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With a whiteboard, you can show the student other forms of transliteration that the student may encounter when using different lexicons. You can hear how this Hebrew word is pronounced by clicking the icon under "Pronunciation."

Y<sup>ə</sup>hôšûa' or Yēšua'

What does it mean?

God is salvation. Take a moment to discuss the implications of the true meaning of Jesus' name.

"Therefore say to the house of Israel, 'Thus says Lord Yahweh, "**It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for My holy name, which you have profaned among the nations**, to which you have come. I will prove the holiness of My great name which has been profaned among the nations, which you have profaned in their midst. Then the nations will know that I am Yahweh," declares Lord Yahweh, "when I prove Myself holy among you in their sight. And I will take you from the nations, gather you from all the lands, and bring you into your own land. Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your uncleanness and from all your idols. Moreover, I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. (Ezek 36:22-26 [New Covenant], LSB)

For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes upon Him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord is Lord of all, abounding in riches for all who call on Him, for "Whoever calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." (Rom 10:11-13, LSB)

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Ask the student, what does "anointed" mean? Help the student use an online Bible dictionary to clarify this term.

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Anointed or anointed one.