ADONAI

MASTER OVER ALL;
THE GOD WHO RULES

PRAYING THROUGH THE NAMES OF GOD

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BACKGROUND

Adonay is a Hebrew word meaning "Lord," a name that implies relationship:

God is Lord, and we are his servants. Adon is a Hebrew word that means "lord" in the sense of an owner, master, or superior. It is frequently used as a term of respect.

As a word referring to God it appears more than three hundred times in the Hebrew Scriptures.

As you pray to Adonay, tell him you want to surrender every aspect of your life to him. Pray for the grace to become the kind of servant who is quick to do God's will.

Remember, too, that the Lord is the only one who can empower you to fulfill his purpose for your life. In fact, it is in knowing Him as your Lord that you will discover a true sense of purpose.

The New Testament depicts Jesus as both Lord and Servant. In this latter role he exemplifies what our relationship to Adonay is to be.

"Servant" is not a particularly popular word in our culture. It sounds demeaning, belittling, hardly something we should aspire to. Such an attitude can make it hard for us to understand our position as servants of the Lord. Perhaps that's why we so often get things reversed, treating God as though He were some kind of celestial butler who should use His divine power to further our plans. With that kind of attitude underlying our prayers, it is a wonder the Lord answers so many of them. Perhaps it is time to repent and ask God to help us to give Him the kind of perfect service that Jesus himself did. Let us bow before the Lord today, asking for only one thing—the grace to glorify him.

SCRIPTURE

O Lord [Adonai] GOD, You have begun to show Your servant Your greatness and Your strong hand; for what god is there in heaven or on earth who can do such works and mighty acts as Yours? DEUTERONOMY 3: 24

Prayer Suggestions

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O Lord God, my Adonai, you are a great and mighty God. You have opened my eyes to see your greatness and your strong hand.

What god is there in heaven or on earth who can do the amazing and powerful things you can do?

Who can create a mountain?

Who can make the deep where the waters rest, far beyond anything we can see?

Who can calm a storm with just one word?

None other than you, Adonai.

You are the Master over all.

You are the Lord above all.

And You are deserving of the highest honour and praise.

Lord, forgive me for the times that I have only paid lip service to your lordship in my life. I have prayed one thing and done another.

Help me as of this moment to experience the joy of serving you, living with the knowledge that you are my Adonay, my Lord and God.

Adonai, I humbly bow and ask for your forgiveness for failing to honor you as I should.

I ask you to show me great mercy for the many times I've gone about my day without considering that you are the Lord and Master over all.

How dare I fail to acknowledge your hand?

How dare I attribute to man what I ought to attribute to you?

Forgive me for my shortsightedness and lack of faith.

Adonai, thank you for being my Lord and my Master and yet allowing me to know you intimately.

Thank you for remembering me constantly and reminding me of your presence.

Your love captivates me. Your power mesmerizes me.

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All I need is your love in my life, and I thank you, Adonai, for giving me access to you throughout my day. Any moment I need you, you are there.

I love you, Adonai, and I thank you for granting me the privilege of loving you and receiving your love.

Adonai, help me align my thoughts, actions, heart, decisions, and desires underneath you and your rule so I can fully experience the blessing of your hand in my life and so I can fulfill the destiny you have prepared for me.

May I live out all of the days you have ordained for me, and may I discover the calling you have given me.

Help me to see where I can share the knowledge of you with others and how I can spread the love you have put in my heart to those who need it the most.

May your caring eyes watch over all I do.

I ask you to empower me to impact the lives of those around me with your kingdom agenda.