

## Title: They Will Know That I Am The Lord

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What a glorious day this is. Today, I am going to be bringing a word that continues on in the "Spirit of Holiness." You have heard me talk about this before. I have shared it different places, but the Father is really, really speaking this word right now. I feel it is a very timely word in light of where we are in history, and the history that He is making. I am going to pray over this. Father, I ask in Jesus' name that your heart would be revealed, and that you will give understanding. That ears will be open, eyes will be open, and our heart will beat with yours. We honor you, Lord. We thank you, that all will know that you are the Lord. We promise to give you all the glory, in Jesus' name, amen.

The phrase, "Then you shall know that I am the Lord," is what I am *speaking* on today. The Spirit of Holiness honors and glorifies the name of the Lord. It makes sense that Holy Spirit would honor Almighty God. He honors Himself in His worship, and He honors Jesus. It is the Spirit of Holiness who honors and glorifies the name of the Lord. So, Jesus, please impart that to us today. Jesus led us to the Father, and He taught us how to pray. Most are familiar with this scripture.

### Matthew 6:9-13 NKJV

These are Jesus's words to us. Now, we know that this is an outline of a whole lot of glory and truth that Jesus imparted to His disciples on how to pray. The first step is to pray to the Father in Heaven, and I am drawing attention to that. I love how Jesus calls Him Father, because He is His Father and He is our Father when we are born again. He is the Father of all spirits. So, the glory goes to His name first. "Holy is your name." We know through scripture that God is the Lord God Almighty, "He is." There are many names that support who "He is," correct? We can and have studied that there are many glorious names where He introduces Himself to humanity. In those encounters through His Word, He reveals part of who He is, right? "He is," and Jesus said, "Our Father." This is how He introduces Him in this prayer, "Our Father." Jesus said, "If you have seen me, you have seen my Father." Jesus bears witness with the Father, saying, "Holy is your name," and "Hallowed be your name."

I wanted to start there and let you all hear that, because we want to agree with Jesus. When we come before the Father to pray, we come before Him with praise and thanksgiving, and we honor Him for who He is. This is throne room worship, and how you come before Him day and night, night and day to worship God for who He is. When you come in that way to love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, will and strength, and to honor who He is and praise Him for who He is, Holy Spirit will work with you. Before you know it, you are worshiping Him and you are overtaken with glorifying His name and how He is revealing Himself to you now. It is current, it is forever, and will always be, but it is in your moment. He is there, and He is revealing Himself through the dark times and through the good times. He is faithful and true.

### Exodus 20:7

This was actually the third of the ten commandments. The Spirit spoke saying, "You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain," or make it useless, without worth, without honor. Do you understand? This is in the top three, right? "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, will, and strength." But, we have to understand that His name is who He is. As we worship God, He wants no other gods before Him. He wants all of our love, and He wants us to honor His name. He wants us to know who He is. He wants us to reverence His name.

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When we quote this verse, often people *think* immediately of just *saying* curse words. Where you take His name in vain by just cursing. But, it also means when you are saying, "Oh, God." It is being flippant or arrogant, without thought, useless, repetitive, vain and without the holiness. It is more than just cursing. It is that we have to reverence and honor God's name, and Jesus's name and Holy Spirit's name, amen. This is in the Spirit of Holiness.

I am going to lead you in reading through some commentary and study from Ezekiel. For those who are new here or do not know, we have done studies on several Old Testament prophets. We have done one on the book of Ezekiel in context. It is very good, very rich, and very relevant right now. The studies are posted on our website. I encourage you to listen to those. Contact us if you need help finding them.

### Ezekiel 36:16-38

You can hear the heart of the Father in those passages. In the Scriptures, He makes it very clear that His heart is for Israel. Israel belongs to the Lord, but they went astray. They profaned and they disobeyed the ten commandments. They went astray in their heart. Jealous, in His fury and in the furious love He carries, will come righteously in His holiness. He will bring righteous judgments according to their ways and deeds. That is what I just read. There are consequences to sin, and unfortunately, it did not just stay in the House of Israel. It went out and infected the nations who did not yet know the Lord God. He is a covenant keeping God, and they were without hope. Yet, through this affliction, the Lord, in order to hallow His holy name and honor His holy name, and because He is perfect love in all His ways, He will turn it around for much glory. He said, "This is not about you, Israel. This is about Me and My Holy Name."

From the book of Genesis to Revelation, it is about the Lord God Almighty. Jesus said, "Pray this way. Our Father, who lives in Heaven, holy is your name." Jesus, the Son of God manifested, tells us we have access to His Father. The same Father of Israel, the same God of Israel, our Father. The first thing He says is, "Holy is your name." It is all about God, and Jesus does this all through the Gospels. Everything He did was to glorify His Father. He said, "I did not come to seek My own glory," although He is glorified. He said, "I came to glorify My Father." That is humility when you are God in the flesh, the Son of the Most High. There is rank and order in the Kingdom of Heaven, amen. You can hear the Spirit of Holiness here. "Then you will know that I am the Lord."

When you read your Bible, and it tells you the theme of the book, the theme of Ezekiel is, "Then you will know that I am the Lord." Here is some commentary from a gentleman named Jack Kelly.

*"Some form of the phrase, 'then you will know that I am the Lord,' appears in the book of Ezekiel fifty times." Prior to the Babylonian captivity, the Lord used it most often in the context of judgment, as against Israel's leaders, the nation as a whole, or its enemies. "Then you will know that I am the Lord." The Lord had given the Babylonian king, Nebuchadnezzar, authority over the whole world to be His agency for judgment. This action began the period of time known as the Gentile dominion that continues to this day, and will not be fully concluded until the Second Coming. He ordered Israel and all of its neighbors to either surrender to Nebuchadnezzar or be destroyed. The Lord had determined to punish Israel and all the surrounding nations and make His existence known to all people, even if it took destroying them to do so. In some cases that is exactly what happened. By the time Nebuchadnezzar was finished, Israel had gone into captivity. Tyre, Sidon, and Lebanon had been laid waste. Egypt had been scattered. Amman, Moab, Edom and Philistia no longer existed. Israel was punished for practicing idolatry. The surrounding nations were punished for celebrating Israel's*

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*punishment. The Lord felt the need to remind all of them who was God and who was not. But, beginning in Ezekiel 36, after Nebuchadnezzar had taken the Jews to Babylon and burned Jerusalem to the ground. The Lord began using the phrase in a different way. He said the restoration of Israel in the latter days would be the way He would show both Israel and the nations of our day that He is the Lord. Although the Lord's promise of restoration was partially fulfilled during the time between Israel's return from Babylon, and the Lord's first coming, the language in chapters 36 and following make it clear Ezekiel was speaking of the time preceding the Second Coming. One example is when speaking to the mountains of Israel, the Lord said, "No longer will I make you hear the taunts of the nations. No longer will you suffer the scorn of the peoples or cause your nation to fall," declares the Sovereign Lord. Obviously Israel fell to the Romans after the return from Babylon. He says, "this is what the Sovereign Lord says. I will take the Israelites out of the nations where they have gone. I will gather them from all around and bring them back into their own land. I will make them one nation in the land on the mountains of Israel. There will be one king over them, and they will never again be two nations or divided into two kingdoms.' During the time of their captivity, the Jews were held in Babylon, and they were the ones who resettled the land afterwards. There is no official regathering from all the nations such as Ezekiel prophesied will take place after the Gog/Magog battle. Also, prior to the first coming, the promised land had been divided among various members of the Herod family in Rome. It was not a single entity with a single king. But, here is how you will know each step along the way to Israel's complete restoration is meant to be a sign to show both Israel and the nations that God is the Lord. Each of these signs is identified by some form of the phrase, "and you will know that I am the Lord." In effect, He was saying, "you will know that I am the Lord," when I settle people in the land and they become fruitful and prosperous. "You will know that I am the Lord," when I show myself holy to Israel, before the eyes of the nations. "You will know that I am the Lord," when I have rebuilt what was destroyed or replanted what was desolate. "You will know that I am the Lord," when I fill the rebuilt cities with people. "You will know that I am the Lord," when I bring back to life a people long dead. "You will know that I am the Lord," when I open their graves and bring my people up from them. "You will know that I am the Lord," when I put my Spirit in them and settle them in their own land. "You will know that I am the Lord," when my sanctuary stands among them forever. "You will know that I am the Lord." when I defeat the Gog/ Magog coalition, and "you will know that I am the Lord," when I have finished calling my people back to Israel not leaving any behind. Those are just a few verses from Ezekiel chapters 36-39.*

*The desire for a Jewish homeland was awakened in the hearts of Jewish people towards the end of the 19th century, with the first Zionist Congress organized by Theodore Herzl in 1897. The 1917 Balfour Declaration made Great Britain support for the creation of a Jewish homeland official. Then in 1948, the United Nations declared Israel to be a sovereign nation. During this fifty year interim, Jewish people from all over the world have been coming to Israel to help reclaim the promised land. Barren land was made fertile, and malaria infested swamps were drained and cultivated. Since then, cities have been rebuilt, more desolate land reclaimed, millions of trees planted, and what had been largely a wasteland has been made into some of the most productive farmland on the planet. People have come to fill the cities and a nation long considered to be dead has been brought back to life and resettled in its historic lands after an absence of nearly 2000 years. This was the beginning of God's plan to reveal Himself to Israel and the nations in the end times. It had first been foretold in a prophecy that was ancient even in Ezekiel's time, centuries earlier. Moses told the Israelites in Deuteronomy 30, verse 4-5, "Even if you had been banished to the most distant land under the Heavens, from there the Lord your God will gather you and bring you back. He will bring you to the land that belonged*

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*to your fathers, and you will take possession of it. He will make you more prosperous and numerous than your fathers.” Then the Lord had Ezekiel tell the people this in Ezekiel 36:22, “It is not for your sake, oh house of Israel, that I am going to do these things, but for the sake of My holy name, which you have profaned among the nations where you have gone.”*

Can you hear what the Spirit of the Lord is saying? How powerful is that very short overview of history!

Ezekiel 37:21-28

Oh, the blood of Jesus, amen. This is future.

Ezekiel 38:14-23

Ezekiel 39:21-29

Hear what the Spirit of the Lord is saying. You can read all of this in context. Hear the heart of the Spirit of Holiness, and how God Almighty is honoring His name. We shall know that He is Lord. “Well, we know Jesus, He is my Lord and Savior.” But, no, “We shall know that He is Lord.” The word of God, will bring you into an encounter with Jesus Christ. Otherwise, it is dead religion. The words of God will bring you into a living encounter with these words. His Word, the Spirit of His Holiness, is saying, “Church, you will know that I am the Lord.”

Yes, it changes your end time eschatology to where, it is not about you. It is not about me. It is not about Israel. It is not about the nations. But, “God sent His only begotten Son into the world that none should perish.” So, it is about us being saved and coming into the family of God. But, He sets His preeminence. “I am the Lord God Almighty,” and religion has defiled and corrupted His holiness and turned it into religious movements that are without power. He says, “Return to your first love and know that I am the Lord.”

He will do these things. Every single word in the Bible shall be fulfilled, every “jot and tittle” underlined and underscored. Isn't this glorious! Most of it has already been fulfilled. We have a little more to go. We have not yet stepped over into the millennial reign of Christ or the eternal reign. We are just getting started. God, in His omnipotence, His glory, and His presence, has chosen to do it this way. But, we have to hear the Word of God. It is not about this or that. He is holy. He is jealous for the sake of His own Name.

Now, shifting when you pray for Israel, when you pray for the peace of Jerusalem, when you pray for this nation, when you pray for your families and yourself, remember the whole point is “That the nations will know that He is the Lord.” So, the peoples will know, “That He is the Lord.” That shifts the way you are thinking to throne room access automatically. Most pray in defense saying, “Dear God, do not let this happen to me. Save me. Heal me. Protect me. Watch over me. Do not let anything bad happen to me.”

Arise! Shift the way we are thinking to what the Spirit of Holiness is saying. It is about Him and His glory. Your will be done, so much that Jesus Christ said, “Father, not My will, but Yours be done. He went to that cross for us to save the nations. Nothing speaks better than the Blood of Jesus. He has done it! Because of that, we are His Bride, and we should have the same jealousy in us for the living God. We should have the same furious love in us, that His name will be glorified in all that we do, and that we would not take His name in vain. That we will not just be afraid. It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of God. Hey, wrath is coming. Judgments are coming. We know that, but we have to get the right perspective. In Christ, you are not appointed to that wrath, thank you, Jesus. That should make you run a few laps around your block when you get home. Stand still and see the salvation of God. We live in a very supernatural time.

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Watch glory manifest. Light overtakes darkness! Jesus says, "You are the Light of the world." **"Let there be light!"** That is what it sounds like in the heavenlies. When we hear what's going on in Heaven, when we hear the Father's voice, when we agree with the Spirit of Holiness, and we bring it to the Earth, the Earth will respond. When we agree with God, we intercede, we pray, we declare God's word and what He says. Do not add stuff to it. It speaks for itself. The Earth will respond."

Back to my beautiful Jesus. He says, "Pray this way. Our Father, who lives in heaven, Holy is your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven." Then He takes care of all those daily needs. He ends it up with this, "Thine is the Kingdom. Thine is the power, and Thine is the glory forever and ever, amen."

All right, let's stand up. I decree over all of us Psalms 46:10, "Be still and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, and I will be exalted in the Earth. Be still and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, and I will be exalted in the Earth."

Father, we hearken unto the voice of the Lord, our God. We agree. We humble ourselves. We ask that you would forgive us where we have taken your name in vain, where we have not hallowed your name, where we have been irreverent and where we have used it flippantly. Because you have magnified your word above your name. Father, God, we honor you in all things, that we would fear God and keep your commandments. That we would know you even as we are known, and that you would impart to us the Spirit of Holiness. So, we can walk as one with you in this hour. That we can labor with Heaven, and that this would be the resounding cry from Heaven to Earth, that everyone would know, "that you are the Lord." That those who are lost, would be found, and know Jesus as Lord and Savior. From family members to neighbors, to the nations, cities, and to the corrupt ones. God Almighty, that your Spirit would move. Sanctify our hearts to hear what the Sovereign Lord is saying. We pray you seal these words on our hearts today. That we could go with great joy that the Father of Jesus is our Father. We have access to the Father. The Father of Spirits has said, "Live," and we live, we breathe, we move and have our being in Him and Him alone. The Light has come and the Light has overtaken the darkness. Illuminate us Lord with your word. Let us shine like bright lights in a very dark hour. Let us fulfill all that is written of us in your scrolls of destiny. That you may be glorified in all the Earth, in Jesus' name, amen. Stay with Him.