I. **SLIDE 2: Jehovah Shalom – The Lord is Peace**

   a. The word Jehovah Shalom appears in the book of Judges. Unfortunately, God’s people were caught in a vicious cycle. They would rebel against God through sin, their sin would lead to discipline, their discipline would drive them to repentance and God would respond by delivering them.
   
   
   And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the L ORD and the L ORD delivered them into the hand of Midian seven years.

   2 And the hand of Midian prevailed against Israel: and because of the Midianites the children of Israel made them the dens which are in the mountains, and caves, and strong holds.

   c. Israel had once again rebelled against God, and the result was enslavement to the enemies they were to triumph over.

II. **SLIDE 3: Disobedience Disrupt peace**

   a. Isaiah 57:20-21

   20 But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt.

   21 There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.

III. **SLIDE 4: Obedience brings peace**

   a. Isaiah 48:18

   18 O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea.

   **SLIDE 5: Peace accompanies righteousness**

   a. James 3:18

   18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.
2 And the hand of Midian prevailed against Israel: and because of the Midianites, the children of Israel made them the dens which are in the mountains, and caves, and strong holds.

4 And they encamped against them, and destroyed the increase of the earth, till thou come unto Gaza, and left no sustenance for Israel, neither sheep, nor ox, nor ass.

5 For they came up with their cattle and their tents, and they came as grasshoppers for multitude; for both they and their camels were without number: and they entered the land to destroy it.

6 And Israel was greatly impoverished because of the Midianites; and the children of Israel cried unto the LORD.

7 And it came to pass, when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD because of the Midianites,

8 That the LORD sent a prophet unto the children of Israel, which said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I brought you up from Egypt, and brought you forth out of the house of bondage;

9 And I delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all that oppressed you, and drave them out from before you, and gave you their land;

10 And I said unto you, I am the LORD your God; fear not the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but ye have not obeyed my voice.
SLIDE 7: Judges 6:12

12 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him, and said unto him, The LORD is with thee, thou mighty man of valour.

IV. SLIDE 8: Judges 6:21-24

21 Then the angel of the LORD put forth the end of the staff that was in his hand and touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and there rose up fire out of the rock, and consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes. Then the angel of the LORD departed out of his sight.

22 And when Gideon perceived that he was an angel of the LORD, Gideon said, Alas, O LORD God! for because I have seen an angel of the LORD face to face.

23 And the LORD said unto him, Peace be unto thee; fear not: thou shalt not die.

24 Then Gideon built an altar there unto the LORD and called it Jehovah shalom: unto this day it is yet in Ophrah of the Abiezrites.

V. SLIDE 9: John 16:33

33 These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

a. Jesus reminds us of what the angel told Gideon. He told him peace isn’t defined by our circumstances.

b. Just like Gideon met Jehovah Shalom in the midst of personal and national turmoil, Jehovah Shalom was in the middle of it.

c. We enter into the Shalom of God when we stand firmly in faith with our connection to Jesus Christ.
VI. SLIDE 10 Judges 7:9-11,15

9 And it came to pass the same night, that the LORD said unto him, Arise, get thee down unto the host; for I have delivered it into thine hand.

10 But if thou fear to go down, go thou with Phurah thy servant down to the host:

11 And thou shalt hear what they say; and afterward shall thine hands be strengthened to go down unto the host. Then went he down with Phurah his servant unto the outside of the armed men that were in the host.

15 And it was so, when Gideon heard the telling of the dream, and the interpretation thereof, that he worshipped, and returned into the host of Israel, and said, Arise; for the LORD hath delivered into your hand the host of Midian.

a. Once Gideon accepted his role as a warrior and the leader of an army of 30,000, God cut it down to 300 men. During it all God was doing he became his Jehovah Shalom and his peace despite his circumstances.

b. Jehovah Shalom promises to “Keep those in perfect peace whose minds are stayed on him.”

VII. SLIDE 11: Jehovah Rohi - The Lord My Shepard

The Name of God translated as “Lord” in this verse is Jehovah, the self-revealing one. The Hebrew word for shepherd, which means “to rend, pasture, shepherd.

a. Long before David became king, he was put in charge of his father’s sheep. He used his old job to describe his relationship with God by way of the Psalm 23.

b. David says the Lord is my shepherd, meaning he looked to Jehovah Rohi to take care of him. David speaks in the present tense (is) my shepherd not (was) my shepherd. He also makes Jehovah Rohi personal as he says, (my) shepherd. God is not only interested in the group but us personally.
VIII. SLIDE 12: Jeremiah 23:4

4 And I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them: and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking, saith the LORD.

Ezekial 34:2-4

2 Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God unto the shepherds; Woe be to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?

3 Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed: but ye feed not the flock.

4 The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them.

John 10:11

11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

a. We must know that sheep are not the smartest animals in the animal kingdom. Tamers can tame lions, seals and other animals at command, however, sheep don’t seem to always get it. You will not see a sheep rolling over or jumping through hoops.

b. Isaiah 53:6

6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.
a. Sheep are defenseless, easy prey for the enemy, and dependent on the shepherd. When David said that his Lord was His Shepherd Jehovah Rohi met all his needs.

IX. SLIDE 13 Green Pastures, Quiet Waters, and a Restored Soul

a. David explains how Jehovah Rohi restores our soul by first making us lay down in green pastures. He sometimes puts us in situations where we have no choice but to lay down and rest.
b. He leads us beside the still waters and causes our souls to be restored. We must learn to relax, let go and let God!

X. SLIDE 14 Paths of Righteousness

a. God’s GPS system works just fine. Jehovah Rohi guides us for His Name's sake. A Sheperd needs to guide his sheep because we are prone to wander. That’s when Jehovah Rohi’s navigational system gives us the message that He is Recalculating us.

XI. SLIDE 15 Valleys, Shadows, a Rod, and a Staff

a. A Valley is a low place between mountains. It is often a risky place. Things that may seek to cause harm can be lurking in the shadows, however, David assures us that even in the valley of the shadow of death, Jehovah Rohi is with us and provides comfort.
b. A valley also reminds us that there is mountain up ahead, so walk through and get to the other side. It may be dark in the shadows however, remember, God does some of His best work in the dark.
c. A shepherd uses his rod and staff to fight off the enemies that would come to devour the sheep. Our Jehovah fights for us too. We are safer in a dark valley with God in His presence, than without Him.
XII. SLIDE 16 A Table, Oil, and an Overflowing Cup

a. This part of Psalms 23 talks about our physical needs. David says, You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anointed my head with oil. We are assured that Jehovah Rohi prepares a table in plain view of our enemies.

b. He knows how to provide for us. He knows how to soothe us with His anointing oil. He knows how to provide you with overflow inspite of our enemies. He has more than enough to get us through whatever situation we might face.

XIII. SLIDE 17 Goodness, and Mercy Shall Follow Us

a. We must know that Goodness and Mercy will follow us all the days of our life and we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. God can and will meet all our needs, all the days of our life.

XIV. SLIDE 18 Jehovah Mekoddishkem – The Lord Who Sanctifies

a. This is another compound name of God. The word kaddesh (to sanctify) appears hundreds of times in the Bible, but the compound connection of this word with Jehovah appears only twice, in the scriptures. Jehovah Mekoddishkem is a life giving name. This name is inspired through the book of Leviticus, where God gives instructions on how we are to maximize our fellowship with Him in which we have been called.


13 Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep: for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations that ye may know that I am the LORD that doth sanctify you.

c. God goes into lots of detail about our need to be sanctified. He reminds the Israelites that he is the God that brought them out of Egypt and slavery. He did this to be Jehovah Mekoddishkem to them.
XV. SLIDE 19 Leviticus 20:22-24,26

22 Ye shall therefore keep all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: that the land, whither I bring you to dwell therein, spue you not out.

23 And ye shall not walk in the manners of the nation, which I cast out before you: for they committed all these things, and therefore I abhorred them.

24 But I have said unto you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess it, a land that floweth with milk and honey: I am the LORD your God, which have separated you from other people.

26 And ye shall be holy unto me: for I the LORD am holy, and have severed you from other people, that ye should be mine.

a. Jehovah Mekoddishkem knew that His children was going into a land where they would be greatly tested in their faith, and He didn’t want their standards to lowered like all the others who did not know God.

b. The Sanctification process was instituted by God as He was expecting them to be “Set Apart, Separate, Holy and live a Consecrated lifestyle”.

XVI. SLIDE 20 Sanctification Begins Within

a. 1 Thessalonians 5:23

23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

b. Romans 12:1-2

12 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.
2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

c. Romans 12:1-2

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d. Remember this as we close this special name, Jehovah Mekoddishkem has asked us all to live our lives as living sacrifices unto Him. We must obey so He will continue to get the Glory out of our lives and we will get the goods.

XVII. Questions