



## Phil. 2:5-11

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PHYSICIAN. PUTTER. PRINCE OF PEACE. RABBI. REFUGE.  
ROCK. **ROSE OF SHARON.** SACRIFICE. SALVATION. SAVIOR.  
SHELTER. SHEPHERD. SON OF GOD. SON OF MAN. SONG.  
TABERNACLE OF GOD. TENDER PLANT. TREASURE. **TRUTH.**  
UNDEFILED. UNSPEAKABLE GIFT. UPRIGHT. VERY GOD OF PEACE.

<http://seasonalpreaching.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/highest-place-and-gave-him-the-name-that-is-above-every-name-that-at-10WweS-clipart.png>

Phil. 9 **Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:**  
10 That at **the name of Jesus** every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and *things* under the earth;  
11 And *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Psa. 9:10 **And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee:** for thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.

This evening we begin a new series studying the names of the Lord Jesus Christ found throughout the Word of God. We will see how the various names are descriptive terms describing various characteristics of the Lord Jesus.

In Phil. 2:9, the Bible says that God has given the Lord Jesus a name that is above all names. The Ten Commandments states that God highly values His name:

Deuteronomy 5:11; Exodus 20:7

Throughout the Scriptures the name of the Lord is to be revered, honored, and glorified:

Psalms 148:13; Jeremiah 10:6; Malachi 1:11; Psalms 138:2; Matthew 6:9; Acts 15:26

❖ Last week we began with...

## THE “ADVOCATE”

1 Jn. 2:1-2

I. THE ROLE OF THE ADVOCATE

II. THE REASON FOR THE ADVOCATE

III. THE REJOICING FOR THE ADVOCATE

Tonight, we observe God's revelation of Himself to Moses at the "burning bush. In philosophy, several ideas are offered as proofs for God's existence, one of them being called the ontological argument (teleological and cosmological are others.) The ontological argument may be called an argument "of being."

Ontological argument = an a priori argument for the existence of God, asserting that as existence is a perfection, and as **God is conceived of as the most perfect being**, it follows that God must exist; originated by Anselm, later used by Duns Scotus, Descartes, and Leibniz.

<https://www.dictionary.com/browse/ontological-argument>

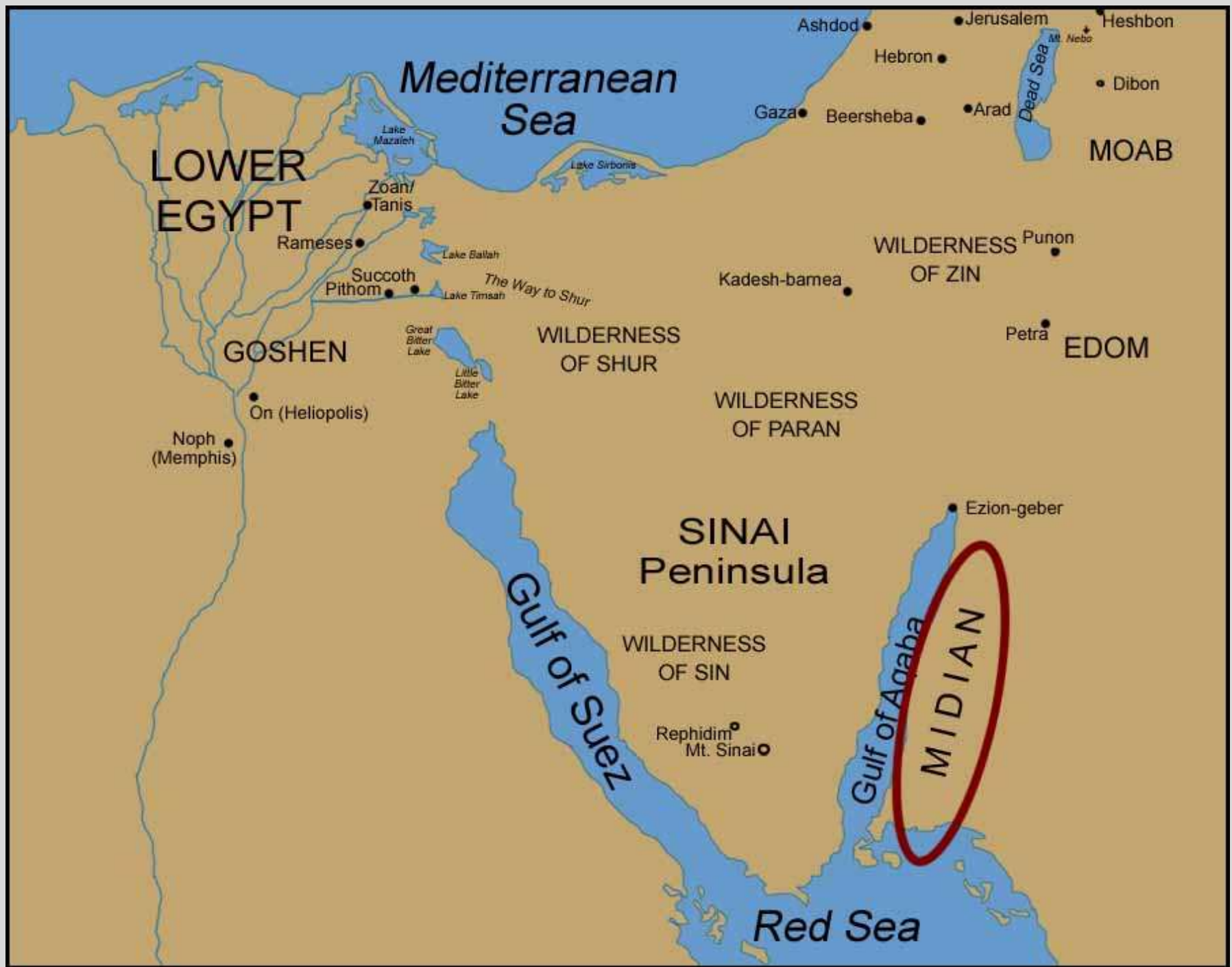
- ❖ When Moses was on the backside of the desert tending his flock, he noticed a “burning bush” that was not consumed though still burning.
- ❖ The “burning bush” was a type of the Incarnation, a temporal manifestation of God.

Ex. 3:1 Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, *even* to Horeb.

2 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, **behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.**



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- ❖ While observing the “burning bush,” Moses enquired of God’s. name

Ex. 3:14 And **God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM**: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

- ❖ The Hebrew letters for the name of Jehovah are derive from the tetragrammaton, which is the technical term for the four letters *JHVH*, is based on the Hebrew word for “being.”

- ❖ It could be translated “I am who I am” or “I will be what I will be” or perhaps even “I am the One who is.” Regardless of the specific translation, the name speaks of the self-existence and self-sufficiency of God.
- ❖ All others are dependent upon Him for life and breath and existence. He is dependent upon no one.
- ❖ It is for this reason that the Jewish leadership in Jesus’ day thought it was scandalous, blasphemous, and worthy of death for Jesus to utter the words “Before Abraham was, I am” (John 8:58–59).

❖ God is self-existent. Time has no boundaries with Jehovah, the Self-Existent One.

## I. THE “I AM” OF THE PAST

Ex. 3:14 And **God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM:** and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

❖ When God revealed His name, He also revealed His character and power.

Psa. 46:10 **Be still, and know that I *am* God:** I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

Isa. 43:11 **I, *even* I, *am* the LORD; and beside *me there is* no saviour.**

25 **I, *even* I, *am* he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins.**

Mal. 3:6 For **I *am* the LORD, I change not;** therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

❖ Throughout the history of Israel, God was known as the Self-Existent One, and when Jesus began His ministry on earth, contemporary Jews knew what “I am” meant.

Jn. 8:56 Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day: and he saw *it*, and was glad.

57 Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham?

58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, **Before Abraham was, I am.**

59 Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by.

- ❖ This passage bridges the past with the present during Jesus' earthly ministry.

## II. THE "I AM" OF THE PRESENT

- ❖ A passage that bridges the present with the future is Jn. 14:6.

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, **I am** the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

❖ Another passage bridges the present with the future is Jn. 15:5:

John 15:5 **I am** the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for **without me ye can do nothing.**

A verse that encompasses past, present, and future is Rev. 1:8:

Revelation 1:8 **I am** Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

❖ Another verse that encompasses past, present, and future is Rev. 21:6:

Revelation 21:6 - And he said unto me, It is done. **I am** Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

### III. THE “I AM” WHO IS PROMISED

Heb. 13:5 *Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: **for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.***

## Conclusion

One of Frank Sinatra's signature songs was "I Did It My Way." The final lines of the song, written by Paul Anka, express a common refrain of mankind:

For what is a man, what has he got?  
If not himself, then he has naught  
To say the things he truly feels  
And not the words of one who kneels  
The record shows I took the blows  
And did it my way.

The final stanza of the poem “Invictus” by William Ernest Henley expresses much the same sentiment:

It matters not how strait the gate,  
How charged with punishments the scroll,  
I am the master of my fate,  
I am the captain of my soul.

<https://www.gotquestions.org/I-AM-WHO-I-AM-Exodus-3-14.html>

Jn. 20:30 And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:

31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might **have life through his name.**