

## RUNNING TOWARDS THE 16 PRIMARY NAMES OF GOD

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Text: Psalm 121

*The Name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe* Prov. 18:10

### I. I RUN

- TO** THE LORD ( **Refuge** & Repentance)  
*"I run to you, dear God; I run for dear life."* Ps. 31:1
- WITH** THE LORD ( **Intimacy** and Strength)  
*"You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures in your right hand"* Ps. 71:1
- FOR** THE LORD ( Purpose and Endurance)  
*"... let us run with endurance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith."* Heb. 12:1,2

### II. THE 16 PRIMARY NAMES OF GOD

- JEHOVAH RAPHA** - *The Lord Who Heals* Ex. 15:26 Physically, Emotionally, Spiritually  
 Some healing requires **slowing down** long enough to receive it.
- JEHOVAH NISSI** - *The Lord Is My Banner* Ex. 17:15 Victory, Identity  
 A banner tells you who you belong to - **before** the battle starts.
- JEHOVAH SHALOM** - *The Lord Is Peace* Judges 6:24 Peace in chaos, Peace before it fully arises  
 Peace isn't the absence of trouble - it's the **Presence of the Lord**
- JEHOVAH TSIDKENU** - *The Lord Our Righteousness* Jer. 23:6 Right standing, Grace over human performance  
 "Some of us are exhausted because we're trying to outrun guilt instead of running to grace."
- JEHOVAH ROHI** - *The Lord My Shepherd* Ps. 23:1 Guidance, Care, Lead  
 Sheep only lay down & rest when they sense **all of their needs** are met.
- JEHOVAH SHAMMAH** - *The Lord Is There* Ez. 48:3 God's presence, God's nearness  
 "Sometimes the strongest name is simply... He's here."
- JEHOVAH SABAOTH** - *Lord of Hosts* 1 Samuel 1:3 Commander of heaven's armies  
 You don't need to fight every battle, some are already determined.
- EL OLAM** - *The Everlasting God* Gen. 21:33 Timeless & Faithful across generations  
 "From grade school, to over 80 years old - He's been faithful longer than you've been alive.
- ABBA** - *Father* Rom. 8:15 Intimate, Personal, Close  
 Before He is powerful - He is **personal**

### III. THE 7 PRIMARY NAMES OF GOD - LAST WEEK -

- ELOHIM** - *The Creator God* Genesis 1:1 All-powerful, Designer, Authority Over beginnings  
 You're not an accident - you're a hand-picked creation. God's-hand!
- YAHWEH / JEHOVAH** - *A Personal God* Ex. 3:14 I AM WHO I AM, Unchanging, Eternal  
 The faster the world changes, the more you need a God who doesn't.
- ADONAI** - *Lord & Master* Ps. 8:1 Owner, Authority, One who sets direction  
 "We love God as a friend & Savior... but we get real quiet when He talks to us like an Owner."
- EL SHADDAI** - *God Almighty* Gen 17:1 All-sufficient More than enough  
 Burnout happens when you're running on what you have instead of who He is
- EL ELYON** - *The Most High God* Gen 14:18-20 Above ALL circumstances and powers  
 "I don't worry, and I don't fret... my God has never failed me yet!!!"
- EL ROI** - *The God Who Sees* Gen 16:13 Sees the Unseen, Knows the unknown  
 "For anyone who feels invisible - this is the name you run to"
- JEHOVAH JIREH** - *The Lord Will Provide* Gen. 22:14 Provider, Ahead of your need  
 Provision is already waiting; you don't need to outrun God to get it

### IV. THIS WEEK: CORE THOUGHT AND CALL TO ACTION

#### Core Thought:

You don't need to know all 16 names today - but you do need to know **which one you're running to**  
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 when life gets tough

#### Call to Action:

This week, don't just say "God". **Say His name**  
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