

JESUS—UNPLUGGED

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1. I AM means God is **real!**

Gen 1:1 NLT *In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.*

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2Cor 3:5-6 NLT *It is not that we think we are qualified to do anything on our own. Our qualification comes from God. He has enabled us to be ministers of His new covenant. This is a covenant not of written laws, but of the Spirit. The old written covenant ends in death; but under the new covenant, the Spirit gives life.*

Rev 1:8 NLT *"I am the Alpha and the Omega—the beginning and the end," says the Lord God. "I am the One who is, who always was, and who is still to come—the Almighty One."*

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