

Guidelines for the Exercise of the Lord's Day Prophesying

Message Fifteen : " know That I Am Jehovah "

I. Overview :

Elohim is the name of God in relation to creation; Jehovah is the name of in relation to man. Jehovah means "I am who I am," indicating that Jehovah is the self-existing and ever-existing eternal One, the One who was in the past, who is in the present, and who will be in the future forever. El Shaddai is God's name for supply and promise; Jehovah is God's name for existence and fulfillment. The Gospel of John reveals that Jesus is the great I Am. Hebrews says, "...for he who comes forward to God must believe that He is." Eventually, all will know that God is Jehovah.

II. Truth and Enlightenment :

Day 1 --

A. What is the difference between God and Jehovah from Genesis?,,

The name God—Elohim—means “the strong and mighty One.” The name God has to do with the creatures ; it refers to His relationship with the creation. But Jehovah is a name that is related to man. Genesis 2 speaks of the relationship between God and man. Therefore, Jehovah God is mentioned right away.

B. What does Genesis 1 differ from 2 in using God and Jehovah?

God is the common name, while Jehovah is the name of intimacy. God refers to His power, while Jehovah refers to His love. God refers to creation, while Jehovah refers to His intimacy. Genesis 1 does not mention Jehovah, because it covers the creation. Even when chapter 1 mentions man, it is in relation to creation and power. Genesis 2 speaks of God’s intimacy with man and His relationship with man; therefore, it mentions Jehovah God.

Day 2 --

A. Explain the most wonderful title of God: “I AM WHO I AM” .

His name is simply the verb to be. We are nothing; only He has being. Therefore, He calls Himself, “I AM WHO I AM.”...“I Am” denotes the One who is self-existing, the One whose being depends on nothing apart from Himself. This One is also the ever-existing One, that is, He exists eternally, having neither beginning nor ending. He is the eternally existing God.

B. How to know that we are not by knowing He is?

God is the unique I Am. He is the unique One who has being, the great “To Be.” We, on the contrary, are not. In ourselves, we do not have any being. We need to realize that we are nothing, that in ourselves we do not have any being. Only God is the I Am. Only He has being. He is the To Be.

Day 3 --

A. What is the difference between God as El Shaddai and as Jehovah?

Just as El Shaddai is God's name for supply and promise, so Jehovah is His name for existence and fulfillment. As Jehovah, God is the existing God and the fulfilling God. In Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob's experience God was the all-sufficient One, but He was the promise-fulfilling God towards Moses speaking.

B. How should we do when we have a need or are in difficulty even in lack?

When you have a need or are in difficulty, do not merely praise the Lord for His richness and sufficiency. You should also praise Him that He is the One who is. When we are in need, many times we pray to the Lord as the sufficient One. But have you ever heard of Christians praising the Lord for His eternal existence? The Lord is longing for some to proclaim, "Lord, You are!" We need to be those who praise the Lord in this way.

Day 4 --

A. What do we see God the Spirit works in the life of Jacob with Joseph?

In the section of the life of Jacob with Joseph, we see God the Spirit who works in all things for the good of His lovers. This is based upon Romans [8:28](#), which says, "All things work together for good to those who love God." According to the context of this verse, the good here refers to our gaining more of Christ, to our having Him wrought into our being, that we may be transformed metabolically, may be conformed to the image of His firstborn Son, and may be brought into the full sonship.

B. What kind of realization should we have for our daily living?

Every day we are suffering ones and enjoying ones. On the one hand, we are enjoying Christ. On the other hand, we are experiencing sufferings. Christ is ministering all His riches to us, whereas the Spirit is always working in all things to discipline us. Whatever we have can be used by the Spirit to trouble us. This works together for our good, the good of being conformed to the image of the firstborn Son of God.

Day 5 --

A. Explain and apply it: "His being the I Am."

His being the I Am means "I am whatever you need" and "I am everything." We have a signed check with the space for the amount left blank, and we may fill in whatever we need. After the name "I Am" we can fill in the amount. The heavenly bank will cash this check.

B. Why does God only say that He is, without saying what He is?

God only says that He is, without saying what He is. This allows those who believe in Him to add in other terms. We can add in whatever we want by faith. If we have the need and faith, we can add whatever we need to the words God is and receive God's answer to our need.

Day 6 --

A. What thing can make the unique God happy? Explain it.

Nothing can make the unique God happy except one thing. That is faith. Faith is to believe that God is. Darby said: "O the joy of having nothing and being nothing, seeing nothing but a living Christ in glory, and being careful for nothing but His interests down here." This is faith.

B. Explain the word in Hebrew 11:6.

Hebrews 11:6 says that "he who comes forward to God must believe that He is". According to this verse, God is, and we must believe that He is. God is, but we are not. If we would be called by God, we must know that the calling One is first the sent One of God and second, Jehovah, the One who was, who is, and who will be.

III. Conclusion :

In Ezekiel, God had done many things; He showed us visions, then He came to judge, to recover, and last to build up. Among them in the section of judgement and recovery, He said, "I Am Jehovah" repeatedly unto sixty-four times; He spoke to prophets, the children of Israel, the nations, even to the end of the whole earth, and who all must know "I Am Jehovah". "Elohim" unveiled that He is the faithful, almighty One; El Shaddai revealed that His supply abounds sufficiently. We should learn from Paul in Heb. 11:6, "he who comes forward to God must believe that He is", who being not at all; this matter is well pleasing to God.