# "The Great Adventure of Knowing God Through the Revelation of His Names"

Week 6: Session Guide

"Those who know your name trust in you." Psalm 9:10 (NIV)

2023 Women's Morning Bible Study at The Cove

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Jehovah Ra'ah (Ro'hi): The LORD is My Shepherd Jehovah Nissi: The LORD is My Banner

The word "ra'ah" is derived from the word "ro'eh" meaning "shepherd" in Hebrew. God is often mentioned
as the Shepherd of His people Israel. Only once, though, do we find the name Yahweh Ra'ah, meaning
"The LORD is my Shepherd" (Psalm 23:1).

*Jehovah Nissi* (more properly *Yahweh Nissi*) appears only once: Exodus 17:15. **(The LORD is our banner, mighty warrior, victory.)** 

"Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Write this on a scroll as something to be remembered and make sure that Joshua hears it, because I will completely blot out the name of Amalek from under heaven.' Moses built an altar and called it **The Lord is my Banner.**" (Exodus 17:14-15, NIV)

"Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise the fruit of lips that openly profess his name." Hebrews 13:15 (NIV)

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# Week 6: Growth Opportunity

**Day 1**: As I sit down to write this week's Growth Opportunity, the preceding hours have contained a bit of angst: **Distractions, Discouragement**, and some whispers that inched ever closer ready to shout "**Defeat!**" As I sought to hold my thoughts captive (2 Corinthians 10:5), I texted a friend asking her to pray for me, that I might stand firm in God's power and truth.

Do you remember the "Deadly D's" from our first session? Satan's schemes distract us from a fixed focus on God to discourage us in our pursuit of cultivating intimacy with God, a whisper of defeat... that things will *never* be any different, that we fall short, that the status quo of our journey will remain just that.

Sisters, Bible Study Babes: Don't buy that lie! Don't buy that lie!!

El Shaddai is our Mighty God; Elohim has created us for plans that He appointed before the beginning of time (Ephesians 2:10); El Elyon rules above everything as the Most High God—sovereign and in control; and Jehovah Jireh, our provider, equips us for victory!
What other name of God that we have studied stands out to you today, and why?
So today, your Growth Opportunity is to "be still" (Psalm 46:10). Sit in the presence of the One who rules and reigns over all, the One who declares that He has wonderful plans and purposes for you. (Jeremiah 29:11
.) What does God declare in Colossians 3:12?
And in Deuteronomy 33:12?
Wow!
So how can we approach today?
As we embrace God's Word—His Truth—and shift our focus once again to Him, things look different. Today, ponder these passages, knowing that the One who formed and fashioned you looks upon you with tender, unfailing love.
Jeremiah 31:3
<b>Day 2</b> . This week we looked at two more names that God has revealed to us by His <b>divine initiative</b> . One of the names is <i>Jehovah Ra'ah</i> : The LORD is my Shepherd. This name is only found once <b>specifically</b> in Scripture—Psalm 23.
Psalm 23:1
Whose Shepherd, is He? How does that impact your life?
What do we discover about this Shepherd in verses 2-3?
What does the end of verse 3 mean? Hmmm:

Ponder Isaiah 43:12 and Hebrews 13:5:
What stands out to you from these two passages?
Is there a specific step you will take in response to these passages?
May that be your prayer as you close your time in this Growth Opportunity today. Blessings, dear sister!
<b>Day 3:</b> Today let's finish reading Psalm 23:4-6. <i>Jehovah Ra'ah</i> , your Shepherd, desires to lovingly care for you. What are some of the ways His love is extended to you as found in these verses?
What an incredible Shepherd we have! Praise the name of Jehovah Ra'ah in reflective pause and prayer.
<b>Day 4:</b> Today we'll look at the second name for God we addressed this week: <i>Jehovah Nissi</i> . This name only occurs once in Scripture: Exodus 17:15.
What does this mean?
What would this look like in our lives?
Take a look at Psalm 60:4
as well as Isaiah 5:26. What is declared when we lift the banner of Jehovah Nissi?
<b>Day 5</b> : Today as you conclude this week's Growth Opportunity, I encourage you to sit with these two names of God: Jehovah Ra'ah (your Shepherd) and Jehovah Nissi (your Banner). Record any thoughts that come to your mind/heart as you ponder the reality of God in your life as your Shepherd and your Banner—two incredible realities that tenderly and tremendously impact our everyday journeys:

## Psalm 23 (NIV)

## A psalm of David

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my shepherd:,
I lack nothing:
<sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures,
he leads me beside quiet waters,
<sup>3</sup> he refreshes my soul
He guides me along the right paths
for his name's sake
<sup>4</sup> Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me
<sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows
<sup>6</sup> Surely your goodness and love will follow me
all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever

"For God
so loved the world
that He gave His
only
begotten
Son,
that whoever
believes in Him
should not perish
but have everlasting life.
John 3:16 NKJV

"Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High (El Elyon), will rest in the shadow of the Almighty (El Shaddai). I will say of the LORD (YAHWEH), "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God (Elohim), in whom I trust." Psalm 91:1-2

"The LORD (Yahweh/Jehovah Jireh) will provide." Genesis 22:14

"You are the God who sees me," (El Roi) Genesis 16:13

"I, the LORD, am your healer." (Yahweh/Jehovah Rapha) Exodus 15:26

"I am the LORD who sanctifies you." (Yahweh/Jehovah MeKaddesh) Exodus 31:13

"The LORD is my shepherds." (Yahweh/Jehovah Ro'i/Ra'ah) Psalm 23:1

"There he called on the name of the LORD, the Eternal God." (El Olam) Genesis 21:33

"The LORD is my Banner." (Yahweh/Jehovah Nissi) Exodus 17:15

"The LORD Our Righteousness." (Yahweh/Jehovah Tsidkenu) Jeremiah 23:6

"The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel." (God with us) Isaiah 7:14

