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The Names of Love - Part 10 - Jehovah Shammah

Ezk. 48:35 “And the name of the city from that time on will be: THE LORD IS THERE.”

The Name of God in this passage is Jehovah Shammah; The Lord Is There.

Can there be anything more uplifting and encouraging than sensing God’s presence? Have you experienced that in your life? I can tell you that knowing God is with you is better than anything else you could ever hope to have in your life. You may think that wealth, fame, job advancement, or romance will bring you what you desire, but it won’t. Many have tried these all and found that they’ve come up empty. Mark 8:36, “For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and yet lose his own soul?”

No, the greatest gift that God has bestowed upon this world is the gift of salvation leading to His presence. God is a present God. He wants to be with you always, but He will not force Himself on anyone. Remember Jesus said in Rev. 3:20 “Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me.”

Have you opened the door of your heart to ask Jesus to come in? There is no door knob on the outside. You have the choice. So many people want to be in control of their lives, but they find out soon enough that they are truly out of control. The One Who made you and the One Who loves you, can lead you in the way you should go. And, He wants to be with you always. I believe everyone in this world is longing for the presence of the Lord but they just don’t know it. There is a hole in their life that can only be filled by the presence of God. When you finally get to the point of understanding this, you can then experience the joy that His presence with you will bring. Isa. 43:2 “When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.”

Many years after Isaiah wrote down these words, an angel appeared to Joseph and proclaimed that a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call His name Immanuel - which means, “God with us.” And now, anyone who has received Jesus as their savior, has become the temple of the living God. He makes His residence within you.

Dear Jehovah Shammah, I praise You because You are always with me. You will never leave me or forsake me. I can always know that You are there with me. As You lead me today, help me to continually sense Your presence in my life. Lord, I need You today and everyday of my life. In Jesus Name, Amen