

The Names of God – The Lord My Banner

August 21, 2022 Discussion Notes

Everyone is encouraged to bring a Bible

(Phone apps are good for reading together in the same translation. Study Bibles give help with interpretation.)



Questions:

- Icebreaker questions:
 - Do you know the meaning of your name? If not, take a few minutes to look it up.
 - Did you have any nicknames growing up? If so, how did you get them?
- The sermon was about the name *Jehovah Nissi* (The Lord My Banner). What do you remember about each of the main points? What stood out to you or impacted you?
- Read 2 Corinthians 5:16-21. Using this passage as a guide, make a list of the various aspects of the true identity of a Christian.
- Take a few minutes to read Exodus 14:1-16 (these events happened just after the Israelites were set free from slavery in Egypt).
 - Why did God lead the Israelites to “turn back” and camp by the sea (where they would end up cornered by the Egyptian army)?
 - How do you feel about God intentionally putting His people into difficult and scary situations? Why would he do this?
 - Why do you think the Israelites panicked when they saw the Egyptian army approaching (even after all the miracles they had seen God do for them in Egypt)? Can you relate at all?
 - What was the one thing that Moses told the people they needed to do?
 - Now read Exodus 14:21-31. What principles in this story might apply to seeing the Lord as your banner?
- Spend some time praying that God would give you confidence in him. Pray that you would be able to see him and trust him as your banner. And pray for any needs in your group.