



# BIBLE WORD STUDY

But the word of the LORD was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, *and* there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken. (Isaiah 28:13).

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## The Name of God

**I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name. (Psalm 138:2).**

We know God only by His word. *The Bible is magnified by God above all His name.* Ignore this statement and the entire name of God will be doctrinally muddled and misinterpreted. Those who pretend the Bible came from church councils or the Roman Catholic Church, place not only the Bible but also God beneath the authority of men. Thus, they worship the creature and not the Creator. (Romans 1:25). In every Bible reference, it is God's word, not man's creation. The written word of God is authoritative and above every thought and action of man. God confirmed His word by the work of the Holy Spirit in true believers, not by church councils. "For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe." (1 Thessalonians 2:13). The word of God effectually works in the life of the believer—this is the true proof of inspiration and canonicity. God's word is eternal and continues while every man falls into dust. (Isaiah 40:6-8; Matthew 24:35). "For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven." (Psalm 119:90).

God has chosen to reveal Himself by "all" His name. The name of God is not a title or some responsibility He holds as though a task or office is assigned to Him. Sometimes we read of the "names" (plural) of God but strict adherence to the Bible rule is singular: *name*. We never read in the Bible of the "names" of God. There is a reason for this and it is found in the tri-unity of God. On the one hand, we are not to think of God as several *gods*, each represented by a name. On the other hand, we are not to insist that God be called by only one part of His name, thus ignoring His many attributes, works, and character.<sup>1</sup> We are to believe "all thy name." (Psalm 138:2).

The name of God reveals to man His attributes, His character, His essence, who He is and what He does. Within the name of the One God we learn

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<sup>1</sup> The so-called "Jehovah's Witnesses" are a prime example. Their insistence on the one part of God's name, Jehovah, not only aids their rejection of the Triune God and the Deity of Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit but it denies to their knowledge the multifaceted name of God.