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*"She (Hagar) gave this name to the Lord who spoke to her: "You are the God who sees me," for she said, "I have now seen the One who sees me" (Genesis 16:13).*

So many of you are dealing with situations you did not ask for. Now you are faced with pain you never desired to have. God wants you to know that He specifically and affectionately refers to you as His son/daughter. He has heard your cry and is not ignoring, overlooking or angry at you. By calling you His son/daughter He is strengthening your identity to give you hope despite your situation. Now, God is asking you to call Him by His name, "Father". As you call Him "Father" your voice in His ears says that you recognize He is watching, listening and protecting you. When you cry to Him as Father it releases a sound only you can make. It is an intimate sound of a special relationship He has only with you.

Releasing your praiseworthy affections upon the Lord today will remind you:

That He knows who you are,

That He belongs to you,

That you are never alone no matter how painful life may be.

He is not just anyones Father, He is your Father and you are His son/daughter.

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