

DID YOU KNOW what Yerushalayim means ???

I know, why do we care, and what does it matter? And I know, it looks hard to pronounce; but if you break it up, it's really easy. And when you say it, it's going to remind you of something very familiar. Try it, you may be surprised!

YERU-Sha-layim.

YHWY-Shalem.

Yahweh Shalom.

Yahweh is a name for the Lord God in the Old Testament. It means *"This is my Name forever, and this is my memorial to all generations."* (Exodus 3:15)

Shalom means "the name of God is 'Peace'" (Judges 6:24); Have you guessed what Yerushalayim means and what it reminds you of yet? **JERUSALEM!**

2 Chronicles 7 : 15, 16 says:

"Because, You Have Given my name to this House "The House of YHWH SHALOM", my eyes and my heart will always be there, and I will hear the prayer , your servant makes in this place."

Isaiah 56: 7 says:

"My House will be called, a house of prayer for all the nations."

Jerusalem is the holy city in Israel. It's history is full of struggles for peace, yet, in Revelation we know The Lord will reign and there will be peace. The temple is there, it's a place of worship. Most of Jesus ministry was there. His Name. His Peace. He is the Prince of Peace. Shalom.

Don't you think sometimes, Jerusalem, is also an example of us?

Our hearts are full of struggles for peace, yet, when the Lord reigns in our hearts we have peace. Our bodies are the temple of His Spirit, and our hearts are a place of worship. Jesus wants his ministry to be in our lives. His Name. His Peace. He is our Prince of Peace. His name means Peace.

Psalms 122:6-7 (King James Version) says,

"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces."

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In Judges 6:24,
Then Gideon built an altar there (Jerusalem) to God and named it "God's Peace."

In Luke 10:5,
"When you enter a home, greet the family, 'Peace.'

If your greeting is received, then it's a good place to stay. (Shalom is a common greeting, or farewell among Israel.)

Jesus said in John 20:20-21,
The disciples, seeing the Master with their own eyes, were exuberant. Jesus repeated his greeting: "Peace to you. Just as the Father sent me, I send you."

Jerusalem** is a household name, with a historic biblical origin, and now you know what it means! Simply, **God's name is Peace.

Are you enjoying God's Peace today?

The song we sang at Christmas said: *His Name speaks Peace unto my storm clouds, His Name speaks Calm unto my fears....*

.....**Jesus!**

Yahweh Shalom! God's Name Is Peace! His peace is as close as the mention of His Name!

So, **DID YOU KNOW???** If you learned something new, today, why not attend Sunday School where dedicated, knowledgeable teachers will assist in your understanding of the Bible. Today's DID YOU KNOW (August 9, 2009) was presented by Francine Smith, Ambassadors Sunday School Teacher.