

Message Series: Names of God

Message Title: Alpha and Omega

Key Scripture:

Revelation 1:7-8 NIV

7“Look, he is coming with the clouds,”
and “every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him”;
and all peoples on earth “will mourn because of him.”
So shall it be! Amen.

8“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.”

Revelation 21:1-7 NLT

Message Summary

When God reveals himself to Moses - he calls him 'I am'. Of the six names we have looked at, four times it is humans who say who the I am is.....

The two times God names himself, he says I am who sanctifies you, I am the Lord who is there.

When it comes to defining who God is, he defines himself according to who he is to us - humans, his creation! He is our peace, banner, provider, the one who sees us, make us holy and is with us.

When Jesus says he is the Alpha and Omega, he is saying he is everything - the beginning and the end - but he promises that at the end - he will come, to be with us!

Just as a Father is called daddy, by His children, God allows Himself to be named by who He is to us!

How does applying this message affect our:

Fellowship - experiencing healthy relationships with other people

Revelation 21:7 says that every believer who is victorious, will inherit blessings, and will be part of God's people. How can we use our relationships with each other, to help us overcome the challenges we face in our tough middle - and be the people of God together?

Discipleship - growing in Christ both in thought and deed

What other names of God can you find in the Bible? What about the I am statements of Jesus. What else can we learn about God by looking at his names.

Ministry - Discovering and using our God-given gifts and abilities

Which character do you most identify with from this series. Moses? Gideon? Abraham? Hagar? What have learnt about their situation, that enables and empowers you to serve God in your life?

Evangelism - Reaching out and sharing the love of Christ with unbelievers

Jesus defines himself not just as eternal, like the claims of other gods of the Greco-Roman world, but as the one who is to come, the one who for eternity wants to be with us. How can we demonstrate to others, just how close God wants to be with us? How much he loves us and wants to draw near?

Worship - Surrendering our heart and life to Christ on an ongoing basis

How has learning about the different names of God affected your devotional life? What have you learnt about God - have you found new reasons to praise Him for who He is?