“YHWH-‘Elyown: The Lord Most High”

Introduction
Review the names discussed so far and our relationship to the Father. Circle chart of names.

Lord Our Righteousness is a Messianic title of the heavenly King on earth. But as The King, He is known as YHWH-‘Elyown, the Lord Most High!

Ps 47:2 “How awesome is the LORD Most High, the great King over all the earth!” NIV

I. The Most High God
A) Melchizedek
Gen 14:18-20
18 Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. He was priest of God Most High,
19 and he blessed Abram, saying, "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth.
20 And blessed be God Most High, who delivered your enemies into your hand."
Then Abram gave him a tenth of everything. NIV

Called from a pagan culture, Abram sojourns to a heathen land only to be blessed by the priest of God Most High. This is El ‘Elyown. Two things we find in this account: El is the Creator and as the Most High, He delivered Abram’s enemies into his hand.

B) Balaam
Num 24:15-19
15 Then he uttered his oracle: "The oracle of Balaam son of Beor, the oracle of one whose eye sees clearly,
16 the oracle of one who hears the words of God, who has knowledge from the Most High, who sees a vision from the Almighty, who falls prostrate, and whose eyes are opened:
17 "I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near. A star will come out of Jacob; a scepter will rise out of Israel. He will crush the foreheads of Moab, the skulls of all the sons of Sheth.
18 Edom will be conquered; Seir, his enemy, will be conquered, but Israel will grow strong.
19 A ruler will come out of Jacob and destroy the survivors of the city." NIV

Balaam is a Gentile prophet who receives visions from God. As he worships the God Most High by falling on his face, what does he see visions of? A king rising out of Jacob and destroying His enemies.
C) Moses
Deut 32:7-9

7 Remember the days of old; consider the generations long past. Ask your father and he will tell you, your elders, and they will explain to you.
8 When the Most High gave the nations their inheritance, when he divided all mankind, he set up boundaries for the peoples according to the number of the sons of Israel.
9 For the LORD's portion is his people, Jacob his allotted inheritance. NIV

_This now is not El 'Elyown, but YHWH, ‘Elyown. Moses speaks of the Most High LORD, using the covenant name YHWH. And what he reveals is God’s governmental principle for the world – it will be ruled by Jacob, for the Lord’s portion is His people._

II. The Lord Most High
Ps 7:17
I will give thanks to the LORD because of his righteousness and will sing praise to the name of the LORD Most High. NIV

_David sings to the Lord Most High, who delivers him from his accusers and enemies. This kingship title belongs to the Godhead; Father, Spirit, and Son._

A) Father
Luke 6:35-36

35 But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked.
36 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. NIV

B) Spirit
Luke 1:31-35

31 You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus.
32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David,
33 and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end."
34 "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?"
35 The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. NIV

Ps 91:1-4

1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.
2 I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."
3 Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence.
4 He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. NIV

In reference to God, the predominant use of the symbology of wings and shadow are indicative of the Person of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 7:48-51
48 "However, the Most High does not live in houses made by men. As the prophet says:
49 "Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool. What kind of house will you build for me? says the Lord. Or where will my resting place be?
50 Has not my hand made all these things?'
51 "You stiff-necked people, with uncircumcised hearts and ears! You are just like your fathers: You always resist the Holy Spirit! NIV

1 Cor 6:19
Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; NIV

C) Son
i. The ministry of John
Luke 1:76-79
76 And you, my child, will be called a prophet of the Most High; for you will go on before the Lord to prepare the way for him,
77 to give his people the knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins,
78 because of the tender mercy of our God, by which the rising sun will come to us from heaven
79 to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace." NIV

Mal 3:1
"See, I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come," says the LORD Almighty. NIV

Matt 4:16-17
16 the people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned."
17 From that time on Jesus began to preach, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near." NIV
ii. The testimony of Jesus
John 10:30-36
30 I and the Father are one."
31 Again the Jews picked up stones to stone him,
32 but Jesus said to them, "I have shown you many great miracles from the
Father. For which of these do you stone me?"
33 "We are not stoning you for any of these," replied the Jews, "but for
blasphemy, because you, a mere man, claim to be God."
34 Jesus answered them, "Is it not written in your Law, 'I have said you are
gods'?
35 If he called them 'gods,' to whom the word of God came-and the Scripture
cannot be broken-
36 what about the one whom the Father set apart as his very own and sent into
the world? Why then do you accuse me of blasphemy because I said, 'I am
God's Son'?  NIV
Ps 82:6 "I said, 'You are "gods"; you are all sons of the Most High.'  NIV

iii. The exaltation by the Father
Phil 2:9-11
9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that
is above every name,
10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth
and under the earth,
11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the
Father.  NIV
Heb 1:8
But about the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever,
and righteousness will be the scepter of your kingdom.  NIV

[1 Kings 1:47-48]
47 And moreover the king's servants came to bless our lord king David,
saying, God make the name of Solomon better than thy name, and make his
throne greater than thy throne.  And the king bowed himself upon the bed.
48 And also thus said the king, Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, which
hath given one to sit on my throne this day, mine eyes even seeing it.  KJV

III. Acknowledging the Name
A) According to Righteousness
Ps 7:8-9, 17
8 The LORD shall judge the people: judge me, O LORD, according to my
righteousness, and according to mine integrity that is in me.
9 Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end; but establish the just: for the
righteous God trieth the hearts and reins.
“Judge me according to my righteousness” seems a dangerous prayer, does it not?

17 I will praise the LORD according to his righteousness: and will sing praise to the name of the LORD most high. KJV

The truth is that we will be judged according to our righteousness. So, if we do not make His righteousness our righteousness, we shall be found naked!

Ps 18:6, 13, 20-25
6 In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried unto my God: he heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry came before him, even into his ears.
13 The LORD also thundered in the heavens, and the Highest gave his voice; hail stones and coals of fire.
20 The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness; according to the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.
21 For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God.
22 For all his judgments were before me, and I did not put away his statutes from me.
23 I was also upright before him, and I kept myself from mine iniquity.
24 Therefore hath the LORD recompensed me according to my righteousness, according to the cleanness of my hands in his eyesight.
25 With the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful; with an upright man thou wilt shew thyself upright; KJV

This is the answer to Psalm 7. Our righteousness (does) is in keeping the ways of the LORD, not wickedly departing from Him, being continually mindful of His judgments and statutes, being upright before Him and keeping ourselves from our iniquities. This shows that He has not left us powerless in the face of our iniquities!

B) Divine Deliverance
Ps 50:14-15 NIV
14 Sacrifice thank offerings to God, fulfill your vows to the Most High,
15 and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me."

Ps 91:9-16
9 If you make the Most High your dwelling-- even the LORD, who is my refuge--
10 then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent.
11 For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;
12 they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.
13 You will tread upon the lion and the cobra; you will trample the great lion and the serpent.
14 "Because he loves me," says the LORD, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.
15 He will call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him.
Ps 46:1-7
1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
2 Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;
3 Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.
4 There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High.
5 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early.
6 The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice, the earth melted.
7 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah.
8 Come, behold the works of the LORD, what desolations he hath made in the earth.
9 He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire.
10 Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.
11 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah.

C) Reigning with Him

Isa 14:13-14
13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:
14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. KJV

Dan 7:24-27 NIV
24 The ten horns are ten kings who will come from this kingdom. After them another king will arise, different from the earlier ones; he will subdue three kings.
25 He will speak against the Most High and oppress his saints and try to change the set times and the laws. The saints will be handed over to him for a time, times and half a time.
26 "But the court will sit, and his power will be taken away and completely destroyed forever.
27 Then the sovereignty, power and greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven will be handed over to the saints, the people of the Most High. His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all rulers will worship and obey him.'

Rev 17:14
They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them because he is Lord of lords and King of kings-and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers." NIV
15 The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever."

16 And the twenty-four elders, who were seated on their thrones before God, fell on their faces and worshiped God,

17 saying: "We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign.

18 The nations were angry; and your wrath has come. The time has come for judging the dead, and for rewarding your servants the prophets and your saints and those who reverence your name, both small and great- and for destroying those who destroy the earth."

19 Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and within his temple was seen the ark of his covenant. And there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake and a great hailstorm. NIV

Conclusion
Rev 3:14
"To the angel of the church in Laodicea write: **These are the words of the Amen**, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation. NIV

*AMEN!*