To Know Him By Name Season 2. How Involved is God?



• Daniel 4:34-37

"...I, Nebuchadnezzar, raised my eyes toward heaven and my reason returned to me, and I blessed the MOST HIGH and praised and honored Him who lives forever. For His dominion is an everlasting dominion, and His kingdom endures from generation to generation. All the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, But He does according to His will in the host of heaven and among the inhabitants of earth; And no one can ward off His hand or say to Him, 'What have You done?' At that time my reason returned to me. And my majesty and splendor were restored to me for the glory of my kingdom, and my counselors and my nobles began seeking me out; so I was reestablished in my sovereignty, and surpassing greatness was added to me. Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise, exalt and honor the King of heaven, for all His works are true and His ways just, and He is able to humble those who walk in pride.

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• <u>Genesis 24:12-14</u>

He said, "O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, please grant me success today, and show lovingkindness to my master Abraham. Behold, I am standing by the spring, and the daughters of the men of the city are coming out to draw water. Now may it be that the girl to whom I say, please let down your jar so that I may drink," and who answers, "Drink, and I will water your camels also"—may she be the one whom You have appointed for Your servant Isaac; and by this I will know that You have shown lovingkindness to my master.

• <u>Psalm 91:1</u>

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High [El Elyon]

Other Scriptures

- Matthew 1:21
- Genesis 14:17; 24:17-19
- Daniel 4:32-34
- Matthew 6:9-10
- Revelation 2:13

Main Points

- 1. Names given in the Old Testament often described a person's prophetic destiny.
- 2. The Hebrew transliteration "Yeshua" in English means Salvation.
- 3. Names in the Hebrew Bible reveal the **character**, **destiny**, **and purpose of the one that was being named**.
- 4. The Hebrew transliteration El Elyon in English means God Most High.
- 5. Your God is sovereign in your life.
- 6. At the present time, El Elyon is not exerting His sovereignty over His creation fully.
- 7. He exerts his authority when He wants to.
- 8. God is Sovereign in the earth.
- 9. God wants us to understand how close to us and how involved in our life He is.
- 10. God is sovereign not only in heaven, but He is sovereign whenever He **wants** to be in the earth.

Discussion Questions

- 1. How does Jesus (Yeshua) serve as an example of a Biblical Hebrew name speaking its prophetic destiny?
- 2. What does El Elyon mean? What does it tell us about who God is and what He is like? What synonym did Rabbi use concerning Him?
- 3. What did King Nebuchadnezzar ultimately learn when God chose to break into his life and humble him? Have you ever experienced humbling from God and what was the result? Can you now thank God for His revelation to you, though it may have been painful?
- 4. Describe God's use of His sovereignty in the here and now regarding His creation? When does God exert His authority?
- 5. Psalm 91 comforts us because it is a Psalm about El Elyon. What parts of this Psalm are like God's megaphone to you today?