

The LORD God Almighty

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Genesis 17:1, “And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the **LORD** <03068> appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the **Almighty** <07706> **God** <0410>; walk before me, and be thou perfect.”

Exodus 6:3, “And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of **God** <0410> **Almighty** <07706>, but by my name **JEHOVAH** <03068> was I not known to them.”

So in Genesis 17 above it is the narrator Moses who wrote this and called God **LORD** (i.e. Jehovah) and according to Exodus Abraham, Isaac and Jacob never new this name of God. Now we see after Moses the wide use of Jehovah in the name **LORD**:

Nehemiah 10:29, “They clave to their brethren, their nobles, and entered into a curse, and into an oath, to walk in God's law, which was given by Moses the servant of God, and to observe and do all the commandments of the **LORD** <03068> our **Lord** <0113>, and his judgments and his statutes;”

Psalms 8:1, “O **LORD** <03068> our **Lord** <0113>, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens.”

Psalms 8:9, “O **LORD** <03068> our **Lord** <0113>, how excellent is thy name in all the earth”

Isaiah 1:24, “Therefore saith the **Lord** <0113>, the **LORD** <03068> of hosts, the mighty One of Israel, Ah, I will ease me of mine adversaries, and avenge me of mine enemies:”

Isaiah 3:1, “For, behold, the **Lord** <0113>, the **LORD** <03068> of hosts, doth take away from Jerusalem and from Judah the stay and the staff, the whole stay of bread, and the whole stay of water,”

Isaiah 10:33, “Behold, the **Lord** <0113>, the **LORD** <03068> of hosts, shall lop the bough with terror: and the high ones of stature shall be hewn down, and the haughty shall be humbled.”

Isaiah 19:4, “And the Egyptians will I give over into the hand of a cruel lord; and a fierce king shall rule over them, saith the **Lord** <0113>, the **LORD** <03068> of hosts.”

Defining these words is important for the sake of understanding. The all caps in your Bible where the usage of the word LORD is used is a reference to God’s proper name. Words used for God are Adoni, Elohim and Jehovah. The shorts for these last two are El- and Jah- or Jeh-. Names of people come from these: Elijah is a compound of both. Here are the Strong’s Concordance references given:

Lord <0113>: אָדֹנָי – aw-done’: from an unused root: to rule; controller: (human or divine); lord, master, owner, (names beginning with “adnoi-“) [**LORD** <0136> אֲדֹנָי – ad-o-noy’: an emphatic form of <0113>; the Lord (used as a proper name of God only)]: (my, the) [divine] Lord; [human] Lord or lord.

LORD <03068>: יְהוָה – Yeh-ho-vaw’: from 01961 the self-Existant or Eternal: Jehovah, Jewish national name of God: Jehovah, the Lord, LORD; and pronounced as <0136> אֲדֹנָי – ad-o-noy’. Much like <03069> יְהוֹה – yeh-ho-vee’: pronounced by the Jews as <0430> אֱלֹהִים – el -o-heem’: The Godhead; or in general gods. God, Lord. <0410> אֵל – ale: short form of 0430 – strength; might: the Almighty; God (god) power, strong.

What is important is that actual Jews will not use the name Jehovah or Yahweh for the name of God; but instead will use Elohim or Adoni because they esteem the proper name of God too holy for human use. Getting the name right for God is not as important as knowing who He is. Do you KNOW Him?

He is the LORD God Almighty!

Revelation 4:8; Revelation 11:17; Revelation 15:3; Revelation 16:7; and Revelation 21:22.

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