

ADONAI • JEHOVAH RAPHA • JEHOVAH ROI • ELOHIM • EL SHALOM • JEHOVAH JIREH • EL CANA • JEHOVAH R • ADONAI • TOGETHER • JEHOVAH ELOHIM • EL SHADDAI • JEHOVAH

Intimate Knowledge

• JEHOVAH JIREH • EL CANA • JEHOVAH

GOD ALMIGHTY

The God of the impossible

Genesis 17:1-8

“In the beginning, GOD!”

Today, “In the beginning, ME.”

The greatest idol is SELF

ADONAI • JEHOVAH RAPHA • JEHOVAH ROI • ELOHIM • EL SHALOM • JEHOVAH JIREH • **DISCOVERING** • EL CANA • **GOD** • JEHOVAH R • **TOGETHER** • JEHOVAH • ELOHIM • EL SHADDAI • JEHOVAH

“The fool has said in his heart, there is no God.”

• JEHOVAH JIREH • EL CANA • JEHOVAH

Shut up to revelation:

I. General revelation:

1. Creation – nature

2. Conscience – God’s laws written in our hearts

II. Specific revelation:

3. Christ – “He who has seen Me has seen the Father”

4. Scripture – God’s Word

How God reveals Himself to us in Scripture

I. Through direct statements

II. Through His works, His creation

III. Through His dealings with people

IV. Through His names

3 MAIN NAMES:

I. Elohim....God

II. Adonai....Lord

III. JHWH = JAHWEH = Jehovah....LORD

COMPOUND NAMES FOR GOD

I. EL-ELYON... God, The Most High

II. EL-SHADDAI... God, The Almighty

III. EL-OLAM... God, The Everlasting

El Shaddai – Almighty GOD

- The all powerful God, Isaiah 40:12, 15, 17-18, 21-26,
page 512**
- A God of infinite power**
- The God of the impossible, the story of the Bible**

Gen.17, Why God Almighty?

Some “ridiculous” statements:

- 1. vs.4, Father of many nations**
- 2. vs.5, Abram = high father, exalted father**
- 3. vs.5, Abraham = father of a multitude of nations**
- 4. vs.6, Kings will come from you**
- 5. vs.15,16, Sarai = Sarah will bear a son**
- 6. vs.16, She will be the mother of nations, kings of peoples will come from her**
- 7. vs.20, Ishmael, a father of 12 rulers, make him a great nation.**

God's plans, "I will", 16x in 22 verses

I. Vs.3, "As for Me....."

II. Vs.9, "As for you....."

III. Vs.15, "As for Sarai....."

IV. Vs.20, "As for Ishmael....."

'I will bless.....!'

Isn't that what we all want?

Man's requirement: Obedience

We all want freedom, but true freedom is obeying God.

That's what Adam and Eve lost in Eden!

Obedience opens God's gates of blessing.

God's plans:

I. Vs.3, "As for Me....."

II. Vs.9, "As for you....."

III. Vs.15, "As for Sarai....."

IV. Vs.20, "As for Ishmael....."

"As for you.....?"

So what did we discover about God?

- 1. He is Almighty**
- 2. He is Awesome**
- 3. He is Sovereign**
- 4. He has His plans, for you and me too!**
- 5. He has a tremendous desire to bless**
- 6. Obeying Him brings the greatest blessing**

So, what's it going to be?

“In the beginning” the Almighty and Awesome GOD?

or

“In the beginning” tiny little ME?

Who is going to have the pre-eminence, first place?

‘I am the God of the impossible.’

Adam = a world cursed

Abraham = a world blessed

You and me = a world.....?

“I am God Almighty, walk before Me and be blameless.”

And you will be blessed and you will be a blessing!