**But now, O Lord, You are our Father; We are the clay, and You our potter; And all we are the work of Your hand.**" - Isaiah 64:8 (NKJV)
- Jeremiah 18 - God Instructs Jeremiah to Visit a Potter
 - "**O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter?" says the Lord. "Look, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are you in My hand, O house of Israel!"** - Jeremiah 18:6 (NKJV)

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offenses and continual sins, but salvation was still needed. He admitted to the Lord, in verse 6, **"But we are all like an unclean thing, And all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; We all fade as a leaf, And our iniquities, like the wind, Have taken us away."** Isaiah begged God to look on His people because Zion had become a wilderness, Jerusalem was now desolate, and the Temple had been destroyed by fire. He ended his prayer by asking God whether He would hold His peace and afflict them more severely. With all of this in mind, Isaiah, in chapter 64, verse 8, sought the Lord with a clear understanding of God, the Father, being the potter with the power to shape, mold, and provide a resolution for His people.

In Jeremiah chapter 18, God compares himself to a potter concerning Israel. The Lord sent instructions for Jeremiah to go to the potter's house. Jeremiah observed a potter making a vessel at a potter's wheel. Initially, the potter's first vessel was marred, or blemished. So, the potter refashioned the vessel into another vessel that was good to him. After Jeremiah witnessed this, in Jeremiah 18:6, the Lord spoke to Jeremiah and said, "O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter?" says the Lord. "Look, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are you in My hand, O house of Israel!" God told Jeremiah that if the nation turned from evil, He would hold back disaster. God instructed Jeremiah to share His warning

with the men of Judah and the people of Jerusalem. Unfortunately, the story did not end well for them. They actually rejected God's warning.

Just like a potter has power over fashioning clay into a vessel, so does God have over His people or a nation. Isaiah understood this quality of Jehovah and asked for the reshaping of God's people for His purpose. In the book of Jeremiah, God was willing to reshape His people to reflect His holiness, justice, wisdom, and love (**The Bible Expository Commentary: Old Testament Prophets**). God knew His people were troubled in their ways, yet He was willing to show mercy. They were the same lineage of people that Isaiah had prayed about, asking God to be their potter. Isaiah identified Jehovah as a potter, and through Jeremiah, Jehovah confirmed this identity. Like a potter, God wanted to mold the people of Israel as vessels for His glory and purpose them for His worship.



Personal Worship

In a believer's life, personal worship needs to reflect a heart that fears the Lord. There should be a heart of reverence and humbleness that knows God to be the Creator of who and what they are as a person. There needs to be opportunities in the believer's daily walk that

demonstrate to God a commitment to seek Him while He may yet be found. There also needs to be a commitment to worship God in the morning, noon, and night.

Daily worship in His presence must occur for God to continue shaping a believer into a worshiper. This is all the more important when today's culture has the "pulling power" to distract believers and lead to negative strongholds in their lives. These strongholds can literally cause one to be like the Israelites, who had complete access to a loving God, yet they were disobedient and wise in their own destructive ways. They did not seek God daily, and the result was disastrous to their way of life as the chosen people of God.

As an act of personal worship, a believer needs to intentionally examine oneself. This personal examination is important and should be done with a repentant attitude. One's personal worship must include confessed sin, repentance, and God's forgiveness (**Called to Worship: From the Dawn of Creation to the Final Amen**). Both Jeremiah and Isaiah, as prophets of God, led by example the process of intentional personal examination. They recognized their need for God in their lives as the One to spiritually shape and mold them. By examining oneself, a worshiper can ensure that God remains the leader in their life, with Him as the potter and themselves as the clay molded by God for His purpose.

Personal Worship Pointers

- Have a heart that fears the Lord
- Have a heart of reverence and humbleness that knows God to be the Creator
- Demonstrate daily to God a commitment to seek Him while he may yet be found
- Commit to worshiping God in the morning, noon, and night
- Be willing to allow God to keep shaping you as a worshiper

Personal Worship Pointers (cont'd)

- Examine yourself with a repentant attitude
- Make sure your personal worship includes confessed sin, repentance, and God's forgiveness
- Recognize the need for God in your life for His purpose
- Ensure that God remains the lead in your life with Him as the Potter and you as the clay



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Corporate Worship

Reading the biblical examples of Isaiah and Jeremiah, the Jews, or Israelites, literally chose wrong worship. They were disobedient on multiple levels. They were involved in idol worship and a lifestyle that went against God's statutes and His law. Corporate worship

by believers needs to remember that "obedience is the core of authentic, transformational worship, and evangelism. We demonstrate our love - our worship - of God best when we do what He tells us to do. When we obey His Word, our worship becomes transformational," (**Worship and Witness: Becoming a Great Commission Worshiper**). As a body of believers, we must be diligent to avoid idol worship and submissive to the power of God as we interact with one another during corporate worship. The outcome for transformational worship can only occur when we, as the clay, submit to Jehovah as the potter.

When Christians gather together, we must be willing to be on one accord, knowing that God desires pure and holy worship. We must be willing to lay aside anything that would hinder authentic worship within the corporate body. To allow Jehovah, the potter, to do His work, everyone must be willing to seek to please God first and be committed to excellence in all we do. Every action together needs to be thoroughly biblical and practical in order to help people in their daily lives. The gathered worship needs to emphasize and have opportunities for everyone to participate (**Changing Lives Through Preaching and Worship: 30 Strategies for Powerful Communication**). The corporate worship experience will cause everyone involved to be subject to a move of God being present in the body. Everyone needs to be "Great Commission" driven so that people will want to return again and again for corporate worship. When God is moving, He is shaping, molding, and fashioning hearts for His purpose. He is, in fact, in moments of corporate worship, transforming each person and accomplishing His work as Jehovah, the Potter.

Corporate Worship Pointers

- Remember that obedience is the core of authentic, transformational worship, and evangelism
- Demonstrate our love - our worship - by doing what He tells us to do
- Obey His Word, so the worship becomes transformational
- Be diligent to avoid idol worship
- Be submissive to the power of God
- Be willing to be on one accord knowing that God desires pure and holy worship

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Corporate Worship Pointers (cont'd)

- Be willing to lay aside anything that would hinder true worship within the corporate body
- Allow Jehovah, the Potter, to do His work
- Be willing to seek to please God first and be committed to excellence in all you do
- Every action together needs to be thoroughly biblical and practical in order to help people in their daily lives
- Emphasize and have opportunities for everyone to participate
- Be "Great Commission" driven so that people will want to return

Let's Pray...

Father God,

in the name of Jesus, we come to you with repentant hearts as worshipers who desire to submit to your will and your way for our lives as believers. We recognize that without You as Jehovah, the Potter, shaping and molding our lives, we will ultimately have no good purpose in our Christian walk to glorify You. Thank you for the leading of your Spirit and the framing of your powerful hand upon lives. Shape us for your spiritual purposes and mold us to be more like You in our daily deeds. We humbly ask that You fashion us as kingdom builders transformed by our worship of You, Jehovah, the Potter of our lives, we pray, Amen!

Join us **next month** to explore the meaning of God as Jehovah: Redeemer!

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