



OMG — reclaiming the NAME above all names
Week 1 – Waymaker

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The first name used for God in the Bible says it all: ELOHIM. He has always been our Waymaker. He created the universe from nothing, and God is still able to create good and beautiful things where there are none. In this season of unknowns, HE is in control, HE is able, and He is making a way!

Scripture:

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Genesis 1:1

For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 2:10

Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

Mark 4:38

God replied to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. Say this to the people of Israel: I AM has sent me to you." God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel: Yahweh, the God of your ancestors—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you. This is my eternal name, my name to remember for all generations."

Exodus 3:14-15

Icebreaker and Intro Questions:

1. Share with each other — Do you know what your name means? Is there a story about why your name was chosen?
2. Did you have any nicknames growing up?
3. What resonated with you from Sunday's service? (Sermon, scripture, song, etc.)

Discussion Questions:

4. Share with each other — Have you experienced disappointment in this season? What questions do you have for God about what you're experiencing?
5. Read Mark 4:35-41 together as a group. What do you notice about this story? Where do you see yourself in this story?
6. Eddie shared some powerful reminders of God's identity. God can still make something out of nothing — He is still creating and re-creating. He is a waymaker, a wave-calmer. How have you seen God provide for you in the past?
7. Have someone read Exodus 3:14-15. What is God communicating about his name and his identity?

This week:

- Listen to the new worship song we sang together on Sunday morning — "Waymaker" — <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1kBvpS3z9Qo>. Learn the words and let it be part of your worship and prayer time.
- "Peace, be still." — Jesus speaks these words in Mark 4:39. Eddie reminded us that Jesus can calm the storm and he can also calm his children. Can you take a moment to repeat these simple words and talk to Jesus about places where you need his peace?

Notes: