

# One God Father Jehovah

## What is the name of God?

Of course, we know that the name of God is Jehovah (or Yahweh), consonant abbreviated as YHWH. Here, however, I look at what names God is called and also how the names of God and Jesus differ and how they may become confused. Both are called, for example, 'Lord'.

The name of God is holy and therefore it must not be pronounced in vain. One of the ten commandments says: **"Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain."** (KJV). Since ancient times, the Jews have taken this command so seriously that they have not uttered the name of God, but have referred to God using the word Adonai. **Jesus is never called as Adonai, but he is Adoni.**

Both God the Father and Jesus Christ God the Son of God, are called Lord. Only God the Father is called the Most High or Almighty God and Lord God. Jesus Christ, our Lord, is the Son of God or Son of the Most High. There are many examples in the Bible:

The Gospel of Luke:

1:21 He will be great and will be called the **Son of the Most High**, and the Lord God will give him the throne of his forefather David.

1:35 And answering, the angel said to her, The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and **the power of the Most High will overshadow you**, and for this reason that Holy *One* being born of you will be called Son of God.

1:76 And you, child, will be called a prophet of the Most

High. For you will go ahead of the Lord to prepare his ways.

6:35 But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be much; and **you will be sons of the Most High**, for He is kind to the unthankful and evil ones.

8:28 When he saw Jesus, he screamed, fell down in front of him, and said in a loud voice, "What do you want from me, **Jesus, Son of the Most High God?** I beg you not to torture me!"

Acts:

7:48 However, **the Most High** does not live in buildings made by human hands. As the prophet says,

16:17 ... These men are slaves of **the Most High God**, who are announcing to us a way of salvation!

Hebrews:

7:1 Now this man Melchizedek, king of Salem and priest of the **Most High God**, met Abraham and blessed him when he was returning from slaughtering the kings.

2 Corinthians:

6:18 I will be your Father, and you will be my sons and daughters, "declares the **Lord Almighty**.

Revelation:

1:8 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the Ending, says the **Lord**, the One who is, and who was, and who is coming, the **Almighty**.

4:8 Each of the four living creatures had six wings and were full of eyes inside and out. Without stopping day or night they were singing, "**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God was, who is, and who is coming.**"

11:17 They said, "We give thanks to you, **Lord God Almighty**, who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and have begun to rule.

15:3 They sang the song of God's servant Moses and the song of the lamb: "Your deeds are spectacular and amazing, Lord God Almighty. Your ways are just and true, King of the nations [of the ages].

16:7 Then I heard the altar reply, "Yes, Lord God Almighty, your judgments are true and just."

16:14 They are demonic spirits that perform signs. They go to the kings of the whole earth and gather them for the war of the great day of God Almighty.

18:8 For this reason, her plagues of death, misery, and famine will come in a single day. She will be burned up in a fire, because powerful is the Lord God who judges her."

19:6 And I heard as a sound of a numerous crowd, and as a sound of many waters, and as a sound of strong thunders, saying, Hallelujah! Because the Lord God Almighty reigned.

19:15 A sharp sword comes out of his mouth to strike down the nations. He will rule [Or shepherd] them with an iron rod and tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty.

21:22 I saw no temple in it, because the Lord God Almighty and the lamb are its temple.

22:5 There will be no more night, and they will not need any light from lamps or the sun because the Lord God will shine on them. They will rule forever and ever.

The words **Most High, Almighty** (El Shaddai) and the **Lord God always refer to the Father** in the New Testament scriptures. Those who believe in the Triune God claim though John used the words "Lord God Almighty" of Jesus in verse in Revelation 1:8: "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the Ending,

says the Lord, the One who is, and who was, and who is coming, the Almighty. " The misconception is that the previous verse speaks of Jesus' second coming: "He comes with the clouds," and "every eye will see Him and the ones who pierced Him..." The 8th verse has been interpreted as a continuation to the seventh.

Verse 8:58 of the Gospel of John has been considered as evidence that Jesus confirms here to be God when he uses the phrase I am: NASB: Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say unto you, before Abraham was born, **I am.**"

I am, in Greek ego eimi ἐγὼ εἰμί is translated "I have been," which corresponds to the correct interpretation of the matter. The English word I am has misled the interpretation; it has been interpreted that Christ uses God's name told to Moses by God.

Let's first see what the context says about the case. Preceding verses: 8:56 Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day, and he saw it and was glad." 8:57 Then the Jews said to Him, You do not yet have fifty years, and have you seen Abraham? And so Jesus says: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was born, I am (was)."

What Jesus said to the Pharisees meant that Jesus was in God's mind as a plan even before Abraham. God again characterizes the name eternal being, 'I am [from time to time the one] that I am'. Exo 3:14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you. NASB: God said to Moses, "I AM WHO AM"; and He said, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, I AM has sent me to you." *hayah 'asher hayah* אֲנִי אֲנִי אֲנִי.

In the following, a sure proof of the name of God: Exo 3:15 explains the matter further: God, furthermore, said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'The **LORD, the God 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-name to all generations. – The name God declared, 'I am what I am' is obscure. When God clarifies his name and says that he is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the matter will ultimately be resolved. Now all Israelis understand who God really is.

God the Father already declared in verse 3:6: ... "I am the God of your father, the **God of Abraham, God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.**" And Moses covered his face, for he was afraid to look upon God. – Jesus is not the "God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob," he is the son of God.

We, the children of God, can call God to our Father 'Abba'. Rom 8:15 ... you have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, "Abba, Father." Jesus said, "For **whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother** and sister and mother." When we fulfill our Father's will, the Son of God Jesus Christ calls us his brothers and sisters (Mat 12:50).

**One God Father Jehovah from whom everything came into being and for whom we live. And there is only one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom everything came into being and through whom we live.** (1 Cor 8:6)

Isa 43:10 You are my witnesses, says Yahweh, and my servant whom I have chosen; that you may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me. – One Bible translation says, "Before me there is no god born". KJV from the 17th century as well as many other translations use word formed. Whether it is the birth, creation or formation of God, is a clear statement: Jehovah our God is the one and only God. And there will not be another after him! It is good to keep in mind the revelation of God through his prophecy when we think of the divinity of Jesus, for example.

It is said in the Shema, the profession of faith of Israel: **shama`Yisra`el Yēhovah `elohiym Yēhovah echad** i.e Lord, our (Elohim), **the Lord is one**. – The Jews understand god as one and definitely not three or triune. The Hebrew word Elohim is plural, but in the old testament, it is intentionally singular. Some scholars propose the reason to be God's majesty. At least when it comes to Jehovah, but in other contexts, Elohim refers to one another such as in Exo 7:1 Yahweh said to Moses, Behold, I have made you as God (אֱלֹהִים *'elohiym*) to Pharaoh; and Aaron your brother shall be your prophet.

It is often overlooked or perhaps not even known that a person or an angel could be called a god (Elohim) when he acted in the name of Jehovah God and had His mandate. Also, judges and kings were honored by calling them gods (Elohim). The above example of Moses depicts the Bible's choice of words well. Jesus himself confirmed this practice. Jhn 10:34: Jesus answered them, Isn't it written in your law, 'I said, you are gods?' 35 If he called them gods, to whom the word of God came (and the Scripture cannot be broken)

Jesus' activity on earth was in line with God's will. Jhn 12:49: For I have not spoken on my own authority. Instead, the Father who sent me has himself given me a commandment about what to say and how to speak. 50 And I know that his commandment is eternal life. What I speak, therefore, I speak just as the Father has told me.

Jhn 14:10: Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? The words that I tell you, I speak not from myself; but the Father who lives in me does his works.

Jesus spoke of what God had commanded him to speak. Those many great miracles that Jesus made were in fact made by God Himself. God gave him his Holy Spirit by whose power Jesus did his deeds. **So Jesus was a god (Elohim), thus carrying out the will of God.**

Act 2:22 says: Men of Israel, listen to these words: Jesus the Nazarene, a man attested to you by God with **miracles and wonders and signs which God performed** through him in your midst, just as you yourselves know –

According to Jesus' own words, **he was in God and God in him** (Jhn 10:38, 14:10)

Deu 6:4 Hear, Israel: Jehovah our God is one Jehovah; – For thousands of years, Judaism has recognized only one God, Jehovah. Even so today, the Jews are waiting for the Messiah, who is not God, but a representative of God on earth – the earthly ruler, the king of Israel. When Jesus comes and takes power over all the rulers of the earth, he is in this sense also a secular ruler who subordinates all nations under his power and when all is subjugated, he himself gives back power to Him who gave it, God the Father.

Deu 4:39 Know therefore this day, and lay it to your heart, that Jehovah he is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is none else.

Deu 32:39 See now that I, even I, am he, There is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal; There is none who can deliver out of my hand.

Isa 45:5 I am Jehovah, and there is none else; there is no God beside me: I girded you, and you have not known me;

**Jesus himself said of God** according to Mark 12:29: Jesus answered, The greatest is, Hear, Israel, the Lord our God, **the Lord is one**. – According to Jesus' own teaching, this is the greatest commandment. There is only one God, Father Jehovah, there are no three gods. The same is confirmed by Paul.

1 Cor 8:6: yet **for us there is but one God, the Father**, from whom are all things and we exist for Him; and one Lord, Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we exist through Him”.

John has stored in his gospel to Jesus' prayer to God. In it He says:

**Jhn 17:3 And this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.**

The same apostle writes in 1 John 5:20 We also know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding so that we may know the true God. We are in union with the one who is true, his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

Trinity supporters see a testimony of the divinity of Jesus here, claiming that "He" is exactly Jesus, that is, Jesus is the true God and eternal life. Could it be that John has changed his mind? No, but the question is that "He" does not refer to Jesus, but "True" means God the Father. How can we come to such a conclusion? In addition to Jhn 17: 3, 'True God' is present in the following Bible Scriptures: 2 Chr 15: 3 KJV Now for a long season Israel has been without the true God, and without a teaching Priest, and without law. 10:10 But the LORD is the true God; He is the Living God and the Everlasting King. At his Wrath the earth quakes, And the nations cannot endure his indignation. 1 The 1:9 For they themselves report concerning us what kind of a reception we had from you; and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God,

The fact that Jesus himself proves that the Father is the Only True God is the most weighty Bible Scripture proof. The Greek-language scholars can argue about who is referred to in 1 John 5:20. If no other evidence were available, the matter would be unresolved. When the Son of God himself directs his Word to the Father, recognizing that the Father is the only true God, I do not think that any other proof should even be desired.

According to one interpretation, the announcement of God as "one" (echad) does not mean a mathematically indivisible unit



and the word one (echad) refers to collective unity. However, this is only in a few cases. Echad has been in Hebrew one and still is only one. When in Hebrew is counted one, two, three..., then it is: echad, shenayim, shalosh, arba etc. One is, therefore, echad, not yachid as it is desired to claim. There is also a plural form echadim from the word of echad, which may well be about such a collective unity. It is noteworthy, according to linguists, that this plural form has not been used in this profession of faith of Israel in Deu Chapter 6!

What then is the significance of Elohim, i.e. God, in the plural form? It is a plural form of Eloah. Should the beginning of the Bible be translated "In the beginning Gods created heaven and earth?" And so are many other things. However, this is not how the Bible is translated. In Hebrew, a noun in a plurality does not necessarily mean plurality. At the beginning of the Bible, God said: Let us make man ... Here is a pluralistic expression which some have understood that God speaks in divine majesty in the same way as, for example, the Russian Tsar or King of Sweden, when the law began, by saying, " WE by the grace of God ...". To return to the Bible, it should be noted that in the verses, which say Elohim said or Elohim did, the form of these verbs is always singular.

When the OT uses God for his name Jehovah (Yahweh) written in the YHVH consonants, then his pronoun is always in the singular. Similarly, if God has used the words Eel or Eloah or the Aramaic Elah word, there is always a single form associated with it.

In the Greek Old Testament translation, made for three hundred or two hundred years AD, the Hebrew word for God is translated into Greek with the singular word theos.

Understanding the Bible causes difficulties in Psalm 110:1 types of situations. Psalm 110 says (NASB): The LORD says to my Lord: "Sit at My right hand Until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet.", ..." meaning that Yehovah said to

Adonay. If we do not use the name Jehovah for God, but LORD (in most often capital letters), confusion may arise. More discerning was God writing Jehovah or YHWH. Jehovah's Witnesses in their New World Translation (NW) have restored the name of God to both the Old and New Testaments. This is perhaps better accepted for VT, but there are different opinions about NT. However, I think this clarifies the situation with the risk of confusion.

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The Jews who do not dare to pronounce God's name aloud have pronounced for God's name instead **Ādônây**, an emphatic form of H113; the Lord (used as a proper name of **God only**):-(my) Lord. The word "Adonii" is used to describe earthly lords, as well as Jesus. This proverb 110 requires more studying, an entire article at least. Do you not see why? "Yěhovah said to Adonay" – this actually says 'Jehovah said to Jehovah'. Look at the Hebrew text (e.g in the Blue letter Bible and you will see what I mean).

### **No one has seen God (Joh 1:18)**

Joh 1:18 No one has seen God at any time. The one and only Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, he has declared him. Joh 1:18 is a verse concerning the perception of God with man's own eyes. This is what is meant when the Bible says that no one has seen God. Important is also what is not said; John does not say that the Son has seen his father in heaven and on the earth he declares his Father's will. Nor has the Son seen

God in his own eyes; The Son has learned to know God and has declared God – his purpose and will with regard to mankind.

Joh 6:45 It is written in the prophets, And all shall be taught of God. Every one that hath heard from the Father, and hath learned, cometh unto me. 46 Not that any one hath seen the Father, save **he that is from: God, HE hath seen the Father.** God can also be “seen” in spirit. When the Holy Spirit fills a man, unite the human spirit and the spirit of God with each other, so that they will become one spirit. 1 Cor 6:17 says: But who is joined to the Lord is one spirit. – Such a person is from above, reborn from heaven (1 Cor 15:47). He knows the will of God and “has seen” God. 2 Cor 6:18 promises: I will be your Father, and you will be my sons and daughters, declares the Lord Almighty.

The next verse of the Bible confirms the above argument: 3 Joh 1:11 Beloved, do not imitate the bad, but the good. The one doing good is of God, but **the one doing bad has not seen God.** – Seeing God can mean more than just seeing with your own eyes. One who does good to others, such a person is from God or from above. The man who works well is from God, i.e. he is taught by God. The one who does evil, does not see God, or God has not taught him; he is not God’s own but Satan’s. This is not about seeing with your own eyes but understanding and receiving God’s will. Heb 12:14 also speaks of this saying: **Pursue peace with everyone, as well as holiness, without which no one will see the Lord.** Mat 5:9 Blessed are the peacemakers! For they shall be called sons of God. 5:8 Blessed are **the pure in heart: for they shall see God.**

Exo 33:20 And he said, You are not able to see My face; for no man can see Me and live. 33:22 And as My glory is passing it will be that I will put you in a cleft of the rock; and I will cover My palm over you during My passing. 33:23 And I will remove My palm, and you shall see My back; but **My face cannot be seen.**

What does it mean when God says, "Today I have begotten you"? If Jesus is part of the Triune God, he cannot even be born! God has always existed and will always exist. God is not created or given birth. Supporters of the Triune God do not even recognize the contradiction contained in the statement of Jesus, i.e. creation of God. God Himself has said and Jesus has confirmed that God is one. The Scripture testifies: Deu 4:35 To you it was revealed, so that you might know that Jehovah is God, and no one else besides Him. 4:39 know today, and lay it to your heart, that Jehovah, He is God in the heavens above and on the earth beneath; **there is no other.** – Talk about the birth of God is absurd as is the question "can God create such a big stone that he cannot lift it?"

What then means the word of God "today I have begotten you"? God in this way acknowledged that Jesus was his son. God gave him the position, according to which he is higher than all creatures in the heavens and on the earth. Just as Pharaoh had once given Joseph all the power in Egypt, however, he himself remained above Joseph. From the Bible, we know that Jesus Christ will be King of the Kingdom of God for a thousand years and then he will hand over the power back to God. The future status of Jesus after being the king of this kingdom is also known; he is the high priest in the order of Melchizedek.

It is unanimous that all power in heaven and on earth is given to our Lord. He is above all creation. Above Him is God the Father. What about the Holy Spirit? The Bible does not say anything about it. What about Jesus himself, if he is one of the Triune God? When God, whether it is one or three persons, has not been created or born, these persons who form the Trinity are not under the command of Jesus. The statement "today I have begotten you" does not sit in the model of the Triune God simply because Jesus was born human on earth in the meantime when one member of the Triune God was said to be out of heaven and after his resurrection Jesus then ascended to heaven as a human, even though he was in the spiritual body.