

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

WHO IS GOD THE FATHER?

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PART 2: FORGIVENESS & MERCY

THERE IS ONLY ONE GOD

The Hebrew word for “God” in the book of Isaiah is “Elohim,” which is the Hebrew word for the Godhead and literally means “Gods.”

Elohim expresses the fullness of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

Elohim wanted to reveal Himself to the Hebrew people through the prophet Isaiah and said no one existed outside of Him. **Isaiah 45:21-23; 46:9-11**

ELOHIM WAS KNOWN TO ISRAEL AS A GOD OF JUDGMENT

The children of Israel from the time of Moses knew that Elohim was a God of judgment. If provoked, He would punish them. **Deuteronomy 32:16-25**

God told Isaiah that the people should be obedient or He would create evil in the form of judgments against them. **Isaiah 45:6-7**

The children of Israel never saw Elohim as a Father; instead, they saw Him as a God that demanded obedience.

YAHWEH – THE GOD OF FORGIVENESS

When God revealed Himself to Moses for the first time, the Hebrew word used for God was “Yahweh,” which means the “Existing One.” A German theologian some 300 years ago changed the name from Yahweh to Jehovah. **Exodus 3:1-4**

King David, who experienced God’s judgment and His mercy and forgiveness, used the Hebrew word of “Yahweh” in the majestic 103rd Psalm when he described the mercies of God. He also referred to God as the Father. **Psalms 103:1-14**

ELOHIM – THE GOD OF MERCY

When God revealed to Isaiah that He was also a God of mercy, He used the Hebrew word of “Elohim.” This is one of the most powerful chapters in the Old Testament. **Isaiah 55:1-5**

Remember, it’s not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?

