

YAHWEH: SAVIOR

Savior Is Who He Is. Saving Is What He Does.

Isaiah 43:11 — *“I, even I, am the LORD, and apart from me there is no savior.”*

- “LORD” = YHWH — Yahweh.

I AM YAHWEH. I AM SAVIOR.

- The Bible is one long story of humanity getting into situations it cannot get itself out of — and Yahweh stepping in.

1. YAHWEH HAS ALWAYS BEEN SAVIOR

Genesis — Yahweh Seeks.

Genesis 3:9 — *“But the LORD God called to the man, ‘Where are you?’”*

HUMANITY IS HIDING. YAHWEH IS SEEKING.

Moses & the Exodus — Yahweh Comes Down to Rescue

- Exodus gives one of the clearest pictures of the heart of Yahweh.
- Israel enslaved for generations:

Exodus 3:7–8 — *“I have indeed seen the misery of my people... I have heard them crying out... I am concerned about their suffering. So I have come down to rescue them.”*

- Notice the language:
 - I HAVE SEEN.
 - I HAVE HEARD.
 - I KNOW.
 - I HAVE COME DOWN.

YAHWEH REVEALS HIS NAME IN THE CONTEXT OF RESCUE.

MOSES: WHO AM I? GOD: I AM.

- Israel’s rescue never depended on Moses’ ability — it depended upon Yahweh’s identity.
- When I know WHO He is, it changes the way I look at what seems impossible.

WE HAVE LEARNED TO SEE SITUATIONS THROUGH THE LENS OF THE LIMITATIONS AND CAPABILITIES OF MANKIND — NOT GOD!

SOMETIMES WE BELIEVE GOD CAN SAVE PEOPLE... WE JUST AREN’T SURE HE CAN SAVE THAT PERSON.

3. YAHWEH SAVES THE SEEMINGLY UNSAVABLE

NEBUCHADNEZZAR — THE PROUD | Daniel 4

Daniel 4:37 — *“Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and exalt and glorify the King of heaven...”*

THE KING WHO THOUGHT HE WAS ABOVE GOD EVENTUALLY BOWED BEFORE GOD.

DON’T ASSUME PRIDE IS GREATER THAN GOD’S ABILITY TO SAVE.

NINEVEH — THE WICKED | Jonah 3–4

Jonah 4:11 — *“Should I not have concern for the great city of Nineveh?”*

BE CAREFUL ABOUT WRITING SOMEONE OFF WHOM GOD IS STILL PURSUING.

NINEVEH REMINDS US: WE DON’T GET TO DECIDE WHO IS BEYOND MERCY.

4. JESUS SHOWS US THE SAVIOR

Matthew 1:21 — “You are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.”

EVEN HIS NAME TELLS THE STORY: JESUS — YESHUA — YAHWEH SAVES.

JESUS REVEALS THE SAVIOR YAHWEH HAS ALWAYS BEEN.

John 1:14 — “The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.”

5. THE DEMONIAK — THE BOUND | Mark 5:1–20

WHAT AN ENTIRE COMMUNITY COULD NOT DO — JESUS DOES.

Mark 5:15 — “They saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting there, dressed and in his right mind...”

THE MAN EVERYBODY ELSE HAD LEARNED TO AVOID — JESUS CROSSED A SEA TO REACH.

Mark 5:19 — “Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you and how he has had mercy on you.”

THE MAN EVERYBODY AVOIDED BECOMES THE MAN JESUS SENDS.

THE IMPOSSIBLE PERSON BECOMES THE EVANGELIST.

YAHWEH DOESN'T JUST SAVE US FROM SOMETHING. HE SAVES US FOR SOMETHING.

6. SAUL — THE PERSON RUNNING THE WRONG DIRECTION | Acts 9

HE IS ACTIVELY PERSECUTING CHRISTIANS.

EVERYTHING VISIBLE SAYS: HE'S GETTING FARTHER FROM JESUS, NOT CLOSER.

EVERYBODY ELSE SAW SAUL THE PERSECUTOR.

YAHWEH SAW PAUL THE APOSTLE.

THEY SAW WHO HE WAS. GOD SAW WHO HE COULD BECOME.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO KNOW WHERE YOUR ONE IS. YAHWEH KNOWS WHAT ROAD THEY'RE ON.

DON'T MISTAKE WHAT YOU CAN SEE FOR EVERYTHING GOD IS DOING.

7. THE CROSS — THE ULTIMATE RESCUE

John 1:29 — “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!”

THIS IS WHO YAHWEH IS.

YAHWEH: SAVIOR.

SAVIOR IS WHO HE IS. SAVING IS WHAT HE DOES.

THE IMPOSSIBLE STORIES IN THIS ROOM

YOUR STORY HAS A PURPOSE

ASSIGNMENT THIS WEEK: TELL SOMEBODY YOUR STORY.

- Not just what YOU did — tell them what YAHWEH did.
- Simple framework: This is who I was / this is where I was / BUT THEN JESUS FOUND ME.

YOUR TESTIMONY MAY BE SOMEBODY ELSE'S EVIDENCE THAT THEIR SITUATION ISN'T IMPOSSIBLE.

WHO IS YOUR ONE?