

## **GOD IS ALL SUFFICIENT**

**Exodus 6:3**

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**Introduction:** God has revealed Himself to people using different names such as: "JEHOVAH" which means "Deliverer, Savior, God who saves" and then "EL-SHADDAI" which means "God Almighty, God who pours out, and God all-sufficient." No doubt God is all of these and even more. This message is about the infinite sufficiency of the Lord God. He is so great and glorious that He has all sufficiency in Himself, for Himself, and of Himself that He needs nothing to make Him happy or complete. God is All-Sufficient!

### **I. GOD NEEDS NOTHING FROM ANYONE**

1. From the very beginning God has revealed Himself as needing nothing for He created everything.
  - It is mankind that stands in need of God and God alone supplies every need and supports mankind and it is by the Lord God that anyone exists for in Him we live, move and have our being.
  
2. The services believers perform for God, in faith are not for God's benefit, but for the believer's.
  - The Old Testament sacrifices and ordinances of worship were for man's benefit, not God's.
    - All the sacrifices, ceremonies, rituals, priests, and holy days were for instruction, comfort, peace and edification of God's people. God received NOTHING.
  - The New Testament ordinances of worship in the Church are for the same purpose.
    - God gains nothing by what believers do in a worship service.
      - Worship services are intended to enrich the believers not God.
    - The praise from believers does not benefit God, but the believer.
    - The prayers from believers does not benefit God, but the one praying.
    - The sacrifices, services and acts of obedience by the believer does not benefit God, but the believer.
  
3. The great sacrifice, obedience and righteous life of Jesus Christ as man's substitute added nothing to God but was altogether for man's benefit.
  - Jesus' obedience was for others.
  - Jesus' death was for others.
  - Jesus' resurrection was for others.
  - Jesus' exaltation is for others.
  - Jesus' intercession is for others.
  - Jesus' second coming is for others.
  - Jesus' judgment in the last day is for others.
  
4. The sinfulness of people does not in anyway diminish God's happiness, perfection and glory.
  - God is so great that no creature can add anything to Him or take anything away from Him, or hinder His work, impede His purpose or alter God in anyway.
    - God needs nothing from anyone.

### **II. GOD IS ABLE TO SUPPLY ALL THE NEEDS OF HIS CHILDREN**

1. Nothing is too hard for God. He sent manna from heaven, water to pour out of a rock, clothes and shoes to last for years, caused an axe head to float. God is all-sufficient.

2. God's infinite sufficiency can be seen in the physical world of today. God gives life and breath to all things starting with Adam.
  - God provides all the necessities of life for people.
  - God provides the daily needs of all His creation.
  - God totally rules the universe.
  - God made all things, sustains all things, provides all things, rules all things and His sufficiency is in no way weakened or diminished.
  
3. Believers know of God's all sufficiency because they have experienced His all-sufficient GRACE.
  - God supplies all the believer's needs because He is all sufficient.
  - The Lord Jesus Christ is the all-sufficient Mediator.
  - Through the Lord Jesus Christ God bestows His all-sufficient Grace.
    - His grace is sufficient to justify the believer.
    - His grace is sufficient to pardon the believer.
    - His grace is sufficient to cleanse the believer.
    - His grace is sufficient to keep the believer through his/her life.
    - His grace is sufficient to sustain the believer in death.
    - His grace is sufficient to bring the believer up to heaven.
    - His grace is sufficient to present the believer faultless in His presence on the last day.

### **III. GOD IS ALL SUFFICIENT BECAUSE HE IS PERFECT**

1. God lacks nothing, needs nothing, to whom nothing can be given and from whom nothing can be taken and is therefore perfect.
  
2. God is perfect in His nature.
  - His Immutability.
  - His Knowledge.
  - His Wisdom.
  - His Power.
  - His Holiness and Purity.
  
3. God is perfect in His work.
  - Creation is perfect.
  - Redemption is perfect.
  - Providence is perfect.
  - Grace is perfect.
  
4. Before God is finished with the believer, that believer will be perfect.
  - The believer is positionally and representatively perfect in the Lord Jesus Christ.
  - The believer will soon be perfect personally and experientially with the Lord Jesus Christ.

### **CONCLUSION:**

1. Almighty God is called "El-Shaddai", and is God All-Sufficient.
2. God needs nothing from anyone.
3. God is able to supply all the needs of the believer.
4. God is perfect in every way.

