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The **T**ext: *She shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name* ***JESUS****:*

 *for He shall save His people from their sins.* Matt. 1:21

The **T**hots:

1. **The Person by the Name:** **Mt. 1:21**
2. His **O**riginal Name – **Jesus** - *She shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name* ***JESUS.***
3. His **O**ther Name **- Emmanuel**

 *Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son.*

*and they shall call His name* ***Emmanuel****, which being interpreted is, God with us.* Mt. 1:23

* 1. The **V**erity of His Name: It Signals the reality of Deity coming among Humanity – *God with us.*
	2. The **V**eracity of the **V**irgin Birth:
1. *Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as His mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost*. Mt. 1:18
2. “*Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife:*

*for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost”*. Mt. 1:20

1. [Joseph]*knew her not* [had no marital relations with her,NRSV] NRSV

*till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called His name JESUS*. Mt. 1:25

1. His **O**ld Testament Names – Isa. 9:6

 *For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder:*

*and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The Everlasting Father,*

*The Prince of Peace.*

1. **The Purpose in the Name.**
2. *Jesus* = *He shall save His people from their sins,* establishing His Humani**ty**. Mt. 1:21
3. *Emmanuel* = *which being interpreted is, God with us,* establishing His Dei**ty***.* Mt. 1:23 cf. Isa. 7:14
4. The Name - *Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name*

*under heaven given among men by which we must be saved,* its Exclusivi**ty**: Acts 4:12, NKJV

1. **The Promises in His Name:**
2. He **P**romised His **P**resence when gathered in His Name.

*Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of* *them*. Mt. 18:20

1. He **P**romised **P**ower in **P**rayer when **P**rayed in His Name. Jn. 14:13
2. *Whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.*
3. *Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go*

*and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain:*

*that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in My name, He may give it you.* Jn. 15:16

1. *And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you,*

*Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My name, He will give it you.* Jn. 16:23

1. He **P**romised His **P**ersonal Rewards.
2. *For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in My name, because ye belong to Christ,*

*verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward.* Mk. 9:41

1. *Whosoever shall receive one of such children in My name, receiveth Me:*

*and whosoever shall receive Me, receiveth not Me, but Him that sent Me.* Mk. 9:37

1. **The Prominence in His Name: Rev. 19:11-16**
2. *… and He that sat upon him was called Faithful and True…*
3. *…and He had a name written, that no man knew, but He Himself…*
4. *…His name is called The Word of God.*
5. *And He hath…a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.*
6. **The Proclamation in remembrance and in Reverence of His Person:**

 At the Lord’s Supper, believers **G**ather in His Name. He is therefore **P**resent as He **P**romised.

 We are to **G**ive thanks for Him and to Remember Him for **W**hat He did for us. 1 Cor. 11:24-25

*And when He had given thanks, He brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is My body,*

 *which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of Me.*

 *After the same manner also He took the cup, when He had supped, saying,*

 *This cup is the new testament in My blood:*

 *this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me.*

*Meet and remember Me! Remember Thee! Thy death, Thy shame*

*Our sinful hearts to share! O memory, leave no other name*

 *But His recorded there.* Gerard T. Noel

**REFLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK. R. 787**

1. The Name of Jesus is very significant in John’s Gospel. John recorded **seven** occasions when the Lord Jesus Himself promised what He would do for His people if they came to Him and asked “*whatever*” in His Name, i.e. “*in My Name*”.

Following is John’s record of the Lord’s Seven Proclamations (and ***Seven*** is a significant number of Perfection or Completion in Scripture) of what His Father or He Himself would do when His disciples petition “***in My Name***”:

1. **Jn. 14:13 *-*** *Whatsoever ye shall ask* ***in My name****, that will I do,*

*that the Father may be glorified in the Son*

1. **Jn. 14:14 -** *If ye shall ask any thing* ***in My name****, I will do it.*
2. **Jn. 15:16 *-*** *Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you,*

*that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father* ***in My name****, He may give it you.*

1. **Jn. 16:23 -** *And in that day ye shall ask Me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you*

*Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father* ***in My name****, He will give it you.*

1. **Jn. 16:24** *- Hitherto have ye asked nothing* ***in My name****: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.*
2. **Jn. 16:26 -** *At that day ye shall ask* ***in My name****: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you:*
3. **Jn. 14:26 *-****But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send*

 ***in My name****, He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.*

One of the things the Holy Spirit Whom God the Father sends in the Lord’s Name to be with us to indwell us, and to teach us is that when we ask *whatsoever* things of the Father or of the Lord, we should do so ***in His Name***. Do you know now why so many Christians end their prayers or praises of worship “*in His Name*” or “*in the Name of Jesus*” and we say “*amen*” to them?

Yet these days, there is a current trend not to do so by so-called modern-day Christians!

They just end their prayers abruptly as they would in a conversation with their friends or family relations. There is no necessity to end their prayer, “*in the Name of the Lord Jesus*”.

In the light of what the Lord taught above, is this correct or scriptural?

And what about saying, “***Amen***” at the end of such prayer?

See 1 Cor. 14:16 - *Else when thou shalt bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the room of the unlearned say Amen at thy giving of thanks, seeing he understandeth not what thou sayest?*

Do you say, “*in the Name of Jesus*” and “*Amen*” at the end of your or other people’s prayer

or praise? If not, why not? **REFLECT**.

1. We need also to beware of false prophets or professing Christians who blatantly use the Name of Jesus to deceive innocent people to believe what they claim or to follow what they do or say.

Mt. 24:5; Mk. 13:6 – *Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come*

***in My name****, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many*.

They would even have the audacity to appear before Him and claim:

Mt. 7:22-23 – *Many will say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied*

***in Thy name****? and* ***in Thy name*** *have cast out devils?*

 *and* ***in Thy name*** *done many wonderful works?*

 *And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from Me, ye that work iniquity.*

These are the people who profess the Name of Jesus, who perform acts in His Name,

yet we need to beware of them! **REFLECT**.

**Points To Ponder:** *They* ***P****rofess the Name of Jesus, but they never* ***P****ossess Him!*