

THE FATHER'S NAME

Does God have a name?

1:1.1 (22.4) The names which the creature assigns to the Creator are much dependent on the creature's concept of the Creator. The First Source and Universe Center has never revealed himself by name, only by nature. If we believe that we are the children of this Creator, it is only natural that we should eventually call him Father. But this is the name of our own choosing, and it grows out of the recognition of our personal relationship with the First Source and Center.

What do other people call God?

People in different cultures, and even people within the same culture have different words that they like to use for God, and each term chosen illustrates how that person views God. Muslims call God "Allah," which just means "God" in Arabic. Those who practice native or natural religions might refer to God as "Creator," and people who call themselves "spiritual but not religious" sometimes refer to God as "the Universe."



Names for God in *The Urantia Book*

Answer key is on our website

I F N F B Y W H D X O I W U K V E T C U
 C H I T X N U C A D S Y R E H Q K J N N
 Z J I N F I N I T E S P I R I T E T Y I
 J R Q Y J X W K U L P K N D G B W A W V
 B M Y B X O W U X K P E B G I A U O T E
 J I T H O U G H T A D J U S T E R O R R
 U T H E T E R N A L M O T H E R S O N S
 E O F S B H Z H J P H V O I M U G R S A
 L K M V K B F U V P N Q X L X X S D W L
 O G B B M R L Z E I T J T X G I J Q V F
 G H M Q F F K A X J X M Y P I G I B B A
 A L W A P H I T F T N M M K Q Q Q L U T
 I V C J G T U C K S F G O D R K G V V H
 W G J M L S E A U F M M V D C R O D A E
 F I R S T S O U R C E A N D C E N T E R

Eternal Mother Son
First Source and Center
Thought Adjuster
God
Universal Father
Infinite Spirit

Why is this important?

When *The Urantia Book* tells us that we can choose a name for God that suits our relationship with God, it is setting us up for an understanding that all people's relationships with God are to be respected, a theme which is found all throughout the book.

How do you like to refer to God?