# A Name Above Every Name

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## INTRODUCTION

- He humbled himself, became obedient, even unto death. Even death on a cross. But that's not where the story ends.
- Therefore also God highly exalted him, and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

## 1 Baptized in the Name of Jesus

**Acts 19:5; Matthew 28:19; 1 Peter 3:21**

- To be baptized in the name of Jesus, to be baptized in the name of the Father and Son and the Holy Spirit are one and the same.
- I want to suggest that these passages are not talking about magic words that the baptizer must say.
- The expressions in the name of Jesus and the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit speak to how, why, or upon what basis one is baptized.
- When someone is baptized in the name of Jesus, it is done so because Jesus is now reigning King and Lord.

## 2 The Name of Jesus Is All That He Is

**Hebrews 1:1–4; Hebrews 1:14**

- In these last days, God has spoken to us in his Son. He is the heir of all things.
- He has such a name that is so excelling. That it is a name greater than the angels.
- The name of Jesus is all. It's not one specific title. The name of Jesus is all that he is.
- Because Jesus is all of this, we can be baptized into Christ for the forgiveness of our sins.
- Because Jesus is all of this, we're going to answer to him as our judge.

## 3 Exalted Above All Others

**Matthew 23:10–12; Romans 12:3; Isaiah 40:22–25**

- Why does Jesus have a name that is above every name? Because he humbled himself to the uttermost.
- This is a humility that you and I will never grasp in our experience.
- But the greatest among you shall be your servant, and whoever exalts himself shall be humbled, and whoever humbles himself shall be exalted.
- Every man among you should not think more highly of himself than he ought to think.
- To whom then will you liken me that I should be his equal, says the Holy One.

## 4 We Can Rely on Him

**Philippians 4:19**

- Because he possesses the name that is above every name, that means we can rely on him.
- He is able to save forever those who draw near to him. He ever lives to make intercession for us.
- He's equipped with the resources and the desire to give us everything that we need.
- Let me tell you, people are limited. People are flawed. People disappoint.
- Jesus does not disappoint. He is reliable. Don't lose confidence in him because you lose confidence in people.

## 5 Life Is in His Name

**Hebrews 12:2; John 1:4; Colossians 3:17**

- Life is in his name. Look to Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.
- He renews our hearts. He gives us inner peace, the peace of God that surpasses all comprehension.
- If you don't choose this, you're choosing something less than life. Because life is in him.
- Whatever you do in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through him to God the Father.
- On the basis of all that he is and all that he has done, so live.

THE CHALLENGE

Have you responded submissively and obediently to him? He is the author of eternal salvation to all those who obey him. And he wants to bestow you with tremendous things. Will you submit to him who has the name that is above all names?

MY NOTES