

Traditions of Men

The teachings of uninspired men say that it doesn't matter what we call Him, or that He really doesn't care. But where are such statements found in the Bible? It is also said that His name is too sacred to be spoken, but once again, can we find such a sentence in Scripture? Don't you think that if Yahweh inspired his name to be in the Bible thousands of times, He doesn't appreciate those who would seek to delete His name from this same Bible? As one man put it to me, "Every book you read reveals the name of the author. However, the name of the author of the most important book in the world has been removed." Why not seek to restore his name, and truly begin to *know Him*. He is your Creator, and desires for you to honor Him by name.

Bible translations have begun to restore His name!

Bible translations such as the *Jerusalem Bible*, *Rotherham Emphasized Bible*, and the *Holman Christian Standard Bible*, have begun to restore the Sacred Name into the text of Scripture. These Bibles can be obtained at your local Christian Bookstore. Yahweh has promised that the nations and His people would know His name (Jeremiah 16:19-21; Isaiah 52:6), and you can trust that Yahweh will keep His promises! For more detailed information contact us at:

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Do You
Know Him?



Learning the Name of
our Heavenly Father

The Sacred Name: Yahweh



Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. [Matthew 6:9]

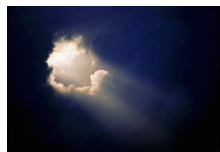
How well do you know your heavenly Father? The Father of creation, the one who formed man from the dust of the earth, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life? Many today know Him as “God” or “the Lord,” but is knowing Him in this manner truly knowing Him?

We meet people all the time, whether at work, the local bank, or even shopping at the grocery store. The first statement people make when introducing themselves most always includes their proper name. This is because names distinguish us as individuals. We refer to people by name, because it shows respect to them, and encourages them as a unique person. Often, while in department stores, I see people pleasantly surprised when I call them by the name placed upon their name tag.

I reason to myself, “Well, if they are wearing a name tag, it must be there for me to look upon it, and call them by name.” As simple as this sounds, people seem to be shocked, yet encouraged, when you call them by their name. It makes them feel special, unique, and a smile upon their face is what usually follows, even if they were having a bad day before.

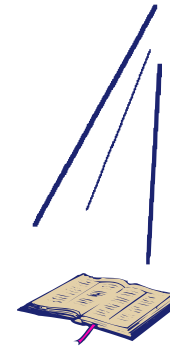
Knowing Him by Name

The author of the Bible also has a proper name that distinguishes Him from all other false gods and idols. This name is found almost 7,000 times in the original text of the Bible. It consists of four letters—YHWH—and is most likely pronounced Yahweh. We find this name in its short, poetic form in the praise “Hallelujah,” meaning, praise ye Yah. We also find this name in the names of people in Scripture, such as **Isaiah**, or **Jeremiah**. Many study Bibles, as well as encyclope-



I am Yahweh, that is my name. [Isaiah 42:8]

dia’s and dictionaries testify that this name (Yahweh) is the original, personal, proper name of the heavenly



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Father. Everywhere you find the words LORD and GOD in your Bible, the hallowed name, Yahweh, originally appeared. Why then has this name been removed from the Scriptures? It is most definitely not because of what

Scripture itself teaches. Psalm 105:1 tells us to give thanks unto Yahweh and call upon His name. We even find the Messiah praying in Matthew 6:9 that the Father’s name is to be hallowed, that is, set apart as holy. The prophet Joel (Joel 2:32) pronounced that whoever calls upon the name of Yahweh, will be delivered. And the Father Himself told Moses (Exodus 3:15) that Yahweh was His name forever, and his memorial to all generations. These Bible verses, among many others, teach us that *we should* use the name of Yahweh. With verses as these, one may wonder why anyone would not desire to use the name of our heavenly Father. Calling Him by name, means we really do know Him, for we know Him by His name.