

Characteristics in His Name

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I don't know where any of you are in your relationship with the God-Head. I know where I am and I desire to go and be deeper into His heart. When we are in relationship with anyone, whatever that relationship may be, to be in a deep and trusting one means knowing the other individual on a personal level. As it is the first of November, I thought it would be good to state, declare, and understand some characteristics of God by learning some of His other names that we may not be familiar with. Sometime soon (when I finish the 12 tribes series) I will be diving into this subject in more depth. For now, here are a few names of God which reveal other parts of His character to us.

El Channun (Gracious God)

Jonah 4:2 - He prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord, is this not what I said when I was still in my country? That is why I ran to Tarshish, because I knew that You are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and great in lovingkindness, and [when sinners turn to You] You revoke the [sentence of] disaster [against them]. [AMP]

El Chayim (The Living God)

Psalms 42:1-8 - As the deer pants [longingly] for the water brooks, So my soul pants [longingly] for You, O God. 2 My soul (my life, my inner self) thirsts for God, for the living God. When will I come and see the face of God? 3 My tears have been my food day and night, While they say to me all day long, "Where is your God?" 4 These things I [vividly] remember as I pour out my soul; How I used to go along before the great crowd of people and lead them in procession to the house of God [like a choirleader before his singers, timing the steps to the music and the chant of the song], With the voice of joy and thanksgiving, a great crowd keeping a festival. 5 Why are you in despair, O my soul? And why have you become restless and disturbed within me? Hope in God and wait expectantly for Him, for I shall again praise Him For the help of His presence. 6 O my God, my soul is in despair within me [the burden more than I can bear]; Therefore I will [fervently] remember You from the land of the Jordan And the peaks of [Mount] Hermon, from Mount Mizar. 7 Deep calls to deep at the [thundering] sound of Your waterfalls; All Your breakers and Your waves have rolled over

me. 8 Yet the Lord will command His lovingkindness in the daytime, And in the night His song will be with me, A prayer to the God of my life. [AMP]

Elohay Selichot (God of Forgiveness)

Nehemiah 9:17-20 - "They refused to listen and obey, And did not remember Your wondrous acts which You had performed among them; So they stiffened their necks and [in their rebellion] appointed a leader in order to return them to slavery in Egypt. But You are a God of forgiveness, Gracious and merciful and compassionate, Slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness; And You did not abandon them. 18 "Even when they had made for themselves A calf of cast metal And said, 'This is your god Who brought you up from Egypt,' And committed great [and contemptible] blasphemies, 19 You, in Your great mercy and compassion, Did not abandon them in the wilderness; The pillar of the cloud did not leave them by day, To lead them in the way, Nor the pillar of fire by night, to light for them the way they should go. 20 "You [also] gave Your good Spirit to instruct them, You did not withhold Your manna from their mouth, And You gave them water for their thirst. [AMP]

Here is a link I found while doing my research if you need a starting (or re-starting) point to have a deeper relationship with *El Shaddai (God Almighty)*.

<http://www.smilegodlovesyou.org/names.html>

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