YHWH: HOW THE NAMES OF GOD REVEAL THE HEART OF GOD

"Our Faithful God" (Week 3)

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SCRIPTURE

Deuteronomy 7:9, Romans 12:2, 2 Kings 6:1-7, Philippians 1:6

KEY SCRIPTURE

> *"Understand, therefore, that the Lord your God is indeed God. He is the faithful God who keeps his covenant for a thousand generations and lavishes his unfailing love on those who love him and obey his commands."* — **Deuteronomy 7:9**

CORE TRUTHS

- At the very heart of God is an unwavering desire for a real, lifegiving relationship with His children.
- God never drifts away from us; we are the ones who allow worldly charms and distractions to pull our wheels off the track.
- Our spiritual faithfulness is only as steady as our exclusive connection to God as our singular thermal aquifer and source.
- "Functional Atheism" is knowing in our heads that God keeps His promises while living in anxiety as though He will not.
- Believing God *wants* to do what you need is different than actually trusting Him to do it in your daily circumstances.

FOUR ANCHORS OF OUR FAITHFUL GOD

☑ **El-Hanne'eman (The Faithful God):** The covenant-keeping God who remains steadfast across a thousand generations.

☑ **El Olam (The Everlasting God):** His faithfulness isn't just for heaven; He enters our ordinary days here and now.

☑ **God Over the Small Losses:** From national armies down to a borrowed sunken ax head, no detail of your life is insignificant to Him.

☑ **The Divine Finisher:** He who began a good work in you will faithfully carry it through until the day of Christ Jesus.

COMMITMENT

☐ Identify and confess where spiritual drift has crept into my habits, devotion, and media diet.

☐ Reject excuses of negativity or gossip, choosing daily mind renewal under the transforming power of Romans 12:2.

☐ Take my immediate, everyday stresses to El-Hanne'eman, trusting His promise to finish what He started in me.

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Study & Application Guide

WEEK 3: OUR FAITHFUL GOD • PERSONAL & GROUP STUDY

QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK

1. Are your tires gripping the track, or have you allowed the world to cause you to drift?

Motorsport drifting requires precision control, but in the spiritual life, drifting is dangerous. We rarely abandon God in a single sudden turn; instead, we drift gradually through social church attendance, busy routines, and cultural compromises until we barely have two wheels hanging on. Honestly examine your spiritual walk over the past six months: have you drawn intentionally closer to the Lord, or have you quietly begun to drift?

2. Is your spiritual vitality connected to the singular Divine Source?

Yellowstone's Old Faithful earned its name by erupting with breathtaking consistency for over a century, powered by its unique isolation from other unstable thermal aquifers. Yet over decades, shifts have made its timetable less predictable. Spiritually, our faithfulness to God is only as consistent as our exclusive attachment to Him. Are you drinking from multiple competing worldly cisterns, or is Christ your sole source of life and truth?

3. Where is "Christian Atheism" showing up between your head knowledge and heart trust?

It is easy to profess theological agreement that God is Jehovah Jireh (Provider) and Jehovah Shalom (Peace), while simultaneously living paralyzed by panic over financial bills, health diagnoses, or future unknowns. When anxiety, complaining, or bitterness dominate our conversations and online posts, our lifestyle denies what our theology confesses. What specific fear reveals a gap between what you say you believe and how you are actually living?

4. Do you bring your "floating ax head" dilemmas to the Lord, or only life-and-death crises?

In 2 Kings 6, a young prophet in training lost a borrowed iron ax head in the muddy Jordan River—a catastrophic financial and relational loss for an impoverished student. God did not consider this practical crisis beneath His attention; He miraculously made iron float to redeem the situation. Do you relegate God only to cosmic battles, or do you invite Him into your practical daily stresses, lost items, and relational trust points?

5. How does Philippians 1:6 anchor your confidence when you feel stalled or inadequate?

The apostle Paul reminds us that the God who began a good work within us will be faithful to complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. Sanctification is not a self-help checklist where you practice patience in isolation; it is drawing near to El Roi and yielding to the Holy Spirit. Where do you feel spiritually incomplete or discouraged right now, and how does resting in God's covenant faithfulness restore your hope?