

Series: Knowing God by Name

**“El Shaddai—God Almighty”**

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Psalm 91:1-4

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**Introduction:**

- A. As we have been learning, El means God and the derivation of Shaddai is uncertain, and has three possible shades of meaning.
1. Some say it is derived from the word “sadu” meaning \_\_\_\_\_ - suggesting strength and power.
  2. Others suggest that it is derived from the word “shad” meaning \_\_\_\_\_ - suggesting the ability to completely nourish and satisfy.
  3. Still others suggest that it is derived from the root word “shadad” meaning \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, impregnable.
- B. Whichever is the correct root, all of them point to a God who is all-powerful and all-sufficient.
- C. El Shaddai appears \_\_\_\_ times in the Old Testament, and in our English translations is typically translated as \_\_\_\_\_.

**I. \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship with El Shaddai - God Almighty**

- A. In order to set the stage for the revealing of the name El Shaddai, we have to start in Genesis \_\_\_\_\_.
1. In that chapter, God renewed the promise that Abraham’s offspring would be as numerous as the \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Abraham and Sarah waited 10 years for a child to be born, and when that didn’t happen, Sarah gave her maidservant, \_\_\_\_\_ to Abraham as a wife and she gave him a son named \_\_\_\_\_, but God said that was not the child of promise.
- C. With that background, we turn to Genesis \_\_\_\_\_, where we find that Abraham is \_\_\_\_ years old, and has been waiting \_\_\_\_ years for the son of promise.
- D. As Abraham faced this ongoing personal \_\_\_\_\_, this seemingly \_\_\_\_\_ situation, that the Lord decided once again to give His servant a fresh revelation of Himself.
- E. God wanted Abraham to be fully persuaded that God is \_\_\_\_\_ to His promises, and has the \_\_\_\_\_ to carry them out.

**II. \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship with El Shaddai - God Almighty**

- A. Three things that God’s omnipotence implies about Himself.
1. Being God Almighty means that He cannot be stopped from accomplishing His \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps. 115:3; Isaiah 46:8-11).
  2. Being God Almighty means that He does whatever He \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. Being God Almighty means His power is \_\_\_\_\_ to all other powers.
- B. Four appropriate responses to God Almighty.
1. Fall before Him in \_\_\_\_\_ (Gen. 17:3; Ezek. 1:28).
  2. Run to Him as our \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps. 91:1).
  3. Find in Him all our \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps. 34:1-10).
  4. Await from Him all our \_\_\_\_\_ (Rv. 19:15; Ep. 6:8; He. 6:10-11).

Answer Key: Inro.A.1. mountain. A.2. breast. A.3. mighty, powerful. C. 48, God, Almighty. I. Abraham’s. I.A. 15. I.A.1. stars. I.B. Hagar, Ishmael. I.C. 17, 99, 24. I.D. crisis, impossible. I.E. faithful, power. II. Our. II.A.1. purposes. II.A.2. pleases. II.A.3. superior. II.B.1. Reverence. II.B.2. Refuge. II.B.3. Resources. II.B.4. Rewards.