

God has an initial too! For His name (Almighty) "Shaddai", sh sound  "SHIN"

The "shin" is of special importance and is seen on numerous Jewish articles and on a Mazuza to decorate every Jewish door on their houses and even some rooms.

Could also make the *shin* with your fingers to bless any one or thing, by putting the name of God upon them or any object, land etc. and they called it "spreading forth" or stretching out" thy hands. This was a command by God in Nu.6:27. God tells Aaron to "put My Name on the children of Israel and I will bless them." It was the famous Aaronic Blessing still used today.

Do you remember in Ex.17:12 as long as Moses held up his hands, Joshua's army prevailed but when down, the Amalakites prevailed? So Aaron and Hur supported Moses' hands up and finally defeated their enemy.

Also the 7th plague of hail in Egypt, Ex. 9:29 &33 Moses told the people that when he *spreads out his hands* the plague will stop and it did, much to Pharaoh's amazement. And again in Ex. 14:16 Moses lifted the rod and stretched out his hand and the Red Sea parted, and later, with the stretching of his hand, the Sea closed up covering the Egyptians.

So now when you read scriptures like Ps. 88:9 where David says: "*I have called daily upon you; I have stretched out my hands*", you know why he does that.

In Job 11:13 When Zophar urges Job to repent because he assumed Job must of sinned, Zophar says: "*If you would prepare your heart and stretch out your hands toward Him*"...It was the best way to pray and worship God.....

In 2Chr.6:13 At the prayer of dedication "*Solomon knealt down and spread out his hands*"

Knowing all this, can you see why God commands in His Word to lift up holy Hands?

Paul exhorts the men in 1Tim2:8\*\*

***"I desire therefore that the MEN pray everywhere lifting up holy hands"***

*also see:*

Ps.119:48 "*I will lift up my hands to your commandments which I love*"

Ps 134 ' *Come Bless the Lord, All ye servants of the Lord, who stand by night, in the house of the Lord. Lift UP your hands in the Holy Place, And Bless the Lord, and Bless the Lord!!!* '

Ps.28:2 "*Hear my voice when I lift up my hands*"

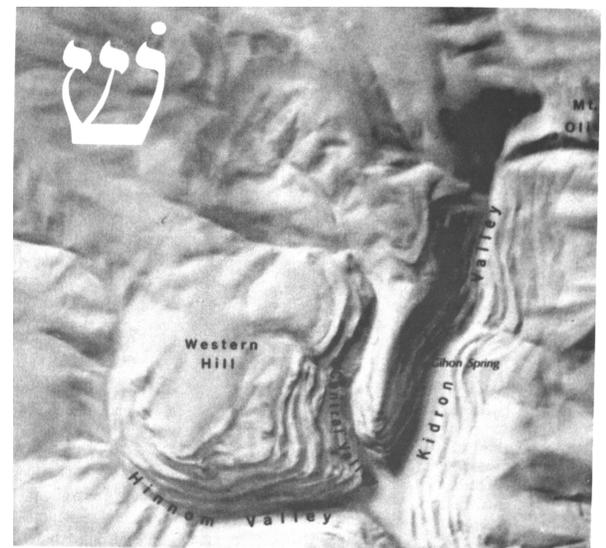
Ps.63:4 "*Thus I will Bless You while I live, (how?) I will lift up my hands in your name*"

Lam.2:19 *Jeremiah begs the Jews:" Lift your hands toward Him!"*

Lam.3:41 "*Let us lift our hearts and hands to God in Heaven.*"

Neh.8:6 "*Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God and while lifting up their hands, the people answered Amen!*"

With this being the common practice, do you think Jesus did it? Of course, and Scripture confirms that He did. Lk.24: At His ascension back to heaven. V.50: And Jesus led them out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them, and while He blessed them, He parted from them and was carried up to heaven. *See also Dan12:7*



***Check out scriptures Deut.16:2 and I Kings 11:36, where God says that Jerusalem is the city He has chosen for Himself and has put His name there! How?***

***God has engraved His initial right into Jerusalem by the 3 valleys that bisect the city to form the "shin" .....Such Detail!!***

# Jerusalem

