God Names Of God - "El" - Part 2

Introduction

Continuing from the previous months's meditation on God and His names, and in particular, El.

El As a Root Name

This becomes the root name for the following list of God's names, some of which were found in a previous study. They are associated with His greatness, characteristices or attributes.

Name	Translation in KJV	References
El De'ot	The God of knowledge	1 Sam. 2:3
El Qadowsh	An Holy God (used in Isaiah 30 times)	Josh. 24:19
El Yeruwshalayim / Yeruwshalem	God of Jerusalem	2 Chron. 32:19; Ezra 7:19
El Chayil	God is my power	2 Sam. 22:33
El Derek Tamiym	The God whose way is perfect	2 Sam. 22:31
EL Mauz	God is my strength	2 Sam. 22:33; Psa. 43:2
EL Nathan	It is God that avengeth me	2 Sam. 22:48
El Gadowl	Great God	Deut. 10:17
El Aman	The God of truth	Isa. 65:16
El Chuwl	The God that formed thee	Deut. 32:18
El Tzur	God of the Rock of my salvation	2 Sam. 22:47
EL Emuwnah	God of truth	Deut. 32:4
El Yeshurun	God of Jershurn	Deut. 33:26
El Qedem	The eternal God	Deut. 33:27
El Channuwn	Thou art the gracious God	Jon. 4:2
El Rachuwm	A merciful God	Deut. 4:31; Neh. 9:31
El Aman	The faithful God	Deut. 7:9
El Qanna	The jealous God	Ex. 20:5; 34:14; Deut. 4:24; 5:9
El Elyon	Most High God	Gen. 14:20
El Roi	Thou God seest me	Gen. 16:13

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El Shaddai	The Almighty God	Gen. 17:1
El Owlam	The everlasting God	Gen. 21:33: Isa 40:28
El Beyth-El	The house of God	Gen. 35:7
El Echad	Hath not one God created us?	Mal. 2:10
El Gibbowr	The mighty God	Isa. 10:21; Jer. 32:18
EL Yesha	God of my salvation	Psa. 18:46
El Mishpat	The LORD is a God of judgment	Isa. 30:18
El Tsaddiyq	A just God and Saviour	Isa. 45:21
El Kadowsh	God that is holy shall be sanctified in righteousness	Isa. 5:16
Immanuw'el	Shall call His name Immanuel	Isa. 7:14
El Chay	The Living God	Josh. 3:10
El Selichot (pardon)	Thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious (channuwn) and merciful (rachuwm), slow (arek) to anger, and of great kindness (checed).	Neh. 9:17
El Eehilati	God of my praise	Psa. 109:1
El Ha Shamayim	God of Heaven	Psa. 136:26
El kawowd/ kabod	God of glory	Psa. 29:3
El 'Emeth	LORD God of truth	Psa. 31:5
El Simchah Giyl	God my exceeding joy	Psa. 43:4
El cela	God my rock	Psa. 42:9
El Yeshuw'ah	God of our salvation	Psa. 68:19
El Yisra'el	The God of Israel	Psa. 68:35
El Nasa	A God that forgavest them	Psa. 99:8

There are also a number of places and persons whose name has the letters "El" in them, for instance: Bethel (House of God, Gen. 12:8); Daniel (God is my judge, Ezek. 14:14; 28:3); Ezekiel (Ezek. 1:3; 24:24); Gabriel (Strong man of God, Lk. 1:19); Israel (God contended for, Gen. 33:20; Num. 8:17); Joel (Jehovah is God, Joel 1:1; 2 Chron. 29:12); Michael (Who is like God, Jude 1:9); Samuel (God has heard, Psa. 99:6; Jer. 15:1).

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Practical Truth

Why does the Holy Spirit refer to Melchizedec as being a "Priest of the Most high EL", and what does this have to do with this point in Abraham's spiritual journey?

- a) As mentioned in the previous paper, Abraham was very rich and increasing in goods (Gen. 12:5, 16, 20 (all that he had, Gen. 13:2, 6) and God was desirous to have him learn that people were more important than goods. Having regained Lot and all the goods from the conflict (Gen. 14:16), this would greatly have increased his fortune, however, he would still have remained where he was in spiritual growth. It is at this point when Melchizedec entered the scene, and for Abraham a major decision was to be made, "goods or people, which were the most important?" God met Abraham where he was spiritually!
- b) It is a blessed comfort to know that God meets us where we are circumstantially and in our spiritual growth. That was the foundation for our salvation, God meeting us in our sinner-ship and needing the new birth. God knows the circumstances each of us find ourselves in. Some could be feeling defeated because the christian life seems to be like going round a roundabout of sinning, acknowledging, sinning, acknowledging, and very little spiritual development, and the result is spiritual depression. In such a situation God might come to us as the God of all comfort and give encouragement, and the Almighty whose power is beyond what we understand.
- c) As we review life there is infinite comfort in knowing, "Behold God El is my salvation" (Isa. 12:2), and "Happy is he that hath the God El of Jacob for his help, and whose hope is in Jehovah his Elohim" (Psa. 146:5).

May God grant us good understanding as He, by His Holy Spirit, deigns to guide us into all truth.

John 16:13

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