



Nature Of God (Wed) – 2

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INTRODUCTION

- We can know we have a creator just by looking at the things that are made, Romans chapter 1 and verse 20.
- To know much about him as a person, we could not know unless he reveals himself to us.

1 Bible Names Are Very Important

Genesis 2; Micah 7:18

- The significance of a lot of the names in the Bible is that they were designed to help shape your future.
- Whenever you see the I-A-H ending on a biblical name, that's always a reference to Jehovah.
- E. L or I E L on the end of the name always refers to God.
- Melchizedek was the king of righteousness. Not named by accident, I would suggest. And thus is a type of Christ.

2 Holy and Awesome Is His Name

Philippians 2; Matthew 23:9

- He has sent redemption to his people. He has ordained his holy covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name.
- In the scripture, names are not so much used as titles by which to address somebody, but an explanation of their nature.
- That's not a specific title that verse is talking about when it says at the name of Jesus. It's all that he is.
- Do not call anyone on earth father. For one is your father who is in heaven, and do not be called leaders, for one is your leader that is Christ.

3 Elohim: God's Power in Creation

Genesis 1:26; 2 Corinthians 13:14; 1 Corinthians 12

- When you see the word God in the Old Testament, it is often Elohim.
- God said, Let us make man in our image. He did not say, Let me make man in my image.
- There is one God kind. And they all work in concert.
- The emphasis on one true God is not talking about how many persons are represented by this one God, but is setting the nature of the true God in contrast to all the false gods that people believed.

4 Yahweh: I Am Who I Am

- When they were reading Scripture, and they came across the tetragram, as it's called, these four letters. They would insert Adonai.
- And while they went too far, our culture has gone way too far the other way.
- Invoking the name of God is commonplace in our culture. It is irreverent.
- I am who I am. He always has been, the eternally existent one, certainly without rival.

5 Adonai, Lord or Master

Luke 6:46; 2 Chronicles 14:11

- Common term for Lord or master. It's not exclusively used of God.
- In the case of God, it reminds us of our need to submit to him as our Lord.
- Why call you me Lord, and do not do the things which I say.
- Lord, there is no one besides thee to help in the battle between the powerful and those who have no strength. So help us, O Lord our God.

6 These Same Terms Are Used in Reference to Jesus

Hebrews 1:8–10; John 8:58–59

- Thy throne, O God, is forever and ever, and the righteous scepter is the scepter of his kingdom.
- Thou, Lord, in the beginning didst lay the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the works of thy hands.
- Before Abraham was, I am. That only works grammatically if you're Jehovah.
- Because they picked up stones. In John 8 and verse 59. They knew exactly what he was claiming.

THE CHALLENGE

I guess I'm asking you, how big is your conception of God?

MY NOTES