

HALLOWED BE THY NAME

There is a certain protocol when one enters the presence of royalty. One must enter with respect, honor, humility, praise and thanksgiving. It is especially true when we approach Almighty God who is the King of the Universe. When Jesus told us to pray, 'Hallowed be thy Name', he had stressed the importance of reverence to Father God. He knew that God's people in the past had forgotten this. The word **hallow** means **to set apart as special or to be deserving** while **the opposite** would be to treat as **common or profane**.

"My Name will be great among the nations, from the rising to the setting of the sun. In every place incense and pure offerings will be brought to my Name, because my Name will be great among the nations," says the Lord Almighty.

.....'I am a great King says the Lord Almighty, and my Name is to be feared among the nations.' - Malachi 1:11, 14b

God had made a covenant of life and peace with the priest Levi.....

'This called for reverence and he revered me and stood in awe of my Name.'
- Malachi 2:5 NIV

Jesus was a man of prayer and sometimes prayed all night. He did so for two reasons:

- 1) He wanted to. Jesus loved the Father and wanted to spend time communing with Him in fellowship as he and the Father were one in spirit and mind.
- 2) He needed to.
 - a) Jesus needed refreshment from the previous day of ministry when he was teaching, preaching, healing and meeting the needs of the masses of people.
 - b) Jesus needed to listen to the Father and get instructions and insights for the coming day of ministry when he would face the attacks from evil forces and bring the supernatural realities of heaven to the lonely and the lost, to the sick and oppressed..

Jesus had a healthy **love** and **fear of the Lord**. When he prayed, he spoke to God as **Holy** Father and **Righteous** Father - John 17:11, 25. Jesus had an anointing of the Holy Spirit which included supernatural qualities like the **fear of the Lord** - Isaiah 11:1-3.

The Fear of the Lord Produces:

Hatred / the same attitude to sin as God. 'The fear of the Lord is to hate evil. Proverbs 8:13

Holiness / a deep respect and love for God's righteousness

But about the Son, God says, 'Your throne O God, will last forever and forever and righteousness will be the scepter of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness, therefore God your God has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy.' - Hebrews 1:8-9

Many people run to God in prayer when they face trials and hardships. We can be even more specific for we can run to God's name and all that it stands for.

The name of the Lord is a strong tower, the righteous run to it and are safe.
Proverbs 18:10
*Those who know your name will trust in you, for you Lord have never forsaken
those who seek you. - Psalm 9:10*

Run to the Name of God that fits your need at the moment.

LORD Provider / who 'sees before' to provide my needs. - Genesis 22:14

LORD Healer / who heals my wounds and diseases - Exodus 15:26, Isaiah 53:4

LORD Victorious Banner / who fights my battles - Exodus 17:15

LORD Sanctifier / who makes me set apart and holy - Leviticus 20:7,8; Hebrews 10:14

LORD Peace / who is peace midst my storms. - Judge 6:24, John 14:27, Psalm 29:11

LORD Shepherd / who leads and cares for me - Psalm 23, John 10

LORD Righteousness / who makes me worthy - Jeremiah 23:6, 2 Corinth. 5:21

LORD Here / who is always with me - Ezekiel 48:35, John 14:18; 16:7

LOVING Father / who accepts and loves me in all circumstances - Luke 15:20,
John 17:23

COMMANDER of the Lord's Army / who gives us victory - Joshua 5:14

I AM / *This is the name God revealed to Moses - Exodus 3:14 All of God's other names are included in the name I AM. All of God's attributes are also in Lord Jesus Christ who is I AM. - John 18:5-6. Romans soldiers fell down under the power of God when Jesus spoke the words 'I AM'. God is the only self-existent, eternal one.*

The Hebrew of 'I AM' is in the active sense and can mean: 'I will be what I will be' or 'I am that I am'. This name described God as one who would be whatever He wanted or needed to be in any situation. The actual name He then gave Moses was The LORD. In Hebrew it is YHWH or Yahweh (the Jews would not pronounce God's name out of respect) JHVH or Jehovah (this name is used in the King James Bible) JESUS shocked the Jewish religious leaders when He told them who He was.... I AM. Jesus used the same name that God had said to Moses! That meant Jesus was GOD!

In Christ all the fullness of the Godhead (Deity) lives in bodily form.
- Colossians 2:9

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