

UNDERSTANDING GOD

BOOK TWO

THE FATHER

*KNOWING THE FATHER,
KNOWING HIS HEART*

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Much can be learned of the Father by simply knowing the meanings of His names, for in His names you will find descriptions of His character, attributes, and the manner in which He wishes to relate to His people.

Below is a listing of the various names applied to God. (Esp. the Father.) Every Christian would do well to memorize these. It helps us to more effectively pray Matthew 6:9: “Our Father which art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name.” Know who God the Father is, who you’re praying to, and the various names you can use to specifically address the attributes of the Father when you go to Him with your particular needs, requests, worship, and praise.

The Basic Names of God

(These can all be found with a good Exhaustive Concordance.)

A. Father

- “Nourisher, Protector, Upholder”
- “Generator, Originator, Transmitter”
- “Creator, Preserver, Guardian, Protector”
- “Ruler”

B. Yahweh

- “Self-Existing or Eternal One; He Will Be”

C. Adonai

- “Master; Owner; Sovereign; Ruler”
- “Depicts the human in a Bond-Slave relationship to God”

D. Jehovah

- “Self-Existing or Eternal One who keeps Covenant and fulfills Promises”
- “A God Merciful and Gracious, Slow to Anger, and Abundant in Loving-kindness and Truth”

E. El-Shaddai

- “The All Sufficient One”
- “The Goal of Man’s Life and Aspirations; Might/Power; Almighty; The Strong One”
- “The Breasted One, Who is Sufficient”
 - A Strong Nourisher
 - A Strength Giver
 - A Satisfier

- All Bountiful
- A Supplier of the Needs of His People

F. Elohim

- “God’s” (Trinity)
- “Total Power/Might”
- “Complete Sovereignty/Creativity/Power”

The Jehovah Names of God

A. Jehovah-Elohim

- “The Eternal Creator; God’s (Ruling as One); The God of Covenant in Total Power/Might/Sovereignty/Creativity” (Genesis 2:4-25)

B. Jehovah-Adonai

- “The Lord our Sovereign; Master Jehovah; Being responsible to the Covenant God as a Bond-Slave” (Genesis 15:2, 8)

C. Jehovah-Jireh

- “The Lord will see or/and provide; the Revealing One who is more than a Provider” (Genesis 22:8-14)

D. Jehovah-Nissi

- “The Lord our Banner; The Lord our Victory” (Exodus 17:15) (Depicts the Covering of God over His people)

E. Jehovah-Rophka

- “The Lord our Healer; the Lord our Health” (Exodus 15:26)

F. Jehovah-Shalom

- “The Lord our Peace; Perfect, Full, To Pay or Render” (Judges 6:24)

G. Jehovah-Tsidkeenu

- “The Lord our Righteousness” (Jeremiah 23:6, 33:16)

H. Jehovah-Mekaddish

- “The Lord our Sanctifier” (Exodus 31:13, Leviticus 20:7-8)

I. Jehovah-Saboath

- “The Lord of Hosts; War/Service/Appointed Time” (1 Samuel 1:3)

J. Jehovah-Shammah

- “The Lord is Present; The Lord is There” (Ezekiel 48:35)

K. Jehovah-Elyon

- “The Lord Most High” (Psalm 7:17, 47:2, 97:9)

L. Jehovah-Rohi

- “The Lord My Shepherd” (Psalm 23:1)

M. Jehovah-Hoseenu

- “The Lord our Maker” (Psalm 95:6)

N. Jehovah-Eloheenu

- “The Lord OUR God” (Psalm 99:5, 8, 9)

O. Jehovah-Eloheka

- “The Lord THY God” (Exodus 20:2, 5, 7)

P. Jehovah-Elohay

- “The Lord MY God” (Zechariah 14:5)

Scriptures About the Father

Below is a listing of scriptures that deals quite exclusively with the Father. Behind each verse you will find a brief description of the particular quality, attribute, or characteristic shown in that verse.

The more fully we can understand the fullness of God and all the various facets of His being, the better our relationship will be with Him.

A. The Father is the Highest Authority in the Trinity

Matthew 7:21 — It's doing the "Father's Will" that really matters.

- Jesus in the temple. (Luke 2:49)
- Jesus in the garden. (Luke 22:42)
- Jesus losing none that were given. (John 6:39)
- Jesus giving himself to rescue us. (Galatians 1:4)
- It makes us part of the family with Christ. (Matthew 12:50)

Matthew 10:32 — Jesus will acknowledge us before the Father.

Matthew 11:25 — The Father is the Lord of Heaven and Earth.

Matthew 11:27 — He has committed all to the Son. (Luke 10:22)

Matthew 13:43 — The Kingdom is the Father's. (6:15, 26:29, Luke 12:31)

Matthew 16:27 — The Glory is the Father's. (6:15, Mark 8:38, Luke 9:26, Romans 6:4, Philippians 4:20)

Matthew 20:23 — Places of Honor are prepared by the Father.

Matthew 23:9 — Only One is the True Father.

Matthew 24:36 — Only The Father knows the day/hour of Christ's return. (Mark 13:32)

Luke 22:29 — The Father gave the Kingdom to Jesus.

Luke 23:46 — Jesus committed His Spirit to the Father.

John 1:14 — The Father sent Jesus. (5:23, 5:36-37, 6:32, 46, 57, 8:16, 18, 26, 29, 42, 10:36, 12:49, 14:24, 16:28, 17:23, 25, 20:21)

John 3:35 — The Father placed everything in Christ's hands/power/authority. (13:3, 16:15)

John 5:19 — Jesus only did the work that He saw the Father do/that He was directed of the Father to do. (5:30, 8:26, 28, 38, 10:18, 12:49-50, 14:10, 24, 31, 15:15)

John 5:43 — Jesus came in the Father's name.

John 6:27 — The Father placed the seal of approval upon Jesus.

John 6:57 — Jesus lived because of the Father's life.

John 8:28 — The Father taught Jesus.

John 8:54 — The Father glorified Jesus. (17:1, 5, 24)

John 10:25 — Jesus did His works in the Father's name.

John 10:29 — The Father is the ultimate caretaker and protector of believers.
(17:11)

John 10:32 — Miracles originate with the Father.

John 14:2 — Heaven is the Father's.

John 14:28 — The Father is greater than Jesus. (10:29, 1 Corinthians 15:27–28)

John 15:10 — Jesus kept the Father's commands.

John 15:16 — He is Christ's God and Father. (20:17, Romans 15:6, 2 Corinthians 1:3, 11:31, Ephesians 1:3, 3:14, Colossians 1:3, Hebrews 1:5, 1 Peter 1:3)

Acts 1:7 — The Father sets the dates and the times.

1 Corinthians 15:24–28 — In the end, all will be delivered back to the Father.

Ephesians 4:6 — The Father is Over All, In All, and Through All.

Hebrews 1:2 — Jesus was appointed "Heir" by the Father.

Revelation 2:27 — Jesus received His authority from the Father.

Revelation 3:5 — The Angels are the Father's. (Matthew 22:30, Hebrews 1:6–7)

Revelation 3:21 — Throne of authority flows from the Father, to Jesus, to us.
(Ephesians 2:6)

B. The Father is the Rewarder

Matthew 6:4, 6, 18 — The Father takes notice of how we live for reward purposes.

C. The Father and Worship and Praise

John 4:23–24 — Worship ultimately goes to the Father.

John 4:23 — He looks for and seeks worshipers.

2 Corinthians 1:3 — The Father receives worship. (11:31, Ephesians 1:3, 5:20, Colossians 1:3, 3:17)

D. The Father and Salvation

Matthew 15:13 — The Father plants believers so they can grow.

Matthew 18:14 — He desires no one to be lost.

John 6:37 — The Father gives to Jesus those who are to be saved. (6:39, 17:24)

John 6:44 — It's the Father who draws people to salvation.

John 6:45 — The Father teaches all men, those who listen are saved.

1 Peter 1:2 — Believers are chosen by the Father's foreknowledge. (By the Spirit—
For Obedience and the Sprinkling of the Blood)

1 Peter 1:3 — The Father gave us new birth. (Into a living hope—and into an inheritance)

E. The Father is:

Matthew 5:48 — Mature.

Matthew 6:8, 32 — The Provider.

Matthew 6:14 — The Forgiver of sins. (6:15, Mark 11:25-26, Luke 23:34)

Matthew 7:7-11 — The Giver of Good things/gifts. (Luke 11:13, James 1:17, John 15:16, 16:23, 2 Thessalonians 2:16)

Matthew 11:25 — The Revealer of Truth. (11:27, 16:17, Luke 10:21-22)

Luke 6:36 — Merciful.

John 5:26 — The Source of Life. (1 Corinthians 8:6)

- He gave that life to Jesus. (1 Corinthians 8:6)

John 8:26 — Faithful/Reliable.

John 14:7-9 — Seen via Jesus. (Hebrews 1:3)

John 15:1-8 — The Husbandman. (The Vinekeeper)

John 15:16 — The Giver/Source of what we ask in Jesus' name. (16:23)

John 20:17 — The Father of/God of Jesus. (Romans 15:6, 2 Corinthians 11:31, Ephesians 3:14, Colossians 1:3, Hebrews 1:5, 1 Peter 1:3)

James 1:17 — Immutable. (He cannot change.)

F. The Father and the Holy Spirit

Matthew 10:20 — The Holy Spirit is of the Father.

Luke 24:49 — The Holy Spirit was promised by the Father. (Acts 1:4-5, 2:33)

Luke 11:13 — He is the Giver/Sender of the Holy Spirit. (John 14:16, 26, 15:26, Acts 2:33, Galatians 4:6)

G. The Father Raises the Dead

John 5:21 — He raises dead and gives life.

Romans 6:4 — Glory of the Father raised Jesus from the dead and will raise us to newness of life.

Galatians 1:1 — The Father raised Jesus from the dead.

H. Various Single Verse Descriptions of The Father

Matthew 6:8, 32 — The Father takes notice of what we need to live a physical life, and provides for us. (Luke 12:30)

Matthew 5:45 — Loving our enemies is a condition of being Sons of Father.

Matthew 6:26 — The Father takes care of His Creation.

Matthew 10:29-30 — The Father sees us as people of worth/knows all about us/and wants to take care of us.

Matthew 18:19-20 — When 2 or 3 agree in Jesus' name, it's the Father who does it.

Matthew 18:35 — It's the Father who deals with Unforgiveness.

Matthew 25:34 — Our Blessings/Inheritance/and Kingdom come from the Father.

- Matthew 28:19** — We are baptized into the name of the Father.
- Mark 14:36** — All things are possible for the Father.
- Luke 12:32** — It's the Father who gives the Kingdom to us.
- John 2:16** — The church and the human body are the Father's house. (14:23)
- John 5:17** — The Father works. (5:19, 10:37)
- John 5:22** — He judges no one, but gave that to the Son. (5:27)
- John 12:26** — The Father honors those who serve Jesus.
- John 14:2** — Heaven is the Father's. It's the Father's House where the mansions are located.
- John 14:7** — To know Jesus is to know the Father. (14:9-11)
- John 14:10** — The Father lived in Christ to do His (Father's) work.
- John 14:13** — The Father is Glorified in the Son. (15:7-8, 17:1-5)
- John 14:23** — The Father loves those who love and obey Jesus. (16:27)
- John 15:16** — We are to ask the Father in Jesus' name.
- John 16:26-28** — Jesus doesn't always need to intercede for us, there are times we can go directly to the Father.
- John 17:3** — Eternal life is to know the Father.
- John 17:11** — The Father keeps us/protects us through Jesus' name. (17:15)
- John 17:16** — The Father sanctifies by His Word.
- John 18:11** — The Father gave the cup of crucifixion to Jesus.
- Romans 1:7** — Grace and Peace from the Father. (1 Corinthians 1:3, 2 Corinthians 1:2, Galatians 1:3, Ephesians 1:2, Philippians 1:2, Colossians 1:2)
- 2 Corinthians 1:3** — He is the Father of Mercy, Compassion, and Comfort.
- 2 Corinthians 1:3-5** — He comforts us in all our troubles, through Christ.
- Galatians 1:1** — The Father sent Paul.
- 1 Thessalonians 1:1** — Believers are in the Father. (1 John 2:23, 4:14-15, 2 John 9)
- 2 Thessalonians 2:16** — The Father gives eternal encouragement and good hope to His people.
- 1 Peter 1:17** — The Father judges each man's work—Impartially.
- 1 John 1:3** — Our Fellowship is with the Father.
- 1 John 2:15** — The Love of the Father in us causes us not to Love the World.
- 1 John 3:1** — The Father Lavishes His Love on us.
- 1 John 5:1** — If we Love the Father, we'll Love His children.
- 1 John 5:7** — The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit bear witness/record in heaven.
- 2 John 4** — The Father commands us to walk in truth.
- Jude 1** — The Father loves us.

I. The Book of Ephesians

An example of the emphasis on the Father's Role.

- Ephesians 1:3** — He has blessed us with every spiritual blessing.
- Ephesians 1:4** — He chose us before the world—to be holy/blameless.
- Ephesians 1:5** — He prepared/purposed our adoption as children.
- Ephesians 1:6** — He has freely given His glorious grace to us.
- Ephesians 1:7-8** — He has lavished His grace on us with wisdom/understanding.
- Ephesians 1:9** — He made known to us the mystery of His will.
- Ephesians 1:11** — He predestined us according to His plan that He works out in all of creation.
- Ephesians 1:12** — So that we could be the praise of His glory.
- Ephesians 1:13** — He marked us with the seal of the Holy Spirit.
- Ephesians 1:14** — We are now His possession.
- Ephesians 1:17** — The Father gives the Spirit of Wisdom/Revelation to know Him.
- Ephesians 1:18** — The Saints are the Father's Inheritance.
- Ephesians 1:19** — The Power for the Believer Originates with the Father.
- Ephesians 1:20-23** — The Father raised Jesus from the Dead and placed Christ above every authority and power—as well as, appointing Christ to be the Head of the Church.
- Ephesians 2:4-5** — Because of The Father's Love and Mercy, we can be saved.
- Ephesians 2:6** — Positionally, the Father seated us in heavenly realms.
- Ephesians 2:7** — So that in the future His Grace and Kindness is shown via us.
- Ephesians 2:8** — Salvation is a gift of the Father.
- Ephesians 2:10** — It's the Father who is at work in us so that we can do what He has planned for our lives.
- Ephesians 2:16** — Man was brought back to the Father through the cross.
- Ephesians 2:18** — Because of the cross, we now have access to the Father by the Holy Spirit.
- Ephesians 2:19** — Consequently, we are citizens of God's (The Father's) Kingdom, and we belong to the Father's family.
- Ephesians 2:22** — God (The Father) lives in us via His Spirit.
- Ephesians 3:10-11** — The Father's purpose is that the Wisdom of God would be shown to the spirit world through the church.
- Ephesians 3:12** — We can approach the Father with freedom and confidence through Jesus.
- Ephesians 3:15** — Everyone in heaven and earth derives their name from Him.
- Ephesians 3:16** — The Father strengthens us by His Spirit.
- Ephesians 3:20-21** — The Father is able to do more in us than we can ask or imagine, and the glory for all of it should go to Him.
- Ephesians 4:6** — There is only one Father, and He is over all/through all/ and in all.

Ephesians 4:12 — The church is the Father's.

Ephesians 4:30 — The Holy Spirit is of God. (The Father)

Ephesians 4:32 — In Christ, God (the Father) forgives us.

Ephesians 5:1 — We are to imitate God. (The Father)

Ephesians 5:2 — In the same way Christ gave Himself as a sacrifice to the Father.

Ephesians 5:5 — Sinners have no inheritance in the Father's Kingdom.

Ephesians 5:6 — God's (The Father's) wrath comes on people because of deception that comes through empty words.

Ephesians 5:20 — Thanks go to the Father through Jesus.

Ephesians 6:11, 13 — The spiritual armor is of God. (The Father)

Ephesians 6:23 — Love and Faith come from the Father.

Scriptures Where “God” Refers to the Father

Below you will find a listing of scriptures that use the word “God”. (KJV) I have chosen the ones that I feel are referring primarily to the Father. (Even though the name God is used in the text) These scriptures were selected to describe the Father on the basis of (1) Context, and (2) Other supporting scriptures. When you read these verses from the King James Version (KJV), they will read “God”. However, for the brief descriptions listed behind each verse, I will substitute “Father” for the meaning of God.

A. The Father is the Highest Authority

Luke 1:32 — The Father gave Jesus the Throne.

Acts 2:23 — Through His foreknowledge, The Father sets what He wants to take place.

Romans 13:1-6 — God has established and controls all authorities/rulers/governments.

Romans 14:12 — All of us are accountable to and will give account to Him.

1 Corinthians 3:23 — We are of Christ, and Christ is of the Father. (11:3)

1 Corinthians 6:19 — Believers are owned by The Father.

1 Corinthians 11:22 — The Church is the Father’s. (2 Corinthians 1:1)

1 Corinthians 12:4-6 — The Father is over all gifts/manifestations/ministry.

1 Corinthians 12:18-28 — He has arranged and put the church together the way He wants it.

1 Corinthians 15:28 — Jesus will subject Himself to the Father.

Galatians 4:4 — The Father sent Jesus.

Ephesians 1:17 — The Father is over Jesus.

B. Life comes from the Father

Matthew 4:4 — We live by every word that proceeds from the Father. (Luke 4:4)

Matthew 22:32 — He is the Father of the living, not the Dead. (Mark 12:27)

Acts 17:24 — He made the world and everything in it.

Acts 17:25 — He gives ALL men their Life, Breath, and Everything Else.

Acts 17:26 — He made every nation from one man.

- He determines our durations of time and where we should live.

Acts 17:27 — He did this so men would hopefully seek Him.

Acts 17:28 — In Him, we live, move, and have our being.

Romans 6:23 — Eternal Life comes from the Father.

Romans 11:36 — He is the Source, Sustainer, and end purpose of all life.

2 Corinthians 3:5 — Our Adequacy and Competence come from Him.

Colossians 3:3 — Our life is hid with Christ in the Father.

1 Peter 4:11 — He provides men with strength and ability.

2 Peter 1:3 — He gave us the new birth.

2 Peter 1:4 — He gave us our inheritance.

2 Peter 1:5 — His power protects/shields us.

C. The Father Receives Praise and Worship

Matthew 4:10 — He is to be Worshipped. (Luke 2:13, 4:8)

Revelation 4:8, 11 — The Father being Praised/Worshipped. (7:11-12, 11:16-17)

D. Things that Please the Father

Matthew 15:4 — He's pleased when we honor our parents.

Romans 14:17-18 — His Kingdom doesn't center on the physical, but on Righteousness, Joy, and Peace—These Please the Father.

1 Corinthians 1:21 — He is pleased by the foolishness of preaching. (1:27-30)

Ephesians 1:9 — The revelation of the "Mystery" to humans, pleases Him.

Philippians 4:18 — The Father is pleased with Giving.

1 Timothy 2:1, 3 — When requests/prayers/intercession/thanksgiving are made for everyone, this Pleases the Father.

1 Timothy 2:2, 3 — Esp. when they are made for Kings and those in authority for the purpose of living peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.

1 Timothy 5:4 — Caring for our parents/grandparents pleases the Father.

Hebrews 11:6 — Without Faith, it's impossible to please the Father.

Hebrews 13:15-16 — He is pleased with sacrifices of praise, doing good, and sharing with others.

1 Peter 2:20 — He is pleased if we suffer for doing good and endure it.

E. The Father's Will

Mark 3:35 — Whoever does God's will is Christ's Relative.

Romans 12:2 — The Father looks at things being in His acceptable, good, or perfect will.

1 Thessalonians 4:3-5 — The Father's will for us is to be holy and avoid sexual immorality.

1 Thessalonians 5:18 — His will is for us to be joyful, pray continually, and give thanks in all circumstances.

1 Timothy 2:4 — He wants all people to be saved and come to a knowledge of the Truth.

1 Peter 2:15 — The Father's will is for us to do good, and by it silence the mouths of ignorant men.

1 Peter 4:19 — If we suffer for the Father's will, we should commit ourselves to Him and continue doing good.

F. The Father is the God of/God who has:

Luke 1:78 — Tender Mercy.

Luke 2:40 — Grace. (The Introductions to Paul's epistles)

Luke 3:6 — Salvation.

Romans 2:4 — Kindness/Goodness that leads to salvation.

Romans 3:25 — Forbearance.

Romans 5:2 — Glory.

Romans 7:22 — Law & Order. (7:25)

Romans 8:17 — Heirs. (Galatians 4:7)

Romans 8:19 — Sons. (Galatians 4:7)

Romans 9:16 — Mercy & Compassion.

Romans 11:22 — Sternness and kindness toward man.

Romans 15:13 — Hope. (A very positive God.)

Romans 15:33 — Peace. (16:20, 1 Corinthians 14:33, Philippians 4:7, 9)

1 Corinthians 14:33 — Peace; Not confusion and disorder.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4 — Comfort; who comforts us. (7:6)

2 Timothy 1:7 — Power, Love, & Sound Mind/Self-Discipline—Not Fear and Timidity.

G. He is the Father of Salvation

Luke 3:6 — Salvation comes from Him.

John 1:12-13 — The Authority for salvation comes from the Father.

John 1:12 — He also gives us the power to become His children. (Romans 8:21, Galatians 3:26)

John 3:16 — He loves the world and wants it saved, Not Condemned.

John 6:45 — He teaches ALL Men, and they that listen come to Him.

Acts 2:39 — The Father calls men to salvation.

Acts 17:30 — He wants all men to repent.

Romans 11:32 — The Father calls ALL men sinners, so He can have mercy on ALL of them.

2 Corinthians 4:6 — The Father made spiritual light to shine in us via Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:18-19 — He reconciled us to Himself through Jesus.

2 Corinthians 5:21 — Through what He did in Jesus, we can become God's righteousness. (Philippians 3:9)

2 Corinthians 9:8 — It's the Father who makes all grace abound to us and takes care of us.

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation is a Gift from the Father.

Ephesians 2:10 — He prepared in advance for us to do good works.

1 Thessalonians 5:9 — He has not appointed us to wrath, but to receive salvation.

2 Thessalonians 2:13 — The Father chose men to be saved.

1 Timothy 2:4 — He wants all people to be saved.

Hebrews 2:4 — He testified to salvation by signs, wonders, miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Revelation 5:9-10 — The Father sees believers being bought by Jesus for Him, so we could serve Him. (7:15)

H. The Father and Work

Luke 7:16-30 — The Father works through people.

John 5:17 — The Son saw the Father at work. (5:19)

John 6:29 — The Work of God is to Believe in Jesus.

Acts 19:11 — He does special miracles through men.

1 Corinthians 3:9 — We work together with God as He builds and makes us.

1 Corinthians 4:20 — The Father is not just talk, but POWER.

Ephesians 2:10 — He prepared in advance for us to do good works.

Hebrews 4:4, 9 — Since the Father rested from His work, He wants us to rest from ours.

I. The Father's Love

John 3:16 — He Loves the world and wants us saved, not condemned.

Romans 5:5, 8 — He loved us so much that while we were sinners, He gave Jesus to die for us. And now He makes His love real to us by His Holy Spirit.

2 Corinthians 9:7 — He Loves Cheerful Givers.

Colossians 3:12 — He chooses and dearly Loves Believers. (1 Thessalonians 1:4)

Hebrews 11:16 — The Father is not ashamed of people who long after Him and strive to serve Him—No matter what the circumstances may look like.

Hebrews 12:7 — He Loves us enough to discipline us.

1 John 4:16 — He Loves us.

J. The Wrath/Judgment of the Father

John 3:36 — The Wrath of the Father is on Unbelievers.

Romans 1:32 — He works with judgment. (2:2-3, 5)

Romans 12:17-21 — His wrath will vindicate His people.

Ephesians 5:6 — He has wrath.

Colossians 3:5-6 — The Father's wrath is coming because of immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires, and greed.

Hebrews 10:26-31 — If we deliberately keep on living in sin, we will be judged by the Father (?)—Jesus. This will be Dreadful.

2 Peter 2:4-9 — He knows how to rescue believers from trials, as well as hold the unrighteous for judgment.

Revelation 14:10 — He has wrath. (10:19, 15:1, 19:15)

K. The Father gives Honor/Praise/Commendation

John 12:43 — He praises/commends those who live for Him. (Romans 2:29, 1 Corinthians 4:5)

Acts 5:31 — He exalted Jesus.

1 Peter 5:6 — Humble yourself before Him, and He'll lift you up.

L. The Father and Gifts

Acts 5:32 — The Holy Spirit is given as a gift to those who obey the Father.

Acts 8:20 — The Holy Spirit is a gift from the Father. (11:17)

Romans 5:15 — The Father's Grace and the gift of the Holy Spirit come by Jesus.

Romans 6:23 — Eternal life is a gift of the Father.

Romans 11:29 — He does not take back a gift or a call.

Romans 12:3 — He has given a specific measure of faith to all men as a gift.

1 Corinthians 2:12 — What He gives to us He gives Freely.

1 Corinthians 6:9-10 — The Father doesn't give His best to immoral people, idolaters, adulterers, prostitutes, homosexuals, thieves, greedy people, drunks, slanderers, swindlers.

1 Corinthians 12:4-6 — The gifts of the Spirit and their working with men, originate with the Father.

1 Corinthians 15:57 — The Father gives us victory through Jesus. (2 Corinthians 2:14)

Ephesians 3:7 — Our callings are gifts that originate with the Father.

Hebrews 2:4 — The gifts of the Spirit are distributed according to the Father's will.

James 1:5 — The Father gives wisdom to all who ask.

2 Peter 1:3 — He has given us everything we need for life and godliness.

M. The Father and Covenant

Acts 3:25 — Abraham's covenant was between man and the Father.

Hebrews 6:17 — The Father wants to make the unchanging nature of His promise very plain to all the heirs. That promise being we are part of Abraham's covenant.

Hebrews 8:8-12 — The Father made the NEW COVENANT. (10:12-17)

James 4:4 — To be "Friends" (In Covenant) with the world is to be in hatred toward/an enemy of the Father.

Revelation 21:7 — Overcoming places us in Covenant in His sight.

N. The Sovereignty of the Father

Acts 22:14 — He chose Paul to know His will, see Jesus, hear His words.

Romans 9:16 — By His mercy He chooses what is best for us—either mercy, or compassion.

Romans 11:33-36 — God's wisdom, knowledge, judgment, and ways are beyond man. No man fully knows God's mind, or can give Him counsel. God doesn't owe man anything.

1 Corinthians 7:17 — The Father assigns and calls each person to a specific place in life. (2 Corinthians 10:13, Galatians 1:15, Philippians 3:14-15)

1 Corinthians 15:38 — The Father has chosen what types of bodies the various life forms have.

Hebrews 6:3 — We can only do what the Father permits.

Revelation 17:17 — The Father uses people (Saved or Unserved) to accomplish His purpose. (Romans 9:17)

O. A few things that the Father is:

Romans 3:3 — He is Faithful. (1 Corinthians 1:9, 10:13)

1 Corinthians 1:20-30 — He is Very Wise. (2:7)

1 Corinthians 2:10 — The revealer to man, by His Spirit.

1 Thessalonians 5:24 — Faithful to keep us blameless at the coming of Jesus.

Hebrews 12:29 — A consuming fire.

Hebrews 13:5 — Faithful to never leave or forsake us.

James 4:6 — Against the Proud and for the Humble. (1 Peter 5:5)

1 John 1:5 — He is Light and has not darkness.

1 John 4:7-8 — He is Love, and Love is of Him.

P. Things the Father sees

1 Corinthians 1:20 — He sees the wisdom of this world as foolishness.

2 Timothy 3:16 — He sees the Word/scripture as being inspired.

Revelation 1:6 — He sees believers as priests and kings/a kingdom. (20:6)

Revelation 5:9-10 — He sees believers as being bought by Jesus for Him so we could serve Him. (7:15)

Q. The Father's House/Dwelling Place

1 Corinthians 3:16-17 — Believers are God's temple. (Ephesians 2:22)

1 Corinthians 3:17 — If we destroy the temple, God will destroy us.

2 Corinthians 5:1, 5 — God made us for the purpose of having an eternal dwelling in heaven with Him.

1 John 4:12 — If we Love, He lives in us.

1 John 4:15 — If we confess Jesus as the Father's Son, He will live in us.

Revelation 21:3 — His desire is to live with man.

R. Walking Worthy of the Father

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 — Since we are owned by the Father, we are to live like it.

1 Thessalonians 2:12 — He urges us to live our lives worthy of our salvation, and thereby receive His approval. (Ephesians 4:1, 1 John 2:5-6, 2 Timothy 2:15, 2 Thessalonians 1:5, 11)

2 Timothy 2:19 — The Father knows who are His and they must turn from wickedness.

S. The Father cannot

Romans 2:11 — Show favoritism, or respect certain people.

Galatians 6:7 — Be mocked, we'll reap what we sow.

Titus 1:2 — Lie.

Hebrews 6:10 — Be Unjust.

James 1:13 — Be tempted with evil, nor tempt anyone.

T. Various Individual scripture descriptions of the Father

Matthew 4:7 — He should not be tempted or tested. (Luke 4:12)

Matthew 6:30, 33 — The Father takes care of His creation, if we seek His Kingdom, He'll take care of us too. (Luke 12:24-31, Hebrews 6:7)

Matthew 12:28 — His Kingdom comes by the Working of the Spirit.

Matthew 19:6 — He joins a Husband and Wife. (Mark 10:9)

Matthew 19:26 — Anything is possible with Him. (Mark 10:27, Luke 1:37)

Mark 4:26-29 — He works on the principle of sowing and reaping.

Mark 4:30-32 — He expects growth.

Mark 8:33 — He is concerned with the overall outcome of good. (Matthew 16:23)

Luke 1:6 — It's how He sees us that really matters.

Luke 5:21 — The Father forgives sins. (Mark 2:7, Ephesians 4:32)

Luke 16:14-15 — The Father hates the money system of this world.

Luke 18:1-8 — Persistence in Faith causes God to move.

John 4:24 — He is a Spirit.

Acts 2:22 — He accredits man by supernatural miracles/wonders/signs.

Acts 2:23 — Through His foreknowledge, He sets what He wants to take place.

Acts 2:30 — He makes promises to men. (2 Peter 1:3-5)

Acts 4:19 — He doesn't want us to obey man rather than Him. (8:21)

Acts 10:15 — He cleanses and makes clean. (1 Thessalonians 5:23)

Acts 10:38 — It's the Father who anoints via the Holy Spirit.

Acts 15:8 — He knows what is in our Hearts.

Acts 26:22 — He helps man.

Romans 1:9 — He witnesses our life and actions. (Philippians 1:8)

Romans 1:10, 16-18 — He has a will, power, righteousness, and wrath.

Romans 1:28 — He will give people over to what they want.

Romans 3:4 — His Word is true and can't be changed by the experiences of man.

Romans 8:31 — He can be in agreement with and for His People.

1 Corinthians 3:6-7 — It's the Father who gives the increase.

2 Corinthians 1:20 — The promises of God are "YES" through Jesus.

2 Corinthians 1:21-22 — He makes us to stand firm, He anoints us, He places His seal of ownership on us, He put His Spirit in our Hearts, He guarantees what is to come.

2 Corinthians 2:14 — Makes us triumph in Christ, and spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of Himself through us.

2 Corinthians 4:4 — The Father's Image was found in Jesus. (Hebrews 1:2)

Galatians 2:6 — The Father doesn't judge by outward appearance.

Philippians 4:6 — The Father wants to know our requests.

Colossians 1:27 — He chose to make the great mystery known to His people
—"Christ in You, the Hope of Glory."

1 Thessalonians 1:1 — The church is IN the Father.

1 Thessalonians 2:4 — He Tests men's hearts.

1 Thessalonians 3:11 — It's the Father who opens doors and makes things possible.

2 Thessalonians 2:10-12 — In the tribulation time, the Father will send a delusion on everyone who refused to believe the truth, so that they'll be condemned.

1 Timothy 4:3-5 — He created all food to be eaten when linked with Faith and the knowledge of the Word/truth.

Hebrews 5:4 — A priest must be called of the Father.

Hebrews 11:6 — He will reward our efforts.

James 4:8 — Draw close to the Father and He'll draw close to you.

1 Peter 1:5 — Through Faith, we are shielded by the Father's power.

1 Peter 3:4 — A gentle and quiet spirit in a woman is of great worth to the Father.

1 John 5:3 — This is Love for the Father that we keep His commandments.

Revelation 7:17 — Once in heaven, the Father will wipe all tears from our eyes.
(21:4)

Revelation 12:6 — The Father takes care of His people.

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