

The Name of Jesus

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We have power of attorney in and to use the name of Jesus.

Kenyon - "The measure of His ability [Christ's] is the measure of the value of that Name, and all that is invested in that Name belongs to us, for Jesus gave us the unqualified use of His Name.

The Name in Prayer - Jhn 16:24 .. *hitherto you have asked nothing in my name ..* (hitherto - up till now, or till this time)

Kenyon - "This puts prayer on a purely legal basis for He has given us the legal right to use His Name. As we take our privileges, and rights, in the New Covenant and pray in Jesus' Name, it passes out of our hands into the hands of Jesus; He then assumes the responsibility of that prayer, and we know that He said, "Father, I thank Thee that Thou heardest Me, and I know that Thou Heardest Me always." In other words, we know that the Father always hears Jesus, and when we pray in Jesus' Name, it is as though Jesus Himself were doing the praying - He takes our place. This places prayer not only on legal grounds, but makes it a business proposition. When we pray, we take Jesus' place here to carry out His will, and He takes our place before the Father."

The Name in Combat - We have authority against all powers of darkness - Mrk 16:17-18 (*these signs shall accompany*). In this Jesus is revealing His part in the great commission (Mt 28:18-20).

It isn't so much up to God concerning matters on this earth as it is up to us. We have been authorized by Jesus to do something.

Jesus is with us .. Mt 18:19-20 .. two or three agreeing / gathering ..

The Resources of Jesus - Kenyon, "When Jesus gave us the legal right to use this Name, the Father knew all that Name would imply when breathed in prayer ... and it's His joy to recognize that Name. So the possibilities enfolded in that Name are beyond our understanding, and when He says to the Church, "Whatsoever you shall ask of the Father in My Name," He is giving us a signed check on the resources of heaven and asking us to fill it in. It would pay the Church to begin an exhausting study of the resources of Jesus in order to get a measurement of the wealth that Name holds for her today.

The More Excellent Name: How It Came

Men obtain great names in three ways. Some are born to a great name - a kings. Others make their name great by their achievements. Still others have a great name conferred upon them. Jesus' Name is great because of all three.

By Inheritance

Hb 1:1-6 .. begotten when raised from the dead in power and glory..

By Bestowal

Phil 2:9-11 ..

Kenyon, "The inference is that there was Name known in heaven, unknown elsewhere, and this Name was kept to be conferred upon someone who should merit it: and Jesus, as we know Him - the Eternal Son as He is known in the bosom of the Father - was given this Name, and at this Name every knee shall bow in three worlds - Heaven, Earth, and Hell - and every tongue shall confess that He is Lord of the three worlds to the glory of God, the Father."

Eph 1:17-23 .. Moffat's translation - *May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, grant you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation for the knowledge of himself, illuminating the eyes of your heart, so that you can understand the hope to which he calls us, the wealth of his glorious heritage in the saints, and the surpassing greatness of his power over us believers - a power which operates with the strength of the might which he exerted in raising Christ from the dead and seating Him at his right hand in the heavenly sphere, above all the angelic rulers, authorities, powers, and lords, above every name that is to be named not only in this age - but in the age to come - he has put everything under his feet and set him as head over everything FOR THE CHURCH, the church which is his Body, filled by him who fills the universe entirely."*

Kenyon - "God has made this investment for the benefit of the church. He has made this deposit on which the Church has a right to draw for Her every need . He has given to Him the Name that has within it the fullness of the Godhead, the wealth of the Eternities, and the love of the heart of the Father-God: and, that Name is given us. We have the right to use that Name against our enemies. we have the right to use it in our petitions and in our praises and worship. That name has been given to us.

Heaven, earth and hell all recognize what Jesus did.

By Conquest

Eph 1:20-21; Col 2:15 .. has put to naught .. The conquest that Jesus made of the devil, of sin, of sickness, and disease is wrapped up in the Name.

When you know what is back of that Name - when you know the authority invested in that Name - when you know what Jesus wrought, ... (enables confident and effective use).. delivered from the power of darkness means -- from the authority or power of Satan .. he has no authority to dominate the Christian of the Church ..

Authority in the Name

Rev 1:18 .. I Am the authorized One .. (Mt 28:18-19; Mrk 16:17-18) .. He authorized us to use that Name

the Person .. Kenyon - "Oh, that our eyes were open; that our souls would dare rise into the realm of Omnipotence where the Name would mean to us all that the Father has invested in it; that we would act up to our high privileges in Christ Jesus. This is practically an unexplored tableland in Christian experience. Here and there, some of us have experienced the authority vested in the Name of Jesus. We have seen the lame walk, the deaf hear, the blind see; those on the verge of death brought back instantly to health and vigor; but so far, none of us been able to take a permanent place in our privileges and abide where we may enjoy the fullness of this mighty power.

The Possession of the Church

Acts 3:3-6 ..

C H Spurgeon told on an experience when he was called to the home of an elderly woman was bedfast. Malnutrition was about to take her physical life. During his visit, Spurgeon noticed a framed document on the wall. He asked, "Is this your?" She said it was, and explained that she had worked as a maid in the household of some of the English nobility. "Before Lady _____ died," the woman said, "she gave that to me. I served her nearly half a century. I've been so proud of it because she gave it to me. I had it framed. It's been hanging on the wall ever since she died 10 years ago." Me. Spurgeon asked. "Would you let me take it and have it examined more closely?" "Oh yes,:" said the woman, who never learned to read, "just be sure to see I get it back." Spurgeon took it to the authorities. They had been looking for it. It was a bequest. The English noblewoman had left her maid a home and money. She had lived in a little one-room house built out of wooden boxes and was starving to death - yet she had hanging on the wall a document that authorized her to be well cared for and to live in a fine house. The money was gathering interest. It belonged to her. Spurgeon had helped her get it, but it didn't do her as much good as it could have earlier.

.. you must know what is invested in that Name .. what's in back of that Name ..

Backed by Deity

Kenyon - "There is no denying that the challenge of His deity has already begun it reactionary effect upon society. If Jesus is not deity, He is not Lord. If He is not Lord, then He cannot interfere with our moral activities. If He is not Lord, then the laws that have been founded upon His teachings have lost their force. The morals that surround marriage with its loft ideals have no basis or fact."

If you believe His deity, you will follow His precepts, His teachings, His morals. You will follow them in business dealings and in you daily life.

Kenyon - "To say He was but a good man is an insult. To say that He was the highest expression of deity in humanity is to throw the lie into His face. Jesus is or He is not what He said He was."

That Name - In Salvation

There is no salvation apart from the Name of Jesus .. Mt 1:21-23; Acts 4:12

The Name and Baptisms

The Bible teaches that there are three baptisms available to every person in the Name of Jesus (1) baptism into the Body of Christ (2) baptism into the water (3) baptism into the Holy Spirit. .. I Cor 12:13; Gal 3:27-28 .. Acts 1:5 .. Mrk 16:17

The Name of Jesus in our Daily Walk

In prayer .. many use that Name but without understanding the significance of it.. some repeat it in parrot-like fashion .. most do not expect it to work. Jhn 16:23-24

In demanding our rights .. re. Jhn 14:13-14 > .. different from Jhn 16 where the Father gives, here the Father 'does'; this is dealing with doing greater works .. The word ask also means demand (eg. Acts 3 .. in the Name of Jesus, rise and walk.

Why that name doesn't 'seem' to do now what it did then .. Acts 3:12-16 .. entails "through faith in His Name'. We have the same Name but our faith in the Name is not the same.

All in the Name

Col 3:17 .. whatever you do .. in word or deed .. (they were conscious of that Name in their daily lives)

In My Name - Cast Out Demons

Acts 16:16-18 .. Paul didn't speak to the girl, he spoke to the spirit.

Kenyon, "One would think, that in reading our modern religious literature, and listening to the average preacher's sermons, that demons had gone out of existence, or else they had been herded together in the slums of the city and were spending their entire time among the lower strata of humanity."

"Don't deal with the person, deal with the spirit" .. Eph 6:12 ... Col 4:12 > .. laboring (striving) in prayers, ...

Demons dominate people in more ways than we realize. Being filled with the HG, doesn't mean you can't 'yield' to the devil ... when we yield to the world, flesh, or the devil, these dominate our lives (gain influence and control)

Kenyon, "I found the reason many men did not accept Jesus as their Savior was because they were held by the power of demons. .. unable to break loose from the bonds that are holding them .."

Can a Christian be Possessed?

Man is spirit - has a soul - lives in a body. When one is fully possessed, the devil has take over his spirit, soul (mind), and his body. Mrk 5:15 - the demoniac of Gaderea .. was 'possessed' of a devil and a legion dwelt in him.

A Christian can have a demon .. sometimes it is in his flesh or body. Mt 9:25 - Jesus commanded a deaf and dumb spirit to come out - it wasn't in the person's spirit, it was in their body.

Eph 4:27 - neither give place to the devil .. (make no provision, give no room to or for, not yielding to)