# Startling Facts

Did you know that the Heavenly Father has a name? The surprising truth is that the Name of the Creator of the universe if found 6,823 times in ancient Bible manuscripts, yet it was concealed by Bible translators who believed it was too holy to use. But the Bible challenges you to discover and use the only true, personal Name of the Creator and the Name of His Son, our Savior—the only Name that gives salvation!

Read some startling facts about the Name right out of the pages of your Bible.

## From the Bible

"Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is His name, and what is His Son's name, if you know it?" Proverbs 30:4.

"I am Yahweh; that is My name: and My glory will I not give to another, neither My praise to graven images," Isaiah 42:8.

"Sing unto Elohim, sing praises to His name: extol Him that rides upon the heavens by His name YAH and rejoice before Him," Psalm 68:4.

("Yah" is the last part of the word "halleluyah." Halleluyah is the most ancient of all words of praise and means "praise Yah.")

"You shall not misuse the name of Yahweh your Elohim to bring it to nought, for Yahweh will not hold him guiltless that misuses His Name to bring it to nought," Exodus 20.7. (This is the Third Commandment.)

"And you shall not swear by My name falsely, neither shall you profane the name of your Elohim: I am Yahweh," Leviticus 19:12.

#### From Bible Translators and Scholars

In the introduction to the **Moffatt Translation** (pp.20-21), James Moffatt makes it clear that he would have had no hesitation about using the Name Yahweh in his translation if he had intended it for students of the original Scriptures.

We find in the preface to the **Goodspeed translation**: "The Hebrews called their deity by the name Yahweh, and in shorter form Yah." This source admits to using substitutes for the Name Yahweh.

The **Revised Standard Version** says at Exodus 3:15, "The word LORD when spelled with capital letters stands for the divine name YHWH, which is here connected with the verb hayah, to be."

The **New Catholic Bible** (Catholic Bible Press), at Exodus 3:14 notes, "'I am who am'; apparently this utterance is the source of the word Yahweh; the proper, personal name of the God of Israel ... . Out of reverence for this name the term 'Adonai,' 'my Lord,' was used as a substitute. The word Lord in the present version represents this traditional usage. The word Jehovah arose from a false reading of this name as it is written in the current Hebrew text."

In the International Bible Encyclopedia of the King James Version published by Garden City Publishing Co., we note the following under the heading "Jehovah": "It is believed that the correct pronunciation of this word is 'Yahweh.'"

In the **Jewish Encyclopedia** (Volume 7, p..88) is this revealing statement: "The reading Jehovah is a comparatively recent invention. Jehovah is generally held to have been the

invention of Pope Leo the 10th's confessor, Peter Galatin (De Arcanis Catholic Verities 1518, Folio XLIII), who was followed in the use of this hybrid form by Fagius Drusius."

**A New Standard Bible Dictionary** States , "Jehovah ...Properly Yahweh... the form 'Jehovah' is impossible, according to the strict principles of Hebrew vocalization." (there was no "J" in the original Hebrew, nor in Greek for that matter.)

From the preface to the **Holy Name Bible**, published by the Scripture Research Association, is the following: "Another common error among most of the translators is their elimination of heaven's revealed Name of the Most High, Yahweh, and the Name of His Son, Yahshua the Messiah, and the substitution of the names of the local deities of the nations among whom they dwelt (Psalm 96:5), expressly transgressing Yahweh's commandments as given in Exodus 20:7 and 23:13.

"The substitution of the Names Yahweh and Yahshua by the name of the pagan deities of the nations has brought immeasurable harm...By employing these names the people unknowingly turn the worship of Yahweh into that of idols and actually ascribe the benevolent characteristics of the Mighty One of Israel to the pagan deities (Hosea 2:8)."

On page 7 of this source we read, "His Name is composed of two parts: Yah-Hoshua (Savior). Thus the contraction Yahshua signifies Yahweh-Savior and strikingly bears out the logic of Matthew 1:21."

### **From Common Secular Sources**

From the **Oxford Cyclopedic Concordance** is this on page 121: "Jehovah, the name revealed to Moses at Horeb...Its real pronunciation is approximately Yahweh. The name itself was not pronounced Jehovah before the 16th century."

**Encyclopedia Britannica** (Micropedia, vol. 10): "Although Christian scholars after the Renaissance and Reformation periods used the term Jehovah for YHWH, in the 19th and 20 centuries biblical scholars again began to use the form Yahweh. Early Christian writers, such as Clement of Alexandria in the 2nd century, had used the form Yahweh, thus this pronunciation of the Tetragrammaton was never really lost. Greek transcriptions also indicated that Yhwh should be pronounced Yahweh."

**Webster's New World Dictionary** — "Yahweh...a form of the Hebrew name in the Old Testament. See Tetragrammaton."

**The New American Encyclopedia** notes this under Jehovah," (properly Yahweh) a name of the [Mighty One] of Israel , now widely regarded as a mispronunciation of the Hebrew YHWH."

# More from the Bible

"And in all things that I have said unto you be circumspect: and make no mention of the name of other mighty ones, neither let it be heard out of your mouth," Exodus 23:13.

"Our help is in the name of Yahweh, who made heaven and earth," Psalm 124:8.

"Seek Him that made the seven stars and Orion...Yahweh is His name," Amos 5:8.

"It is He that builds His stories in the heaven, and has founded His vault in the earth... Yahweh is His name," Amos 9:6.

"His name shall endure forever: His name shall be continued as long as the sun." Psalm 72:17.

"Praise Yahweh, call upon His name, declare His doings among the people, make mention that His name is exalted," Isaiah 12:4.

"...I Yahweh am thy Savior and thy Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob," Isaiah 49:26.

"And she shall bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Yahshua: for He shall save His People from their sins," Matthew 1:21.

In John 5:43 Yahshua said, "I am come in My Father's name," The family name Yah is found in both names, Yahweh, Yahshua. We also find the sacred Name Yah at the end of the names of many Bible prophets like Elijah (more properly, EliYah, which means "my Mighty One is Yah"); also note the "Yah" sound at the end of Isaiah, Jeremiah, Obadiah, Zephaniah, Zechariah, and many others.

"Wherefore also has highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Yahshua every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Yahshua the Messiah is the Savior, to the glory of Yahweh the Father," Philippians 2:9-11.

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved," Acts 4:12.

"To Him give all the prophets witness, that through His name whosoever believes in Him shall receive remission of sins," Acts 10:43.

"And this is His commandment, that we should believe on the name of His Son Yahshua the Messiah..." 1John 3:23.

"Sing forth the honor of His name: make His praise glorious," Psalm 66:2.

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