

Wednesday Devotional

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Scripture: Matthew 6: 9

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We are talking about strategy in our life and prayer is the first strategy we are talking about. To understand prayer we must understand God.

Our Father which art in Heaven. Secondly, we pray Hallowed be thy name. What does hallowed mean? It means to set apart, too revere, to be counted and treated as holy, to be honored above any other name.

In fact, the way the Jews treated the name of God, it was so honored, so revered, so holy they would not speak the name of God.

They made up another name for God. They took the consonants from the name Yahweh and they took the vowels from the name Adonai and created a whole new name, 'Jehovah' which we find throughout the Old Testament. They use this name and feel they are ok in calling Him that without offending Him in any way.

God's name is and was above all other names. It is a name to be honored, it is a name to be cherished, a name to be revered.

It kind of troubles me how we in the church and definitely in our society have watered down the name of God. We even disrespect it, using it as slang and using it as profanity. We need to understand as His children to Hallow the name of God by honoring and praising Him.