

What's in a Name - Jesus?

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INTRO

Happy Resurrection Sunday ... Today is the day we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus from the dead ... Jesus' resurrection from the dead solidified three key truths:

One: That HE truly is God

John 20:27-29 The Voice

He drew close to Thomas. ... Jesus: Reach out and touch Me. ... See the punctures in My hands; - reach out your hand, - and put it to My side; - **leave behind your faithlessness, - and believe.** ... Thomas (filled with emotion): 28 **You are the one True God** - and Lord of my life. ... Jesus: 29 Thomas, you have faith because you have seen Me. ... Blessed are all those who never see Me and yet they still believe.

Two: HE has power over death – hell – and the grave

1 Corinthians 15:56-57 The Voice

Sin came into this world, - and death's sting followed. ... Then sin took aim at the law and gained power over those who follow the law. ... 57 Thank God, then, - for our Lord Jesus, - the Anointed, - the Liberating King, - who brought us victory over the grave.

Revelation 1:18 The Voice

And I am the living One. ... I entered the realm of the dead; - but see, - I am alive now and for all the ages - even ages to come. [Amen.] ... I possess the keys to open the prison of death and hades.

Three: HE will return to set up His eternal kingdom

Revelation 11:15-16 New Living Translation

Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, - and there were loud voices shouting in heaven: - -
“The world has now become the Kingdom of our Lord - and of his Christ, - and he will reign

forever and ever.” ... 16 The twenty-four elders sitting on their thrones before God fell with their faces to the ground and worshiped him.

Now notice one more very important factor of the resurrection of Jesus ... One that is relevant for us today ... This is connected to the great commission

Mark 16:17-18 GOD’S WORD Translation

“These are the miraculous signs - that will accompany believers: *(those who believe)* ... They will use the power and authority of - - **MY NAME** - - to force demons out of people. ... They will speak new languages. ... 18 They will pick up snakes, - and if they drink any deadly poison, - it will not hurt them. ... They will place their hands on the sick and cure them.”

Last week I shared with you the spiritual principle of Naming ... This powerful principle revolves around the premise that ... **What you name – you have influence and control over** ... This is how Adam had dominion over all the creatures of the earth – he named them ... Adam named his wife Eve – the mother of all living – because she was his helper to fulfill God’s command to “replenish the earth” ... I also shared with you how those who have passed away – still have an influence in your life – because they named you.

Lastly, I shared with you the devilish scheme – the enemy has been using ... Our enemy knows well this spiritual principle of naming ... That is why we see in society a major “Renaming” campaign going on ... Illegal aliens are renamed as undocumented ... Believers are renamed Christian nationalist ... Abortion is renamed as women’s health care ... I could go on but that is not the point I want to bring forth this week.

TRANS

I would like us to look at what Jesus spoke in Mark 16 ... What is in the Name of Jesus? ... But first – let’s look at this principle of “naming” as it pertains to Jesus

Who actually “Named” Jesus?

Natural / Earthly Name

Matthew 1:21 Names of God Bible

She will give birth to a son, - **and you will name Him** - - **Yeshua** - - [He Saves - (The Lord is salvation)], - [the Greek form of the Hebrew Joshua, which means Savior] - - because He will save His people from their sins.”

Matthew 1:24-25 New Life Version

Joseph awoke from his sleep. ... He did what the angel of the Lord told him to do. ... He took Mary as his wife. ... 25 But he did not have her, - as a husband has a wife, - until she gave birth to a Son. ... **Joseph gave Him the name Jesus.**

Earthly Influence?

John 2:1-5 The Message

Three days later - there was a wedding in the village of Cana in Galilee. ... Jesus' mother was there. ... Jesus and his disciples were guests also. ... When they started running low on wine at the wedding banquet, - - Jesus' mother told him, - “They're just about out of wine.” ... 4 Jesus said, - - “Is that any of our business, Mother - yours or mine? ... **This isn't my time.** ... **Don't push me.**” ... 5 She went ahead anyway, - telling the servants, - “Whatever he tells you, - do it.”

Spiritual / Heavenly Name

Isaiah 7:14 Names of God Bible

So Adonay Himself will give you this sign: - A virgin will become pregnant - and give birth to a son, - and **she will name him Immanuel** [God Is With Us].

Heavenly Influence

John 5:19 New Living Translation

So, Jesus explained, - “I tell you the truth, - the Son can do nothing by Himself. ... **He does only what He sees the Father doing.** ... Whatever the Father does, - the Son also does.

John 5:30 New Living Translation

I can do nothing on my own. ... **I judge as God tells me (As I hear, I judge)**. ... Therefore, my judgment is just, - because I carry out the will of the One who sent Me, - not My own will.

Notice – How was Jesus able to do the things He did as He walked upon this earth? ... This is a question that we need to absolutely grasp the answer too.

John 14:12-13 GOD'S WORD Translation

“I can guarantee this truth: **Those who believe in me** - will do the things that I am doing. ... They will do even greater things because I am going to the Father. ... 13 I will do anything you ask **└ the Father ┘** - - **in My Name** - - so that the Father will be given glory because of the Son.

Here is another principle I touched on last week ... Your name / who named you – is connected to your identity – purpose for living – and your destiny ... Jesus derived His identity from His name – HE saves / Savior ... Every time someone used or called the name Jesus – Jesus was reminded of His identity – purpose and destiny

How was Jesus actually able to accomplish His purpose and destiny? ... HE accomplished it by also pulling upon His spiritual name ... HE also identified Himself with His spiritual name – which was given by His Father – in Isa. 7:14

Luke 1:34-35 New Life Version

Mary said to the angel, - “How will this happen? I have never had a man.” ... 35 The angel said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come on you. ... The power of the Most High will cover you. ... The holy Child you give birth to will be called the Son of God.

Philippians 2:5-7 New Century Version

In your lives you must think and act like Christ Jesus. ... 6 Christ himself was like God in everything. ... But He did not think that being equal with God was something to be used for His own benefit. ... 7 But He gave up His place with God and made Himself nothing. ... He was born as a man and became like a servant.

Catch this the best you can ... Why did Elohim create man? ... He wanted a family ... What was Adam's purpose? ... To replenish the earth so God could have a family – humanity ... Adam failed to fulfill his purpose ... Jesus became the second Adam in order to fulfill Elohim's original intent ... This is found in the name Jesus / Savior ... The way has now been paved so to speak – for all who will confess Jesus as Lord – and believe in their heart that God raised Him from the dead – they shall be saved and become part of His family.

How was Jesus able to fulfill His purpose? ... He drew upon His spiritual identity / name - - Immanuel – God with us ... Catch this – He identifies with his spiritual name which gave Him the authority and power to fulfill the purpose and destiny of his earthly name ... Thus, He became and functioned as the God / Man - - fully God and fully man.

Proverbs 23:7a Amplified Bible

For as he thinks in his heart, - so is he [in behavior - - one who manipulates].

What does this revelation mean for us? ... How are we to do what Jesus did and fulfill our earthly purpose and destiny? ... By understanding the same principles, we see here ... We were sent here by God for a purpose ... Our purpose has been marred by sin and the influences of being named ... Once we become born-again, we have become a new creation – a fresh start

2 Corinthians 5:16-18 Names of God Bible

So, from now on we don't think of anyone from a human point of view. ... If we did think of Christ from a human point of view, - we don't anymore. ... 17 **Whoever is a believer in Christ - - is a new creation.** ... **The old way of living has disappeared.** ... **A new way of living has come into existence.** ... 18 God has done all this. ... He has restored our relationship with Him through Christ, - **and has given us this ministry of restoring relationships.**

{We have a new earthly identity – purpose – and destiny}

Now – how do we carry out / fulfill our new identity – purpose and destiny? ... Where do we get the power and authority as Jesus did to do so? ... We identify with our new spiritual name - - so that we may use The Name which is above every other name!

Philippians 2:9-10 Names of God Bible

This is why God has given Him an exceptional honor - - **the name** - honored above all other names ... 10 so that at the **name of Yeshua** - everyone in heaven, - on earth, - and in the world below - will kneel

Ephesians 1:20-22 Names of God Bible

He worked with that same power in Christ - when HE brought Him back to life - and gave Him the highest position in heaven. ... 21 He is far above all rulers, - authorities, - powers, - lords, - and **all other names that can be named**, - not only in this present world - but also in the world to come. ... 22 God has put everything under the control of Christ. ... He has made Christ the head of everything - **for the good of the church**.

TAKE AWAY

Let me ask you:

One – Are you born again? ... If not – why not? ... I want to encourage to make that right today.

Two – Are you identifying with your new name? ... Are you taking on your new identity – purpose – so that you may fulfill your destiny? ... As you think – You will behave.

Three – Do you believe in the name of Jesus / Yeshua? ... Do you believe it is above every other name that has been named? ... Do you believe by that name – you can do what Jesus did? ... Do you believe when you call upon His name – He will do what you ask?

Matthew 19:26 New Life Version

Jesus looked at them and said, - “This cannot be done by men. ... But with God - all things can be done.” (But with God – all things are possible)