

Our Father and Our God  
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By Boyd Yahn

Hello everyone, it is November the 15<sup>th</sup>, of 2023 and this is the fourth part of the Our Father and Our God series. I'd like to send out a thank you to Harold Knynsberg for the referral to a portion of a Greg Hunter weekly recap, where Greg took 15 minutes to proclaim our Father's name and show its distinction from Yeshua, the Christ, His Son. It's the last place I would have expected to see something like that. For those who are unfamiliar with Greg Hunter, he was a former reporter with some major US networks, ABC being one of them, who grew tired of being muzzled and being unable to report.

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He now has his own site, USA Watchdog. Com. Where for now he can interview who he wants to and look into things that would be considered taboo in the mainstream media. About 2/3 rds. of the way through his October the 6<sup>th</sup> 2023 news wrap of events he was seeing, specifically at the 31-minute mark, he broke into a 15-minute discourse about God's name that would have been a very worthy sermonette from any pulpit you might see in the Christian world.

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Not that it would have been necessarily seen as worthy by the listeners. I forwarded it along to a few folks, and the ones who listened to it were quite amazed by what they heard, and didn't feel it was a waste of 15-minutes of their time to have listened.

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In it, Greg showed how the Father's name had been hidden and he was visibly upset, personally, that it had been hidden from him. I will include the link in the e-mail with this study, should anyone choose to indulge themselves and have a listen, and I would encourage you to do so, because I thought it was quite amazing. And several of the folks who did take the time to listen to it, commented along a similar light.

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Recently, one of the things that has really stood out to me was the need to identify, with some level of certainty, the players in the prophetic writings of the Bible. The five "W's", the who, why, what, when and where. They haven't gone away somewhere; they just not have been used as they might have well be.

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Turn with me to Micah 1, verses 1 – 7. Where it says, in verse 1:

*<sup>1</sup>The word of (Yehovah) ...*

There's no "the" in the Hebrew, all caps, YHVH, is a name. Let's go down to verse 2.

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*<sup>2</sup>Hear, all you peoples! Listen, O earth, and all that is in it! Let the Lord God be a witness against you, The Lord from His holy temple. <sup>3</sup>For behold, Yehovah is coming out of His place; He will come down and tread on the high places of the earth. <sup>4</sup>The mountains will melt under Him, and the valleys will split like wax before the fire, like waters poured down a steep place. <sup>5</sup>All this is for the transgression of Jacob and for the sins of the house of Israel. What is the transgression of Jacob? Is it not Samaria? And what are the high places of Judah? Are they not Jerusalem? <sup>6</sup>“Therefore I will make Samaria a heap of ruins in the field, places for planting a vineyard; I will pour down her stones into the valley, and I will uncover her foundations. <sup>7</sup>All her carved images shall be beaten to pieces, and all her pay as a harlot shall be burned with the fire; all her idols I will lay desolate,*

“I” is Yehovah

*for she gathered it from the pay of a harlot, and they shall return to the pay of a harlot.”*

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Well, we see something quite similar in Zephaniah. Let’s read verses 1 – 7 of chapter 1. Again.

<sup>1</sup>The word of Yehovah ...

Whoever that is. Saying:

*<sup>2</sup>“I will utterly consume everything from the face of the land,” Says Yehovah; <sup>3</sup>“I will consume man and beast; I will consume the birds of the heavens, the fish of the sea, and the stumbling blocks along with the wicked. I will cut off man from the face of the land,” Says Yehovah. <sup>4</sup>“I will stretch out My hand against Judah, and against all the inhabitants of Jerusalem. I will cut off every trace of Baal from this place, the names of the idolatrous priests with the pagan priests— <sup>5</sup>Those who worship the host of heaven on the housetops; Those who worship and swear oaths by Yehovah, But who also swear by Milcom; <sup>6</sup>Those who have turned back from following Yehovah, and have not sought Yehovah, nor inquired of Him.” <sup>7</sup>Be silent in the presence of Lord God; For the day of Yehovah is at hand, For Yehovah has prepared a sacrifice; He has invited His guests.*

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To understand this prophesized event, let’s turn to the five “W’s”. Where? Well, we read that Jerusalem is certainly going to be a focus. What? Well, a serious house cleaning of Israel. Why? Because they are in idolatry up to their ears. Well, when? Well, it says the day of Yehovah. What does that mean? Can it be both, or either?

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Who is that? Well, what about who? LORD, all caps, the Yod Hey Vav Hey, who is that? Is it Christ? Is it the Father? "I" is one of them and it isn't, us. It is "I". To understand who is to understand the prophetic layout, wouldn't you think?

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Even Greg Hunter, who by his own admission, isn't a minister, understood that the addition of the before LORD, changed it, to title rather than a name, thereby hiding the name. In some religious circles, such passages, although prophetic, are simply avoided because of the obvious unpleasant ramifications of the portrayed events.

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It isn't that we really want to talk about, and yet it is part of the scriptures. And at the same time though some people, the same people that are uncomfortable with that, are absolutely certain, all caps, YHVH is Jesus Christ, because that's His foot that comes down upon the Mount of Olives. Okay.

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Well, my good friend Jim Rudd has a friend, an acquaintance, whose favorite expression is, "If you can't be right, at least be consistent." Well, that certainly makes a lot of sense to me. So, if we go to Zephaniah again; let's take a look at this, where if the foot of the YHVH in Zechariah 14 is Christ, then wouldn't it follow, isn't that what is taught? The Being that interacted with Israel was Christ in the Church of God circles.

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Let's go back to Micah 1 and Zephaniah 1 and let's plug in Christ. Why would that be a problem?

*<sup>1</sup>The word of (Christ) which came to Zephaniah ... <sup>2</sup>"I will utterly consume everything from the face of the land," Says (Christ); <sup>3</sup>"I will consume man and beast; I will consume the birds of the heavens, the fish of the sea, and the stumbling blocks along with the wicked. I will cut off man from the face of the land," Says (Christ). <sup>4</sup>"I will stretch out My hand against Judah, and against all the inhabitants of Jerusalem. I will cut off every trace of Baal from this place, the names of the idolatrous priests with the pagan priests—<sup>5</sup>Those who worship the host of heaven on the housetops; Those who worship and swear oaths by (Christ), But who also swear by Milcom; <sup>6</sup>Those who have turned back from following (Christ), and have not sought (Christ), nor inquired of Him." <sup>7</sup>Be silent in the presence of (Christ); For the day of (Christ) is at hand, For (Christ) has prepared a sacrifice; He has invited His guests.*

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So there, we've simply inserted into the text what is understood or taught and run with it and, you know, begin to fit the pieces into place, best we can, so that they all match up, simply all make sense.

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So, we can do exactly the same thing in Micah 1.

*<sup>1</sup>The word of (Christ) that came to Micah ... <sup>2</sup>Hear, all you peoples! Listen, O earth, and all that is in it! Let (Christ) be a witness against you, (Christ) from His holy temple. <sup>3</sup>For behold, (Christ) is coming out of His place; He will come down and tread on the high places of the earth. <sup>4</sup>The mountains will melt under Him, and the valleys will split like wax before the fire, like waters poured down a steep place. <sup>5</sup>All this is for the transgression of Jacob and for the sins of the house of Israel. What is the transgression of Jacob? Is it not Samaria? And what are the high places of Judah? Are they not Jerusalem? <sup>6</sup>“Therefore I (Christ) will make Samaria a heap of ruins in the field, places for planting a vineyard; I will pour down her stones into the valley, and I will uncover her foundations. <sup>7</sup>All her carved images shall be beaten to pieces, and all her pay as a harlot shall be burned with the fire; all her idols I will lay desolate, for she gathered it from the pay of a harlot, and they shall return to the pay of a harlot.”*

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Well, LORD there, when we insert Christ, doesn't match real well with the Jesus that is preached in the Christian world; who would seem to have a far different demeanor, and would never do any of those kinds of things. There is a bit of a disconnect there. Again, if you can't be right, at least be consistent.

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In the COG (Church of God) circle it must certainly be Christ because He was the LORD that interacted with Israel, the YHVH. The Father is off somewhere, not to return until the thousand-year reign of Christ, the YHVH, is over. Which purportedly begins after the return in Zechariah 14 and the rumble that follows it.

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That of course is commensurate with the first resurrection and the saints return with Christ to establish the kingdom and start the millennium. Well, okay then, let's use that mantra, that LORD of the Old Testament was Christ and let's take a look at a few more events to see how that looks.

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So, we've read Micah 1 and Zephaniah 1, let's go into the little book of Amos, the little book of Amos and we'll take a look at verses 2 – 5 and inserting what is, in fact, taught. So, let's look at verse 2 (Chapter 1).

*<sup>2</sup>... "(Christ) roars from Zion, and utters His voice from Jerusalem; the pastures of the shepherds mourn, and the top of Carmel withers." <sup>3</sup>Thus says (Christ): "For three transgressions of Damascus, and for four, I will not turn away its punishment, because they have threshed Gilead with implements of iron. <sup>4</sup>But I will send a fire into the house of Hazael, which shall devour the palaces of Ben-Hadad. <sup>5</sup>I will also break the gate bar of Damascus, and cut off the inhabitant from the Valley of Aven, and the one who holds the scepter from Beth Eden. The people of Syria shall go captive to Kir," Says (Christ).*

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*<sup>6</sup>Thus says (Christ): "For three transgressions of Gaza, and for four, I will not turn away its punishment, because they took captive the whole captivity to deliver them up to Edom. <sup>7</sup>But I will send a fire upon the wall of Gaza, which shall devour its palaces. <sup>8</sup>I will cut off the inhabitant from Ashdod, and the one who holds the scepter from Ashkelon; I will turn My hand*

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That would be Christ.

*against Ekron, and the remnant of the Philistines shall perish," Says (Christ).*

Let's go down to verse 11.

*<sup>11</sup>Thus says (Christ): "For three transgressions of Edom, and for four, I will not turn away its punishment, because he pursued his brother with the sword, and cast off all pity; His anger tore perpetually, and he kept his wrath forever. <sup>12</sup>But I will send a fire upon Teman, which shall devour the palaces of Bozrah."*

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And all of those activities would in fact be Christ; the Father doesn't show up until a thousand-years after, so, it just simply has to be. Let's go on to Isaiah 63, verses 1 - 6.

*Who is this who comes from Edom, <sup>1</sup> With dyed garments from Bozrah,*

And we just read about that.

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*this One who is glorious in His apparel, traveling in the greatness of His strength? — “I who speak in righteousness, mighty to save.”<sup>2</sup> Why is Your apparel red, and Your garments like one who treads in the winepress?<sup>3</sup> I have trodden the winepress alone, and from the peoples no one was with Me. For I have trodden them in My anger, and trampled them in My fury; their blood is sprinkled upon My garments, and I have stained all My robes.<sup>4</sup> For the day of vengeance is in My heart, and the year of My redeemed has come.<sup>5</sup> I looked, but there was no one to help, and I wondered that there was no one to uphold; therefore, My own arm brought salvation for Me; and My own fury, it sustained Me.*

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This has to be Christ.

*<sup>6</sup>I have trodden down the peoples in My anger, made them drunk in My fury, and brought down their strength to the earth.”*

Well, let's go on into the little book of Habakkuk; and we'll go into Habakkuk 3, Habakkuk 3. We want to be consistent with what is being taught. Let's pick it up in verse 8.

*<sup>8</sup>(Christ), were You displeased with the rivers, Was Your anger against the rivers, Was Your wrath against the sea, That You rode on Your horses, Your chariots of salvation?<sup>9</sup> Your bow was made quite ready; Oaths were sworn over Your arrows. Selah You divided the earth with rivers.<sup>10</sup> The mountains saw You and trembled; The overflowing of the water passed by. The deep uttered its voice, and lifted its hands on high.<sup>11</sup> The sun and moon stood still in their habitation; At the light of Your arrows they went, At the shining of Your glittering spear.<sup>12</sup> You marched through the land in indignation; You trampled the nations in anger.<sup>13</sup> You went forth for the salvation of Your people, For salvation (Oops) with Your Anointed.*

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Who's Christ's Anointed?

*You struck the head from the house of the wicked, by laying bare from foundation to neck.*

If we are going to be consistent in our application of Christ to those situations, it has to make sense, it needs to fit. If we go to Psalm 2, there is a very interesting passage there. And about this time, you should be noticing as we walk through these various events, that the wheels start to fall off the canoe.

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If we go to Psalm 2.

*<sup>1</sup> Why do the nations rage and the people plot a vain thing? <sup>2</sup>The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against (Christ) and against His Anointed (Also Christ), saying, <sup>3</sup>“Let us break their bonds in pieces and cast away their cords from us.” <sup>4</sup>He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; (Christ) shall hold them in derision. <sup>5</sup>Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, and distress them in His deep displeasure: <sup>6</sup>“Yet I (Christ) have set My King (Christ) on My holy hill of Zion.” <sup>7</sup>“I will declare the decree: (Christ) has said to Me, ‘You are My Son,*

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So, Christ talking to Christ.

*today I have begotten You. <sup>8</sup>Ask of Me, and I will give You the nations for Your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for Your possession. <sup>9</sup>You shall break them with a rod of iron; You shall dash them to pieces like a potter’s vessel.” <sup>10</sup>Now therefore, be wise, O kings; Be instructed, you judges of the earth. <sup>11</sup>Serve (Christ) with fear, and rejoice with trembling. <sup>12</sup>Kiss the Son, (Also Christ) lest He be angry, and you perish in the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.*

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Just plug in Christ for LORD, because the Father isn’t returning for a thousand-years, as per the prophetic understanding, and I use that term very loosely. Do so for all the featured events in prophecy and the picture should be clear, shouldn’t it?

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If LORD happens to be the Father’s name, then He’s returning to set up the thousand-years by making Christ’s enemies His footstool, isn’t He? Does it matter who, L O R D is? Is it important that we know our Father’s name or that He even has one.

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As Greg (Hunter) pointed out in the model prayer of Psalm 23, of His Father, hallowed be Thy name. Well, what is that? Or is that just not important to either our Father or His Son?

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We’re in Psalms, so let’s go to Psalm 22; Psalm 22, while I’m getting there, in I Peter 1, verses 10 and 11 tells us that the spirit of Christ was in the prophets and that the spirit

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of Christ would prophesy or did prophesy about the suffering He would actually go through.

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Well, lets take a look at Psalm 22 and see if we can figure out who is speaking through David and who ultimately, He's addressing and what He is actually going to do. Let's see if we get some insight.

*<sup>1</sup> My God, my God, why have You forsaken Me?*

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Well, now that's interesting, because Christ quoted that very thing in Matthew 27, verse 46 and Mark 15, verse 34. So, if Christ is the God of the Old Testament, why have you forsaken me, why have your forsaken myself, that should be problematic, I would think.

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*Why are You so far from helping me, and from the words of my groaning? <sup>2</sup>O my God,*

Who did Christ say His God was, as we get this back into focus?

*I cry in the daytime, but You do not hear; and in the night season, and am not silent. <sup>3</sup>But You are holy, enthroned in the praises of Israel. <sup>4</sup>Our fathers trusted in You;*

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This is the Son; this is Christ speaking through David. And notice His attitude, and who the You is.

*(Our Fathers) trusted, and You delivered them. <sup>5</sup>They cried to You,*

Who is You?

*and were delivered; they trusted in You, and were not ashamed. <sup>6</sup>But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised by the people. <sup>7</sup>All those who see me (Christ) ridicule me; they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, saying, <sup>8</sup>"He trusted in Yehovah, let Him rescue him; let Him deliver him, since he delights in Him!" <sup>9</sup>But You are He who took me out of the womb;*

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Did Christ understand how this went down?



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*You made me trust while on my mother's breasts. <sup>10</sup>I was cast upon You from birth. From my mother's womb You have been my God.*

Did Christ not say that He had a God?

*<sup>11</sup>Be not far from me, for trouble is near; for there is none to help. <sup>12</sup>Many bulls have surrounded me; strong bulls of Bashan have encircled me. <sup>13</sup>They gape at me with their mouths, like a raging and roaring lion. <sup>14</sup>I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it has melted within me,*

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Did Christ know what He was going to go through? Is it obvious to us that this is the Spirit of Christ speaking through David? And David was a prophet.

*<sup>15</sup>My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue clings to my jaws; You (The Father) have brought me (Christ) to the dust of death. <sup>16</sup>For dogs have surrounded me; the congregation of the wicked has enclosed me. They pierced my hands and my feet; <sup>17</sup>I can count all my bones. They look and stare at me.*

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Is "me" not Christ; did He not know exactly what He was going to go through?

*<sup>18</sup>They divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots. <sup>19</sup>But You, O Yehovah, do not be far from me; O my Strength, hasten to help me! <sup>20</sup>Deliver me from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dog. <sup>21</sup>Save me from the lion's mouth and from the horns of the wild oxen! You have answered me.*

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He has gone through His trials, described what He would go through; He knew what He was going to go through, for He talked about it. And what's He going to do then?

*<sup>22</sup>I will declare Your name to my brethren;*

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Christ defined His brethren as those who do the will of their Father. His Father and our Father.

*in the midst of the assembly, I will praise You. <sup>23</sup>You who fear Yehovah, praise Him! All you descendants of Jacob, glorify Him, and fear Him, all you offspring of Israel! <sup>24</sup>For He has not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; nor*

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*has He hidden His face from him; but when He cried to Him, He heard. <sup>25</sup>My praise shall be of You in the great assembly; I will pay my vows before those who fear Him <sup>26</sup>The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek Him will praise Yehovah. Let your heart live forever! <sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to Yehovah, and all the families of the nations shall worship before You.*

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Christ is prophesying here, what's going to happen.

*<sup>28</sup>For the kingdom is Yehovah's, and He rules over the nations. <sup>29</sup>All the prosperous of the earth shall eat and worship; all those who go down to the dust shall bow before Him,*

They will be resurrected to do that.

*even he who cannot keep himself alive. <sup>30</sup>A posterity shall serve him. It will be recounted of the Lord to the next generation, <sup>31</sup>they will come and declare his righteousness to a people who will be born, that He has done this.*

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Those who read that, do note Christ's attitude toward His Father? If we, the ecclesia, are to be Sons, might a similar attitude be appropriate? If Christ knew His Father's name, and declared it to His brethren, exactly why is it that some don't know what that is? Did He declare it to his brethren, or did He not? How does that work?

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Well, let's take a look at Hebrews 2; Hebrews 2 and we will take a look at verses 10 – 13 of Hebrews 2. Hebrews 2 and verses 10 – 13.

*<sup>10</sup>For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things (Christ) and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. <sup>11</sup>For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one,*

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We are all going to be Sons of God.

*for which reason He (Christ) is not ashamed to call them brethren, <sup>12</sup>saying: "I will declare Your name to My brethren; in the midst of the assembly, I will sing praise to You." <sup>13</sup>And again: "I will put My trust in Him." And again: "Here am I and the children whom (Our Father) has given Me."*

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Well, sounds like He did. Well, let's look a little further in Matthew 22; Matthew 22 and let's look at verse 37. Jesus, in response to a question from a lawyer said:

*<sup>37</sup>... "You shall love (Yehovah) your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.'*

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Did He declare His Father's name? Ah, just across the page, Matthew 23 and verse 39.

*<sup>39</sup>for I say to you, (Christ speaking) you shall see Me no more till you say, 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of (Yehovah).'*

Well, let's go to Mark 12; Mark 12 and we'll read verses 29 and 30. Christ speaking:

*<sup>29</sup>... "The first of all the commandments is: 'Hear, O Israel, (Yehovah) our God, (Yehovah) is one.*

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There is one Yehovah.

*<sup>30</sup>And you shall love (Yehovah) your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment.*

Did Christ declare His Father's name to His brethren?

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Even in the temptation of Christ by Satan, His Father's name was used. If we go to Luke 4; Luke 4, let's go to verse 8. In the battle:

*<sup>8</sup>... Jesus answered and said to him, "Get behind Me, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship (Yehovah) your God, and Him only you shall serve.' "*

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If we go down to verse 18, Christ speaking here.

*<sup>18</sup>"The Spirit of (Yehovah) is upon Me, because He (Yehovah) has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed; <sup>19</sup>to proclaim the acceptable year of Yehovah."*

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Going on in verse 21.

*<sup>21</sup> ... "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."*

Did Christ proclaim the Father's name, just as He said He would in Psalm 22? Was Christ's proclamation reliable? Did He know what He was talking about? We know what Christ said about His Father and His name and you can look for other examples in your own study. This is not meant to be comprehensive at all, it's meant to kick-start your own investigation into this.

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One of the scriptures that has become a memory scripture for me is Psalm 83, verse 18. David speaking, I guess this is a Psalm of Asaph, he knew, verse 16 of Psalm 83.

*<sup>16</sup>Fill their faces with shame that they may seek Your name, O Yehovah. <sup>17</sup>Let them be confounded and dismayed forever; yes, let them be put to shame and perish, <sup>18</sup>that they may know that You, whose name alone is Yehovah, are the Most High over all the earth.*

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So, Asaph absolutely knew that the name Yehovah belonged to the Father exclusively. Well, did Moses know that? Can we look to Moses to see whether he had it figured out and what he actually taught? Let's go to Deuteronomy 32 and verses 1 – 3.

*<sup>1</sup>"Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth. <sup>2</sup>Let my teaching drop as the rain, my speech distill as the dew, as raindrops on the tender herb, and as showers on the grass. <sup>3</sup>For I proclaim the name of Yehovah: ascribe greatness to our God.*

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So, Asaph knew; Moses certainly knew, as we go down this investigation. And something that just came on the radar screen for me recently, again, we see these things and somehow the light just doesn't come on and I guess it was maybe not meant to until now. I'm really not sure how that all works itself out.

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But let's look at Exodus 33, verse 19. I'll read it in the New King James, but it is not as clear here as it might be. Moses had asked Yehovah to show him His glory.

*<sup>19</sup>Then He said, "I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of Yehovah before you.*

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In the NIV it says:

*And Yehovah said, I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim My name, Yehovah, in your presence.*

And you can go to Bible Hub, I suggest you do, and read all the various renditions of that passage in the translations, because it makes it very clear.

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In the New Living it says:

*Yehovah replied, I will make all my goodness pass before you and I will call out My name, Yehovah, before you.*

In the NLT it says Yahweh, pick the one your own research says is most appropriate.

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Why would this Being call out His name if it wasn't important to Him, that Moses would be certain who that is? Let's go across the page to Exodus 34, verses 5 – 6.

*<sup>5</sup>Now Yehovah descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of Yehovah.*

Why would He do that if that wasn't a thing?

*<sup>6</sup>And Yehovah passed before him and proclaimed, "Yehovah, Yehovah Elohim, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abounding in goodness and truth,*

Well, was it important to Yehovah that His name be out there? What do you think?

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We'll go to Isaiah 42 and we will read verse 8.

*<sup>8</sup>I am Yehovah, that is My name; and My glory I will not give to another, nor My praise to carved images.*

If we go back to Exodus, and we'll look at Exodus 3. Exodus 3 and verse 15.

*<sup>15</sup>Moreover God said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: 'Yehovah Elohim of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial to all generations.'*

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Do you think it was important? Is God's word reliable? You know, we've wondered, is Christ's word reliable? Well, what about Yehovah's word, is that reliable? For He has set forth His name. And you notice in the passage in Exodus 3 the He is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and does that not tie in nicely to Acts 3:13 and Acts 5:30, where it simply says:

*<sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified His Servant Jesus,*

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Can it be possibly any more clear? Not sure. Let's go to Jeremiah; let's go to Jeremiah 7. Jeremiah 7, and we will read verses 21 – 30. Jeremiah 7, why is it when you are trying to get some place in a hurry, it just never seems to happen. Let's read it here, verses 21 – 30.

*<sup>21</sup>Thus says Yehovah of hosts, the God of Israel: "Add your burnt offerings to your sacrifices and eat meat. <sup>22</sup>For I did not speak to your fathers, or command them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices. <sup>23</sup>But this is what I commanded them, saying, 'Obey My voice, and I will be your God,*

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And who did Christ make clear that God was His God and also our God.

*and you shall be My people. And walk in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well with you.' <sup>24</sup>Yet they did not obey or incline their ear, but followed the counsels and the dictates of their evil hearts, and went backward and not forward. <sup>25</sup>Since the day that your fathers came out of the land of Egypt until this day, I have even sent to you all My servants the prophets, daily rising up early and sending them. <sup>26</sup>Yet they did not obey Me or incline their ear, but stiffened their neck. They did worse than their fathers. <sup>27</sup>"Therefore you shall speak all these words to them, but they will not obey you. You shall also call to them, but they will not answer you. <sup>28</sup>"So you shall say to them, 'This is a nation that does not obey the voice of Yehovah their God nor receive correction. Truth has perished and has been cut off from their mouth. <sup>29</sup>Cut off your hair and cast it away, and take up a lamentation on the desolate heights; for Yehovah has rejected and forsaken the generation of His wrath.' <sup>30</sup>For the children of Judah have done evil in My sight," says Yehovah. "They have set their abominations in the house which is called by My name,*

Did Christ not say, It was His Father's house?

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*to pollute it.*

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Well, how about Jeremiah 16; Jeremiah 16, verses 14 – 21.

*<sup>14</sup> “Therefore behold, the days are coming,” says Yehovah, “that it shall no more be said, ‘Yehovah lives who brought up the children of Israel from the land of Egypt,’ <sup>15</sup>but, ‘Yehovah lives who brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north and from all the lands where He had driven them.’ For I will bring them back into their land which I gave to their fathers.*

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All of a sudden it becomes very important to understand who Yehovah is, for it changes the entire prophetic outlook.

*<sup>16</sup> “Behold, I will send for many fishermen,” says Yehovah, “and they shall fish them; and afterward I will send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain and every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks. <sup>17</sup>For My eyes are on all their ways; they are not hidden from My face, nor is their iniquity hidden from My eyes. <sup>18</sup>And first I will repay double for their iniquity and their sin, because they have defiled My land; they have filled My inheritance with the carcasses of their detestable and abominable idols.”*

0:39:23

Did we not read in Micah and Zephaniah that there would be a day of recompence?

*<sup>19</sup>O Yehovah, my strength and my fortress, my refuge in the day of affliction, the Gentiles shall come to You from the ends of the earth and say, “Surely our fathers have inherited lies, worthlessness and unprofitable things.” <sup>20</sup>Will a man make gods for himself, which are not gods? <sup>21</sup>“Therefore behold, I will this once cause them to know, I will cause them to know My hand and My might; and they shall know that My name is Yehovah.*

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Jeremiah 34; Jeremiah 34. Is it important that folks understand who or what God meant, actually is. We read what God says, what Yehovah says. Jeremiah 34, verses 15 -18.

*<sup>15</sup>Then you recently turned and did what was right in My sight—every man proclaiming liberty to his neighbor; and you made a covenant before Me in the house which is called by My name.*

Who are we supposed to be in covenant with?

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*<sup>16</sup>Then you turned around and profaned My name, and every one of you brought back his male and female slaves, whom you had set at liberty, at their pleasure, and brought them back into subjection, to be your male and female slaves.'*

*<sup>17</sup>"Therefore thus says Yehovah: 'You have not obeyed Me in proclaiming liberty, everyone to his brother and every one to his neighbor. Behold, I proclaim liberty to you,' says Yehovah—to the sword, to pestilence, and to famine! And I will deliver you to trouble among all the kingdoms of the earth. <sup>18</sup>And I will give the men who have transgressed My covenant, who have not performed the words of the covenant which they made before Me, when they cut the calf in two and passed between the parts of it—*

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Notice, they had profaned His name. Does God, put quite a bit of weight on the importance of His name? Can we believe Him when we read these various scriptures? How about Isaiah 52, verses 5 and 6?

*<sup>5</sup>Now therefore, what have I here," says Yehovah, "That My people are taken away for nothing? Those who rule over them make them wail," says Yehovah, "And My name is blasphemed continually every day. <sup>6</sup>Therefore My people shall know My name; therefore, they shall know in that day that I am He who speaks: 'Behold, it is I.'"*

0:42:12

You have to wonder, the way the Christian world today is, if God doesn't feel like the Rodney Dangerfield of His day, just doesn't get any respect. Do you think it's likely team dark has gone to some length to hide God's name? Would team dark use false doctrine to hide the Father's name?

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If he's the god of this world, would he want the competition of knowing what the true God's name actually is? Do you think it's important? In the book of Ezekiel, 63 times by my count, the phrase, "then they shall know that I am Yehovah" 63 times. Is it important to Him that they do? It would be very hard to argue that it is not important to Him.

0:43:24

If we go to the little book of Joel, if I can find it, always have trouble finding that one for some reason. And we will go to Joel 2; Joel 2, and verses 28 – 32. Ah, there we go. Joel 2, and verses 28 – 32, speaking of a time down the road.

*<sup>28</sup>"And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit*

It is Christ who the spirit is poured through, it is the Father that pours out His spirit.



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*... your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. <sup>29</sup>And also on My menservants and on My maid servants I will pour out My Spirit in those days. <sup>30</sup>“And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: blood and fire and pillars of smoke. <sup>31</sup>The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of Yehovah.*

0:44:26

Well, we see a tie-in here

*<sup>32</sup>And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of Yehovah*

Might be a decent time to know what that name is.

*shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, as Yehovah has said, among the remnant whom Yehovah calls.*

Anybody in the Church of God would understand, that it is God the Father that actually calls.

0:44:56

Well, what about Malachi 1:11? Malachi 1:11, what have we got there? Can we see another reference? Malachi 1:11.

*<sup>11</sup> For from the rising of the sun, even to its going down, My name shall be great among the Gentiles; in every place incense shall be offered to My name, and a pure offering; for My name shall be great among the nations,” Says Yehovah of hosts.*

Do we actually believe God when He says these things?

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I'd like to finish up in Isaiah 42. We've used that a bit lately, but let's just go there. Yehovah speaking:

*<sup>1</sup> “Behold! My Servant whom I uphold, My Elect One in whom My soul delights!*

In Yehovah's eyes, Christ is His servant. Well, isn't that interesting?

*I have put My Spirit upon Him;*

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He thinks like God. And notice the Father has complete confidence in Him. How do you square a servant with a Binity; co-equal, co-eternal? And notice what the Father says about him.

*He will bring forth justice to the Gentiles.*

0:46:36

He knew exactly, the Father knew exactly what His Son would do.

*<sup>2</sup>He will not cry out, nor raise His voice, nor cause His voice to be heard in the street. <sup>3</sup>A bruised reed He will not break, and smoking flax He will not quench; He will bring forth justice for truth.*

Total confidence in Him; His servant.

*<sup>4</sup>He will not fail nor be discouraged, till He has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands shall wait for His law."*

*<sup>5</sup>Thus says God Yehovah, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread forth the earth and that which comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it, and spirit to those who walk on it:*

0:47:16

He was the Creator; He is the Creator. We looked at that.

*<sup>6</sup>"I, Yehovah, have called You in righteousness, and will hold Your hand; I will keep You and give You as a covenant to the people, as a light to the Gentiles, <sup>7</sup>to open blind eyes, to bring out prisoners from the prison, those who sit in darkness from the prison house. <sup>8</sup>I am Yehovah, that is My name; and My glory I will not give to another, nor My praise to carved images.*

0:47:49

Can we see this clear distinction between God's Servant, who is also a God, an Elohim, and the Father Himself; can we see that? It becomes very important that we do if we are going to try and understand prophecy.

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When you do your own studies, both Christ and the Father, when they are mentioned in the same text, as we see in Isaiah 42, it is very helpful and leaves us with no doubt, if we feel our Father's testimony is reliable.

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When we know our Father's name, much of the Old Testament will come alive in ways we've not seen before and the meaning of the Holy Days will actually come into view. Passages like Revelation 11:15 – 18 will no longer be a mystery if we know our Father's name.

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You and I might try this, address our Father by His name, whatever your research convicts you of, Yahweh, Yehovah, Jehovah and ask Him to show you if it is His wish, you do so. My guess is that would be a prayer that He would be very happy to answer for you.