

## **I AM**

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(Exodus 3:13-14)**

Then Moses asked God, If I go to the Israelites and say to them: The God of your fathers has sent me to you, and they ask me, 'What is His name? What should I tell them? God replied to Moses, "**I AM WHO I AM**. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: **I AM** has sent me to you." God also said to Moses, "Say this to the Israelites: YAHWEH, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. **This is My name forever; this is how I AM to be remembered in every generation** (Exodus 3: 13-14). YHWH-I AM is all powerful, all sufficient, He is omnipotent, omnipresent. He fills heaven and earth; He is sufficient to supply every need of His people. **I AM** is the only true God; When He utters His voice, there is a tumult of waters in the heavens, and He causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; He makes lightnings for the rain and brings forth the wind out from His treasures and from His storehouses (Jeremiah 10:13). But **I AM** is also merciful, gracious, slow to anger and abundant in loving-kindness and truth; He keeps mercy and loving-kindness for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin(Exodus 34:6, 7a).

The significance of the name of God, **I AM**, is that He is the ever-present God. He was **I AM** yesterday, He is **I AM** today, and He is **I AM** tomorrow. He is **I AM** always. He is the **I AM** with us in every circumstance: **I AM** with you when you pass through the waters; **I AM** with when you pass through the river; **I AM** with when you walk through the fire (Isaiah 43:2-3). **I AM** with you always to the end of the ages. He is not only **I AM** in the present form of the verb be. In the New Covenant He established He defines Himself as **I AM** the good Shepherd; the good Shepherd, Who gives His life for His sheep; The Lord is our good Shepherd, we shall not have any need; He sustains us spiritually and physically; He leads and guides us; **I AM** THE DOOR of the sheep. He is the entrance to heaven; **I AM** THE RESSURECTION AND THE LIFE; everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die- ever. **I AM** the WAY, the TRUTH and the LIFE; the WAY and TRUTH ARE LIFE- life eternal He shares with us. He said **I AM** the LIGHT OF THE WORLD. He illuminates His way of truth; He opens our eyes to understanding and leads us to know Him better; He shows us His ways and teaches us His path; He guides us in His truth and faithfulness; the secret of the Lord have they who fear Him, and He will show them His covenant and reveal to them its deep meaning (Psalm 23: 4-5,14). He opens the eyes of blind men and gives them light. **I AM** THE BREAD OF LIFE; the substance of the Bread of Life is salvation offered to all who would eat it. His body was broken for us and we partook of the life this bread offered us. The Bread of God came down to earth and blessed the world with life. **I AM** THE TRUE VINE; the source of our life. Apart from Him we would be dead. It is a must for us to remain in Him as the branches need the source of life from the vine. He is the source of all strength; He is our spiritual sustenance and in Him we are satisfied, bearing fruit for the glory of the Father (John 15). YAHSHUA confirms His deity with the Father; He said, I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, before Abraham was born, **I AM!** This echoes the words of God given to Moses in Exodus 3:14 and confirms that He was the One speaking with Moses.

After the feeding of thousands, YAHSHUA directed the disciples to get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent away the crowds; after He had dismissed the multitudes, He went up into the hills by Himself to pray. When it was evening, He was still there alone; [meanwhile] the boat was by this time out on the sea, many furlongs [a furlong is one-eighth of a mile] distant from the land, beaten and tossed by the waves, for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch [between 3:00-6:00 a.m.] of the night, YAHSHUA came to them walking on the sea; instantly He spoke to them, saying, Take courage! **I AM!** Stop being afraid (Matt.14:21-25, 27). YAHSHUA, the creator of the universe and of everything in it, had only to define Who He was for the calm to take place in the hearts of the disciples and nature. **I AM** your Savior, **I AM** your healer; **I AM** your provider. There is such a comfort in these two words **I AM**; for they imply the permanent state of being of the present tense; **I AM** fulfills all needs; be it spiritual, emotional, and physical. The Psalmist says, Let be and be still and know that **I AM** God even though the earth should change and though the mountains be shaken into the midst of the seas, though its waters roar and foam, though tremble at its swelling and tumult; **I AM** is with us; He is our refuge and strength a very present and well-proved help in trouble, therefore there will be no need for fear (Psalm 46).

At His trial before Pilate, when he was asked the question, Are You the King of the Jews? He answered; My kingdom belongs not to this world. If My kingdom were of this world, my followers would have been fighting to keep Me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, My kingdom is not from here; then Pilate said to Him, Then You are a King? YAHSHUA answered, You say it! For **I AM** a KING (John 18:35-37). This is the tittle that will crown Him with many crowns; a tittle that will bring all knees to bow down before Him on earth and above the earth; and under the earth; heaven and earth together will unite as one confessing that He is Lord; He is King! A tittle that will give Him all power, honor and glory; and will give His position as Psalm 24 says, Lift up your heads, O your gates; and be lifted up, you age-abiding doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is the King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle; Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts; He is the King of glory (vvs.7-10). To John He revealed Himself as **I AM** THE ALPHA AND THE OMEGA; the Beginning and the End; He Who is and Who was and Who is to come, the Almighty (Rev. 1: 8).

**I AM** is our Bridegroom, having bought us with His precious blood, He is seated at the right hand of the Father until His glorious appearing, when He will come for us for the consummation of His promises, including our marriage to Him, as a bride sanctified, cleansed by the washing of water with the Word; this way He might present His bride to Himself in glorious splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such things. (Ephesians 5:26-27); in the process of sanctification all of us, as with unveiled face continued to behold as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are constantly being transfigured into His very own image in ever increasing splendor and from one degree of glory to another; from the Lord the Spirit ( II Cor. 3:18). The time will come when all will be fulfilled in us by His love and faithfulness, for "He Who promised is faithful". He prayed to His Father saying, Father, I desire that they also whom You have entrusted to Me may be with Me where **I AM**, so that they may see My glory, which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world (John 17:24). For **I AM** going away to prepare a place for

you; and when I go and make ready a place for you, I will come back again and will take you to Myself, that where **I AM** you may be also (John 14: 2b-3).

This precious name of our God **I AM** fills the heart with hope and His love. His presence allows us to go through the darkest valleys, even the valley of death, for His light guides and protects us from the enemy and from ourselves. We might just understand things in part now, but it will come the day when we will understand things as they are. For now our desire should be to know our Savior and Lord deeply and intimately, and be acquainted with Who He is- **I AM WHO I AM!**