



6:30pm Bible Study: Pastor Sam Young, Jr.

Wednesday, June 8, 2022

SUBJECT: The Great "I AM'S"

All Scriptures are taken from the King James Version

Introduction - It is noted that when Moses met God at the burning bush on Mount Horeb (*Exodus 3:14*) he received the commission to go before Pharaoh and demand that he set the Children of Israel free to return to their own land. Moses asked God what he should say to the people when they asked him the name of the One who had sent him. God gave the answer in *Exodus 3:14*: "**I AM THAT I AM**" and He said, thus shalt thou say unto the Children of Israel, **I AM** hath sent me unto you. It is noted that God is everywhere - *Psalms 139:8-10*. **The I AM'S** are the unfolding of what Jesus is to the believer and what He does for him from the beginning and on through eternity. I have introduced Jesus as the **I AM'S** in the Scriptures especially in the book of *Saint John*.

"I AM the true vine" - *Saint John 15:1-8*

Christ is the source of life. Not just physical life but Spiritual and Eternal life. *Ephesians 1:7-8*

"I AM the way, the truth and the life" - *Saint John 14:1-6*

Christ is the means and essence of life. Christ has a place in all of our circumstances. For example, in times of sorrow, anxiety, bereavement Jesus is there. He will bring consolation, comfort, and joy that is not of this world.

"I AM the door" - *Saint John 10:9-10*

Christ is the door as He empowers life. Christ is the door to all blessings and power. Christ is the door and that is why there is no other way to God than through Christ. Christ Jesus is our door of safety. To be a Christian does not mean to hold out. To be a Christian means that one is to surrender to Christ. He does the holding.

"I AM the Bread of Life" - *Saint John 6:25-27*

Christ is the sustainer of life. As our physical energy comes from food; so our Lord's Word must be the food which supplies our spiritual strength. Looking at the natural food is not enough. We must get it on the inside. As bread is necessary for physical life, Christ is necessary for spiritual life. As bread is necessary for daily food, so daily communion with Christ is necessary for spiritual growth.

"I AM the Good Shepherd" - *Saint John 10:16-18*

Because the Good Shepherd loves the sheep, whatever the sheep needs He will provide. Jesus is the owner of the sheep and the provider. God will always provide for all of our needs. He also gives us desires of our hearts. Will we have a great abundance of what we want? "No", however, every need will be met.

"I AM the Light of the World" - *Saint John 8:12*

In Jesus' statement, He launches His march upon the world of darkness. Christians are admonished to act like and shine like lights. Light dispels darkness. The Christian may walk through dark places, but he will not be in darkness in Christ.

"I AM the Resurrection and the Life" - *Saint John 11:25*

This verse is the true formula of life. It matters not whether the Christian is dead or alive, so far as the flesh is concerned, he is alive through Jesus Christ and will see Jesus. Man says "seeing is believing." God says, "believing is seeing."

Conclusion: It is noted that God is everywhere - *Psalms 139:8-10*. The I AM'S are the unfolding of what Jesus is to the believer and what He does for him from the beginning and through eternity. This lesson has been an introduction to Jesus as the I AM'S in the Scriptures especially, in the book of *Saint John*.