

The Baptist Faith and Message

III. God the Father

God as Father reigns with providential care over His universe, His creatures, and the flow of the stream of human history according to the purposes of His grace. He is all powerful, all knowing, all loving, and all wise. God is Father in truth to those who become children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. He is fatherly in His attitude toward all men.

A. The Names of God the Father

a. **Primary name of God: Jehovah or Yahweh = “I AM”**

b. **Secondary**

i. **El = “Strong/powerful”**

ii. **Elohim = “Strong Oath”**

iii. **Adonai = “Master”**

iv. **Compounds: Jehovah Elohim & Adonai Elohim**

c. **Others**

El Elyon = Most High God, El Olam = Secret Everlasting God,
El Shaddai = Almighty God, Jehovah Jireh = Lord will Provide,
Jehovah Nissi = Lord my Banner, Jehovah Rapha = Lord who
Heals, Jehovah Shalom = Lord our Peace, Jehovah Shammah =
Present Lord, Jehovah Tsidkenu = Lord – Our Righteousness

B. Selected Verses regarding God the Father

1. **Creation** – Genesis 1:1; 2:7;

2. **To Israel** – Exodus 3:14; 6:2-3;

3. **To Jesus** – John 8:12-30 (26)

Mark 1:9-11

John 17:1-8

4. **To Us** – Matthew 6:9+

John 14:6

Matthew 28:19

Ephesians 4:4-6

I Peter 1:17