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The Names of Love - Part 13 - El Kanna

Exodus 34:14, "Do not worship any other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God."

The Name of God in this passage is El Kanna; The Lord Our Jealous God.

When you think of this name, it pictures not the jealousy we tend to have that is selfish based; instead it signifies the 'righteous zeal' that God has for you. He wants the very best for you; nothing less. It also carries the connotation of someone who has been cheated on by their spouse or close companion. The fact that God is jealous for you means that He wants us to understand that He is our only hope and no one else. Remember Jesus said in John 14:6, "I AM the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

God's love for you is pure and complete. He has given us everything. As a result He wants the same from us. When we pour our thoughts and actions into the things of this world, rather than on Him, He is Jealous for our full and complete devotion. When we call upon Him for our salvation, we are repenting of our selfish needs, and trusting the One who will supply all of our needs according to His riches in glory, by Christ Jesus.

What is your relationship with God truly like? Do you just reach out to Him when you have a need? Do you keep Him at arm's length? Is He someone that you want His blessing but not His leading? God doesn't have relationships like that because when He gave Himself for us through Jesus, He gave everything. He did not withhold anything from you or me. He became the complete sacrifice for us. And now, He is jealous for you. He loves You and He loves me.

Dear El Kanna, the LORD Who is Jealous for Me; I praise You today that You gave everything for me. You did not give me partial forgiveness nor "halfway" love. You have given all for me; even when You knew I didn't deserve it. Just like the prophet Hosea loved his wife Gomer, even though she had sold herself to prostitution; He bought her back. I cannot fully comprehend that kind of love, but I'm so grateful for it. In Jesus Name, Amen