

PATHWAYS TO PRAYING WITH POWER – WHAT’S IN A NAME

THEME: The Lord Jesus teaches us how to have AUTHORITY in Prayer by the proper use of His Name.

John 14:13: *And whatsoever ye shall ask IN MY NAME, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.*

John 14:14: *If ye shall ask anything IN MY NAME I will do it.*

John 15:16b: *... whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father IN MY NAME, He may give it you.*

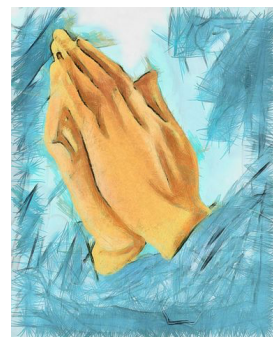
John 16:23: *Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father IN MY NAME, He will give it you.*

John 16:24: *Hitherto have ye asked nothing IN MY NAME: ASK, and ye SHALL RECEIVE, that your joy may be full.*

John 16:26-27:

²⁶ *At that day ye shall ask IN MY NAME: and I say not unto you, that I will pray The Father for you:*

²⁷ *For the Father Himself loveth you, because you have loved Me, and have believed that I came out from God.*



INTRODUCTION:

Up until the time of Jesus' departure to go to the Father, He had never taught them to pray after this manner, nor had He Himself ever used this expression. The closest He came to it was in:

Matthew 18:20: *For where two or three are gathered together IN MY NAME, there am I in the MIDST of them.*

These are our Lord's parting words, which He repeated SIX TIMES concerning the proper use of His Name.

Notice the unlimited number of requests and petitions which are to be made IN HIS NAME:

a) *Whatsoever ye shall ask*

b) If ye shall ask ANYTHING IN MY NAME

c) What ye will

Jesus here is teaching us that HIS NAME is our ALL SUFFICIENT PLEA. In other words, the POWER IN PRAYER and its answer depends on THE RIGHT USE OF HIS NAME.

WHAT IS IN A PERSON'S NAME?

Here in America, most of our names were given to us by our parents, either:

- a) Because they thought the name sounded pretty nice to them,**
- b) Or it reminded them of some close relative,**
- c) Or, even perhaps some of very famous person.**

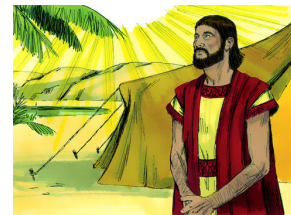
People's names very often suggest something about that person. For example, if we mention the name of George Washington or Abraham Lincoln, these names will get the attention of many at first mention. They suggest not only the names of PRESIDENTS of our nation, but men whom we hold in high esteem and honor.

However, in Bible days, names carried certain meanings, and the parents were either directly led by God to give the name, or they selected the name because of the message it carried.

For example:

1. ABRAHAM: God changed his name from Abram to Abraham which means: the father of a great multitude. Abram means a high father.

Genesis 17:5: Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.



2. ADAM: means red earth

Genesis 2:7: And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

1 Corinthians 15:47: The first man is of the earth, earthy:

3. ADONIJAH: Jehovah is Lord (he is the fourth son of David)

2 Samuel 3:4: And the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith....

4. BEN-AMMI: “son of My people”

Genesis 19:37-38: And the firstborn bore a son, and called his name Moab: the same is the father of the Moabites unto this day. And the younger, she also bore a son, and called his name Ben-ammi: the same is the father of the children of Ammon unto this day.

5. CYRUS: “sun to My Shepherd”

Isaiah 44:28: Who saith of Cyrus, he is My shepherd, and shall perform all My pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, “Thou shalt be built; and to the Temple, Thy foundation shall be laid.”

6. DAVID: “well beloved”

Ruth 4:17, 22:

¹⁷ And the women her neighbours gave it a name, saying, There is a son born to Naomi; and they called his name Obed: he is the father of Jesse, the father of David. And Obed begat Jesse, and Jesse begat David.

²² And Obed begat Jesse, and Jesse begat David.



7. ENOS: “mortal”

Genesis 4:26: And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name Enos: then began men to call upon the Name of the LORD.

8. EVE: “the mother of all living”

Genesis 3:20: And Adam called his wife’s name Eve; because she was the mother of all living.

9. GERSHOM: “I have been a stranger in a strange land.”

Exodus 2:22: And she bore him a son, and he called his name Gershom: for he said, I have been a stranger in a strange land.

10. HAN-AN-IAH: “given to God”

1 Chronicles 25:23: The sixteenth to Hananiah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve.

11. ICHABOD: “The glory is departed”

Eli, the High Priest, had two sons named: Hophni and Phinehas. Phinehas’s wife was expecting a child, and when it was near to be delivered, she named him Ichabod. Then she tells why: for the Glory of the Lord is departed.

1 Samuel 4:19-22:

¹⁹ And his daughter in law, Phinehas’ wife was with child, near to be delivered: and when she heard the tidings that the Ark of God was taken, and that her father in law and her husband were dead, she bowed herself and travailed; for her pains were come upon her.

²⁰ And about the time of her death the women that stood by her said unto her, Fear not; for thou hast born a son. But she answered not, neither did she regard it.

²¹ And she named the child Ichabod, saying, The Glory is departed from Israel: because the Ark of God was taken, and because of her father in law and her husband.

²² And she said, The Glory is departed from Israel: for the Ark of God is taken.

12. ISAAC: “laughter”

Genesis 17:19: And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish My Covenant with him for an Everlasting Covenant, and with his seed after him.



Genesis 21:6: And Sarah said, God hath made me to laugh, so that all that hear will laugh with me.

13. JOSIAH: “God heals”

1 Kings 13:2: And he cried against the altar in the Word of the LORD, and said, O altar; altar, thus saith the LORD; Behold, a child shall be born unto the house of David, Josiah by name: and upon thee shall he offer the priests of the high places who burn incense upon thee, and men’s bones shall be burnt upon thee.

14. JOHN: “gracious gift of God”

Luke 1:57-63:

⁵⁷ Now Elizabeth’s full time came that she should be delivered; and she brought forth a son.

⁵⁸ And her neighbours and her cousins heard how the Lord had shown great mercy upon her; and they rejoiced with her.

⁵⁹ And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they called him Zacharias, after the name of his father.

⁶⁰ And his mother answered and said, Not so; but he shall be called John.

⁶¹ And they said to her, There is none of thy kindred that is called by this name.

⁶² And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called.

⁶³ And he asked for a writing table, and wrote, saying, “His name is John.” And they marveled all.

15. JESUS: “Saviour”

Matthew 1:21: And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call His Name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins.



Matthew 1:23: 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.

Isaiah 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: (a) WONDERFUL, (b) COUNSELLOR, (c) THE MIGHTY GOD, (d) THE EVERLASTING FATHER, (e) THE PRINCE OF PEACE.

16. JACOB: “heel catcher”

Genesis 25:26: And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau’s heel; and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was threescore years old when she bore them.

His name was changed to Israel by God: “prince with God”

Genesis 32:28: And He [the Lord] said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.

17. JOSEPH: “he shall add”

Genesis 30:24: *And she called his name Joseph; and said, The LORD shall add to me another son.*

18. MOAB: “of his father”

Genesis 19:37: *And the firstborn bore a son, and called his name Moab: the same is the father of the Moabites unto this day.*

19. MOSES: “drew out of the water”

Exodus 2:10: *And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh’s daughter, and he became her son. And she called his name Moses: and she said, Because I drew him out of the water.*



20. NABAL: “fool”

1 Samuel 25:25: *Let not my lord, I pray thee, regard this man of Belial, even Nabal: for as his name is, so is he; Nabal is his name, and folly is with him: but I thine handmaid saw not the young men of my lord, whom thou didst send.*

20. REUBEN: “behold a son”

Genesis 29:32: *And Leah conceived, and bore a son, and she called his name Reuben: for she said, Surely the LORD hath looked upon my affliction; now therefore my husband will love me.*

21. SAMUEL: “God hath heard”

1 Samuel 1:19-28:

19 *And they rose up in the morning early, and worshipped before the LORD, and returned, and came to their house to Ramah: and Elkanah knew Hannah his wife; and the LORD remembered her.*

20 *Wherefore it came to pass, when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that she bore a son, and called his name Samuel, saying, Because I have asked the LORD.*

21 *And the man Elkanah, and all his house, went up to offer unto the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and his vow.*

22 But Hannah went not up; for she said unto her husband, I will not go up until the child be weaned, and then I will bring him, that he may appear before the LORD, and there abide for ever.

23 And Elkanah her husband said unto her, Do what seemeth thee good; tarry until thou hast weaned him; only the LORD establish His Word. So the woman abode, and gave her son suck until she weaned him.

24 And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three bullocks, and one ephah of flour, and a bottle of wine, and brought him unto the house of the LORD in Shiloh: and the child was young.

25 And they slew a bullock, and brought the child to Eli.

26 And she said, Oh my lord, as thy soul liveth, my lord, I am the woman that stood by thee here, praying unto the LORD.

27 For this child I prayed; and the LORD hath given me my petition which I asked of Him:

28 Therefore also I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the LORD. And he worshiped the LORD there.



22. SOLOMON: “peaceful”

1 Chronicles 22:9: Behold, a son shall be born to thee, who shall be a man of rest; and I will give him rest from all his enemies round about: for his name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness unto Israel in his days.

23. SHEAR-JASHUB: “a remnant shall return”

Isaiah 7:3: Then said the LORD unto Isaiah, Go forth now to meet Ahaz, thou, and Shearjashub thy son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller’s field;

24. SARAI: “contentious”

Genesis 11:29-31: ²⁹ And Abram and Nahor took them wives: the name of Abram’s wife was Sarai; and the name of Nahor’s wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah. ³⁰ But Sarai was barren; she had no child. ³¹ And Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran his son’s son, and Sarai his daughter in law, his son Abram’s wife; and they went forth with them from Ur of the Chaldees, to go into the land of Canaan; and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there.

25. WONDERFUL:

Isaiah 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.



3 John 7 Because that for HIS NAME'S SAKE they went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles. [or "for the sake of His Name"]

This profound instruction which the **LORD JESUS CHRIST** gives to us about prayer **IN HIS NAME** is given first to the disciples at the close of Jesus' earthly ministry. It plainly shows that **THE FATHER** and **THE SON** are acting jointly to the answering of our prayers. We cannot bypass the Lord Jesus when we are praying to the Father. Jesus is our only **MEDIATOR** between God and mankind.

1 Timothy 2:5: For there is one God, and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus.

John 14:6: Jesus saith unto him, "I AM the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me."

The Father is revealed in His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. When we ask the Father for our requests, our requests are to be granted. We can feel encouraged to expect His gracious answer because of what we know about Jesus Who reveals our Father's true Nature and Character.

John 14:9: Jesus saith unto him, "Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known Me, Philip? he that hath seen Me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Show us the Father?"

The Words, which Jesus spoke, were given to Him by the Father.

John 12:49: For I have not spoken of Myself; but the Father Who sent Me, He gave Me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.

This **PRAYING IN JESUS NAME** tells us more about our Lord Jesus' ministry in Heaven as our Mediator during this present Dispensation of Grace.

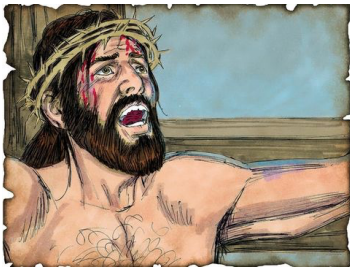
Ephesians 3:2: If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God

which is given me to you-ward:

So greatly do we need the prayer ministry our Mediator that Job cried out for a DAYSMAN.

Job 9:33: Neither is there any daysman betwixt us, that might lay his hand upon us both.

This is exactly what Christ is doing for us today. His atonement has healed the breach between us and our Holy God. Jesus demonstrated this ministry beautifully on the Cross, when He said:



Luke 23:34: Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.” And they parted His raiment, and cast lots.

Romans 8:34: Who is he that condemneth? Is it Christ Who died, yea, rather, Who is risen again, Who is even at the right Hand of God, Who also maketh intercession for us.

Hebrews 7:25: Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them.

God taught us this necessity of a MEDIATOR in the life of Joseph who is a type of CHRIST. We see that no one could obtain any help from Pharaoh but through Joseph.

Genesis 41:44-45:

44 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I am Pharaoh, and without thee shall no man lift up his hand or foot in all the land of Egypt.

45 And Pharaoh called Joseph’s name Zaphnath-paaneah; and he gave him to wife Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah priest of On. And Joseph went out over all the land of Egypt.

Pharaoh said unto the Egyptians: “Go unto Joseph” was his response to all who came to him for relief from poverty, or for answering their questions for justice when they were unfairly treated.

Exodus 20:19: And they said unto Moses, Speak thou with us, and we will hear: but let not God speak with us, lest we die.

The ministry of Aaron was God's next way of illustrating Christ's intercessory ministry for us as our **HIGH PRIEST**. Aaron had placed upon his heart a breastplate bearing the names of the twelve Tribes of Israel which he carried continually. So, the Lord Jesus bears our names before the Throne of Grace to the Father continually. What a new and precious meaning these figures give to us in the prayer closet. Seeing then that we **HAVE a GREAT HIGH PRIEST**, Who is passed into the **HEAVENS, JESUS THE SON OF GOD**, let us hold fast our profession.



Hebrews 4:14: Seeing then that we have a great HIGH PRIEST, that is passed into the Heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.

Hebrews 4:16: Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of Grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

PRAYING IN JESUS' NAME

This signifies that our prayers are to be resting upon the finished work of Christ on the Cross at Calvary. Thus, our redemption rights to come to the Throne of Grace are based on His shed Blood which purchased our salvation. All the Promises in the **NEW COVENANT** are predicated upon **HIS ATONEMENT**.

To illustrate what Christ's Atonement means in Heaven, may I share with you an incident which took place some time ago on behalf of one of our World War soldiers?

His brother had gotten into trouble with the law and was called into court. The brother, who had lost his arm in combat stood silently by his brother as he appeared before the judge for sentencing.

Realizing all his arguments and pleas were useless for leniency on behalf of his brother, the courageous soldier just held up his amputated arm before the judge and reminded the judge what he gave and forfeited for our country. How eloquently that act touched the judge's heart. He answered this way: "*Your brother is unworthy of mercy, but for your sake I will give it because you suffered and have purchased it with your blood.*"

Jesus gave more than an arm or leg. He gave His whole life to purchase our pardon. This is how the apostle Peter records it in:

1 Peter 1:18-20:

18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible

things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;

19 But with the precious Blood of Christ, as of a Lamb without blemish and without spot:

20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you.

Romans 8:32: He Who spared not His Only Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He [God] not with Him [Jesus] also freely give us all things?

IN JESUS' NAME

This expresses the marvelous relationship which the Father and the Son have. It means that ON HIS ACCOUNT, IN HIS STEAD, we come boldly before the Throne of Grace because the Lord Jesus told us to do so. THIS PRIVILEGE IS LIMITED, however, by its very own nature. We cannot ask in the behalf of Christ for something which is outside the Will of Christ, or contrary to His nature. That is why Jesus taught us how to pray in:

Matthew 6:9-13:

9 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name.

10 Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in Heaven.

11 Give us this day our daily bread.

12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ESTEEMING THE NAME OF JESUS

This expression of our praying in JESUS' NAME is in proportion to our walking worthy of His Name and esteeming it highly. These Scriptures will show us what is meant by these Words:

Acts 5:41: And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer FOR HIS NAME.

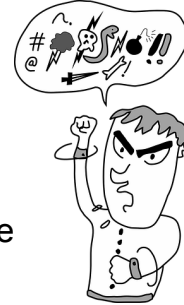
Colossians 1:10: That ye walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the Knowledge of God.

James 2:7: Do not they blaspheme that worthy NAME by which Ye are called?

JESUS is the bearer of a NAME which is above every name.

Philippians 2:9: Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a Name which is above every name:

This is primarily in Heaven, itself. Here on earth, this **MOST WORTHY NAME** is often dragged in the mud as a curse word by the wicked and ungodly. Those who bear **His Name** are often held in reproach and made to suffer for Jesus' Name which we gladly bear, being called CHRISTIANS. Listen to what Christ prophesied about the apostle Paul in:



Acts: 9:16: I will show him how great he must suffer of MY NAME'S sake.

You and I can readily tell how much we are living and walking worthy of Jesus' Name by the amount of persecution which we bear for HIS NAME'S sake. These words are spoken in commendation of Barnabas and Paul by the church in:

Acts:15:26: Men that have hazarded their lives for THE NAME of our Lord Jesus Christ.



Listen to Paul's witness for Christ before the weeping saints who were begging Paul **not** to go up to Jerusalem, lest he would forfeit his life for THE NAME OF CHRIST.

Acts 21:13a : . . . For I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the Name of the Lord Jesus.

Paul knew that the NAME OF JESUS is an expression of all JESUS has done for us, and all He is doing today for us at the right Hand of the Throne of the Majesty on High. He holds that HIGH AND WORTHY NAME in the highest esteem. That is why He had power in His praying that moved God to answer Him so mightily. The Lord Jesus could trust Paul with the free use of HIS NAME in prayer, with UNLIMITED REQUESTS.

The Words of Jesus:

John 15:7: "If ye abide in Me, and My Words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."

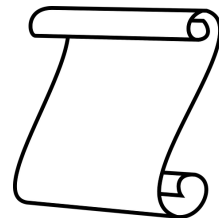
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THE FREE USE OF THE NAME OF JESUS

When the Lord gave us this privilege of free use of **His Name**, it is always a token of CLOSE UNION and GREAT CONFIDENCE which He places in His redeemed children. Just like the lady who gave me power of attorney of her estate, I was given the privilege to write checks and take care of all the business pertaining to her name. I am given this POWER to act primarily in HER INTEREST and for her sake.

This is the closest meaning which I can explain to you concerning the RIGHTFUL USE OF JESUS' NAME. Because this lady knew and trusted me fully, she gave me this POWER of ATTORNEY.



Philippians 4:19: But My God SHALL SUPPLY ALL YOUR NEED according to HIS RICHES in Glory by Christ Jesus.

Only sin and selfishness can shut up this unlimited storehouse to us. God will open it again to us when we can be trusted with the KEY'S TO GOD'S BANK. We can only have access to it through our Lord Jesus Christ. Listen to the Word in Romans:

Romans 5:2a: By WHOM also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand,

Ephesians 2:18: For through HIM we both have access by One Spirit unto the Father.

Ephesians 3:12: IN WHOM we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of HIM.

I cannot gain admittance into the Holy Presence of God the Father, nor have audience with Him to present my petitions outside the NAME OF JESUS. The privilege of using HIS NAME implies the RIGHT of this privilege in prayer. In that RIGHT we have CHRIST'S AUTHORITY and POWER in prayer.

When I lack this, then I know my prayers are not going to get very far.

ILLUSTRATION

In the city of New York some time ago, a merchant had to go into bankruptcy. After surrendering all his goods to his creditors, he found himself hopelessly rejected by the wholesalers. No one would give him credit to the amount of a single dollar. He had a brother living in Boston who was everywhere known to be worth millions of dollars. This wealthy brother sent on to his bankrupt brother the POWER OF ATTORNEY; no limits being designated to transact business in his name. The poor bankrupt man immediately rented a building right in the business center of the city. He filled it with goods and commenced operations as one of the most prosperous merchants in the city.



Listen to what he said, "I couldn't buy anything in my own name. No man would give me credit for even a small purchase. I entered into the store of an IMPORTER, and having selected a quantity of goods requested him to send them to my store. But the IMPORTER asked, 'How shall I bill it?' To myself, of course," I responded. He said, "I cannot do that," was the prompt response. I showed him my POWER OF ATTORNEY and remarked, "Then I will purchase them in my brother's name." He insisted in seeing the POWER OF ATTORNEY and received the prompt reply. In my dear brother's name I could purchase anything the Importer had. That is a very humbling experience, but it works".

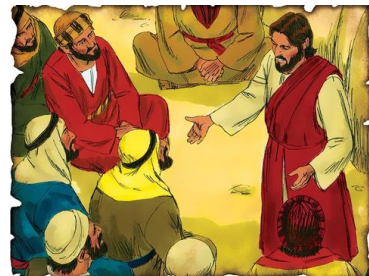
Do you get this message? Christ authorizes us to use HIS POWER OF ATTORNEY before the Throne of Grace. God cannot deny His Son's Name.

Also, it is equally impossible for the Eternal God to withhold any good thing of which the Son has said: "Ask in My Name." The Father will not dishonor the NAME OF CHRIST, His Only Begotten Son, to those whom Christ authorizes to use His NAME.

The Words of Jesus:

John 15:7: If ye abide in Me, and My Words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

James 1:6: But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.



We must present Christ's Sacrifice as our basis of merit, as though it were our very own, as grounds for our petition's acceptance.

On the other hand, to go to the Father without consciously relying in the merits of Christ's Atonement is to go to the Bank of Heaven without our CHECKBOOK.

ILLUSTRATION:

Rev. E. P. Scott was laboring as a missionary in India. He saw on the street one of the strangest looking heathen his eyes had ever lit upon. On inquiring, he found out the man was from one of the mountain district tribes. He would come down once a year to trade. Upon further investigation, he found out that no missionary would venture into that region because of their murderous tendencies.



God stirred his heart, relates William Reynolds, of Peoria, Ill., and his desire to break the Bread of Life to them. He went to his lodging place, fell on his knees, and pleaded with God for divine directions. Arising from his knees, he packed his valise, took his violin with which he was accustomed to sing, and started in the direction of God's Macedonian call.

As he bade the fellow missionaries farewell, they said to him, *"We shall never see your face again. It is only madness for you to even attempt to go there."* But he said, *"I must go and preach Jesus to them."*

For two days he traveled without scarcely seeing or meeting a human being. At last, he found himself in the mountains and suddenly surrounded by a crowd of savages. Every spear was instantly pointed at his heart. He expected that any moment would be his last. Not knowing of any other resource, he tried the power of singing THE NAME OF JESUS to them. Drawing forth his violin, he began with closed eyes to sing:

***All Hail the power of Jesus Name
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring for the the royal diadem,
And crown HIM LORD of ALL***

Being afraid to open his eyes, he sang on till the third verse, and while singing the stanza:

***Let every kindred, every tribe
On this terrestrial ball,
To HIM all majesty ascribe,
And crown HIM LORD of ALL.***



He opened his eyes to see what they were going to do, when lo!!! The spears had dropped from their hands and the big tears were falling from their eyes.



They afterward invited him to their homes. He spent the two and one-half years among them. His labors were so richly rewarded that when he was compelled to leave them because of impaired health and return to his own country, they followed him for thirty miles.

Upon their returning to leave for the village, they asked him, “*Come back to us again.*” There are tribes beyond that never heard the Gospel. He could not resist their entreaties. After visiting America, he went back again to continue his labors until he sank into death and the grave there among them.

No devil has so powerful hold on the human soul but that the power of CHRIST’S NAME, in answer to prayer, can cast him out. WHO HAS THE RIGHT TO USE THE NAME OF CHRIST? — Only those who OBEY HIM.

Multitudes ask in the Name of Christ who have no warrant because they are living in sin.

Asking all in the NAME OF JESUS implies doing all He commands, in HIS NAME. The full power and use of His Name comes to those who abide in Him. If we fail to meet these conditions specified by Christ, then He does not authorize us to use HIS NAME in prayer.

THE USE OF HIS NAME IS FOR THOSE WHO ARE REALLY CHRISTIANS (i.e. FULLY CHRISTIANS). Those who are fully consecrated are the ones who have their ALL on the altar. Then the OFFERING IS COMPLETE; then we are ready, like Paul and Barnabas, to even die for the Name of Jesus, if needs be.

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