

Name & Titles of Deity Marking Guide

These notes are to be used for the colouring of the Divine Name and Titles.

HINTS ON COLOURING THE NAME AND TITLES

Follow the steps below in order when marking in the name and Titles of Deity:

1. It is important to mark all alterations and special cases before commencing to colour "Lord"s and "God"s using a concordance. There are 2 to note in particular:

a. Alteration by the Sopherim of 'Yahweh' to 'Adonai'.

There are about 130 occurrences where the Sopherim (the ancient custodians of the sacred text), out of an extreme but mistaken reverence for the name "Yahweh", altered it to "Adonai". A concordance will show that the words in all of these cases is "Adonai", but it should be "Yahweh", hence it is important to colour these before, colouring "Adonai" from a concordance. A revised list of these passages taken basically from the Companion Bible (Appendix 32) is attached.

Suggested colour: Red.

b. Psalm beginnings.

Where a Psalm begins with the word Lord or God, it is always placed in capital letters (in accordance with the general procedure of starting every new chapter with capital letters for the first word) irrespective of whether the original Hebrew word was "Yahweh" or not. A list of the Psalms where the name appears in capitals but is NOT "Yahweh" (or "Yah") is listed below. It is suggested that **the original word in these seven cases be simply written over the top of the printed word.**

l.e. Elohim
GOD

In the following 7 cases GOD should be "Elohim":

- Psalms 46:1 "GOD is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."
- Psalms 60:1 "O GOD, thou hast cast us off,.."
- Psalms 63:1 "O GOD, thou art my God; early will I seek thee:"
- Psalms 67:1 "GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us;"
- Psalms 79:1 "O GOD, the heathen are come into thine inheritance;"
- Psalms 82:1 "GOD standeth in the congregation of the mighty;"
- Psalms 108:1 "O GOD, my heart is fixed;"

NOTE: When "LORD" is in capitals it is always "Yahweh".

2. It is suggested, owing to the very large number of occurrences of the Hebrew words "Yahweh" and "Elohim", that these are left uncoloured. They will however, still be easily recognised and no confusion will result because:

- a. Yahweh is always printed in small CAPITALS (except for those coloured owing to Sopherim changes)

- b. Elohim will be the word for all "God"(s) in lower case lettering which are not coloured.

In summary:

all uncoloured "LORD" = 'Yahweh'.

all uncoloured "GOD" = 'Yahweh'.

all uncoloured "God" = 'Elohim'.

3. Next, colour the following words:

"Adon" (AV, Lord) Strongs number 113. **Suggested colour: purple.**

"Tzur" (AV, God) Strongs number 6697. **Suggested colour: orange.**

"Yah" (AV, LORD) Strongs number 3050. **Suggested colour: brown.**

Note: You may prefer to leave "Yah" (LORD) uncoloured, as it is only an abbreviation of the name "Yahweh", and consequently carries the same meaning.

4. The following words must be marked using a concordance:

a. "El" (AV, God). Strongs number 410.

b. "Adonai" (AV, Lord). Strongs number 136.

c. "Eloah" (AV, God). Strongs number 433.

d. "Shaddai" (AV, Almighty). Strongs number 7706.

e. "Elyon" (AV, Most High). Strongs number 5945.

5. There are a few occurrences of Chaldee equivalents to Hebrew words that occur in Ezra and Daniel. These include:

a. The Chaldee "Elah" (Strong number 426) is equivalent to the Hebrew, "Eloah". These are all translated as "God".

b. The Chaldee word "Mare" (Strongs number 4756) which only occurs in Dan. 2:47 and 5:23 (AV, Lord), is apparently the equivalent to the Hebrew "Adonai".

c. The Chaldee word "Elyone" (Strongs number 5946) is equivalent to the Hebrew "Elyon"

Colour these the same as the equivalent Hebrew words. You may wish to identify them as Chaldee. You can do this by perhaps placing a blue slash through the last letter.

6. Suggested Colour Scheme:

Hebrew Word	English in AV	Suggested Colour	Alternative
"El"	God	Yellow	
"Eloah"	God	Blue	
"Adon"	Lord	Purple	Purple circle
"Adonai"	Lord	Green	
"Yahweh"	Those altered by Sopherim	Red	
"Tzur"	God	Orange	
"Yah"	LORD	Brown	
"Elohim"	God	Uncoloured	
"Yahweh"	GOD or LORD	Uncoloured	

“Shaddai”	Almighty	Circle in Dark Green	
“Elyon”	Most High	Circle in Pink	
Chaldee “Mare”	Lord	Green with blue slash (/) on “d” of Lord.	
Chaldee “Elah”	God	Blue with blue slash (/) on “d” of God.	
Chaldee “Elyone”	Most High	Pink Circle with blue slash (/) on the “h” of High.	

7. It is also suggested that you create a Bible insert sheet entitled “The Name and Titles of the Deity” in your Bible at some convenient place (either in the front, back, Exodus 3, or Exodus 34...) and that you mark, along side each Hebrew word, the colour you have chosen to represent it in your Bible. Phanerosis (by Bro J Thomas) has some excellent summaries of the Name & Titles in the front section.

Revised List of Passages Where The Sopherim Altered “Yahweh” to “Adonai”			
Genesis	Psalm	Isaiah	
18:3,27,30,31,32	37:13	8:7	
19:18	38:9,15,22	9:8,17	
20:4	39:7	10:12,16	
Exodus 4:10,13	40:17	11:11	
5:22	44:23	21:6,8,16	
15:17	51:15	28:2	
34:9 (2x)	54:4	29:13	
Numbers 14:17	55:9	30:20	
Joshua 7:8	57:9	37:24	
Judges 6:15	59:11	38:16	
13:8	62:12	49:14	
1 Kings 3:10	66:18	Lamentations 1:14,15 (2x)	
22:6	68:11,17,19,22,26,32	2:1,2,5,7,18,19,20	
2 Kings 7:6	73:20	3:31,36,37,58	
19:23	77:2,7	Ezekiel 18:25,29	
Ezra 10:3	78:65	33:17,20	
Nehemiah 1:11	79:12	Daniel 1:2	
4:14	86:3,4,5,8,9,12,15	9:3,4,7,8,9,15,16,17,19(3x)	
Job 28:28	89:49,50	Amos 5:16	
Psalm 2:4	90:1	7:7,8	
16:2	110:5	9:1	
22:30	130:2,3,6	Micah 1:2	
35:17,22	Isaiah 3:17,18	Zechariah 9:4	
	4:4	Malachi 1:12,14	
	6:1,8,11		
	7:14,20		