

the LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS

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"Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, that I will raise unto David a **Righteous Branch**, who shall reign as King and prosper-wisely, and shall execute judgment and righteousness in the earth. In His days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely; and this is His **Name** by which He shall be called: **'The LORD Our Righteousness.'**" (Jeremiah 23:5-6)

LORD: From the Hebrew word *Yhvh* - which means, or is: the proper name of the God of Israel. (pronounced Yahweh, or Jehovah). The self-Existent-one, or Eternal-one. From *eh-yeh* (from *hayah*); (note: the common hebrew word for Lord is *Adon*)

Hayah: to fall out, come to pass, to become, to be, to come into being, to arise, to appear, to come; to exist. (become (221); am (13); been (90); came (358); come (86))

Our-Righteousness: From the Hebrew word *sidqenu* which means: Our-righteousness; (from the word *tsedeq* which means: rightness, or righteousness).

Righteous: being morally upright; being virtuous; having moral excellence in character; and being free from guilt or blame; blameless; sinless!

Righteousness: the quality or state of character that **is** Righteous; Righteous conduct; Blamelessness; Sinlessness!

Thus properly: Jesus 'shall be called,' or now is to be called **Yahweh Our-Righteousness;** or **Jehovah Our-Righteousness!!**

The clear message of this Name, for us, is that our righteousness is freely given to us by the Father, Jehovah God, in and through the **Righteous Branch**: His Son Jesus, the promised Messiah, the Christ! Jesus is **Jehovah Our-Righteousness;** in whom we are now righteous, blameless, and sinless! Please consider these passages:

"Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law; so that every mouth may be closed, and all the world may be found guilty before God. Therefore, by the deeds of the law no person shall be justified in His (Gods) sight; for through the law is the knowledge of sin. But now, the **Righteousness of God** apart from the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; even the **Righteousness of God** which is by faith in Jesus Christ unto all, and upon all those who believe; for there is no distinction; for all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God, being now justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus; whom God has set forth to be a propitiation in His blood through faith, to demonstrate **His righteousness for the remission of sins** that are past, through the forbearance of God; to declare at this time **His righteousness:** that He might be Just, and the Justifier of him who believes in Jesus." (Romans 3:19-26)

"It is because of Him (the Father) that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us Wisdom from God: **our Righteousness, holiness, and redemption.**" (1 Cor. 1:30)

It is important to remember that our Righteousness, in order to be true righteousness, can only be acquired through Jesus Christ who is **Jehovah Our-Righteousness;** and not through good works and deeds!

Consider the following words written by Paul, the apostle of Jesus:

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“... knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no person shall be justified. But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid. For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. For I, through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God. I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ lives in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loves me, and gave Himself for me. I do not frustrate the grace of God; for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ died in vain.” (Galatians 2:16-21)

“Therefore, if any man is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. And all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given to us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, that **God was in Christ**, reconciling the world unto Himself, not counting their trespasses unto them; and has committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you through us; we beg you in Christ's behalf, that you be reconciled to God. For He has made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; so that we might be made the **Righteousness of God in Him (Christ Jesus)**.” (2 Corinthians 5:17-21)

Speaking of himself, Paul wrote:

“...Concerning zeal, a persecutor of the church; touching the **righteousness** which is of the law, blameless. But what things were a gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. Yes indeed, I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord; for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ, and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the **Righteousness which is of God by faith**; that I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed unto His death.” (Phil. 3:6-10)

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**Not our own self gained righteousness, but rather:
the Righteousness of God which comes by faith in Christ Jesus!**

Lord Jesus, our redemption, our resurrection, and our righteousness...
... is by You, and through You, and in You...

... and to the **Glory of our Father in heaven, and Yours – Forever and ever! Amen!**