Genesis 4:26 And as for Seth, to him also a son was born; and he named him Enosh. Then men began to call on the name of the LORD.

Genesis 4:26 (BHSMORPH)

לְקְרֹא בְּשֵׁם יְהוָה

When applied to men, it denotes invocation(here and chap. xii.8, xiii.4, etc.); to God, calling out or proclaiming His name (Ex. xxxiii.19, xxxiv.5). The *name of God* signifies in general "the whole nature of God, by which He attests His personal presence in the relation into which He has entered with man, the divine self-manifestation, or the whole of that revealed side of the divine nature, which is turned toward man" (*Oehler*). Keil & Delitzsch, p.120

Genesis 12:8 And he moved from there to the mountain east of Bethel, and he pitched his tent with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; there he built an altar to the LORD and **called on the name of the LORD**.

Genesis 12:8 (BHSMORPH)

וַיִּקְרָא בִּשֵׁם יִהוָה:

Genesis 13:4 to the place of the altar which he had made there at first. And there Abram **called on the name of the LORD.** 

Genesis 13:4 (BHSMORPH)

יהוָה: 4 וַיִּקרָא שָׁם אַבָּרָם בִּשָׁם יִהוָה: 4

Genesis 15:7 (NKJV) 7Then He said to him, "I am the **LORD\***, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it."

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Exodus 20:7 "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.

Take (nata') "to take up, to lift up, to raise up (not "to utter")

Numbers 23:7 And **he took up** his oracle and said: "Balak the king of Moab has brought me from Aram, From the mountains of the east. 'Come, curse Jacob for me, And come, denounce Israel!' Job 27:1-2 Moreover Job **continued** his discourse, **and said**: 2"As God lives, who has taken away my justice, And the Almighty, who has made my soul bitter,

Psalm 81:2-3 **Raise** a song and strike the timbrel, The pleasant harp with the lute. 3 Blow the trumpet at the time of the New Moon, At the full moon, on our solemn feast day.

Isaiah 37:4 'It may be that the Lord your God will hear the words of the Rabshakeh, whom his master the king of Assyria has sent to reproach the living God, and will rebuke the words which the Lord your God has heard. Therefore **lift up** your prayer for the remnant that is left.' "

Leviticus 19:12 'And you shall not swear **by My name** falsely, nor shall you profane the name of your God: I am the Lord.

Truly it is to be for invocation, prayer praise and thanksgiving (Swearing when appropriate)

"God has made know the glory of His nature in His name (chap. iii.14sqq., vi.2), and this was not to be abused by His people." (K & D book 2, p.118)

Exodus 3:12 So He said, "I will certainly be with you. And this shall be a sign to you that I have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall **serve** God on this mountain."

Serve=more than sacrifice, worship(abed), by calling on His name.

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Exodus 3:13-15 (NKJV)

13Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?" 14And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.' "15Moreover God said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: 'The Lord God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial to all generations.'

God explained the name Yahweh to them: his nature and operations "God would even manifest Himself in the nature expressed by the name Jehovah, and by this he would have all generations both know and revere Him." (p.442)

Cross references passages for 3:15

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Exodus 6:2-8 And God spoke to Moses and said to him: "I am the LORD\*. 3"I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, **but by My name LORD\* I was not known to them**. 4"I have also established My covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, in which they were strangers. 5"And I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel whom the Egyptians keep in bondage, and I have remembered My covenant. 6"Therefore say to the children of Israel: 'I am the LORD; I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, I will rescue you from their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments. 7'I will take you as My people, and I will be your God. Then you shall know that I am the LORD\* your God who brings you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. 8'And I will bring you into the land which I swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; and I will give it to you as a heritage: I am the LORD\*.' "

Exodus 6:3 (BHSMORPH)

וְאֶל־יַעֲקֹב בְּאֵל שַׁדִי וּשְׁמִי יְהוָה לֹא נוֹדַעְתִּי לְהֶם:

In a more glorious way than He did with the Patriachs
To Abraham as El Shaddai (Gen 17:1)—the almighty one (p.467)
But now as Yahweh in the performance of His promises