

# A Good Name is rather to be chosen!

...Proverbs 22:1

Expectant parents take special care in choosing a name for their newborn. Why? Names mean something in every culture. Isaiah prophesied, "Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call His name Immanuel." (Isaiah 7:14) The name, "Immanuel" literally means, "God with us!" This baby to be born would be God in human form. Everything surrounding the birth of Jesus Christ can be summed up in those three words, "God with us!" This truth brought to light again when we read John 1:1-14. The baby born, and placed in a manger was the omnipotent (all powerful) Creator of the heavens and the earth. (Isaiah 9:6) The name of Jesus is mentioned 600 times in the Bible. This shows us how important it is to use His name. David Livingstone, the great pioneer missionary to Africa, declared concerning the name of Jesus: "It is the word of a Gentleman of the most strict and sacred honor." It is a name that you can use!



## WHEN CAN WE USE THE NAME OF JESUS?

### *On Prayer...*

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it" (John 14:12-14).

### *On Preaching...*

"And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem" (Luke 24:47).

### *When On Need...*

"That whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you" (John 15:16).

### *To Receive Eternal Life...*

"But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name" (John 20:31).

### *When Healing Is Needed...*

"...In the name of Jesus Christ rise up and walk. And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong whom ye see and know" (Acts 3:6, 16).

### *On Deliverance From Demons...*

"And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour" (Acts 16:18).

### *On Salvation...*

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12).

### *On Water Baptism...*

"Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38). (See also Acts 8:16; 19:5)

### *On Everything...*

"And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus" (Colossians 3:17).

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