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# Sabbath Keeping Youth

#### IAM'S of God

- 1. I AM
- 2. I AM THAT I AM
- 3. I am the Lord
- 4. I am Almighty God
- 5. I am the God of Abraham
- 6. I am the Lord God of Abraham
- 7. I am God, the God of thy father
- 8. I am the God of Bethel
- 9. I am the God of thy father
- 10. I am the Lord your God
- 11. I the Lord your God am holy
- 12. I the Lord am holy
- 13. I the Lord thy God am a jealous God
- 14. I am He
- 15. I am God
- 16. I am the Lord thy God
- 17. I am the God of Israel
- 18. I am thy God
- 19. I am the first
- 20. I am the last
- 21. I am thy part of thine inheritance
- 22. I am the Lord thy Savior
- 23. I am the Lord, the God of all flesh
- 24. I am a witness
- 25. I am a father to Israel
- 26. I am the Lord God
- 27. I am the Lord their God
- 28. I am your God
- 29. I am a great King
- 30. I am the God of thy fathers

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How many times have you finished a prayer with the words, "in Jesus' name, amen?" The Bible says that one day every knee will bow to the ground at the mention of the name Jesus. What is it about that name? Certainly there is no other name so powerful. When the name of Jesus is mentioned it can heal, chase away evil and bring incredible peace and happiness. Is the name of Jesus just a magic word like hocus-pocus? Absolutely not! It's a name that speaks of the King of Kings, the ruler of the universe and the Prince of Peace. Wherever the name of Jesus is spoken for good, you can be sure that Jesus is right there, waiting to do something wonderful.

Think about how awesome that is. Wherever you are, you can call on the name of Jesus to help make something good happen. You don't have to be an adult, a minister, or any body special. Any one who is a child of God can call out the name of Jesus and He will be there instantly. Now you have to remember that He is God, and that makes Him smarter than everyone else. So sometimes He may answer your prayers a little differently than you thought He should. However, He will always answer in a way that will bring glory to God.

So when you are around others, don't be afraid to speak out the name of Jesus, and ask Him to help your family, friends, teachers, neighbors, and anyone else that has blood pumping through their body. It's a powerful name, so don't leave home without it!



### **The Parents Corner**

Kids today spend a lot of time worrying. The Bible makes it very clear that God does not want us worrying, but instead, trusting in Him. Here is a simple, but very meaningful activity that can help your children learn to cast their worries on Jesus. Find a fair size jar and label it "The Worry Jar." When you or one of your children have a worry, write it down and put it in the jar. That night, before you go to sleep, pray with your child about the concern. Ask God for peace and for help. After a couple of months, empty the jar together, and see how many prayers God answered. Don't forget to give Him thanks and praise! As your child grows older, they will really be able to trust in God and not worry, but be happy! Hmm! That sounds like a good song!

#### Do You Know Who God Is?

The most fundamental need facing each of us as a parent today is to recognize the existence of God, understand His character and personality and pass this on to our children. Teaching our children about God begins by involving them in our religion and by example. The scripture to begin teaching about God is Proverbs 1:7, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction." In our world today, knowledge abounds but true wisdom is scarce.

The first step to teach your children is that wisdom is not just about knowing a lot, but rather one's attitude will affect everything in one's life. Teach your children to have the attitude of fear for the Lord because this attitude is the beginning of wisdom. To fear God means to honor, respect, trust and be in awe of His power.

Next, involve your children in your religion. Teaching them to pray, read and memorize scripture, sing hymns and attend church does this. God and Jesus Christ need to be a part of your family's everyday life. God should not be reserved only for meal and bedtime prayers. Your faith should be a part of your everyday life. This can be done through your conversations and your thankfulness for all God has provided you and your family.

The existence of God has been a debate for mankind throughout the millennia. No one can make another person believe in God. However, God's existence is powerfully demonstrated by His creation. The reality of the material universe, the existence of life and the interdependence and sustenance of the laws governing His creation require a Creator, a Life-Giver and a Sustainer. David said, "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament showeth his handiwork" (Psalm 19:1). Paul records in Romans 1:19, 20 "That which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shown it unto them. For the invisible things of him [God] from [looking up at] the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead so that they are without excuse." So there is no excuse for not believing in God. God can be known because of the creation all around us.

Teach your children the nature of God.

- God is Spirit (John 4:24).
- God is invisible (Colossians 1:15).

- God is a person who hears, sees, feels, blesses, and shows emotion through wrath and love (Nahum 1:2; John 3:16).
- God is the one and only God (Deut. 6:4, 5).

#### Teach the attributes of God.

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- God is love. This one quality is so much a part of God's makeup that He is it (I John 4:8).
- God is eternal. He has always been (Genesis 21:33).
- God is omniscient. God knows everything past, present and future and He knows all about you (Job 37:16; Ps. 139:1-4).
- God is omnipotent. God can do anything He wants to do (Job 42:2; Rev. 19:6).
- God is omnipresent. God is everywhere. He sees and hears all that we do and say (Ps 139:7-12).
- God is holy (Isa. 43:15).
- God is truth. You never need to doubt God (Ps. 117:2; Titus 1:2).
- God is just (Deut. 32:4).
- God is majestic (Ps 29:2).
- God is good (Ps 34:8).
- God is faithful. You can trust His Word (I Cor. 10:13; I Thess. 5:24).
- God is sovereign. God is Ruler over all (Ps. 22:28; 47:2; Is. 44:6, Daniel 4:34, 35).

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#### Moses is Called By God Exodus 2: 15-3:18

One day Moses was in the desert, tending sheep that belonged to his father-in-law. He led the flock to the back of the desert and came to the mountain of God, called Horeb. Suddenly the angel of the Lord appeared to Moses in a flame of fire from the middle of a bush. Moses looked and saw that the bush burned with fire but it was not destroyed.

When the Lord saw Moses turn aside to look closer at the bush, God called to him from the middle of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And Moses answered, "Here I am." God said, "Do not come near. Take your shoes off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." God continued, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Moses hid his face for he was afraid to look upon God."

God spoke again, "I have seen the misery of my people who are in Egypt and I have heard their cries because of these taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. So I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them out of that land into a land of good and large, into a land flowing with milk and honey." God was going to take them to the land of Canaan, which He had promised their forefathers.



God said to Moses, "Come now, and I will send you to Pharaoh so you may lead my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." But Moses said to the Lord, "Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh, and lead the children of Israel out of Egypt?" God said, "I will certainly be with you, and this shall be a sign to you that I have sent you: When you bring the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

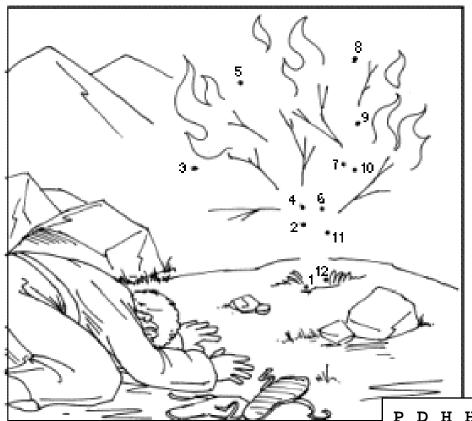
Then Moses said to the Lord: "When I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you' and they say to me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?"

God said, "This you shall say to the children of Israel: 'I AM WHO I AM. This you must say to the children of Israel. I AM has sent me to you." Moses was to tell the people that "I AM" had sent him. This was the name by which God chose to reveal himself to Israel. The name was to become a memorial throughout their generations.

Do you ever think you don't have the strength, courage or wisdom to do what God asks of you? The Bible says in 2 Corinthians 3:5, "Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God." This means that by ourselves we are not powerful, but the all-powerful God is and He can do anything. The key is to trust in Him. God desired that Moses would know He is the all-powerful God who would help him deliver the children of Israel out of bondage. God wanted Moses to trust Him. God wants you to trust Him as well.

God wants you to know who He is too. He is your strength, courage and wisdom. God's Word says, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" (Philippians 4:13). His name is "I AM" and He is here to give you all the strength and courage you could ever need. Go to God in prayer and ask Him to help you trust in His power.

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God appeared to Moses and told him to lead his people out of Egypt.

Connect the dots.
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Jesus was a man. He was the Son of God. To top it all off, Jesus was also God. Everywhere He went people would call out to Him. No other name was capable of bringing such blessings from heaven. But Jesus wasn't the only name by which He was called. Below are just a few of the many names used to describe our Saviour. See if you can find them in the puzzle on the right.

I Am	Lord of Lords	Teacher
Messiah	Prince of Peace	Master
Good Shepherd	Rock	Healer
Christ	Emmanu el	Fortress
King of Kings	Rabbi	Lamb
	Holy	

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