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Introduction

If I were to describe this most important treatise in one word it would be “**POWERFUL!**” If I were to describe it in three words it would be by “**HOLY SPIRIT INSPIRED!**” It has blessed my life immensely and I believe it will do likewise for every truth-seeking Saint. The truth is just like the treatise title states—there is no other name but Jesus, but as the reader will discover, there is much more truth, importance and power in this name than most saints today know and understand.

It is my prayer this work will help the saints to more fully know and understand the truth of Acts 4:12. *“And there is salvation in no one else; **for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved.**”* Acts 4:12

It is my prayer those deceived by the false teachers into using another name will more fully know and understand the truth of Acts 20:28-30.

*“Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. I know that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; **and from among your own selves men will arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them.**”*

Acts 20:27-30

It is my prayer that this treatise helps those deceived by such men and moves them to be properly baptized in the name of Jesus Christ (not Yashua).

*And Peter said to them, “Repent, and let each of you be baptized **in the name of Jesus Christ** for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.* Acts 2:38

It is my prayer that those that have been so deceived will humble themselves and repent and turn away from the sin of using, promoting and teaching another name besides the name of Jesus.

In short, it is my prayer that this treatise helps the deceived become undeceived and that the deceivers be exposed and unsuccessful in further deception.

Simply put, it is my prayer this treatise blesses you the reader as much as it has this preacher, thus he requests you pray likewise and join Scriptures for America in getting it out to others. Read it and pass it on. We will be passing it on through the Scriptures for America Worldwide Radio Network. It will also be posted at our website www.scripturesforamerica.org, where it can be read. Copies can be ordered on line at the website, or by writing to:

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May all the saints be simple enough to simply become as children, understanding the simple, powerful truth. His name is Jesus!

"And she will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for it is He who will save His people from their sins."
Matthew 1:21

Pastor Peter John Peters



PREFACE

***Purpose of this writing:
To provide Scriptural certification
concerning the name of Jesus
(And to expose the dangerous satanic
practice of using the name Yeshua)***

Note: all scriptural references are from the New American Standard Bible. Occasional exceptions will be noted at the conclusion of the quote.

There is no other name for the humanity of **Jesus**, the only begotten Son of God. That name provides entrance into the atonement for our sin. It is the source of all power and authority and justifies the believer in the presence of Almighty God. We acknowledge that Jesus was both God and man. However, in this writing, we shall focus upon his humanity and the awesome power of his name. God's Kingdom is at war with the Kingdom of this world.

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.
Ephesians 6:12-13

Satan has infiltrated the forces of God with those who are teaching a lie. He and his forces are intent on eradicating the name "**Jesus**" from every believer's vocabulary. He knows that deleting "**Jesus**" from common use, separates the believer from the power of God. That old Serpent, who challenged God's word when tempting Eve, is doing the same today. He is making great effort to replace the name of **Jesus** with that of "Yeshua", among others. He has tricked believers into replacing "**Iesous**" (Greek) ("**Jesus**", as translated into English) with the Hebrew rendering: "Yehowshuwa", "Jehoshua", or "Yeshua", Etc.

These all refer to Joshua of the Old Covenant, **NOT** the only begotten Son of God, "**Jesus**" the Christ. This is another scheme of the enemy to cheat, rob and steal *spiritual authority and power* from God's people.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Christ.
Colossians 2:8-9

We shall expose this demonic lie and its evil intent in the following pages.

NO OTHER NAME BUT JESUS!

By Pastor Gene Applegate

Jesus is the name of our Redeemer-Savior, the only begotten son of God!

He was both God and Man! He was God, the WORD. He was CHRIST, the Messiah, named **JESUS** because he would save his people from their sins.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being by Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

John 1:1-5

This article will deal *only* with his humanity, and especially the use of his name "**Jesus**" as assigned by God. His name is so important that Joseph rejected the custom of identifying Him with the genealogical bloodline of his family. He obeyed the angel's directive to call him "**Jesus**".

And Joseph arose from his sleep, and did as the angel of the Lord commanded him, and took her as his wife, and kept her a virgin until she gave birth to a Son; and he called His name Jesus. Matthew 1:24-25

And when eight days were fulfilled for circumcising him, his name was called JESUS, which was so called by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Luke 2:21

It is uniquely special; given by Almighty God to identify his only begotten Son, *Jesus Christ* who would save His people from their sins.

Jesus is the *only name* that identifies the humanity of the only begotten Son of God.

Jesus is the *only name* that gives personal access to the power of Almighty God.

Jesus is the *most powerful name ever spoken.*

Jesus is the most feared name ever heard.

"And she will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for it is He who will save His people from their sins."

Matthew 1:21

Equal in authority and power to Almighty God, it is revered by the righteous. It is feared and hated by the ungodly. Written or spoken, it brings resurrection life or eternal death and judgment to the recipient.

Satan is desperately trying to brainwash us into believing that those who are *really spiritual* should call him *Yeshua* which means “Joshua” in Hebrew. This lying distortion is cloaked in robes of intellectual self-righteousness. It is Judaism in its most serpentine, deceptive effort to kill and destroy the Kingdom of God. It is another effort to discredit the validity of the sacrificial Lamb of God, *the man, Jesus Christ*. That old serpent Satan and his workers have tried to discredit both the deity and humanity of Jesus for years. Such deceptions as “He is only a prophet, not the Son of God – He has no deity” to “He was not born of a virgin” to “He did not really rise from the dead” to “He never ascended to the Heavenly Father”. Then, in recent generations, He has been depicted as a whore-monger and a homosexual.

Just as demonic forces are constantly trying to discredit the virgin birth and the resurrection of Jesus Christ, they are now endeavoring to remove his name from usage in the pretext of Scriptural purity. We should not be surprised that Satan has attacked Jesus’ name and inserted confusion and strong delusion into the House of Israel concerning the use of it. This is another tactic to deny Jesus’ unblemished sacrifice for sin. The atonement becomes powerless, redemption is impossible. Without the shedding of Blood there is no forgiveness of sin (Hebrews 9:22).

Let me explain why this is an important issue. *Iesous* (Greek) translated *Jesus* (English) is the only name given among men, whereby we must be saved (Acts 4:12). His name may be spelled or spoken differently in the many varied languages of our time, but *Iesous* (Jesus in English) is the original, foundational name, assigned by God, for his only begotten Son. *There is no alternate name for Jesus Christ*, the man, the second Adam.

The work of the cross is nullified when either His deity or humanity is discarded. They are both separate, and yet insepara-

ble. To deny either, is to destroy the atoning work of Jesus, the only begotten son of God. Sadly, some well-meaning, dedicated Christians have fallen into this trap. Therefore, it seems tremendously important that we address this diabolical deception. Jesus spoke of the scribes and Pharisees; vipers, whose father is the devil, who would deny him and refuse his name.

"You serpents, you brood of vipers, how shall you escape the sentence of hell?"

Matthew 23:33

"You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature; for he is a liar, and the father of lies."

John 8:44

I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me; if another shall come in his own name, you will receive him.

John 5:43

These diabolical deceivers claim that Jesus should be called by the Hebrew name "Yeshua" (Joshua) in English, because that is the closest sounding Hebrew word for "*Iesous*" in Greek which is interpreted *Jesus*, in English. Their premise is faulty. Basis for such teaching does not exist. Let us look at simple facts recognized by every major Bible translator.

1. The Old Covenant (Testament) was written in Hebrew,
2. The New Covenant (Testament) was written in Greek.
3. Every major Bible translation (over twenty of them) uses "*Jesus*" and none other, as the proper name of God's only begotten Son. These involved dozens of language experts who carefully studied original writings for many years.
4. The Hebrew tongue was a dead language. It had not been spoken for two hundred years before Christ. It was not the common language of the populace. Therefore, it could not possibly be the foundational language of the New Testament.
5. The original Old Testament writings were transcribed into Greek approximately 285 years before Christ. This translation, the Septuagint, was written in Greek in its entirety. It was the accurate record of the Old Testament writings available when Jesus was born. Most of the original manuscripts had been lost. That accurate Old Testament record is still available to us, today.
6. When Jesus quoted the Old Testament, he used the translated Septuagint, word for word. His usage certified the authenticity of

the translation. He was speaking Greek.

Those under Roman power had lost their native tongue. The common people had gradually adopted the dialectic speech of their ruling cultures. The educated, such as the Scribes and Pharisees and a few government authorities obviously knew Hebrew but their common language was Greek or a Greek dialect. Some would argue that the Hebrew language was still used because “Pilate wrote the inscription “Jesus the Nazarene, King of the Jews” in Hebrew, Latin and Greek” upon the cross (John 19:20). This is true. However, he probably used the dialectic language used by the Hebrews, which is Aramic or Aramaic, the language of the Jews and other mid-eastern peoples, still used today. The pure Hebrew language was completely unknown by the common people when Jesus was born.

In the book of Acts, Luke records three instances in which people spoke in a Hebrew **dialect**. (Acts 21:40; 22:2 & 26:14) This was not Hebrew, but a mixture of Syriac and Chaldaic which formed a language spoken by Hebrew people from the indigenous languages of the area.

Why is there confusion concerning the translation of the name “*Jesus*”? The Judaizers have insisted on tying the name “*Jesus*” to Old Testament Hebrew. The only way of doing so is to use the linguistic tool of transliteration. Let me explain: When there is no word in one language to describe its meaning in another, it cannot be translated. It must be transliterated. “Transliteration” takes individual letters of the new language and creates a word that can best represent its sound and meaning in its original language. Great effort is made to create a word that provides easy recognition or understanding.

The word, “*Jeshua*” or *Yeshua*, is a transliteration from the Hebrew into Greek and then English which is “*Joshua*”. *Joshua* was originally known as *Hoshea* (Numbers 13:8; 16). His name was changed by Moses to *Jehoshua* (Numbers 13:16; 1 Chronicles 7:27). It was eventually shortened to *Jeshua* as the language changed.

“*Iesous*” (ee-ay-sooce, Greek) had its own meaning independent from the old Hebrew language. The Greek pronunciation of

“Iesous” sounds very much like the English pronunciation, *“Jesus”*. It is an original Greek word designated by God to identify his only begotten Son, who was to save his people from their sin. This was a new name. It would establish a New Covenant; a new beginning for God’s chosen people, Israel. Those who had been divorced by God, because of rebellion and sin (spiritual harlotry) would be redeemed and restored through the sacrificial offering of his only begotten Son, *Iesous* (Jesus, in English).

It is unreasonable to believe that God, the source of new beginnings, would rely on the old Hebrew name “Joshua” to identify His only begotten Son. Their mission was different. Joshua was a symbol of the Messiah. He was there with Moses in the deliverance of His people from Egyptian bondage and it was he who led them into the Promised Land

Jesus came to save His People from their sins. He was to establish a New Covenant as prophesied by Old Testament prophets. *“Iesous”* (Greek) is a given name, identifying the nature and humanity of *Jesus* (English). While it identifies both His deity and humanity, it is used predominantly in recognition of his human attributes, identification and individuality. He is the second Adam, the only begotten Son of God (John 1:14, 18; 3:16, 18; 1 John 4:9).

“Iesous” is translated *“Jesus”* 1,040 times in the New American Standard Bible and 942 times in the King James Bible. The name *“Jesus Christ”* is used 135 times in the New American Standard Bible and 187 times in the King James Bible. The name *“Christ”* is used 521 times in the New American Standard Version and 555 times in the King James. The name “Jeshua” is not mentioned at all in the New Testament. Its English form, “Joshua” is never mentioned in The American Standard New Testament and only 3 times in the King James New Testament Version. Only once is it transliterated from *“Iesous”* (*Jesus*) into “Joshua” (Hebrews 4:8) KJV

Jehoshua or Yeshua (Joshua) means “Yahweh delivered”. “Yahweh” is the English translation of the Tetragrammaton, YHWH (but no one knows for certain how it was pronounced.)

and is the name of Almighty God, the self-existent, eternal one, otherwise known as “God of the Covenant”, among others.

Almost every translation, (over 20 of them) has recorded the name of the only begotten Son of God, the Deliverer, Messiah, Savior, Redeemer, promised Messiah and the sacrificial lamb which was offered for our sins as “*Iesous*” (Greek) – “*Jesus*” (English). There is record of various spelling and pronunciation differences of His name in numerous translations, as well as the King James Versions. This is not my concern. In my opinion, we must be very careful that we avoid being diverted from the real issue. *The issue is the name of the only begotten Son of God.*

It is one thing to use different elements of speech concerning the original, foundational name *Iesous (Jesus)* and quite another to vacate that name for one that God did NOT name his Son. Yes, Jesus did speak Aramaic, but he spoke mostly Greek. It was the predominant language at the time. Nearly every modern language recognizes Him as “*Jesus*” today. They do not call Him, Joshua. This was an original Greek word, *not a transliteration from the Hebrew*. Let me explain:

After researching the origin of the Hebrew and Greek languages, we find that neither have their foundation in the other. They are two separate languages. Each has its own unique foundation with no connection to the other. We know that the Hebrew language ceased to be spoken by the common people about 200 B.C. It was literally unknown and never spoken at the time of *Jesus*’ birth. Greek had become the predominant spoken language of that day. Greek was a stand alone language. It had its own foundation and origin, completely independent of the Hebrew language. Therefore, “*Iesous*” is an independent word, which is identified as “*Jesus*” in the English language. It is NOT a transliteration of “Jeshua” from Hebrew to Greek.

New Testament writings were not translated from Hebrew to Greek. They were originated in the Greek. Thus, Greek became the foundational (basic, original) language of the New Covenant. Therefore, “Jeshua”, or “Jehoshua”, etc. is the transliteration of “*Iesous*” from the Greek to Hebrew when used in the New Covenant. “*Iesous*” was not a unique set of Greek letters assembled to

describe the name “Joshua”. They mean Messiah, Savior, or as the angel spoke, “He shall save His people from their sins.”

Since Greek is the foundational language of the New Testament, the transliteration has to work in reverse; “*Iesous*” (*Jesus*) becomes the foundational or basic word. Joshua or Jeshua in Hebrew is really the transliteration of “*Iesous*” originating in the Greek; to Jeshua or Jehoshua in Hebrew. Joshua was a type (symbol) of Jesus. Joshua means “Yahweh (God) delivered”. He was not Jesus. Nowhere in the Old Testament do we find the promised Messiah referred to as “Joshua” or “Yeshua”.

Use of the names “Yahweh, Yah or Word”, among others, are acceptable names for the deity of God. They identify the source of Jesus’ deity, the “Word”, which was incarnate in his human flesh. (John 1:14-15) *They are never used to identify the “humanity” of Jesus.*

The name “*Jesus*” was never used in the Hebrew language. It is the only name that identifies the humanity of the sacrificial Lamb of God. The Scriptures leave no room for substituting the name, Jesus, with another. Those who choose to replace *Jesus* with another name for the only begotten Son of God are at great risk.

Super spiritualizing oneself by replacing the name “Jesus” with another, serves to deny His humanity. It attacks His atoning sacrifice. Flesh and blood died upon the cross, not His deity.

This is dangerously close to invalidating the atoning sacrifice offered by *Jesus*. It is the only sacrifice that sets men free from the law of sin and death. Without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sin.

And according to the Law, one may almost say, all things are cleansed with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness. Hebrews 9:22

...whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. This was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; 26 for the demonstration, I say, of His righteousness at the present time, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Romans 3:24-27

His name may be spelled or spoken differently in the many varied languages of our time, but *Iesous* (Jesus in English) is the original, foundational name, assigned by God, for His only begotten Son. *There is no alternate name for Jesus Christ*, the man, the second Adam. Satan knows that rejecting *Jesus'* name closes the door to redemption and all of its benefits. Surely, to call the Messiah by a name other than His own is to reject His redeeming work as well.

Jesus was given many descriptive titles by both the Old and New Testament writers. Their use easily identifies Him as the Son of God; the only one qualified to possess them. Isaiah 53:6-7 gives vivid description embodied in the name of God's only begotten Son.

For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, On the throne of David and over his kingdom, To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness From then on and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will accomplish this.

*"Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and shall bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which translated means, "God with us."
Matthew 1:22-23*

These were titles and descriptions revealing His work and ministry as the "Word", describing His eternal deity as well as the coming Messiah in the flesh. Not once did they use the name Joshua, Jehoshua or Yeshua as His given name. Certainly, *Jesus* was "God with us". The very personification of God was revealed in every aspect of His life. He was filled with the Word of God and anointed, (empowered) by the Holy Spirit. He dwelt among us in a perfect, sinless body of human flesh. He was the only begotten Son of God, **Jesus** the **Christ** (Luke 10:17-19).

Satan's desire to destroy the name of Jesus has produced many antichrists. History certifies that there have been many pretenders. Multitudes of cults with god's of their own making still attempt to defile the name of *Jesus*. They try desperately to replace Him with the identity of another. Having failed to deceive Israel with their Baals, Mohammads and Buddha's, their effort has

turned to substituting valid scriptural names and personalities, even God himself, for the precious name of his only begotten son, **Jesus**.

Satan and his heathen horde are more than willing to let us talk about the deity realm of the Lord Jesus Christ. We can call Him by any of His names that declare Him to be God or the deity of God, but mention his name **Jesus**, and they curse, swear and spit with contempt and walk away in disgust. The conversation is over. They will do anything to destroy His humanity as the only begotten Son of God. Their motto: call Him anything but **Jesus**. They know that only Jesus can redeem and save those enslaved by sin.

So also we, while we were children, were held in bondage under the elemental things of the world. But when the fulness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, in order that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

Galatians 4:3-5

God *did not* send forth Jeshua (Joshua) or Yahweh (Jehovah-God) to redeem His people from their sins, He sent His only begotten Son, **Jesus** Christ (Messiah).

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus; who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.

Titus 2:11-14

From this point, we shall use the English translation “**Jesus**” when referring to our Redeemer-Savior, the only begotten Son of God. Jesus means (Messiah) “He shall save His people from their sins”. Why all the concern over the name of **Jesus**? What difference does it make if we call Him by another name? In addition to being the only name that brings redemption–salvation, **Jesus** is the name of anointing and empowerment in the Kingdom of God. His name provides supernatural ability and authority over ALL power of Satan and his demonic hordes.

Satan and his followers hate the name. It identifies the only begotten Son of God, whose righteousness completely conquered him. Satan is powerless against the children of God. If we could only understand that, we would have much greater victory and fewer battles to fight. The following pages are intended to point out the commandments, obligations and privileges, involving every believer, with the name of **Jesus**.

THE HUMANITY OF JESUS

The name of Jesus identifies the humanity of the only begotten Son of God, the MAN-child who was given birth by the virgin, Mary. It is obvious that God the Father never revealed the name for his Son until shortly before His birth. *This was a new name!* It had no root in the Hebrew language. ***“Jesus”*** translated into English becomes **Jesus**, meaning “Savior – Redeemer”. *“It is He who shall save his people from their sins”* (Matthew 1:21). Such vivid identification was never used for any other person.

Look carefully at the well documented humanity of Jesus...Jesus referred to Himself as the Son of Man 83 times. When questioned He admitted that he was the Son of God 3 times. He called Himself the Son of God 5 or 6 times, depending upon the translation. We must deal with His humanity, if we are to understand the importance of his name.

And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.
John 1:14-15

The Angel of the Lord announced Mary’s coming pregnancy, which was to be enabled by God through the work of the Holy Spirit. He gave explicit, specific instructions that his name should be called ***“Jesus.”*** This was obviously spoken in the original Greek. Translated into English, it becomes ***“Jesus”***. His blood was supernaturally created by Almighty God and implanted in the Virgin Mary’s womb. Her reproductive flesh was impregnated to life by the Holy Spirit. She developed a natural embryo of flesh and blood, carried it full term, and delivered a sinless man child, **Jesus** the Christ.

All of the human characteristics of carnal flesh were present, but without sin. He had emotions, could feel pain, make decisions, etc., as any other man. He had a will of His own, separate from God the Father. He could experience infirmity and suffer the anguish of death.

The man, **Jesus** endured every agony, pain and trauma known to human flesh. He suffered for us that we might not have to suffer. He was tempted and tried in every way, such as we are in the sinful carnal nature of our flesh.

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.

Hebrews 4:15-16

Jesus the Christ was a man, originating from Almighty God, whose flesh and blood could be destroyed; murdered; killed. At the same time the “*Word*” permeated every part of His being.

This may be difficult for our finite minds to comprehend, but **Jesus suffered as a man, not as God**, when He entered into His atoning sacrifice for us. Jesus, the man, suffered and died. God did not. God cannot die! Neither Almighty God the Father, The Word, or the Holy Spirit, died as the sacrificial Lamb. They cannot die. They are eternal, indestructible entities of Supreme Being. They are the Great “*I AM*”. He was a man, the second Adam, who was born of the virgin with a body of flesh and blood, the only begotten Son of God, who was offered for our redemption.

So also it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living soul." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit. However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural; then the spiritual. The first man is from the earth, earthy; the second man is from heaven". 1 Corinthians 15:45-47

Jesus was to become the cornerstone of God’s Kingdom.

Therefore thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a tested stone, A costly cornerstone for the foundation, firmly placed. He who believes in it will not be disturbed. "And I will make justice the measuring line, And righteousness the level; Isaiah 28:16-17

JESUS: CORNERSTONE OF THE NEW COVENANT

The Name of Jesus establishes the immovable foundation of the New Covenant.

God is a God of new beginnings. He is the awesome “I AM”. He is never limited to repetition. He certainly has no reason to identify His most precious Son by a common name of sinful, earthly men. This was

His Only begotten Son. This was a new name! The only begotten Son of God had a uniquely special mission. He was the sacrificial Lamb of God, destined to die for the lost sheep of the House of Israel. He was not an extension of the Old Covenant which required continual animal sacrifices for the sins of God's people. He was the fulfillment of the Old and the beginning of the New.

God made it clear throughout the Old Testament and again in the New Testament, that the son of David, the Branch, (*Jesus*) would become the cornerstone of a New Covenant. He is the cornerstone that was rejected by the organized church of his time.

And he beheld them, and said, What is this then that is written, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner? Whosoever shall fall upon that stone shall be broken; but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.

Luke 20:17 KJV

Satan and his den of vipers in high religious positions rejected *Jesus*. They hated Him then and they hate Him now. They tried desperately to discredit Him. When that failed they determined to kill Him.

And the chief priests and the scribes the same hour sought to lay hands on him; and they feared the people: for they perceived that he had spoken this parable against them.

Luke 20:19 KJV

*But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the multitudes to ask for Barabbas, and to put *Jesus* to death.*

Matthew 27:20

Finally succeeding, they must have been ecstatic with joy. Suddenly, joy was to be replaced with terror. Little did they know! They had killed the only man that death could not hold. This was *Jesus* the *Christ*, the sacrificial lamb, who takes away the sins of all who believe in him. He was dead, but now He is alive, indestructible and undefeatable.

Is it really strange that Satan would try to eradicate the name "*Jesus*" from the believer's vocabulary today? *Jesus* established the New Covenant which was certified by His death and resurrection. He was the Redeemer-Savior of Israel. He would save His people from their sins. He will ultimately judge the unrighteous and put all ungodliness under His feet

JESUS: OUR SALVATION and GLORY
The only name that gives entrance to eternal Life.

We dare not underestimate the importance of **Jesus'** name. Not one writer of the Scripture's has recorded any other name by which God would save His people from their sins. Luke makes it very clear. There is no other name by which we must be saved. Our redemption -- salvation is provided through the name of **Jesus**. There is none other. *"And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved."*
Acts 4:11-12

Simeon instantly identified **Jesus** as the Savior whom God had prepared for all people of the world to see, declaring that He was the fulfillment of prophecy which had been spoken many generations in the past.

And it had been revealed to him (Simeon) by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to carry out for Him the custom of the Law, then he took Him into his arms, and blessed God, and said, "Now Lord, Thou dost let Thy bond-servant depart In peace, according to Thy word; For my eyes have seen Thy salvation, Which Thou hast prepared in the presence of all peoples, A light of revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Thy people Israel."
Luke 2:26-32

The once powerful Kingdom, feared by all of the nations in the days of King David, had lost any influence on the world scene. Four centuries had passed since there was a prophet in Israel. God had been silent, His influence and power forgotten. Israel had been in servitude for four hundred years. They had become an insignificant element in the political arena. God, who had called them His chosen people, was looked upon with contempt by the idolatrous nations of power.

Imagine the joy that must have filled Simeon's heart when he actually held the long awaited, promised Messiah in his arms. He was holding our Redeemer, the baby of flesh and blood, Jesus the Christ, in his arms. Awesome! God had once again certified His Covenant. His prophetic Word had been fulfilled. His birth validated all of Israel as God's chosen people. The prophetic Scriptures had been fulfilled. God was alive! His silence had ended. The measurement of time

would forever be divided by the birth of His Son. The old was coming to a close. The new was just beginning.

Information about **Jesus** is limited until His cousin, John the Baptist began preaching the message of repentance and water baptism, eventually baptizing **Jesus** in the Jordan River. God declared Him to be His beloved Son in whom He was well pleased as He came out of the water. Again, John said: "Behold the Lamb of God"

The next day he saw Jesus coming to him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" John 1:29

Again the next day John was standing with two of his disciples, and he looked upon Jesus as He walked, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!"

John 1:35-36

The Apostle, Peter declares that salvation must be attained through the power of His name.

And Peter said to them, "Repent, and let each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Acts 2:38-39

He further validates that forgiveness of sin is available *through His name* to all who will believe in Him, as recorded by all of the prophets.

All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." Acts 10:43

These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, in order that you may know that you have eternal life.

1 John 5:13

The Apostle Paul affirms that John the Baptist prepared the way for salvation, giving instruction to believe in the name, **Jesus**.

And Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in Him who was coming after him, that is, in Jesus"

Acts 19:4-5

Jesus, after healing the blind man who was rejected because he had received his sight, made it very clear that believing in Him is necessary to preserve the ministries that we receive from Him.

He said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered and said, "And who is He, Lord, that I may believe in Him?" Jesus said to him, "You have both seen Him, and He is the one who is talking with you."

John 9:35-37

JESUS: OUR REDEEMER

The name of Jesus buys us from slavery.

The word “redeem” means “to buyback”. The Apostle Paul writes that we, who have been obedient in repentance and baptism as declared by Peter in Acts 2:38, have been bought with a price. We have been redeemed. We have become the possession of God through the sacrificial blood of the Lord ***Jesus Christ***.

Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

There is only one Redeemer! His name is ***Jesus*** the Christ. The Apostle Luke states that there is only one name that can save us:

There is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved. Acts 4:12

If no other name can bring salvation, then there is only one name that does. That name is ***Jesus*** the Christ. His name is hated by Satan and his demonic forces. As a result, He was marked for death from the time of His birth. The evil King Herod determined to destroy Him shortly after His birth by having thousands of male children murdered. The Pharisees and the Jews continually tried to kill him. They did not try to destroy Joshua, Jehoshua, Jeshua or Yahweh. They were determined to destroy the one which God commanded to be called “***Jesus***”.

Let us remember that we did not choose to be redeemed. Almighty God, through His great love and mercy has chosen us. One by one, He has drawn us to enter into the doorway to eternal life.

JESUS: OUR DOORWAY

The name of Jesus is our entrance into the Kingdom of God.

We have just commented about Jesus being our source of redemption-salvation. The only way to redemption-salvation is

through the door. There is only one door. That door is **Jesus**. There is no other way to obtain forgiveness of sin and obtain eternal life. The *name of Jesus* provides entrance to the Kingdom of God and all His Covenant Promises. **Jesus** is the source of our new birth. He is also the only entrance into it.

"I am the door; if anyone enters through Me, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. John 10:9

New life in Jesus Christ is a daily experience. We are sustained and renewed each day. We move from those intimate times of sweet fellowship with Jesus to varied ongoing responsibilities and back again for continued fellowship. His righteousness abides within us continually, 24 hours a day. He is our entrance into His redeeming work. We are born again, a new creation, righteous in every way, as He ushers us into regenerating power of His shed blood. The Apostle John records the declaration of Jesus, who makes it very clear that not one person will get into the Kingdom of God, without coming through the door, **Jesus** the Christ.

"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter by the door into the fold of the sheep, but climbs up some other way, he is a thief and a robber. John 10:1

Can anything be any more understandable than this? **Jesus** is the only name and only person that gives entrance into the Kingdom of God. Multitudes are trying to find another way into eternal life. They fall for the demon doctrines that insist that they are their own God, or that they can earn their way into his Kingdom by good works alone. Most benevolent organizations succeed because they promote the philosophy that if one does enough good deeds, God will give a free pass into Kingdom membership. This is such a subtle lie! Make no mistake. There is no way around **Jesus**, the Door. As Jesus was teaching, the question was tendered as to the number of people who would be saved. Jesus answered:

And someone said to Him, "Lord, are there just a few who are being saved?" And He said to them, "Strive to enter by the narrow door; for many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. Luke 13:23-24

"Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide, and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and many are those who enter by

it. "For the gate is small, and the way is narrow that leads to life, and few are those who find it. Matthew 7:13-14

There can be no doubt there is only one way to obtain eternal life. That is through the *name of Jesus*, and none other.

JESUS: THE WAY, TRUTH, AND LIFE.

The name of Jesus is the only way to come to our Heavenly Father

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me. John 14:6-7

Have you ever needed to go somewhere and had no clue as to how to get there? Multitudes are searching for a different way to eternal life. They offer personal sacrifices, good works, and faithful attendance in church, their financial resources and various other means to enter into eternal life. They will do anything to create a different way to arrive at their destination.

Searching endlessly in hopeless frustration, they refuse the sacrificial offering provided by *Jesus*. They refuse the simple truth, rejecting the map and direction that *Jesus* has given us. Throughout the ages, man has done anything he could to lift himself by his own bootstraps to a place of holy acceptance by Almighty God. The thought of *Jesus* shedding His blood that they might have life is repulsive to them.

There is only one way to the entrance of the holy throne of God: "Since therefore, brethren, we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us through the veil, that is, His flesh,"

Hebrews 10:19-20

Jesus is not only the way, but the truth. He is the fullness of the Godhead, the embodiment of all truth. He is the eternal **Word** of Almighty God.

“And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth”.
John 1:14

All the grace, justice, love, and mercy, of God are embodied in the life of **Jesus** Christ. He is the tangible essence of God, who is Spirit that no man other than **Jesus**, can see. God and His glory were in the flesh of **Jesus**, but His flesh, though the Word incarnate was not God. It was the flesh of a human being likened to the flesh of Adam before he sinned. That may be difficult to accept, but it is true. We must declare it again. The flesh of Jesus was susceptible to death. Almighty God, the Word, and the Holy Spirit are not. They are eternal Deity.

After being tempted and tried in every way as we are, He completed the will of God the Father, who raised Him from the dead. Upon His resurrection and ascension, Jesus returns to heaven with all authority, power and truth of His deity, The Word. He now has an indestructible body. His body that was susceptible to death is now for ever eternal.

“For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ. No man has seen God at any time; the only begotten God, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him”.
John 1:17-18

The Word now has an indestructible human body that is a perfect illustration of God the Father to His people. He is **Jesus**, both God and man.

Many other signs therefore Jesus also performed in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 but these have been written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.
John 20:30-31

The entire household of Israel was in bondage to the law of sin and death until Jesus came and rose from the dead. His resurrection broke the bondage of that law. It imparted eternal life to the obedient followers of **Jesus**.

"The thief comes only to steal, and kill, and destroy; I came that they might have life, and might have it abundantly. "I am the

good shepherd; the good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep”
John 10:9-12

The thief is trying to steal His identity from those who believe on Him. The devil's philosophy is simple. Just give **Jesus** a different name and soon His people will forget who He really is. Let us open our eyes to the lies and distortions of the enemy. Satan wants to hide the way to eternal life from the House of Israel. He continually distorts the truth, concealing the Word from searching hearts. His only purpose is to deceive, cripple and destroy the souls of men. He continually accuses and condemns those who walk in the righteousness of God, but to no avail. Our Lord and Redeemer, Jesus the Christ, sits at the right hand of the Father to intercede in behalf of His redeemed.

JESUS: OUR ENTRANCE TO GOD'S THRONE

The name of Jesus unlocks the door to the “Throne-room” of God.

There is nothing sweeter than fellowship with our Heavenly Father! Having obtained redemption through His name, every Christian hungers for the communion and fellowship that has been established by their new birth. Fellowship can only be experienced through intimate relationship with another. Whether close friend, loved one, or husband and wife, fellowship requires special acquaintance and familiarity. The same is true of our relationship with God.

We sometimes hear comments from others when speaking of God, "I can't feel His presence, it seems like He is such a long way off, He never talks to me, I pray, but I don't think he ever hears me." There may be various reasons for this. A major one is ignorance as how to approach the Heavenly Father. We must remember that we can only come to God through his Son, **Jesus**. Perhaps one needs to call him by *the right name*.

We often find ourselves surrounded by crowds filled with noise and confusion. We might even coin the phrase, "It's so noisy in here that I can't hear myself think". Then, in the midst of all the uproar, we hear our name called. Our attention is instantly riveted

upon the person who called it. We give them undivided attention. They suddenly come into focus. A personal communication is established. The noise about us is diminished. We move toward them intently interested in what they want.

Recognition has opened a relationship. Conclusions are drawn. The interaction brings personal involvement with the other. How did all of this happen? It all came about because *someone called us by name*. They could have called any other name, and we would never have heard it. But the sound of our name brings instant response. *And, so it is with Jesus*. In like manner, **Jesus** instantly recognizes our presence *when we call him by name*.

"And whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. "If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it. John 14:13-15

Certainly, Jesus recognizes us when we ignorantly approach Him or our Heavenly Father without using His name. He does know our heart and understand our desire. He may answer our prayer. But, the use of His name gives swift entrance into the presence of God. He immediately hears us when we invoke the name of **Jesus** in our petitions. There can be no doubt that **Jesus** is our password to God's throne room.

"In that day you will ask in My name, and I do not say to you that I will request the Father on your behalf; for the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me, and have believed that I came forth from the Father. "I came forth from the Father, and have come into the world; I am leaving the world again, and going to the Father." John 16:25-29

Satan has been twisting and distorting the Word of God since Adam and Eve. He is a master at lying deceit and confusion. He is well aware of the validity and power of the name of "**Jesus**". He also knows that sheep are gullible and easily led astray. It is not surprising that he would try to persuade us to substitute other scriptural identities for that of **Jesus the Christ**. Many prayers go unanswered because they were never presented through the doorway to Almighty God, **JESUS**, the Christ. *We must come to the Father through His only begotten Son.*

JESUS: OUR BRIDEGROOM

The name of Jesus is our wedding invitation.

We become the bride of Christ through the power of **Jesus'** name. John the Baptist made reference to Jesus and His bride in John 3:28-30

"You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, 'I am not the Christ,' but, 'I have been sent before Him.' "He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's voice. And so this joy of mine has been made full. "He must increase, but I must decrease.

In God's order of things, it is the Groom's privilege to select his Bride. The Bride is not supposed to seek out the Groom. The one who is chosen becomes the legitimate Bride. There are many imposters in the world today who call themselves Christians, but they are not. Multitudes would like to reap the benefits of the bride of Christ, but few are willing to make the commitment to that responsibility. When there is no commitment there is no marriage.

We often hear Christians say "I chose the Lord" at a given time or place. This really isn't true. Many times the statement is said in ignorance. With some, it is just another attempt to minimize the Lord's authority over their life. Such an attitude is rebellion against the bridegroom. It says "I will be Your bride on my terms and not yours". Our carnal flesh seems to demand a certain position of independence and self-will. We seem to be more comfortable when we think that acknowledging our redemption through repentance and baptism was our idea.

We may understand that Jesus is our Redeemer, but find it difficult to believe that we cannot accept His sin offering anytime that we please. In reality, we must approach Him in humility, acknowledging that we are unworthy, having no standing of privilege in our own merit.

Jesus tells us: "You did not choose Me, but I chose you, and appointed you, that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask of the Father in My name, He may give to you."

John 15:16

He further states: "*And I, (Jesus) if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to Myself.*" John 12:32

The truth is that we can enter into His redemptive work at the time and place of His choosing, not our own. We can only accept His invitation. We cannot initiate it.

And He was saying, "For this reason I have said to you, that no one can come to Me, unless it has been granted him from the Father." John 6:65

Those who would challenge this thought with the Scripture: "*Draw near to God and He will draw near to you*", (James 4:8) should be reminded that this is taken from a context dealing with those who have already entered into the work of redemption. It is not directed to those who desire entrance into His Kingdom. Not only is **Jesus** the only name that accesses the throne of God, it is the only avenue to redemption, truth, and eternal life. Those who respond to the membership invitation become the bride of Christ. In natural marriage between a man and woman, the bride changes her name to that of the groom, if she is totally committed to the union. So it is that we identify with Jesus Christ as our bridegroom. We are called Christians. We assume His righteousness, submit to His authority and lordship, profit from all of His benefits and attributes. We become a joint heir with Him in all of the possessions of God the Father.

JESUS: OUR ADVOCATE- INTERCESSOR

The name of Jesus is our attorney's fee.

It is **Jesus**, and none other, that sits as our attorney and advocate at the right hand of God. He stands between us, the Sons of God, and Satan when we are falsely accused. The enemy's railing condemnations are repelled by His intercession in our behalf. We stand guiltless in the sight of God; cleansed by His shed blood.

Jesus provides our "standing" in God's courtroom of justice. He establishes our cause as being legitimate. Our right to the Court's covering and protection is declared. He argues our case before the Holy, Almighty God, declaring that we belong to

Him. Certifying that we are clothed in his robes of righteousness, we stand sinless in His presence. We are the redeemed property of God and fully acceptable to Him.

“for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith”. Romans 3:23-25

Jesus is the compassionate advocate and intercessor for every believer. He was tempted in every way as we are. He is aware of the desires of the flesh, the frailty of our human will and all the temptations that Satan brings upon us. He endured them all without ever committing sin, but He is aware of the battle that goes on in our flesh.

“Therefore, He had to be made like His brethren in all things, that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For since He Himself was tempted in that which He has suffered, He is able to come to the aid of those who are tempted”. Hebrews 2:17-18

The righteousness of **Jesus** is imparted unto us. More than forgiven, we are pure and righteous without spot or wrinkle in the eyes of God. And so it is that **Jesus** is become the advocate and intercessor of all who believe in His name. Those who have repented and been baptized, as instructed in the Scriptures, are holy and pure.

JESUS: OUR JUSTIFICATION

The name of Jesus is our declaration of innocence.

And such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and in the Spirit of our God. 1 Corinthians 6:11

Not only are we forgiven and cleansed, we are justified through His name. No man can justify himself. We know that everyone has sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. None of us are righteous in our own sufficiency. All have sinned.

Without the justification extended to us through the *name of Jesus*, we have absolutely no right to come into the presence of a Holy God. Sin has alienated us and severed all relationship with Him. The authority of *His name* gives us right standing in the presence of God. We have a just, inalienable right to present ourselves to Almighty God. We have a right to identify ourselves as belonging to Him, to call ourselves by His name and to assume all of the privileges and benefits provided through His Covenant.

We are just and possess right standing in the Kingdom of God, as we become His Sons and claim the promise of his Covenant. Justification positions us with rights and privilege to enter into the presence of God.

We were all held in bondage to the law of sin and death. Then Jesus came! He washed and set us apart for himself. He became our justification, our Holiness in the presence of the Heavenly Father. The following Scriptures describe the power of Jesus to justify those who have been born again.

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him”.

Romans 5:8-9

“For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the first-born among many brethren; and whom He predestined, these He also called; and whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified”.

Romans 8:29-30

“Therefore the Law has become our tutor to lead us to Christ, that we may be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ”.

Galatians 3:24-27

Perhaps a personal story would be helpful in explaining justification and its privileges. I was a small boy about five or six years of age, I dearly loved my grandmother. Every visit held great anticipation and excitement for me. She always had cookies and home made rolls dripping with freshly churned butter to eat. I can still

smell her fragrant cooking as though I were there today. Grandpa would set me on his knee and let me drink coffee (more sweet, fresh farm cream than coffee) out of his saucer. He drank it scalding hot out of a big pot that always set on the old wood cook stove. He would pour it into his saucer to slightly cool it.

They made me feel like the most important person in the entire world. Well, on with the story. Visits were somewhat infrequent. It was a half days journey by horse and wagon, our only transportation, to her house. As Dad would pull the horses to a halt, I would jump from the wagon, run up the hill with great urgency. Climbing the eight steps to the porch, I remember jerking the screen door open. Its heavy spring would quickly slam it shut behind me as I would leap into Grandmas open arms. I can still hear my mother call out “Eugene! Don’t you...slam that door” just as it slammed shut behind me, like the sound of a shotgun.

When mom gets to the door, my arms are clinging to Grandma’s neck. With her strong arms firmly surrounding me, she would call out to mom, “Now that’s all right! This boy can slam my door any time he wants to.” You see! I was special to my Grandma, I was her firstborn grandson, her only one at the time. I had a right to run through her door and leap into her outstretched arms. I was justified in my actions. Privileged!

And so it is with our Heavenly Father, we can run boldly into His presence because His son, **Jesus**, has justified us.

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:16 KJV

Being clothed with the righteousness of **Jesus Christ** establishes our justification in the presence of God. We no longer approach Him by invitation. We have family status. We have right standing before God. We may enter into the sanctity of His throne anytime we wish. Therefore, we bring our petitions to Him in the name of **Jesus**, confident that He will receive us and provide the solution for our every need.

JESUS: OUR PROVIDER

The name of Jesus is the key to perpetual provision.

Our human nature cries out for self-sufficiency. It seems very desirable to be self assertive, responsible to no one. We want to be independent; free to do our own thing. Many Christians have been caught up with the deception of such philosophy. Those who insist on this arrogant, prideful position are soon overwhelmed. Reduced to their natural ability, they soon discover their dependence upon others. Hopefully, you have never been so inclined. Nonetheless, every one is dependent upon someone else in some measure. Most have endured the normal struggle of meeting the needs of family and self, only to discover that they cannot do it alone. One of the great mysteries incased in the name of **Jesus** is His ability to provide our needs. Let us look carefully at some of the Covenant provisions that belong to us in the *name of Jesus*.

"And my God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus".

Philippians 4:19

"And whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. "If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it.

John 14:13-15

Note that Jesus does not restrict our petitions. Obviously, the intent is to supply those things which we need. He often extends to us blessing and provision far beyond what we can ask or think.

"And in that day you will ask Me no question. Truly, truly, I say to you, if you shall ask the Father for anything, He will give it to you in My name. "Until now you have asked for nothing in My name; ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be made full.

John 16:22-24

Notice that the key to receiving from our heavenly Father is that we ask in the *name of Jesus*. It should be obvious that Satan does not want us using the name of **Jesus**. That name accesses the power of God, releasing His supply for His children's every need.

The devil and his hoard have great ambition to keep us poor and destitute. His very nature is to kill and destroy. The more suffering he can inflict in the process brings demonic delight. He knows that the abandonment of **Jesus'** name will lock up the storehouse of

God's provision. God's outpouring of blessing and supply should cause us to be filled with praise and thanksgiving for His wonderful love and compassion. Let us rejoice in the name of *Jesus*.

JESUS: OUR CONDUIT OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

The name of Jesus is the amplifier of our praise.

God inhabits the praises of His people! His presence abides with those who praise Him.

Yet Thou art holy, O Thou who art enthroned upon the praises of Israel”.

Psalms 22:3

“Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: give thanks unto him, and bless his name”.

Psalms 100:4

The secret to adequate expression of praise and thanksgiving is found in the *name of Jesus*. Acknowledging Him, as the most important possession that we have, always delights the heart of God. God's most valued possession is that of His only begotten Son. We cannot praise God or show appreciation for His blessing, without showing esteem for His Son. It is through Him that we receive from our heavenly Father.

See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

Ephesians 5:15-21 KJV

We are always to give thanks through the *name of our Lord Jesus Christ*. Failure to do so blocks any channel of praise that we may offer. We are instructed to give God praise continually. Sometimes this is difficult, but, it is to be done regardless of how we feel.

Through Him then, let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that give thanks to His name.

Hebrews 13:15

Many have said: “I’m going through a hard place” or “I’m upset; God didn’t answer my prayer, or at least, not the way I wanted him to.” Others have said: “I just don’t feel like praising Him”. What ungrateful, spoiled children we are. **Jesus** paid our debt to sin, took our judgment upon His shoulders, and broke our bondage to sin and death, giving us eternal life without condemnation. And we can’t praise Him? Does not He, who has been given all power over all things, deserve our praise? Let us offer the *sacrifice of praise* because he is worthy of all praise, all the time. Our circumstances or feelings have no place in qualifying how or when we choose to praise Him.

JESUS: OUR SOURCE OF AUTHORITY AND POWER

The name of Jesus connects us to God’s supernatural power.

It is the *name of Jesus* that releases all the authority and power of God unto us. He is the conduit of both God the Father and the Holy Spirit.

"And these signs will accompany those who have believed: in My name they will cast out demons, they will speak with new tongues;

Mark 16:17

And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.

Matthew 28:18

The demonstration of His authority and power is readily seen through His ministry. No one had ever displayed such control over the forces of evil and infirmity. All who heard Him marveled as He dispensed the Word of God with unprecedented demonstration.

"And amazement came upon them all, and they began discussing with one another saying, "What is this message? For with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out."

Luke 4:36

Authority and power emanated from His very presence. People could feel it. They were drawn to Him, as a magnet that pulls the

filings from an ax unto itself. This was a man whose very presence released the power of God unto His people. His name is **Jesus**.

“And all the multitude were trying to touch Him, for power was coming from Him and healing them all”. Luke 6:19

After demonstrating the power of God within Him, He began to prepare His disciples for the great work awaiting them. Each one had left all that they had, and followed Him instantly, without hesitation. No doubt, they were drawn by the awesome presence they sensed in this man, **Jesus**. Imagine their amazement when Jesus called them together and bestowed His personal authority and power upon them.

“And these signs will accompany those who have believed: in My name they will cast out demons, they will speak with new tongues;

Mark 16:17

“And having summoned His twelve disciples, He gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every kind of disease and every kind of sickness”.

Matthew 10:1

His trustworthy followers quickly grew to seventy. After calling them together, He anointed them with His authority and power, just as He had ordained the twelve.

And the seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name.” And He said to them, “I was watching Satan fall from heaven like lightning.” Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall injure you. “Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven.”

Luke 10:17-20

They went forth and ministered. Nothing could stand in their way. People were healed. Demons were cast out. Surely, the very foundations of hell were shaken. Fear surely brought tremors to the knees of Satan. His world had never seen such glorious display of Almighty God’s power within human flesh. No longer could his evil activities continue without challenge. He no longer had total control upon the earth. How could this

be? **Jesus**, the only begotten Son of God, had come to save His people from their sin.

"For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, and walk'? "But in order that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"-- then He said to the paralytic-- "Rise, take up your bed, and go home."

Matthew 9:5-6

"You know of Jesus of Nazareth, how God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and how He went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed by the devil; for God was with Him.

Acts 10:38-39

Jesus has extended His magnificent power to all who believe in Him. Today, every believer has the authority and power to perform the same miracles. Very few actually do. Why? There are probably many reasons why we have lost the power that **Jesus** gave prior to His ascension. Certainly, a major one has been Satan's success in neutralizing our understanding about the value and *power of Jesus' name*. No other name on the face of the earth can bring such ability to the Godly, and cast such fear into Satan and his serpentine creatures.

JESUS: OUR PRESEVATION

The name of Jesus is our fortress of protection.

Many Christians are intimidated by the evil forces about them. We must learn that there is no need to fear. We are covered and protected through the power of **Jesus' name**. He certified His ability to protect His own. He gives this promise: *"and you will be hated by all on account of My name. "Yet not a hair of your head will perish. "By your endurance you will gain your lives".*

Luke 21:17-19

We are hated because of His name, **Jesus**. We are not to fear! Jesus has made covenant with us, promising that not a hair of our head would perish.

"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; and I give eternal life to them, and they shall never perish; and no one shall snatch them out of My hand. "My Father, who has given

them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. "I and the Father are one."
John 10:27-30

King David testifies of the Lord's ability to preserve those who trust in him as he declares:

"I sought the LORD, and He answered me, And delivered me from all my fears. They looked to Him and were radiant, And their faces shall never be ashamed. This poor man cried and the LORD heard him, And saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear Him, And rescues them. O taste and see that the LORD is good; How blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!"

Psalms 34:4-8

The enemies of God and His people are always present. Every follower of Jesus has enemies. Many times they are close friends or family members. The devil goes about as a roaring lion, seeking whom he may destroy. He hates anyone who trusts in the benefits and power of Jesus' name. The Lord (Jesus) has promised His people that a remnant will be preserved for Himself. All those whose hearts are committed to Him are His. We are His possession, His bride. In fact we are His heritage from the Father.

I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land.

Joel 3:2 KJV

Even now, He watches carefully over everyone who trusts in Him.

"For the eyes of the LORD move to and fro throughout the earth that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His.....".
2 Chronicles 16:9

The Scriptures tell us that we will rule and reign with Jesus as kings and priests. Every person who has been purged by the blood of Jesus and robed in His righteousness is part of the great remnant that God has preserved for Himself. He instructed Moses to give the following promise to all of Israel.

'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I bore you on eagles' wings, and brought you to myself. 'Now then, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be My own possession among all the peoples, for all the earth is Mine; and you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the sons of Israel"
Exodus 19:3-6

Above all, Jesus prayed to the Heavenly Father for everyone who is part of His kingdom. He invoked God's Almighty preservation upon those who belong to Him.

"And I am no more in the world; and yet they themselves are in the world, and I come to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in Thy name, the name which Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, even as We are.
John 17:11-12

It is really quite simple, is it not? The name given the Son of God is **Jesus** and the New Covenant name of God is **Jesus**. Note again the following words: "*keep them in Thy name*". Then the Son identifies the Father's name as being "*the name which thou hast given me*". It is this simple. The name the Father gave the Son, which is **Jesus**, is His name.

God preserves us in time of trial or danger. He also heals our sick bodies and provides numerous miracles to meet our needs through the name of Jesus. Peter and John experienced the wrath of Satan's stooges. Confronted and commanded not to preach or teach in the *name of Jesus*, they were undaunted by those who threatened their lives.

How many have ever been persecuted for using the name Yeshua?

Multitudes have been martyred for refusing to denounce their faith in **Jesus** the Christ. Our enemies may destroy our physical body, but it will be beautifully restored, even to every hair on our head, in the last day. Confident in the *power of His name*, they prayed the following prayer as they went on their way continuing to minister and perform miracles (Acts 4:18-21).

"And now, Lord, take note of their threats, and grant that Thy bond-servants may speak Thy word with all confidence, while Thou dost

extend Thy hand to heal, and signs and wonders take place through the name of Thy holy servant Jesus." And when they had prayed, the place where they had gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak the word of God with boldness. Acts 4:29-31

The Lord answered their prayer. He confirmed His approval by visibly shaking the place where they were. Everyone there was filled with the Holy Spirit. They began to preach Jesus the Christ with all boldness and power demonstrated by healings and miraculous provision.

JESUS: NAME OF THE FATHER

Let's again look at John 17:11-12 that was quoted in the previous section, for in it is quite a revealing truth that most miss. Most know that in the Old Covenant the name of God the Father was the Tetragrammaton, YHWH. Most who know their Bible know that when our God makes a New Covenant, there is a name change. For example when he made a new covenant with Abram, Abram's name was changed to Abraham. This is also seen in the changing of Jacob's name to Israel. What is the name change of God the Father in the New Covenant? Jesus never used the name YHWH when referring to God the Father, and then tells the Father He made known His name to the disciples. What was that name?

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Remember, the Son and the Father are one.

JESUS: CONDUIT OF LOVE AND UNITY

The Name of Jesus brings love and unity. This is made apparent further on in John Chapter 17. Jesus makes known to us that making the Father's name known causes the love of the Father to the Son to be in us and causes the unity of the Father and Son to be in us as well .

"O righteous Father, although the world has not known Thee, yet I have known Thee; and these have known that Thou didst send Me; 26 and I have made Thy name known to them, and will make it known; that the love wherewith Thou didst love Me may be in them, and I in them"
John 17:25-26

Probably the most talked about problem we have in the body of Christ today is that of unity. We find division of every kind permeating the Christian community. The house of Israel is in constant disagreement; and sometimes confusion, over the most insignificant things.

Our love and unity for each other, our Lord, and our Heavenly Father is completely embodied within the name of ***Jesus***. It is the power and impact of His name alone that ties us into that wonderful river of one accord, unity of spirit and effervescent spring of abiding love flowing from the throne of God.

Perhaps you've asked yourself or others, and certainly I have often commented, "What is it going to take to unify the kingdom of God?" We pause for a moment, shake our heads, and come up with the conclusion that this cannot happen. We conclude that we must wait until Jesus returns. This is not true!

The power of his name ***Jesus***, binds us all together. He is the personification of God's love for us and the conduit of our love for the Father. Because He abides in the Father, we are able to abide in Him. We feel His love and understanding as a man, the sacrificial lamb, who paid the ultimate price that His brethren might have everlasting life. It is hard for us to comprehend that kind of love.

He loves us as our Lord and Redeemer, the resurrected victor who ushers us into the kingdom of God to rule and reign with Him. He also loves us as Jesus the Word. We, in turn, are saturated with the love of God *and* Jesus our Lord. He dwells in the Father and we dwell in Him.

Jesus is the only name that welds us together in the loving unity of Almighty God. No other name can activate that relationship. There is no greater love than that of Almighty God for His only begotten Son, **Jesus** the Christ. **Jesus** had equal love for the Father, and in turn, they both love us.

Their love is so great that **Jesus** willingly became our only doorway to eternal life.

JESUS: OUR HEALER

The name of Jesus is our health care provider.

But Peter said, "I do not possess silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you: In the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene-- walk!" Acts 3:6

Take particular note that this miracle was performed through faith in His name, and the power and authority within the name of Jesus, producing healing.

"And on the basis of faith in His name, it is the name of Jesus which has strengthened this man whom you see and know; and the faith which comes through Him has given him this perfect health in the presence of you all " Acts 3:16

let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead-- by this name this man stands here before you in good health. Acts 4:10-11

Again, Peter healed Aeneas at Lydda who had been sick and paralyzed for eight years, in the authority of **Jesus Christ**.

And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; arise, and make your bed." And immediately he arose. Acts 9:34-35

The Apostle Paul, through the power of the Holy Spirit, healed a lame man who had *never* walked. How was this done?

Through the power of Jesus, who had given full authority to all who follow Him.

And at Lystra there was sitting a certain man, without strength in his feet, lame from his mother's womb, who had never walked. This man was listening to Paul as he spoke, who, when he had fixed his gaze upon him, and had seen that he had faith to be made well, said with a loud voice, "Stand upright on your feet." And he leaped up and began to walk. Acts 14:8-10

Healing and miracles did not cease in the first century. We are still to pray for the sick. The same healing powers are available to His people today through **Jesus' name**. Promise and instruction is given to us in the book of James.

"Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer offered in faith will restore the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he has committed sins, they will be forgiven him". James 5:13-16

Isn't it time to adhere to the whole word of God? Shouldn't we again look at the importance and power seated in the *name of Jesus*? Living in the flow of God's miracles and healing would surely bring greater peace to every believer.

JESUS: MIRACLE WORKER

The name of Jesus is our source of supernatural benefits.

The *name of Jesus* brings nature's elements under control. He demonstrated His supreme power by calming the storm:

And behold, there arose a great storm in the sea, so that the boat was covered with the waves; but He Himself was asleep. And they came to Him, and awoke Him, saying, "Save us, Lord; we are perishing!" And He said to them, "Why are you timid, you men of little faith?" Then He arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and it became perfectly calm. Matthew 8:24-27

Defying nature's awesome forces, He not only controlled the sea, He walked upon it. *Jesus* walked on the water and delivered the boat to shore immediately upon His boarding.

And after getting into a boat, they started to cross the sea to Capernaum. And it had already become dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. And the sea began to be stirred up because a strong wind was blowing. When therefore they had rowed about three or four miles, they beheld Jesus walking on the sea and drawing near to the boat; and they were frightened. But He said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." They were willing therefore to receive Him into the boat; and immediately the boat was at the land to which they were going. John 6:17-21

He directed the fish to Peter's hook, providing their financial obligation to the tax collector.

He said, "Yes." And when he came into the house, Jesus spoke to him first, saying, "What do you think, Simon? From whom do the kings of the earth collect customs or poll-tax, from their sons or from strangers?" And upon his saying, "From strangers," Jesus said to him, "Consequently the sons are exempt. "But, lest we give them offense, go to the sea, and throw in a hook, and take the first fish that comes up; and when you open its mouth, you will find a stater. (Coin) Take that and give it to them for you and Me." Matthew 17:26-27

The name of *Jesus* has the power to curse the unfruitful.

And seeing a lone fig tree by the road, He came to it, and found nothing on it except leaves only; and He said to it, "No longer shall there ever be any fruit from you." And at once the fig tree withered. Matthew 21:19-20

Jesus' miraculous power can provide financial income for those who serve Him. Note the following Scripture:

And when He had finished speaking, He said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered and said, "Master, we worked hard all night and caught nothing, but at Your bidding I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great quantity of fish; and their nets began to break; and they signaled to their partners in the other boat, for them to come and

help them. And they came, and filled both of the boats, so that they began to sink.
Luke 5:4-7

Notice that this was not a “freebie”. Our Lord’s miracles *nearly always require our participation and faith*. The disciples had already toiled all night. They were tired and weary. They were experienced at their trade. They could have easily shrugged off the directive of **Jesus** and secured their boat. The power and authority of **Jesus** was activated when they exercised obedience *and* faith. God always works in partnership with His people. **Jesus** can provide our every need when we labor together with Him.

JESUS: RAISES THE DEAD

The name of Jesus breaks the chains of death.

Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead after he had been in the grave for four days. He restored life to his decaying flesh, returning him to full strength and health.

Then Jesus therefore said to them plainly, "Lazarus is dead," .. Jesus said, "Remove the stone." Martha, the sister of the deceased, said to Him, "Lord, by this time there will be a stench, for he has been dead four days." ...

And so they removed the stone. And Jesus raised His eyes, and said, "Father, I thank Thee that Thou hearest Me. "And I knew that Thou hearest Me always; but because of the people standing around I said it, that they may believe that Thou didst send Me." And when He had said these things, He cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth." He who had died came forth, bound hand and foot with wrappings; and his face was wrapped around with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

John 11:14; 39; 41-44

Peter restored Dorcas to life through the power of the Holy Spirit, given to him by Jesus.

But Peter sent them all out and knelt down and prayed, and turning to the body, he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter, she sat up. And he gave her his hand and raised her up; and calling the saints and widows, he presented her alive.
Acts 9:40-41

JESUS: OUR DELIVERER

The name of Jesus releases from demonic bondage

There is no more grievous condition as demon possession. Such a person is controlled by the demonic power within. They have no control over their own body. The demon does as it pleases with them. Jesus came to deliver and set the captive free.

Praise His Name!

But after hearing of Him, a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit, immediately came and fell at His feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of the Syrophenician race. And she kept asking Him to cast the demon out of her daughter. And He was saying to her, "Let the children be satisfied first, for it is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." But she answered and said to Him, "Yes, Lord, but even the dogs under the table feed on the children's crumbs." And He said to her, "Because of this answer go your way; the demon has gone out of your daughter." And going back to her home, she found the child lying on the bed, the demon having departed.

Mark 7:24-30

Demon possession can take on many symptoms sometimes demonstrated through physical infirmities. Such was the case with the man who was blind and dumb. Diseases and infirmities can be the result of demon possession.

Then there was brought to Him a demon-possessed man who was blind and dumb, and He healed him, so that the dumb man spoke and saw.

Matthew 12:22

And as they were going out, behold, a dumb man, demon-possessed, was brought to Him. And after the demon was cast out, the dumb man spoke; and the multitudes marveled, saying, "Nothing like this was ever seen in Israel."

Matthew 9:32-33

Not only can demons maim and cripple, they can destroy the mind; or give supernatural, evil strength to the human body.

And they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. And when He had come out onto the land, He was met by a certain man from the city who was possessed with demons; and who had not put on any clothing for a long time, and

was not living in a house, but in the tombs. And seeing Jesus, he cried out and fell before Him, and said in a loud voice, "What do I have to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me." For He had been commanding the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had seized him many times; and he was bound with chains and shackles and kept under guard; and yet he would burst his fetters and be driven by the demon into the desert. And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they were entreating Him not to command them to depart into the abyss.

Luke 8:26-31

There is evidence that demonic activity, whether outward oppression or inward possession, produces more sickness than most realize. Many of our modern medical maladies are directly connected with demonic activity. Deliverance through the power of *Jesus' name is the only solution*. Doctors and drugs may treat the symptoms, but they will not cure the problem in such cases. **Don't misunderstand!** *I do not suggest that everyone who is afflicted with disease or is sick and infirm is demon possessed.*

JESUS: OUR PEACE

The name of Jesus is the source of peace that is beyond understanding.

And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, shall guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:7

The absence of peace is everywhere evident. "Peace" is one of the most often spoken words of our generation. Everyone talks about it. Everyone longs and searches endlessly for it. Multitudes have tried to find a formula for it, to no avail. There is only one source of true peace. Only *Jesus* the Christ can erase the fear and turmoil in the hearts of men. Whether between nations, cultures, family and friends, or that raging anguish within one's own Spirit, only *Jesus* can bring true peace.

We must first have peace with God, before any other measure of peace can be realized. It begins through the redeeming power of the *name of Jesus*.

"Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ", Romans 5:1

No man can know true peace until he has submitted to Almighty God. One's sinful nature must be changed. Regeneration of spirit is required. New life within must be established. One must be "born again".

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. 1 Peter 1:3-5

Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

John 3:3

Acts 2:38 gives very easily understood directions for entering into new birth through our Lord, *Jesus* the Christ.

And Peter said to them, "Repent, and let each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

There are several references to Acts 2:38 in this booklet for good reason! It gives absolute instruction how to be born again. There are no shortcuts. Jesus commanded His disciples to:

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age. "

Matthew 28:19-20

This kind of peace passes all understanding. It is the result of becoming a new creation of mind and spirit, anchored in the surety and power of *Jesus' name*.

"These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world." John 16:33

Jesus reassures us. The peace that He provides is far above the peace of the world. It is pure and perfect, undefiled by sin. It destroys fear. Rest and tranquility is its trademark.

"Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives, do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful". John 14:27

The Apostle Paul understood the value of peace. He boldly acknowledges it as he invokes the peace of the Lord upon the Saints at Corinth. Note that peace is available to those who call upon the *name* of the Lord **Jesus Christ**.

"to the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, saints by calling, with all who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ". 1 Corinthians 1:2-3

Many in the Kingdom of God have drifted far from unity and peace. Few believers are free from divisions and strife. Discord thrives among the members of His body. Far too often, God's kingdom people fall into disagreements and skirmishes among themselves. Most of these differences are vented by pride trying to vault itself above another over some intellectual opinion. Occasionally legitimate doctrinal conflicts develop because of another's personal teaching. Sometimes these have no Scriptural foundation; they are merely opinions that sound good. Competition for spiritual prowess over another often rears its ugly head.

When we are not arguing or in discord with someone else, we become entangled with inner turmoil. Every carnal fleshly desire is a persistent enemy to Kingdom peace. The Scriptures are the only remedy for such differences. One must not compromise the truth because they have been taught incorrectly. One's pride or loyalty to another must not interfere with Biblical truth.

We must crucify the old nature with its sinful characteristics and put on the spirit of Christ. Exhortation unto peace is authenticated in the *name of Jesus* by the Apostle Paul

“Now I exhort you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all agree, and there be no divisions among you, but you be made complete in the same mind and in the same judgment”. 1 Corinthians 1:10

Obedience to such command requires personal integrity. Mercifully, Jesus is our Lord and Redeemer, He is also our Peace.

JESUS: OUR DISCIPLINARIAN

The name of Jesus keeps us in the straight and narrow pathway.

“For the gate is small, and the way is narrow that leads to life, and few are those who find it. Matthew 7:14

True Christians will recognize that God’s way is much better than their own. Carnal flesh is constantly fighting against the spirit for self satisfaction. Our Heavenly Father is faithful to instruct and discipline us when we begin to drift into error.

For those whom the Lord loves He disciplines, And He scourges every son whom He receives. “ It is for discipline that you endure; God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom his father does not discipline? Hebrews 12:6-7

Each of us within God’s Kingdom must be willing to receive discipline. No one enjoys being corrected. Some recognize that it is necessary and welcome it. Others rebel and struggle against it. We surely recognize that discipline is a tool to give direction. It keeps us within the boundaries of God’s statutes, and teaches obedience to higher authority.

A father corrects the child that he loves. And so it is with our Heavenly Father. He shows His love for us through discipline. A wise child will keep a soft heart and responsive spirit. Rebellion forces God to use more severe tactics than otherwise necessary. It’s much better to learn and respond quickly. Discipline

within the body of Christ is activated through the power and authority of *Jesus' name*.

Just as the prophets of the Old Testament and the New Testament leadership administered discipline within His kingdom, God uses Men in spiritual authority today. Discipline is to be administered by Godly men, directed by the Holy Spirit. God has ordained spiritual overseers, Bishops, Pastors, Teachers, etc., to keep order within His Kingdom. The Apostle Paul gives good directives. The church at Corinth was having a tremendous problem with immorality in the days of Paul. Obviously somebody sought his direction as to how to handle the matter. Notice his response in 1 Corinthians 5:4-5:

"In the name of our Lord Jesus, when you are assembled, and I with you in spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus, I have decided to deliver such a one to Satan for the destruction of his flesh, that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus".

He instructs us to separate ourselves from those within the church who do wickedness in the Kingdom of God. Note that his directive is given in the name of our Lord *Jesus Christ*.

"Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep aloof from every brother who leads an unruly life and not according to the tradition which you received from us". 2 Thessalonians 3:6

Our personal discipline is directed of the Lord. Those who claim Jesus as Lord and Redeemer are required to exercise self-discipline. We are to be separate from wickedness, and walk uprightly before all men. Believe me! Self restraint is much better than directives administered by others. The wise believer will do well to adhere to Paul's writings to Timothy.

"Therefore, come out from their midst and be separate," says the Lord. "And do not touch what is unclean; And I will welcome you. "And I will be a father to you, And you shall be sons and daughters to Me," 2 Corinthians 6:17-18

Nevertheless, the firm foundation of God stands, having this seal, "The Lord knows those who are His," and, "Let everyone who names the name of the Lord abstain from wickedness.

2 Timothy 2:18-19

This was a difficult command. It is hard to wrestle against our sinful nature. We all must force our carnal flesh into subjection to the righteousness of Jesus within. Paul spoke of the problem eloquently in his discourse found in Romans 7:24-25. He declares: *“Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, on the one hand I myself with my mind am serving the law of God, but on the other, with my flesh the law of sin”*.

He concludes his quandary with a declarative assertion found in Romans 8:1-3: *“There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God did: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh,”*

So, it is by the power of **Jesus**, and His Spirit within us, that we are free from the bondage of the law of sin and death. Upon our Lord's ascension to be with the Father, He graciously asked the Father to send us the Holy Spirit to be our helper.

JESUS: GIVER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The name of Jesus gives us ability in the very Spirit of God

John the Baptist was the first to announce that the gift of the Holy Spirit would come through **Jesus**. He stressed the difference between water baptism for repentance, and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit:

“As for me, I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire”.

Matthew 3:11

No one is able to stand against the forces of evil with natural ability alone. **Jesus** is very much aware of our incapacities. He knows that we need ability beyond our own that we might withstand the attacks of the enemy. He gave them an encouraging

promise that had been certified under the Old Covenant (Ezekiel 39:27-29; Isaiah. 21:11 & 59:19-21; Joel 2:28-29).

"But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you. John 14:25-26

This is another gift of God that comes only through the name of **Jesus**. **Jesus** prepared the disciples for His approaching crucifixion, resurrection and eventual ascension into heaven. He extended His peace to them, directing them to minister in His name, and commanded them to receive the Holy Spirit.

"Jesus therefore said to them again, "Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit". John 20:21-23

Just before **Jesus** ascended, He commanded His followers to go into Jerusalem and wait there until they received power from above.

"And gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, "Which," He said, "you heard of from Me; for John baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now". Acts 1:4-5

Baptism in the Holy Spirit is the quickening power of God imparted directly into the believer. This was uniquely different than any display of the Holy Spirit under the Old Covenant. The Prophets of old experienced the Holy Spirit coming upon them, giving them power to perform miracles or to exhort Israel with the declarations and statutes of Almighty God.

Except for **Jesus**, the Holy Spirit had never before continually indwelt human flesh. Now, at His direction, every believer was to be filled with the Holy Spirit. This would give abiding power to do the work that **Jesus** did. In fact, the Scripture declares that we shall do even greater works than those demonstrated by **Jesus**.

"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he

do; because I go to the Father”.

John 14:12-13

As prophesied, the baptism of the Holy Spirit happened just 50 days after the ascension of Jesus. This event is described in the book of Acts 2:1-4. This initial event launched the spread of the Gospel throughout the known world of that day. The Gospel of **Jesus Christ** spread like wildfire. The Apostle Peter, whom **Jesus** had given the “keys to the Kingdom of God”, preached with power and authority, explaining what had just taken place.

"This Jesus God raised up again, to which we are all witnesses. "Therefore having been exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured forth this which you both see and hear.

Acts 2:32-33

Peter continued to exhort the multitude to receive the gospel of the **Lord Jesus Christ**. Thousands were convicted of their sin. They began to ask: “What shall we do to be saved? Peter answered:

"Repent, and let each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. "For the promise is for you and your children, and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God shall call to Himself."

Acts 2:38-39

Three thousand (3000) were converted that day. Thereafter, people were added to the Kingdom daily as His disciples continued preaching the gospel of **Jesus**.

Satan has cleverly deceived modern-day believers, with the lie that the basic work of the Holy Spirit ceased at the end of the apostolic age. This is not true. Acts 2:39 plainly states that the gift of the Holy Spirit is extended to all believers and their children, even to *all* those far off. Church history supports this truth. Several years after the initial outpouring of the Holy Spirit, Paul visited the believers, in Ephesus. He asked them if they had received the Holy Spirit and unto what name they were baptized. He instructed them about water baptism for the remission of sins and the promise of the Holy Spirit. They responded accordingly:

And when they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they began speaking with tongues and prophesying. And there were in all about twelve men.
Acts 19:5-7

We must remember that our repentance and water baptism, redemption-salvation, and empowerment of the Holy Spirit is received through the name of Jesus

JESUS: HOPE OF THE GENTILES

The name of Jesus instills living hope to every Gentile.

"And in His name the Gentiles will hope."

Matthew 12:21

Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and rise again from the dead the third day; and that repentance for forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.
Luke 24:46-47

The name of **JESUS** is the only hope which the Gentiles (Heathen) have. The rebellious, idolatrous house of Israel was divorced by God. They were dispersed throughout the nations of the world. They became heathen pagans, rejecting Almighty God for the idols and religious practices of other nations.

Only a small Remnant has any idea of who they are. Yet, they have an inner longing for renewed fellowship with Almighty God. He has written His law upon their heart. (Hebrews 8:10). Deep within their spirit they know that they need to serve Him. They have searched the world over for peace and rest, and found none... Now, the Holy Spirit is beginning to stir them to new hope. They are beginning to sense that the "Day of the Lord" is at hand. That judgment is soon to come.

Multitudes have experienced fulfilled hope. Grafted into the House of Israel, through the atoning blood of **Jesus** and the work of the Holy Spirit, they enter into the New Covenant promises. Many are sensing that time is growing short. They

are realizing it is time to seek salvation in the name of *Jesus*, our soon coming King.

JESUS, THE SON OF DAVID

The name of Jesus certifies His earthly royalty as King of Israel

Notice that His humanity is established in the household of David. He is described as a man who is the rightful heir to the throne of David, the beloved King of Israel.

"And behold, you will conceive in your womb, and bear a son, and you shall name him, Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David; and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever; and His kingdom will have no end.

Luke 1:31-33

The longing desire of all Israel is to see their king seated upon the throne of David. This will be the ultimate victory over the prince of this world, Satan, who is the source of every evil injustice, moral depravity, and consuming degradation. Soon the throne of David will be physically re-established and all the Sons of God will rule and reign with *Jesus*. He will rule the ungodly nations with a rod of iron. This great day was prophesied by Isaiah hundreds of years before His birth.

For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, On the throne of David and over his kingdom. To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness From then on and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will accomplish this.

Isaiah 9:6; 7

It is possible that we will see this prophesy physically fulfilled in our generation. Those of *Jesus*' generation wanted to crown Him King as He rode into Jerusalem on a colt. They acknowledged Him as the Son of David. They knew that He came in the authority and power of Almighty God.

“Hosanna to the Son of David; Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest!” Matthew 21:9

Here He comes in the name of the Lord. He is the promised King who shall rule all nations with the rod of iron. His followers assumed that **JESUS** was going to overthrow the Roman government and establish His Kingdom upon the earth, immediately. The Scribes and Pharisees were obviously fearful of losing their positions of power and influence. Those who listened to his teaching should have been aware. Jesus had openly told His disciples of His approaching death, but they seemed unable to comprehend the coming events. He made it very clear that His kingdom, the Kingdom of God, would not take on a readily observable, tangible form at this time.

Now having been questioned by the Pharisees as to when the kingdom of God was coming, He answered them and said, "The kingdom of God is not coming with signs to be observed; nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or, 'There it is!' For behold, the kingdom of God is in your midst. "(KJV = within you)

Luke 17:20; 21

Though timing of His physical dominion to overthrow the Babylonian systems of this world was beyond their understanding, *they knew who He was! His name was **JESUS**, the Christ, Messiah, the son of David, the coming King of Promise!* Just days before **Jesus** was to go to the cross and be crucified for the sins of men, multitudes extol His name as the King of Israel. While the Pharisees work their plotting to destroy Him, the general populace had been awakened by His message and His miracles. They gathered around Him as a great multitude.

Though He told them in numerous teachings that He, the *son of man*, would lay His life down for the lost sheep of the House of Israel, they believed that He was going to Jerusalem to set up His Kingdom.

They took the branches of the palm trees, and went out to meet Him, and began to cry out, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel."

John 12:13

Some knew who He was. This was the *man* who had been named by God before His birth. This was **Jesus**. He was the son of the Virgin Mary, the Messiah. The majority had no clue. Jesus wept over Jerusalem because of their blind unbelief. He was grieved that so many would miss so much that belongs unto them.

"Behold, your house is left to you desolate; and I say to you, you shall not see Me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

Luke 13:35

Jesus was soon to complete His mission as the sacrificial Lamb of God, the second Adam, who would be offered for the sins of His people. After His death and resurrection, He soon ascended to be with His Heavenly Father until that day is to be fulfilled.

JESUS: NAME ABOVE EVERY NAME

The name of Jesus brings the arrogant and haughty into submission.

The people of God have suffered every abuse and humiliation imaginable. Many have been imprisoned and killed.

And when they had summoned them, they commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. Acts 4:18

Satan's arrogant servants have mocked God. Their defiance has been unabated. Their abuse and injustice has been administered with diabolical glee. Their contempt for Jesus and His people has been boastfully publicized.

And this became known to all, both Jews and Greeks, who lived in Ephesus; and fear fell upon them all and the name of the Lord Jesus was being magnified. Acts 19:16-18

Therefore also God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those who are in heaven, and on earth, and under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2:9-11

Soon, the name of *Jesus* will be exalted, every foe defeated, and every knee bowed in submission to the coming King.

JESUS: THE COMING KING

The Name of Jesus is the assurance of His return.

Two men, obviously angels, declared that He would return in due time.

And after He had said these things, He was lifted up while they were looking on, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. And as they were gazing intently into the sky while He was departing, behold, two men in white clothing stood beside them; and they also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven."

Acts 1:9-11

Many Scriptures speak of the return of Jesus as Lord and King. Timothy is admonished to fight the good fight of faith until His appearing as King of Kings.

that you keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which He will bring about at the proper time-- He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords;

1 Timothy 6:14-15

John the Revelator describes His final return as victorious conqueror with power and great glory.

"These will wage war against the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, because He is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those who are with Him are the called and chosen and faithful."

Revelation 17:14-15

JESUS: RESURRECTION POWER

The name of Jesus breaks all bondage of carnal flesh.

The stench of death, the decay of disease, and the tears of the bereaved will forever be destroyed at the appearing of our Lord

Jesus Christ, as He returns in the clouds. We will forever be loosed from persecution and slavery of our oppressors.

For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.

1 Thessalonians 4:16-18

No other name can transform those who have died in Christ Jesus into incorruptible human beings, restored with perfect bodies. Those who are in the grave will be changed from the dust of earth into glorious vessels, never to know infirmity or pain again.

For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality. But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, "Death is swallowed up in victory. "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law; but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 15:53-58

JESUS: THE ULTIMATE VICTOR

The name of Jesus validates His victory; puts all things under His feet.

Make no mistake. The ultimate victory over all of the evil governments and powers now present will soon be brought down. Their power will be dissolved. Those who have considered themselves high and mighty, beyond judgment, will be swiftly dethroned.

For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all shall be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ's at His coming, then comes the end, when He delivers up the kingdom to the God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power. For He

must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be abolished is death. For He has put all things in subjection under His feet. 1 Corinthians 15:22-27

Jesus will return with His great army, to rule and reign. John the Revelator describes the great battle that leads to ultimate victory for all Israel.

And I saw heaven opened; and behold, a white horse, and He who sat upon it is called Faithful and True; and in righteousness He judges and wages war. And His eyes are a flame of fire, and upon His head are many diadems; and He has a name written upon Him which no one knows except Himself. And He is clothed with a robe dipped in blood; and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies which are in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, were following Him on white horses. And from His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may smite the nations; and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty. And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written, "KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."

Revelations 19:11-16

JESUS: THE GREAT JUDGE

The name of Jesus is the administrator of perfect judgment.

Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all everywhere should repent, because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead. "

Acts 17:30-31

Everyone whose name is not found in the book of life will give an account for their deeds in due time. The ungodly will be given perfect judgment. The accuser of the saints becomes the accused, the subject of God's wrath.

"And the nations were enraged, and Thy wrath came, and the time came for the dead to be judged, and the time to give their reward to Thy bond-servants the prophets and to the saints and

to those who fear Thy name, the small and the great, and to destroy those who destroy the earth." Revelations 11:18

The children of God are exempt from His wrath and judgment. Praise God. We will be rewarded according to our faithfulness and rule and reign with our Lord, The King of Kings and Lord of Lords. What a wonderful day that will be.

"He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. John 3:18

"You know of Jesus of Nazareth, how God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and how He went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed by the devil; for God was with Him. Acts 10:38

"And He ordered us to preach to the people, and solemnly to testify that this is the One who has been appointed by God as Judge of the living and the dead. "Of Him all the prophets bear witness that through His name everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins." Acts 10:42-43

Jesus uses the parable of the unjust slave to teach of our responsibility to be faithful and productive until His return.

"He said to him, 'By your own words I will judge you, you worthless slave. Did you know that I am an exacting man, taking up what I did not lay down, and reaping what I did not sow? 'Then why did you not put the money in the bank, and having come, I would have collected it with interest?'

Luke 19:21-23

"Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; those who did the good deeds to a resurrection of life, those who committed the evil deeds to a resurrection of judgment. "I can do nothing on My own initiative. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is just, because I do not seek My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. John 5:28-30

"But God spoke to this effect, that his offspring would be aliens in a foreign land, and that they would be enslaved and mistreated for four hundred years. "'And whatever nation to which they shall be in bondage I Myself will judge,' said God, 'and after that they will come out and serve Me in this place.' "And

He gave him the covenant of circumcision; and so Abraham became the father of Isaac, and circumcised him on the eighth day; and Isaac became the father of Jacob, and Jacob of the twelve patriarchs.

Acts 7:6-8

For when Gentiles who do not have the Law do instinctively the things of the Law, these, not having the Law, are a law to themselves, in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness, and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them, on the day when, according to my gospel, God will judge the secrets of men through Christ Jesus.

Romans 2:14-16

I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom: preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction.

2 Timothy 4:1-2

JESUS: OUR GLORY

The name of Jesus brings mutual glory to the House of Israel.

If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.

1 Peter 4:14-15

The ultimate victory and glory that shall be ours is beyond comprehension. Oh, that we might be found faithful until the end when the Kingdom of God shall be revealed in all its glory. *To this end also we pray for you always that our God may count you worthy of your calling, and fulfill every desire for goodness and the work of faith with power; in order that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.*

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12

"For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of His Father with His angels; and will then recompense every man according to his deeds.

Matthew 16:27

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God. Romans 8:18

CONCLUSION

Not one of these Covenant promises is available to the Children of God without the authority and power of **Jesus**, the *Christ*. His is the only name giving entrance to every promise and the perfect work of Almighty God.

Let us use His name with confidence!

It is not surprising that Satan would have the Children of God forget the name of **Jesus**. All opposition to his evil power is removed when the name of **Jesus** is no longer used in our vocabulary. Our access to every facet of the New Covenant is lost. We are left powerless, caught up in the delusion of intellectualism, and without hope or remedy, when the *most powerful name in heaven or earth is discarded*.

Oh, that we would wake up! We are not to be a people of timidity and fear. Our Lord and Redeemer provided us with all authority and power. He has given us every tool that we need to become mighty children of God. Let the forces of Gideon begin their charge. It is time to stir ourselves to active faith and appropriate *the power of Jesus name*.

“For in Him” (Jesus) “all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form, and in Him you have been made complete, and He is the head over all rule and authority;” Colossians 2:9-10

Let us offer the prayer of Paul the apostle, as he traveled over Ephesus.

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His

might which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead, and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in the one to come. Ephesians 1:18-21

Heavenly Father, as we pray in the *name of Jesus*, Your only begotten Son, we long for the day that is revealed in Revelations 12:10, in which You declare ultimate and final victory for Your people of Israel. Restore our understanding of the power and authority found *in the name of Jesus*.

“And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, “Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, who accuses them before our God day and night.” Revelations 12:10

Even so, come quickly, Oh Lord. *We pray in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Redeemer, the King of Israel.* Amen.

Let us cling to His name with tenacity! Refuse the deception of the Judaisors! Be strong in the Lord and the power of His might. Boldly declare the name of *Jesus* at every opportunity. Satan hates it! Our Heavenly Father loves it! We have all power and life eternal, through it.

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