



Jehovah Shammah

Tonight, we will learn about the name of God, Jehovah Shammah.

God's name Jehovah Shammah is revealed in the book of Ezekiel. The book of Ezekiel is a record of visions that God gave to a Jewish prophet named Ezekiel between 593 and 571BC. Ezekiel shared these visions before, during, and after the Jewish exile to Babylon in 586BC.

These years were a time of great sorrow for the nation of Israel.

- **The nation lost its sovereignty.**
- **Many people died.**
- **Those that survived were stripped of their personal property. Most of the Jews were scattered into exile throughout the Babylonian empire.**
- **Families were separated.**
- **Those Jews that remained in the land of Canaan worked the land as slaves to those who governed them.**



In the last part of his book, Ezekiel records a vision he was given about the final defeat of Israel's enemies and the restoration of the nation of Israel. The vision is recorded in nine chapters and 260 verses. Other than the book of Revelation, this vision is the most extensive and detailed vision of the future in the bible.

In his vision, Ezekiel is given a guided tour of the land of Israel, the city of Jerusalem, the new temple, and the order of worship.

- **He gives specific details about the land of Israel, the city of Jerusalem, and the temple in Jerusalem.**
- **He gives precise measurements about the size and division of the land for each tribe, the size and division of the city, and the size and structure of the temple.**
- **He gives specific details about the order of worship.**
- **He gives details about the international power of their government, the prosperity of their land, and the wealth of the people.**

To those Jews that were familiar with their past triumphs as a nation, this vision was so grandiose that it was difficult to believe that God would do something so great for their

nation. This vision even surpassed what God had promised Abraham or what God did for the nation during the reign of king Solomon.

The greatest part of the vision Ezekiel is recorded at the end of His vision in the last verses of the book.

Ezekiel 48:35

35 All the way around shall be eighteen thousand cubits; and the name of the city from that day shall be: THE LORD IS THERE."

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The Lord was going to make Jerusalem His dwelling place on the earth. The glory of His presence in that city would be forever visible to everyone.

As a result, the name of Jerusalem would be Jehovah Shalom, The Lord Is There!

The nation of Israel saw the glory of the Lord's presence after they left Egypt. God appeared to them in a pillar of a cloud by day and in a pillar of fire by night.

Exodus 13:21-22

21 And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, so as to go by day and night.

22 He did not take away the pillar of cloud by day or the pillar of fire by night from before the people.

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When Israel camped at Mount Sinai, God met with Moses on mount Sinai. The nation of Israel saw the glory of the Lord's

presence on that mountain. His glory descended on the mountain in such intense fire that it would cause the whole mountain to quake violently and be covered with a dense smoke.

Exodus 19:18

**18 Now Mount Sinai was completely in smoke, because the Lord descended upon it in fire. Its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked greatly.
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Exodus 24:17

**17 The sight of the glory of the Lord was like a consuming fire on the top of the mountain in the eyes of the children of Israel.
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When King Solomon built the first temple for the Lord and dedicated it to the worship of the Lord, the Lord's glory filled the temple. The nation of Israel again saw the glory of the Lord's presence.

2 Chronicles 7:1-3

1 When Solomon had finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the Lord filled the temple.

2 And the priests could not enter the house of the Lord, because the glory of the Lord had filled the Lord's house.

3 When all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the Lord on the temple, they bowed their faces to the ground on the pavement, and worshiped and praised the Lord, saying: "For He is good, For His mercy endures forever."

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These visitations were all temporary visible manifestations of the glory of God.

Ezekiel and other prophets in the bible predicted there would come a time when the Lord would visibly manifest His glory to Israel perpetually in the city of Jerusalem.

Ezekiel 43:7

7 And He said to me, "Son of man, this is the place of My throne and the place of the soles of My feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel forever.

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And from Jerusalem, the Lord God would rule all the nations on the earth.

Why are these visions of Ezekiel and the name Jehovah Shammah important to those of us who follow Jesus?

- 1. These visions give us a hope for our future.**
- 2. These visions give us a mission to fulfill.**
- 3. These visions give us an eternal relationship that satisfies.**

1. These visions give us a hope for our future.

These visions have not been fulfilled. The apostle John received a vision about the fulfillment of Ezekiel's vision that he recorded in the book of Revelation. In John's vision, Ezekiel's vision is fulfilled during a period of 1000 years right before the Lord destroyed the world with fire. Many theologians call this period the millennium.

Revelation 20:1-6

1 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

**2 He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years;
3 and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.
4 And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.
5 But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.
6 Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.**

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Because of the visions and prophecies of Isaiah, the Jews believed that the Lord would send them a messiah to fulfill the prophecies of Ezekiel.

Isaiah 9:6-7

6 For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

7 Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, to order it and establish it with judgment and justice from that

time forward, even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

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Jesus of Nazareth declared to Israel that He was their promised messiah.

John 5:39

39 You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.

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Jesus demonstrated to the nation of Israel that He was their messiah in many ways.

- **The prophecies He fulfilled**
- **The life that He lived**
- **The signs He performed**
- **The truth that He taught**

1. Jesus declared He was the Son of God.

2. Jesus declared His death would atone for their sins and the sins of the world.

3. Jesus declared that He would rise from the dead.

4. Jesus declared that He would ascend into heaven and rule the world.

5. Jesus declared that He would send the Holy Spirit to change their sinful hearts.

6. Jesus declared that He would one day return to the city of Jerusalem and rule the world.

The visions of Ezekiel and the name Jehovah Shammah are important to us because as followers of Jesus we believe the teachings of Jesus. We have been given information about the future of the world that the world does not have.

In these tumultuous times we can be at peace about what is happening the world and what will happen. The prophecies will be fulfilled. Jesus will reign!

We will reign with Him!

After 1000 years, there will be the final judgment of mankind. Then this first earth and heaven will pass away. There will be a new heaven and new earth and a new Jerusalem.

Revelation 21:1

1 Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away.

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Revelation 21:2-3

2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

3 And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.

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The visible manifest presence of God in the new Jerusalem is described in this way.

Revelation 21:19

23 The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light.

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The new Jerusalem will be Jehovah Shammah for us for all of eternity!

The Lord God wants His church to know what He has in store for our future with Him. Just as He made Himself visible to Adam and Eve and dwelt with them in the garden of Eden, just as He made Himself visible to Israel and dwelt with them in the wilderness, just as He made Himself visible through Jesus to His disciples and dwelt with them, just as He will make Himself visible to Israel and dwell with them, the Lord will manifest His glory to us and dwell with us for all of eternity. What an incredible promise!

The visions of Ezekiel and the name Jehovah Shammah should always remind us of the incredible promise the Lord has made to us for our future with Him!

2. These visions give us a mission to fulfill.

The visions of Ezekiel and the name Jehovah Shammah are important to us because Jesus said that until He returns, His church is Jehovah Shammah on the earth.

- He told His disciples they were the light of the world.**
- He told His disciples they were the city set on a hill.**
- He told His disciples they were the temple of the Holy Spirit.**

He told His disciples that He would manifest His glory to the world through His Spirit dwelling in them.

These visions give us a mission to fulfill.

It gives us a significant purpose and meaning for our life.

3. These visions give us a relationship that satisfies.

The Lord dwells in us and in the Lord is everything we need.

- **Because the Lord dwells in us we are always with Him.**
- **Because the Lord dwells in us we are always loved.**
- **Because the Lord dwells in us we are always the righteousness of God.**
- **Because the Lord dwells in us we are always holy. We are always somebody significant.**
- **Because the Lord dwells in us we are always more than conquerors.**

It is this promise in this name Jehovah Shammah that comforts us and gives us strength to endure and to overcome the difficulties of living in a sinful world.

- **These visions give us a hope for our future.**
- **These visions give us a mission to fulfill.**
- **These visions give us an eternal relationship that satisfies.**

What do we have to do to glorify the name Jehovah Shammah?

- **We must believe the words of the Lord.**
We must believe we are the temple of the Holy Spirit.
We must believe God dwells in us. We must believe that we are the visible manifestation of God's glory on

the earth. We must believe that because God dwells in us, we have everything we need for life and godliness.

- **We must speak the words of the Lord.**

**We should speak His words to our own souls in prayer.
We should speak His words to one another.**

- **We must live the words of the Lord.**

We must understand from God's Word how God manifests His glory through us. Jesus told His disciples to reveal His glory by loving one another. Jesus told His disciples to reveal His glory by working together. Jesus told His disciple to reveal His glory by always praying and never giving up. Jesus told His disciples to reveal His glory by the way they related to the world. Jesus told His disciples to reveal His glory by sharing the truth about Him with others.

Will you boast in the name Jehovah Shammah?

The perfect Father is....

- I. Jehovah (Genesis 2:4)**
- II. Jehovah Jireh (Genesis 22:13-14)**
- III. Jehovah Rapha (Exodus 15:26)**
- IV. Jehovah Nissi (Exodus 17:15)**
- V. Jehovah Qanna (Exodus 20:5)**
- VI. Jehovah Mekaddesh (Exodus 31:13)**
- VII. Jehovah Shalom (Judges 6:24)**
- VIII. Jehovah Rohi (Psalm 23:1)**
- IX. Jehovah Sabaoth (Isaiah 1:24)**
- X. Jehovah Tsidkenu (Jeremiah 23:6)**
- XI. Jehovah Shammah (Ezekiel 48:35)**

**Church, we have the perfect Father!
Let us boast in Him!**