

HIS PERSONAL NAME

WHAT WAS THE PERSONAL AND INDIVIDUAL NAME OF JESUS CHRIST / YAHUSHUA MESSIAH BEFORE HE ENTERED THE WOMB OF MARY AND WAS BORN AS A FLESHLY SON OF ADAM?

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PREFACE:

The One who became the anointed Son of the Most High YHWH preexisted before He entered Mary's womb, and He had a personal individual name prior to His virgin conception. Based on the New Testament (NT) and His incarnation within the first century, He is now known from the Latin form of the Greek name - Jesus [Iesous], in Hebrew - Yahoshua [Ref: Zech 3:3], (in Aramaic - Yeshua [Ref: Ezra 3:2]) and in English - Joshua [Ref: Acts 7:45 & Hebrews 4:8 where the son of Nun is shown to have the same name).

This said Personage was surnamed YHWH within the OT and was the Personage who interacted with Adam, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and the descendents of Jacob - the people known as the Israelites and other prominent characters within the Old Testament. This study will demonstrate from scripture that the One we now know to be the NT Savior possessed His own distinguishing name within the Old Testament (OT).

As a precursor, the primary focus of this study is not to prove His preexistence because this author has written other studies on the preexistence subject. Therefore, only for the purpose of laying the foundation for this study, will I furnish a few scriptures demonstrating Christ/Messiah's preexistence in the subsequent section. Additional demonstrative preexistence scriptures will be enveloped within this study because they illuminate His personal name during the time of His preexistence.

Before moving forward, please know: in Matthew 1:23 and Isaiah 7:14 we're informed that our Savior's Name would be "Emmanuel", translated, "God with us" when the virgin Mary conceived in the womb. There is a very important piece of information concerning Isaiah 7:14 that needs to be known because it is one of the foundational interelements for this study. In the Hebrew Masoretic text, the Name "Emmanuel" located in Isaiah 7:14 has been corrupted. (Read Jeremiah 8:8, Zeph 3:4) The name "Emmanuel" in Isaiah 7:14 within in the ancient Dead Sea Scrolls supports the reading and understanding of Isaiah 7:14 within the ancient Greek Septuagint, previously declared to be false by the religious elite outside of Catholicism but vindicated by the ancient Dead Sea Scrolls discovery. The name "Emmanuel" within the ancient Hebrew Dead Sea Scrolls is scripted as being an actual descriptive *name* and a *reality* "God with us" opposed to the separated Hebrew scripted words within the Masoretic text which are limited in nature to a mere statement. Rephrased: a literal visitation by God vs. superintended and protected by God.

But, in the New Testament, within Matthew 1:20-21 and Luke 1:26-33, the Angel Gabriel told Joseph and Mary to call Emmanuel, "Yeshua", "the Son of The Most High". (Ancillary notation: during this last said time frame in history, Joseph and Mary may have been speaking Aramaic in addition to Greek based upon historical facts.) The reason for His personal incarnate name at the time of conception (as stated in the opening paragraph) is within the meaning of the root-name itself: YHWH is salvation. **"...for He shall save His people from their sins."** - Matt 1:21. And, Acts 4:12 reads, **"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is no other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."** The Latin to Greek name "Jesus" is derived indirectly from the Hebrew name Yahoshua. (Reference Luke 3:29, Acts 7:45, Hebrew 4:8) Paraphrased;

"YHWH" is the only Name by which our Salvation is granted, because salvation is conclusively granted by the Father YHWH and *not the Son* for John 6:44 reads, **“No man can come to Me, except the Father who sent Me, draws him.”** And, in John 5:43, Christ/Messiah informed us that He came in HIS FATHER'S NAME.

Now: why does Isaiah 7:14 say that Our Savior's Name would be Emmanuel, but in Matthew 1:20-21 and Luke 1:26-33 the Angel Gabriel was sent to tell Mary to call Him Yahoshua/Yeshua? Because He, the Son of the Most High was prophesied to come in the flesh and literally be GodWithUs. Also John 3:34-35 reads, **“For He whom God hath sent speaks the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto Him. The Father loveth the Son and has given all things into His hand.”** John 1:1,14 reads, **“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”** **“And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us...”**

HOWEVER, what was His personal name *prior* to the virgin conception? He had a personal name.

PREEXISTENCE FOUNDATION

In 1-Samuel 10:1, Samuel the prophet anointed Saul the Benjamite as the earthly King over the Israelite nation. In so doing, Samuel said, “behold, **YHWH** has anointed you to be ruler over **HIS INHERITANCE.**” (Emphasis my own.) There are many instances as like 1-Samuel 10:1 in the old testament scriptures demonstrating that a particular YHWH individual is the inheritor of the promised land, the inheritor of the children of Jacob and later the inheritor of all. Zechariah 2:12 reads, “And YHWH shall inherit Judah his portion in the holy land, and shall choose Jerusalem again.” (Additional references, but certainly not limited too... Isaiah 19:25, Exodus 15:17, Jeremiah 16:18). Please understand going forward, a person CANNOT inherit something they already own. For example: the computer this author is typing on is owned by me. I will not inherit it. If I bequeath my computer to my child either through a living testament or death testament, my child would inherit my computer. Likewise, the Most High YHWH owns everything as Genesis 14:19 & Psalms 24:1 explicitly informs us. Therefore, who is “The Inheritor YHWH” receiving His inheritance from? Answer: from His Father - The Most High YHWH and the bequeathing is by the means of a living inheritance because the Most High will never die. Wherefore, *the inheritor* YHWH is NOT the same Being as The Most High YHWH.

In the New Testament, we're informed that Yeshua Christ/Yahoshua Messiah the Son of the Most High is the inheritor of everything. Hebrews 1:1-2 reads, “God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spoke in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds.” Speaking of Christ...Colossians 1:16 reads, “...Everything was created THROUGH Him and FOR Him.” [Emphasis my own.] (Additional Refs: 1-Co 8:6, 1-John 1:3) Paraphrased: this Jeshua Christ / Yahoshua Messiah did the creating, not just the creation of the earth - the planet we live on, but the scripture reads "worlds", and He was and is destined to be the inheritor of everything...UNTIL, He has put all enemies under His feet. At the end of YHWH's great plan, Christ/Messiah will relinquish the Kingdom back to His Father. (Read 1-Cor 15:22-26)

In Isaiah 65:9, this Christ/Messiah, “The Inheritor” was prophesied to be born through Jacob and into the lineage of Judah. From the ancient Dead Sea Scrolls, Isaiah 65:9 reads, “ And I will bring out from Jacob a seed, and out of Judah AN INHERITOR of my mountains...” (Emphasis my own.)

The old testament “Inheritor YHWH” and the inheritor “Emmanuel - Yeshua/Yahoshua the Christ” is the same exact Personage. Please recall, Yeshua/Yahoshua the Christ said He came in His Father's name in John 5:43. Rephrased: The Son of the Most High did not come in His own Name.

“THE INHERITOR YHWH” WAS A HIGH-RANKING ANGEL AS LIKE MICHAEL AND GABRIEL BEFORE GENESIS 1:2.

Main stream Christianity preaches the trinity - a three in one God. (Although, the Eastern Orthodox church holds the doctrine of three Gods, not three-in-one.) The Churches of God (founder Herbert W. Armstrong) preach binitarianism - the belief in two Gods connected by the Spirit whereby these two Gods were EQUAL before the time of Genesis 1:1-2, and these two Gods ALWAYS EXISTED as Gods. [There may be some deviations in doctrinal understanding in some of the offshoot churches.] And, Judaism holds the doctrine of Monotheism. This author disagrees with all said as stated.

The One who is referred to as “The Inheritor YHWH” in scriptures like Exodus 15:17, 34:9, Deut 9:26,29, Ps 78:62,71, Ps 94:14, Psalm 2-entire chapter...and many more scriptures, was a high-ranking angel who loved righteousness and hated lawlessness MORE THAN HIS COMPANIONS. (Read Hebrews 1:5-9 and Psalms 45:6-7.) This said supreme and specially chosen angelic Personage had companions, and He was elevated to a higher status - to the only begotten Son of the Most High because He loved righteousness and hated lawlessness more than His companions. Because of His steadfast unyielding righteousness stance, HE was anointed with the oil of gladness to become the begotten Son of the Most High. He - the Angel who loved righteousness and hated lawlessness more than His companions was a CREATED God. You want explicit proof? Read Isaiah 43:10-12. From the Dead Sea Scrolls, Isaiah 43:10 reads, “You are my witnesses, says YHWH, and my servant whom I have chosen: so that you may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, nor after me will there be.” “Before” and “After” designates a point in time. Again, no God was FORMED BEFORE OR AFTER HIM. He is the only One who was formed to be a God - a God who was formed by the Most High YHWH and would be given reverence and obeisance by mankind with the blessing of the Most High YHWH. Moreover, ask yourself... who are the witnesses in Isaiah 43:10? Let’s be honest and serious here. Who are the witnesses and WHAT are they witnessing? Please contemplate the following scenario. Hypothetically, if YHWH is only One Personage - the Most High God, who are the witnesses to say that YHWH always existed when everything else was created and had a starting point in time? But, the posed hypothetical scenario is in conflict with the statement in Isaiah 43:10, because there is a “before” and “after”... a point in time to which He was “formed.” Moreover, Christ said that he was the “I AM” before Abraham in the gospel of John 8:58. Wherefore, the One who was formed into a “God/El and sanctioned to be given obeisance was formed before Genesis 1:2 and possibly before Genesis 1:1 given what we’re told in Colossians 1:16.

Speaking of the One who became Christ/Messiah our Savior...Hebrews 1:4-5 reads, “Being MADE so much better than the angels, as he hath BY INHERITANCE obtained a more excellent name than they.” (Emphasis my own.) Verse 4 paraphrased; He was MADE better than the angels and he received a more excellent name than all of the other angels BY INHERITANCE. Logic dictates: at one point in time He was NOT on a higher plane than the other angles and possessed a different name. Continuing in verse 5, “For unto which of the angels did He at any time say, ‘Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee?’ And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son? Verse 5 paraphrased, “which angel did the Most High choose, speak to and say, You are My Son...?” One particular Church of God minister, who touts of being a previous Ambassador College professor of theology, denies the questions posed by the author of Hebrews as legitimate. The touting professor erroneously answers the questions as "none" and teaches said answer. The questions posed in the book of Hebrews chapter one are not rhetorical questions. The questions are legitimate, but the problem is, most people don’t know the answer.

From the ancient Greek Septuagint, Proverbs 30:4 reads, "Who has gone up to heaven, and come down? who has gathered the winds in his bosom? who has wrapped up the waters in a garment? who has dominion of all the ends of the earth? what is His name? or what is the name of his children?"

The Hebrew Masoretic and the Aramaic Peshitta read,
"...What is His Name and What is His Son's Name if you know it?"

The Churches of God quote scriptures like Philippians 2:6-7 and John 1:1-2 to show Christ/Messiah as being The Word of God; moreover, in an attempt to also show Christ/Messiah was coequal with the Father. Philippians 2:6-7 reads, "Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men." What does "being in the form of God" mean?

Ellicott's Commentary for English Readers:

Being in the form of God.—The word "being" is here the more emphatic of the two words so translated, which lays stress on the reality of existence (as in Acts 16:20; Acts 17:28; 1Corinthians 11:7; Galatians 2:14). Hence it calls attention to the essential being of Christ, corresponding to **the idea embodied in the name Jehovah**, and thus implying what is more fully expressed in John 1:1. (2) The word "form" (which, except for a casual use in Mark 16:12, is found only in this passage of the New Testament) is to be carefully distinguished from "fashion." **There can be no doubt that in classical Greek it describes the actual specific character**, which (like the structure of a material substance) makes each being what it is; and this same idea is always conveyed in the New Testament by the compound words in which the root "form" is found (Romans 8:29; Romans 12:2; 2Corinthians 3:18; Galatians 4:19). [Emphasis my own.]

Philippians 2:6-7 and John 1:1-2 and the like, do NOT demonstrate Christ/Messiah as an eternal God personage coequal with the Father on High. They're reading more into the texts than what is there and teaching their conjecture allegation as if it were a fact. (Read Prov 30:6)

Now, combine Isaiah 43:10 with Zechariah 2:12. Zechariah 2:12 reads, "And YHWH shall INHERIT Judah, His portion in the Holy Land, He will yet choose Jerusalem." Here again, this YHWH is an Inheritor and His lineage is of the tribe of Judah. These last said type of statements are found throughout the old testament and communicate to the reader that this "Inheritor YHWH" did not own anything at an earlier period of time, and He was prophesied to be born into the lineage of Judah.

PLAIN LANGUAGE

Exodus 23:20-21 reads, "See, I am sending My Angel before you to guard you in the way and to bring you into the place which I have prepared. Be on guard before Him and obey His voice. Do not rebel against Him, for He is not going to pardon your transgression, **for My Name is in Him.**" (Emphasis my own.) Notice: Exodus 23:20-21 is reminiscent of the Ellicott's Commentary on Philippians 2:6-7 previously quoted.

Exodus 23:20-21 is plain language. This said Angel (Messenger/El) spoken of in Exodus 23:20-21 was given the NAME YHWH! In verse 23 of chapter 23, the Septuagint reads, "**For My Angel shall go as your leader...**" He is the same Angel of the covenant spoken of in Malachi 3:1, "Behold, I send forth my Angel, and he shall survey the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come into his temple, even **the angel of the covenant**, whom ye take pleasure in: behold,

he is coming, saith the Lord Almighty. “ (From the Septuagint.)

Let's reverse in time for a moment, shortly after the earth was created, by examining Deuteronomy 32:8-9. The Masoretic Text reads, “When the Most High divided the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel.” This scripture possesses an incorrect rendering in the Masoretic text which most modern bibles translate from as like the King James' versions. I will explain subsequently, but first... how should Deuteronomy 32:8 truly read? From the Septuagint which is supported by the findings in the ancient Dead Sea scrolls... 32:8 reads, “When the Most High divided the nations, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the nations according to the number of the ANGELS of God” (the rendering “Sons of God” was also found in some of the ancient fragments). Each of the nations received a governing angelic son of God as an inheritance! Now continuing, verse 9 from the Septuagint... “And his people Jacob became the portion of the Lord, Israel was the line of his inheritance.” The Masoretic text reads, “For YHWH's portion is His people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance.” The Dead Sea Scrolls reads, “For YHWH's portion is His people; Jacob is the lot of His inheritance.” I'm not going delve into a full dissertation covering the governing sons of god (the angelic beings) over the nations since the entire son-of-god subject is beyond the scope of this subject which is to say, what was the Angel's name before He descended into Mary's womb. Nonetheless, a few key points covering the governing angels/son's of God will be made to illuminate the One who became the Savior.

Deuteronomy 32:9 is explicitly clear. “Angels” is the correct rendering of verse 8 rather than “Israelites” because the reading in verse 9 hinges on verse 8. Verse 9 singles out one of the Angels as being the Inheritor of the promised land and the Israelites. (Additional information note worthy: both the number of “Israelites” and the number of “gods” are in reference to the number seventy - The Table of Nations in Genesis 10-11. The rendering “Israel” in the Masoretic base text is problematic because the Israelite nation was not yet in existence for the backdrop of the following verse, verse 9 of Deuteronomy 32. Also, there was an archeological discovery in the Ugarit literature in Canaan which provides a coherent explanation for Deuteronomy 32:8. The ancient Ugarit literature plainly states that the head of the pantheon was “El” and He fathered seventy sons. For an additional reference, read Job 1:6... “Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them.”) Make no mistake: YHWH held meetings with his sons of God/Angels who He placed over the nations as governing angels. Each of the seventy angels received a nation. Read and consider Daniel 11:38-39 for an example.

The following is a cursory explanation covering the other angels of God who were placed to govern their respective nations because there are a few scriptures on the subject of governing angels which will illuminate the Angel who became The Inheritor YHWH. Do you recall John 10:33-35 where the leading men of Christ's day were offended because they accused Christ of blasphemy - accusing Him of making Himself God? John 10:33-35 reads, “The J/ws answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God. Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods? If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken.” Christ was referring to Psalm 82:1-8. When Christ quoted part of Psalm 82, He didn't mean the J/ws or anyone else who was born of a woman were gods or would become gods. He was referring to the seventy governing angels placed over the nations, Christ/Messiah was one of the seventy. For this reason, Christ/Messiah quoted part of Psalm 82 when He spoke to the J/ws. These said seventy governing angels are sons of god. (Additional Refs: Gen 6:2 and Job 1:6)

Psalms 82:1-8 reads from the Dead Sea Scrolls..., “God takes his stand in the divine council; he holds judgment among the gods. How long will you defend the unjust and show partiality to the wicked? Selah. Defend the poor and orphan; uphold the rights of the oppressed and destitute. Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the power of the wicked. They know nothing, they understand nothing, they walk around in darkness; all of the foundations of the earth are shaken. I say, ‘You are gods; you are all children of the Most High. Yet you will die like mere mortals, and you will fall like any prince.’ Rise up, O God, judge the earth! For all the nations belong to you.” These said gods who defend the wicked, are angelic beings for it says, “...you will die like mere mortals....” And, in Jeremiah 10:11 reads from the Masoretic text, “The Gods that did not make the heavens and the earth shall perish from the earth and from under the heavens.” The Septuagint reads, “Thus shall ye say to them, Let the gods which have not made heaven and earth perish from off the earth, and from under this sky.” (Ref: Deut 32:17) Moreover, the Apostle Paul wrote in 1-Cor 6:3, “Know you not that we shall judge angels?...” The bride of Christ along with Christ will judge the angelic beings who failed to love righteousness and hate lawlessness and who made a choice to follow after the ways of Satan. (Ref: Revelation 20:4) The angelic beings are the “Son’s of God” whether they are evil or not or somewhere in between.

In other words; in John 10:33-35, Christ/Messiah told the J/ws in an indirect way... He came down from the angelic realm and was born through a woman. Consider and combine John 3:2 and Psalm 110:1-3, but from the Greek Septuagint and from the ancient Aramaic Peshitta base text. From the Septuagint, 110:1-3 reads, “The Lord said to my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool. The Lord shall send out a rod of power for thee out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies. With thee is dominion in the day of thy power, in the splendours of Your saints: I have BEGOTTEN YOU FROM THE WOMB before the morning.” (Emphasis my own.) The Dead Sea Scrolls was unreadable in the area of this said verse, but the ancient Aramaic Peshitta supports the reading of the Septuagint in Psalms 110:1-3. In verses 1-3, the ancient Aramaic Peshitta reads, “YHWH said unto my Master, sit Thou at My right hand until I make Thine enemies Your footstool. YHWH will send forth the scepter of His power out of Zion, and He will rule over Your enemies. Your people shall be glorious in the day of Your power; arrayed in the beauty of holiness from the womb, I HAVE BEGOTTEN YOU AS A CHILD FROM THE AGES.” Again, in John 10:33-35, Christ/Messiah told the J/ws in an indirect way... He came down from the angelic realm and was born through a woman. (Ref: John 1:14)

The high-ranking Angel who loved righteousness and hated lawlessness more than His companions was given a covenant by The Most High outlining an inheritance reign in increments. (Ref: Luke 22:29, Ps 89:26-29) Firstly, He received and was embodied with the Set-apart Spirit and the Name YHWH was bequeathed in Him (becoming the Word of YHWH) before or at the onset of Genesis 1:2 and possibly before Genesis 1:1, afterward He received governorship over Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and the descendants of Jacob within His own gifted geographical land location when the nations were divided also known as the *promised land*. After Christ fulfilled the agreement to die the death of a mortal man, He was given the gentiles upon the asking (meaning all of the other nations) and the honor to sit at the Father’s right hand side in glory. (Ref: Psalm 2, Mark 22:29, Heb 1:3, Acts 7:56) Psalms 89:26-29 reads, “He shall cry unto me, Thou art My Father, my God, and the rock of my salvation. Also I will make him my firstborn, higher than the kings of the earth. My mercy will I keep for him for evermore, and *my covenant* shall stand-fast with him. His seed also will I make to endure forever, and his throne as the days of heaven.” In Mark 22:29, Christ unequivocally states that He has a covenant -a will and testament contract- with His Father *for the Kingdom* which fully supports Psalms 89:26-29. Christ/Messiah awaits the full reign over the nations and the world upon

His second return. (Ref: Zech 14:1-5)

Logic dictates that Christ/Messiah didn't coexist equally with the Father at any point in time BEFORE His ascension into heaven based on scriptures like Psalms 89:26-29 and many more.

Christ preexisted, but He preexisted as an Angel - a Son of God without possessing the full status of the YHWH Most High. Christ had a covenant with the Most High YHWH containing stipulations and rewards. He was offered the covenant agreement because He loved righteousness and hated lawlessness more than His companions. (Ref: Heb 1:5-10 and Psalm 45:6-7) For Hebrews 1:5 reads, "For to which of the angels did he ever say, 'You are My Son, today I have brought you forth?'" This last said scripture is asking a literal question. Its not a figure of speech or a rhetoric remark. (Ref: Ps 2:7) Which of the Angels was elevated to begotten Son-ship, and what was His name prior to the virgin conception?

WHAT IS HIS NAME?

The Name of the angelic individual who loved righteousness and hated lawlessness more than His companions, and who became the Son of the Most High God was named.... "Israel." This Angel named Israel was surnamed YHWH. And, the righteous Angel named Israel, surnamed Jacob by His own name, Israel. The factual proof of the One who became Christ/Messiah possessing the personal name "Israel" has been hiding in plain open sight.

Firstly, Isaiah 45:4 informs us that Jacob was surnamed. Jacob was called by His - The Angel's name, Israel. Jacob is NOT called YHWH nor are his descendants called Yahooites. 2-Chron 7:14 reads, "If **My people who are called by My Name** shall humble themselves..." Jeremiah 7:14 reads, "Therefore will I do unto this house, WHICH IS CALLED BY MY NAME, wherein ye trust,..." (Emphasis my own.) These people are called, "Israelites!" Again, Jacob is NOT called YHWH nor are his descendants called Yahooites or any variations thereof. The Angelic Personage who interacted with the men of old was named "Israel." Israel was His personal name before He became the Son of the virgin Mary by the Most High YHWH.

Matthew 2:15 reads, "And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son." The epistle of Matthew quoted from Hosea 11:1. And, Hosea 11:1 reads, "When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called My son out of Egypt." The author of the epistle of Matthew (assuming Matthew) wrote quite plainly and knew exactly what he was quoting. The Son's name is "Israel" because it has been made known that Hosea 11:1 is prophetically referring to Christ/Messiah. Although there is a poetic play in Hosea 11:1 given the ancient Israelite people left Egypt, there also remains a literal meaning of the said verse.

In 2-Kings 2:11-13, the mantel was passed from Elijah to Elisha. Elijah was taken up into the clouds by a chariot of fire, and horses of fire while Elisha watched. Pay attention to what Elisha yelled when he saw the chariot of fire depart in a whirlwind in the sky: "he cried, My father, my father, the chariot of Israel!, and the horsemen thereof!" The chariot of fire was Israel's! - the Angel/*the inheritor YHWH*.

Isaiah 45:4 reads, "For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I HAVE SURNAMED YOU, *though thou hast not known me.* (Emphasis my own.) Isaiah 45:4 is a mouth full. Jacob is the servant (along with his descendants), Israel was the angelic being who became the elected One - the Chosen, and both were surnamed - the statement being a poetic

play. (The book of Isaiah is the most poetic book in the Hebrew text with layered meanings.) However, please place focus now on what this Angelic Personage said... "**you have not known me.**" Jacob did not know who this Personage was. Jacob didn't understand that this Angelic Being gave Jacob His personal name! Nor, did Jacob fully understand who the Angelic Being was. (Ref: John 1:10)

JACOB DIDN'T KNOW WHO THE ANGEL WAS WHO INTERACTED WITH HIM.

THE ENCOUNTER: GENESIS 28:12-22

In Genesis 28:12-22 Jacob had a dream... the vision of angels going up and down on a ladder to and from heaven. And, "YHWH stood above it and said, 'I am YHWH Elohim of Abraham your father and the Elohim of Isaac...' / '...I am with you and shall guard you wherever you go...'"

I want to bring your attention to Exodus 6:2-3 where it reads, "And Elohim spoke to Moses and said to him, 'I am YHWH, and I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob as El Shaddai. And by My Name, YHWH, was I not known to them.'" However, in Genesis 28:13 this YHWH told Jacob He was YHWH - the God of his fathers in the vision. There is no mistake here. I will explain the seemingly conflict after covering the additional passages of scriptures where Jacob interacts with the Angel. (Read John 5:37, 6:46)

THE ENCOUNTER: GENESIS 31:11-13

In Genesis 31:11-13 reads, "And the Angel of Elohim spoke to me in a dream.../...I am El of Bethel where you anointed the standing column and where you made a vow to Me."

Keep in mind,

- 1) THE ANGEL spoke to Jacob in Genesis 31:11-13 and
- 2) this Angel (El) said He was the God (El) of Bethel in Genesis 28:12-22 during Jacob's first encounter. Henceforth, its clear by the Angel's statement in Genesis 31:11-13 that this same Angel was the One who appeared to Him in Genesis 28:12-22 but referred to Himself as YHWH.

THE ENCOUNTER: GENESIS 32:24-30

Advance a few pages in your bible and read Genesis 32:24-30 when Jacob wrestled with a Man all night. And, this Man afterward surnamed Jacob, "Israel." Jacob wanted to know the Man's name. But, the Man seemed to be surprised at the question and asked Jacob, "why do you want to know my Name?" Jacob didn't understand. Now read Hosea 12:3-4 where we're informed that the Man who Jacob wrestled with was in fact the Angel and not just a mere mortal man. Hosea 12:3-4 reads, "He took his brother by the heel in the womb (referring to Jacob), and by his strength he had power with God: yes, he had power over the Angel, and prevailed: he wept, and made supplication unto him: he found him in Bethel, and there he spoke with us; Even the YHWH Elohim of hosts; YHWH is his memorial." The Dead Sea Scrolls says, "...and in his (Jacob's) manhood, he strove with El, he strove with the Angel and prevailed, he wept and sought His favor..."

Jacob did have some wits about him and was frustrated to say the least. I suspect, Jacob grabbed the Angel/Man - recognizing Him from Genesis 31:11-13, because Jacob's life was difficult. He wanted the Angel/Man to BLESS HIM!

THE ENCOUNTER: GENESIS 35:1-3

Turn and read Genesis 35:1-3. The Angel said to Jacob, 'Arise, go up to Bethel and dwell there. And make an altar to El who appeared to you when you fled from the face of Esau your brother.'

THE ENCOUNTER: GENESIS 35:9-15

In Genesis 35:9-15 the Angel appeared to Jacob once again and identified Himself as being “El Shaddai.”

As a repeat: Exodus 6:2-3 reads, “And Elohim spoke to Moses and said to him, ‘I am YHWH, and I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob as El Shaddai. And by My Name, YHWH, was I not known to them.’” (Ref: Genesis 17:1 and 35:9-15) Everyone who doesn’t believe that Jesus/Yeshua/Yahoshua the Son of the Most High YHWH did not preexist and was the One who spoke with and interacted with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob are left to scratch their heads and attempt to figuratively explain away the plain language of Exodus 6:2-3. Why? Because there are a multitude of scriptures where Abraham, Isaac and Jacob called upon and referred to the Name of YHWH. Examples are: Genesis 15:2,7,8, 18:14, 22:14, and many places in Genesis 24 such as 24:3, etc. Paraphrased: YHWH told Moses: Abraham, Isaac and Jacob never knew me as YHWH. But, Abraham unequivocally called upon the vocalized Name “YHWH.” Was YHWH lying to Moses? No! Or, perhaps Moses made some redactions to the stories when he recorded them. Not so. People who insist that the vocal Name YHWH only figuratively refers to a single Personage explain away Exodus 6:2-3 by saying something like... “the subject is the nature of YHWH rather than the actual vocal sound of the Name.” Or, “The text refers to YHWH but the Name YHWH was never mentioned during the events.” There is a slight bit of truth in the first said surmised allegation, but not entirely. In Isaiah 45:3-4, YHWH, the Elohim of Israel did say,“you have not known me” in reference to the descendants of Jacob. But, the first surmised allegation against Abraham doesn’t hold true. In John 8:56, Christ/Messiah said... “*Your father Abraham was glad that he should see My day, and he saw it and did rejoice.*” In other words, Abraham understood who “He” was; although Abraham didn’t know the Angelic El Personage by the vocal Name YHWH.

In Jacob’s first encounter with the Angelic El Personage - the Messenger/Angel (aka: The Word of YHWH) in Genesis 28:12-22, the encounter was in a dream - most likely a vision of the future - a vision when Christ will be in His glory, not in real-time face to face as when Jacob wrestled with Him and lived. (Ref: Gen 32:30) It appears Jacob did not fully understand the vision he was given, the identity of the One who appeared as “YHWH” in Genesis 28:12-13, and the dream he was given and by the Angel in Genesis 31:11. He did not understand the Personage was the same Personage in both dreams. If Jacob believed that the Man Angel he wrestled with and the Angelic Personage who appeared to him/Jacob during his lifetime was the same YHWH Personage in his ladder dream, logic dictates Jacob wouldn’t have asked the Angel/Man for His Name. Remember: within the ladder dream, the One standing at the top of the stairway identified Himself as being YHWH. Hypothetically, if the Angelic Personage had the same facial features in the first encounter during the ladder dream as the remaining encounters, Jacob would have recognized Him, but Jacob did not. MOREOVER; Christ said in John 5:27, “And the Father himself, which hath sent Me, hath borne witness of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His shape.” Christ did not lie, no fleshly human being at anytime has ever seen the Most High Father nor has ever heard His voice. Wherefore, the YHWH Personage who showed Himself and spoke to Jacob in the ladder dream was none other than **the Angelic Personage who later appeared to Jacob face to face and redeemed Jacob from all evil.** (Ref: Gen 31:11-13, Gen 48:15-16) And, Jacob only understood this Angelic Personage as being “El Shaddai” (meaning: God Almighty) who appear unto him.

Returning to Deuteronomy 32:8-9 in light of the title/name “El Shaddai”... when the sons of Adam were separated and boundaries were set according to the number of the sons of God, the people of Jacob was His [Israel’s] portion, Jacob His inheritance. WHEREFORE; The Son of God who possessed the name Israel, who was given HIS portion, was mandated to take care of and govern his

allotted portion. His allotted portion included land within a specified geographical location. The difference between the governing Angel - the Son of God named Israel and the other governing sons of god (angels) is this: Israel loved righteousness and hated lawlessness more than His companions. But, the battle between good and evil and the One who was chosen to become the Son of the Most High, occurred before Genesis 1:2. (Ref: John 1:1-5, 1-John 1:1-3) In John 8:58, Christ/Messiah told the prominent men of His day,..." Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham came to be, I AM." Given John 1:1-5, 1-John 1:1-3 and that Christ said He was the "I AM" before Abraham, places the timing of Isaiah 43:10-11 [when He was a formed YHWH El] *before* the conception in the virgin Mary and *before* Genesis 1:2.

In Jacob's old age, Jacob spoke to Joseph his son, and Joseph's two sons in Genesis 48. Verse 3 reads, "And Jacob said unto Joseph, El Shaddai appeared unto me at Luz in the land of Canaan, and blessed me..." From Jacob's own testimony: Jacob only understood the Angel to be El Shaddai. Genesis 48:15-16 reads, "And he (Jacob) blessed Joseph, and said, God, before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did walk, the God which fed me all my life long unto this day, The Angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth." In Jacob's old age, Jacob remained unaware of the Angel's name, the One who redeemed him from all evil, but he asked the Angel to bless his two grandsons.

THE ANGEL OF YHWH APPEARED TO THE PARENTS OF SAMSON

In Judges chapter 13, the *Angel of YHWH* appeared to the parents of Samson to deliver the announcement they were to bear a son. In Judges 13:17-18, Samson's father asked the Angel for his name, asked the Angel to identify himself so they could give him honor when the child was born. The Angel of YHWH answered and said, "**Why do you ask after my name, whereas it is a SECRET.**" (Emphasis my own.) The Hebrew word used and translated as "secret" is pil-ee and Strong's Concordance No. 6383 meaning both, a "secret" and "wonderful." Paraphrased, the Angel of YHWH's name was a Wonderful Secret.

AGAIN...

From the ancient Greek Septuagint, Proverbs 30:4 reads, "Who has gone up to heaven, and come down? who has gathered the winds in his bosom? who has wrapped up the waters in a garment? who has dominion of all the ends of the earth? what is His name? or what is the name of his children?"

The Hebrew Masoretic and the Aramaic Peshitta read,
"...What is His Name and What is His Son's Name if you know it?"

The answer is the same for all three base texts, the Greek Septuagint, the Hebrew Masoretic and the Aramaic Peshitta.... the answer is "ISRAEL."

"...to which of the Angels did HE ever say, "Sit at My Right Hand until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet."? -Hebrews 1:13

The Angel who watched over Jacob and interacted with Abraham, Isaac and the rest of the men/people of old is the very One who was spoken of in Deuteronomy 32:8-9. The Angel who's name was Israel is the very One who loved righteousness and hated lawlessness more than His companions. (Ref: Heb 1:9, Ps45:7, 1-Pet 3:21-22)

YHWH THE MOST HIGH CALLED HIM "ISRAEL"

Isaiah the prophet was given a testimony statement to record for written documentation. This said testimony statement is the testimony given by the Most High YHWH. From the Dead Sea Scrolls, Isaiah 49:3 reads, "...You are My servant Israel in whom I will be glorified." At face value, it appears that this said statement is referring to the children of Jacob. However, the statement - primarily, is referring to the Angel named Israel. Why is this true? Read this said statement in context, and then you, the reader, will hopefully see what I mean.

From the Dead Sea Scrolls, Isaiah 49:1-6 reads, "Hear Me, O islands, and listen from afar, YHWH called Me from the womb; from My mother's belly He caused My name to be remembered. And He has put my mouth as a sharp sword; in the shadow of His hand He hid Me as a polished arrow in His quiver He hid Me. And, He said to Me, 'You are My servant Israel in whom I will be glorified.' Then I said, 'for emptiness I have toiled, My strength for void and a vapor I have spent, surely my judgment is with YHWH and My work with My God. And now, says YHWH who formed you from the womb to serve Him, to return Jacob to Him, and gather Israel to Him, and I shall be glorious in the eyes of YHWH, and My God shall be my strength. And He said, 'Is it a light thing from your being to Me a servant to raise up the tribes of Israel, and to restore the Nazarenes of Jacob: I will also give you for a light to the Gentiles, to be My Salvation to the end of the earth."

First and foremost, this Servant spoken of in the quoted Isaiah verses above was 1) formed in the womb, and 2) and He is required to raise up the tribes, bring Jacob (surnamed Israel) back, and to restore the Nazarenes. In other words, the Personage spoken of cannot be Jacob or this quoted passage of scripture becomes problematic.

Isaiah 49:1-6 is actually a recorded conversation between YHWH the Most High and the One who became Jesus/Yahushua the Christ/Messiah BEFORE He was placed inside of Mary's womb.

Isaiah 49:1-6 incrementally with notations:

"Hear Me, O islands, and listen from afar..."

In my opinion, the "islands" is in reference to the British Isles. They are the head tribe of Joseph. And, the one speaking here is the angel Israel - the One who became Jesus.

"...YHWH called Me from the womb; from My mother's belly He caused My name to be remembered." The famous and acclaimed name throughout the centuries is "Jesus". And, He was given this said name (whether it be Yeshua, Yahoshua or Yahushua) through the angel Gabriel. In other word, "Jesus" is telling the head tribe of Joseph to "listen" to Him and He is identifying Himself as being the one who was born through Mary.

"And He has put my mouth as a sharp sword; in the shadow of His hand He hid Me as a polished arrow in His quiver He hid Me." This Personage speaking here is *not* Jacob. The sharp sword is the Law. He is the Word. And, this Word Personage was hidden. He is THE God who hides. Read Isaiah 45:15.

"And, He said to Me, 'You are My servant Israel in whom I will be glorified.'"
The Most High YHWH spoke to the One who became Jesus and called Him "Israel."

"Then I said, 'for emptiness I have toiled, My strength for void and a vapor I have spent, surely my judgment is with YHWH and My work with My God.'" The angel Israel replies and expresses how He feels about the children of Jacob.

"And now, says YHWH who formed you from the womb to serve Him, to return Jacob to Him, and gather Israel to Him, and I shall be glorious in the eyes of YHWH, and My God shall be my strength. And He said,..." This statement is a prelude statement by YHWH the Most High. He is replying to the angel Israel, but He identifies Himself as being the One who formed (him) the angel Israel in the womb. However, this identification also envelopes the reason He formed the angel Israel in the womb. An additional notation: the Jacobites were surnamed Israel. In this instance, Jacob is being called by the name Israel also. Revisiting the angel Israel's complaint for a moment, YHWH the Most High in this statement is assuring Him (the angel Israel) that Jacob, His people will be brought back.

"And He said, 'Is it a light thing from your being to Me a servant to raise up the tribes of Israel, and to restore the preserved of Israel (*Nazarenes of Jacob*): I will also give you for a light to the Gentiles, to be My Salvation to the end of the earth.'" This is the actual statement by YHWH the Most High. I will quote Mr. Fred Miller, who translated the Dead Sea Isaiah scrolls on his website. I believe he provides the best comprehensive understanding of this verse.

Quote from Mr. Fred Miller: "This remarkable passage is obviously messianic. Especially since the one spoken of is to be the "light of the Gentiles" and salvation is to the ends of the earth. What is not obvious is the Hebrew use of words in this verse. The return of the "preserved" of Israel is another of Isaiah's use of the Nazarene words in messianic contexts of which this is one. Preserved of Israel is *notsrey yisrael*. This would be rendered "Nazarenes of Israel" or as the more common modern Jewish usage, "Christians of Israel."

The Hebrew here literally says : "I give you as a light to the Gentiles to be my Yeshua' to the end of the earth." The Hebrew form is the name of Jesus or Yeshua. The coincidence is startling when this verse is read in Hebrew. "Is your being my servant to establish the tribes of Jacob and restore the Israeli Nazarenes a light thing, when I have also given you as a light of the Gentiles to be my Jesus to the ends of the earth." Make what you will of this verse but that is what it says.' End Quote.

WHEREFORE; the answer to the posed question in Hebrews 1:5..." For to which of the angels did He ever say, 'You are My Son, today I have brought You forth...'..."His Personal Name is "Israel."

The Angel named Israel covenanted with the Most High YHWH to rule over all the earth and become the first of the first-fruits. He was an Angelic Son of the Most High as like the other hi-ranking angelic governing angels who possess "...EL" at the end of their names as like "MichaEL", "GabriEL", "BEL", HilleL (Hebrew rendering), etc. (Ref: Jer 50:2, Jer 51:44, Isa 14:12, side ref Heb 1:14) But, this One and only Angelic Personage named Israel, was the only Personage who YHWH Most High transformed into a God worthy of worship, entered into the virgin Mary and was born as a fleshly Son of the Most High. And, because Israel, AKA the Word of YHWH - was a willing participant, willing to bear the sins of all mankind, He now possesses a Name above every and all names... Jesus/ Yeshua / Yahoshua the Anointed - YHWH IS SALVATION. (Ref: Phil 2:9-11 and Eph 1:21) Israel was surnamed "YHWH."

In Genesis 32:28, this Angel who's personal name is Israel revealed the meaning of His name. It means: *for the prince hast power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.*