TO WORSHIP HIM, WE MUST KNOW HIM

Descriptions of God in the Psalms

To worship God, we need to know Him. That was the Apostle Paul's highest goal (Phil 3:10). Our worship grows deeper proportionally with the increase in our knowing God and who He is.

Our Lord reveals Himself in every book of the scriptures—the Word of God drips with pictures and descriptions of God. Epithets[1] are a common way of telling us what He is like. These short phrases contain profound truths in small packages. Consider and ponder the many facets of our Lord found in the book Psalms—and let your spirit rise up in worship and praise.

1. God's Anointed 2:2.
2. My confidence 71:5.
3. My Counselor 16:7.
4. My Cup 16:5.
5. Defense of my life 27:1.
6. My Deliverer 18:2, 70:5, 144:2.
7. My Exceeding joy 43:4.
8. My Fortress 18:2, 31:3, 71:3, 91:2, 144:2.
9. My Glory 3:3.
10. God of Jacob 81:1, 84:8.
11. My Help 22:19, 30:10, 34:20, 46:2, 54:4, 70:5, 115:9.
12. God's Holy One 16:10, (of Israel) 71:22, 78:41.
13. My Hope 71:5.
14. Horn of my salvation 18:3.
15. Judge 75:7, 94:2.
16. Your Keeper 121:5.
17. My King 5:2, 10:16, 44:4, 74:12.
18. Lifter of my head 3:3.
19. My Light 27:1.
20. My Lovingkindness 144:2.
21. Might One 45:3, 50:1, 132:2.
22. Most High 9:2, 18:13, 21:7, 46:4, 50:14, 77:10, 78:17.
23. Most High Lord 7:17, 47:2.
24. My Mountain 30:7.
25. My Portion 142:5, (of my inheritance) 16:5.
26. Priest 110:4.
27. My Redeemer 19:14.

[1] *An epithet is a term or short phrase used to characterize an individual.*

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28. My Refuge 11:1, 14:6, 46:1, 59:16, 61:3,62:8, 70:7, 91:2, 94:22, 142:5.
29. God of my righteousness 4:1.
30. My Rock 18:2, 19:14, 28:1, 31:3, 42:9, 62:2,6, 62:7, 71:3, 89:26, 95:1.
31. My Salvation 27:1, 38:22, 62:2,6, (God of my) 25:5.
32. Savior 17:7.
33. Your Shade 121:5.
34. My Shepherd 23:1, (of Israel) 80:1.
35. My Shield 18:3, 28:7, 34:20, 59:11,16, 84:11, 115:10, 144:2.
36. My Song 118:14.
37. God's Son 2:7, 12.
38. My Strength 18:1, 28:7, 31:4, 46:1, 59:17, 74:26, 118:14.
39. My Stronghold 9:9, 18:3, 59:9,17, 62:2,6, 94:22, 144:1.
40. Sun 84:11,
41. Sustainer of my soul 54:4
42. Tower of strength 61:3.

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