

# Call Him by Name

## Small Group Discussion Questions

*Exodus 3:14-15, Genesis 1:1, Psalm 110:1*

- 1. The sermon's target says "the names of God are more than titles; they are testimonies we can trust."** What is the difference between a title and a testimony? Can you think of a time in your own life when one of God's names became a personal testimony rather than just a theological label?
- 2. Elohim is described as the God who creates from nothing, controls all things, and conquers all opposition.** Psalm 47:7-8 declares He reigns over the nations, and Psalm 77:13-14 asks "What god is great like our God?" Where in your life right now is it hardest to believe that Elohim is still sovereign and in control? What would it look like to practically trust His power in that area?
- 3. Yahweh is the personal, covenant name of God — the God who sees, stays, and supplies. Psalm 34:15 says His eyes and ears are toward His people, and Deuteronomy 31:6 promises He will never leave or forsake us.** Have you ever been in a season where God felt distant or absent? Looking back, where do you now see evidence that Yahweh was present even when you couldn't feel it?
- 4. The takeaway states "Elohim made me, Yahweh knows me, and Adonai leads me." Adonai is the possessive name — the Lord who owns, corrects, and commands. Isaiah's response to seeing Adonai was first "Woe is me!" (Isaiah 6:5) and then "Here am I, send me!" (Isaiah 6:8).** Why do you think genuine correction and conviction had to come before the commission? Is there an area of your life where Adonai may be calling you to obedience before He calls you forward?
- 5. Isaiah volunteered — "Here am I, send me!" — only after he had been encountered, undone, and cleansed. He didn't offer his ability; he offered his availability.** What is the difference between serving God out of availability versus serving out of ambition or obligation? Which one most honestly describes where you are right now, and what might need to change?
- 6. All three names together — Elohim, Yahweh, Adonai — paint a complete picture: a God who is powerful enough to create everything, personal enough to know you by name, and present enough to lead you daily.** Which of these three aspects of God's character do you find easiest to believe, and which is most difficult? What does your answer reveal about where you most need to grow in your trust of Him?

### Takeaway Thought

You don't have to face an unknown future with an unknown God. Elohim spoke the world into existence and He can speak order into your chaos. Yahweh saw Hagar in the wilderness, David in the valley, and Israel in the desert and He sees you. Adonai is not a distant sovereign; He is the Lord who claims you, corrects you, and commissions you for something greater than yourself. Learn His names. Trust His nature. He has never been anything other than exactly who He says He is.