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Two Things the Name of Jesus Represents

It is essential to know that the name of Jesus transcend space and time. That name is different from every other name. There are many names in the universe but there is a unique name that is different from every other name – and that name is the name of Jesus.

Names functionally represents two things. Anytime you hear a name called there is an image that comes to your mind (heart). Beyond the fact that names signify people, it should be noted that names differentiate people. In other words, name don't represent the same thing, two people can bear the same name, but represent two different things. Whenever you hear the names of a person called, you should know it signify two things.

Two things a name represent are

1. Identity
2. Authority

Beyond the fact that we are in a human world and we are familiar with system governing human realm, you have to know that these representations are applicable in the animal world also. In the animal kingdom, there are animals whose name carry higher form of authority. When a rabbit hears of an elephant, something strikes the heart of that rabbit. When an antelope hears about a lion, something strikes. The animals don't just represent an identity alone, but also represent an authority. Whereas there are animals that don't represent anything. Even in the human world, when a lion is mentioned, something strikes in the heart of men, but when you hear a rat or cat, you may not be moved or even seek it so it can be killed. The fact is that there are animals who are regarded as authority in the animal kingdom.

NAMES ARE MORE THAN IDENTITY

When you hear about some people's name, their name carries their title. If the name of an African president is mentioned to you, an image will definitely be formed in your heart. Same with the name of the president of the world power country. The difference is that you tend to consider the name of

the second weighty than the first.

Evidently, we don't only visualize the identity of men in their names, we also visualize the authority they carry.

CLARITY ON THE NAME OF JESUS

Angel Gabriel appeared to Joseph in a dream and told him that the Son who would be born by his wife shall be known as Jesus (Matthew 1:21). You can't find anywhere it was mentioned in the Old Testament that He would be called Jesus. It was only recorded that He will be called Emmanuel which means God is with us.

Coming to the New Testament, we know that the name was declared by an angel. In other words, Jesus' name was declared before He was born as a baby. Angel Gabriel came and said to the parent of Jesus that His name shall be called Jesus for He shall save his people. The first person that named Jesus wasn't His parent but an angel.

The wise men came to seek for the Lord. I hope you know that the wise men were not three people, we only call them three because they brought three types of gift. It was only the account of Matthew that stated that they came from the east. And it was only the account of Matthew that recorded the visitation of the wise men. The wise men asked Herod, where was He who was born the king of the Jews. The wise

men didn't ask where was Jesus because that name wasn't revealed to them.

The star they saw was something that represents and symbolizes the birth of a king. The wise men came to Herod to inquire where He was born and Herod asked to know where He would be born from the religious leaders. Their response was that He would be from Bethlehem. It is funny to know that the religious leader of the day didn't bother to find the Messiah, it was still this stargazers (wise men) that went in search for Him.

The amazing thing is that the star didn't show the wise men that the name of the person was Jesus.

The account of Luke revealed that an angel appeared to some nomads (shepherds) to announce the birth of the Messiah. The angel directed them to where they could find Jesus and eventually they located Him.

It is funny to know that as Jesus grew, He wasn't identified as the Son of God among His people but son of Mary. Some even referred to Him as the son of Joseph. At another time, it is seen that He was referred to as the son of a carpenter. The book of Mark showed us that He was called a carpenter. It should be noted that many called Jesus the carpenter to adjust the roof of their house, some called Him to make stool and chairs for them. I couldn't just imagine the Savior making stool and chairs for

people.

ISRAELITES AND DIVINE NAMES

There are human names and divine names. Divine names refer to the name(s) of God and other creatures in the heavens. It is essential to know that angels are not the only beings in heaven.

Exodus 3:9-14

[9]Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel has come to Me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them.

[10]Come now, therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt."

[11]But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?"

[12]So He said, "I will certainly be with you. And this shall be a sign to you that I have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

[13]Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?"

[14]And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

From the above scripture, the Lord appeared to Moses, and told him go tell the people that the God of their fathers has appeared unto him. Moses questioned God on the name He should tell the people. God told Moses to tell them “I am that I am.”

The name “I am that I am” transcend human minds because it doesn’t refer to any meaning. God was indirectly telling Moses that He is whatever the people call Him. In other words, if I provide for you, you will say God is Jehovah Jireh. To the sick, God would be seen as Jehovah Rapha. Therefore, anything I do to you I am that thing to you. You’ve got to know that every name the Israelites called Jesus was based on the revelation of what He has done for them.

Divine names were known to the Israelites because on many occasions angels appeared to men and mentioned their names to men. There are angels whose name are known to the people. That clearly shows that the naming beings is a practice that started in heaven.

THE INTRODUCTION OF JESUS

Jesus was born, known to people as the son of Joseph. But one day, Jesus appeared at John the Baptist’s baptism to be baptized. After He was baptized, the heaven opened and a voice spoke to

Him saying, *“This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.”*

There was a time Jesus sent His twelve disciples out; He sent them two by two. He sent them out to go preach, heal the sick, cast out demon and they all came back with joy.

Also, Jesus sent the seventy out to preach to the people and when they were out, the Bible only recorded that Jesus gave them power but we don't know how He did that.

Luke 10:17

[17]Then the seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name.”

Jesus gave the disciples power and they returned with joy. The seventy said even demons were subject to us in Your name. In other words, the power Jesus gave the disciple was the instruction and the understanding of the way to use His name. The book of Mark reveals that when Jesus sent the twelve out, the disciples went out anointing those sick with oil. Some people have said the power Jesus gave them was the anointing oil. Well, we need to establish that it is a Jewish culture for people to anoint the sick with oil and since they were sent to the house of Israel alone, they would definitely anoint the sick with oil. But we sure knew they used the name of Jesus. How did we know?

Luke 9:49 says *“Now John answered and said, “Master, we saw someone casting out demons in Your name and we forbade him because he does not follow with us.”*

I want you to take time to read the whole chapter from verse one. You will see that it was in that chapter that Jesus sent His disciples out to go preach, heal and cast out demons. So, after they went out a man saw the way they cast out demons using the name of Jesus, so, he also went out to do the same. That clearly showed that the power Jesus gave his disciples was the use of His name.

THE NAME OF JESUS IS POWERFUL

In the New Testament, Jesus died and resurrected. When He died and resurrected, He went up to the Father and He was made to sit at the right hand of the Father. Eventually, Jesus came back to the disciples and that continued for forty days. He taught them many things pertaining to the kingdom in those forty days.

Mark 16:17-18

[17]And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues;

[18]they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

Jesus showed a portrait of the potency of His name to cast out demons. You don't cast out demon because you are a minister, you cast out demon because you are believers. Believers are empowered to cast out demons in the name of Jesus. The name of Jesus is powerful to cast out demons. He said in my name those who are believers shall cast out demons.

All demon should pack out at the mentioning of the name Jesus. If they don't, the issue isn't with the name of Jesus, but the user of the name. When you call the name of Jesus to cast out any demon, the demon will not respect you but will respect Jesus. As a believer you must be able to maximize the use of the name. Thank God for the revelation you have that the name of Jesus can cast out demon but I want you to know something that the name of Jesus can do more than casting out demon.

THE NAME OF JESUS CAN HEAL THE SICK

Acts 3:1-6

[1]Now Peter and John went up together to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour.

[2]And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms from those who entered the temple;

[3]who, seeing Peter and John about to go into the

temple, asked for alms.

[4]And fixing his eyes on him, with John, Peter said, "Look at us."

[5]So he gave them his attention, expecting to receive something from them.

[6]Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk."

Peter and John went into the synagogue for prayers and it be that as they went, they saw a man at the beautiful gate. The man fixed his eyes on them expecting money to be given but Peter said gold and silver I have not, but what I do have I give unto you, in the name of Jesus rise up and walk.

If you understand the power in the name of Jesus, you will go beyond using the name of Jesus to cast out demon because His name can do more than that. The name of Jesus can be used more than casting out demons. God is taking you to another level where you will display the power of His name. At the beautiful gate, Peter didn't use the name of Jesus to cast out demons, He used it to heal the sick. In other words, the name of Jesus can cast out demons and can also heal the sick.

Just as demons will here Jesus and will leave, so sicknesses, diseases will hear about Jesus and will leave. The man Peter ministered to at the beautiful gate has never walked in his life. The man was

recorded to be over forty years and had never walked in his life. It was his encounter with Peter that made him walk for the first time.

Peter did not lay hands, or pray to minister to him, he only commanded. Peter did not cast out the spirit of paralysis in him. Even when he did not stand, Peter grabbed his hands and lift him up, pulled him up, and he leaped up and began to walk.

Acts 4:7

[7]And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, "By what power or by what name have you done this?"

The Pharisees and the elders questioned Peter and John and said men, by what power or name have you healed this man? In other words, the Pharisees were trying to find out in whose power they were able to perform the healing.

BELIEVERS SHOULD BE TAUGHT THE POWER OF HIS NAME

Acts 4:17

[17]But so that it spreads no further among the people, let us severely threaten them, that from now on they speak to no man in this name."

The elders, Pharisees and Sadducees commanded the apostles never to speak to any man in the name of Jesus. In the body of Christ, we often used the name of Jesus when we preach about salvation. We

tell the people to believe in Jesus and they shall be saved. The question is that after they have believed that name, what will you teach them about the name? People need to be taught that the name of Jesus is used to cast out demons but beyond that, it's also used to heal the sick.

If people understand this reality, they can pray for any sick people in the name of Jesus. And if demon obeys the name of Jesus, it means diseases, sicknesses can obey the name of Jesus.

ASKING IN THE NAME OF JESUS

John 14:14

[14]If you ask anything in My name, I will do it.”

Jesus was speaking to His disciples and He said, whatever you ask in My name that will I do. Most people don't know the reason we pray in the name of Jesus. We pray in the name of Jesus to the Father because Jesus said whatever you ask in my name that will I do. When you come across demon, devils, evil spirit, and you say in the name of Jesus out or leave and they leave, what happen, or like what Peter did as he said gold and silver I have not but what I have I give unto you, in the name of Jesus, rise up and walk. Why will it happen, what actually caused that kind of result to happen, Jesus said whatever you ask the Father in my name that will I do. We don't only use the name of Jesus to cast out demons, heal the

sick, we also use the name of make demands from the Father.

When you pray to the Father in Jesus name, you don't pray to Jesus, you pray to the Father, He said whatever you ask the Father in my name that will I do.

The question is why is the name of Jesus is so powerful? The name of Jesus is powerful because when you call that name, you activate a dynamics and what dynamics is that, Jesus prayed to the Father and every time He requested the Father always answer Him. He granted His request. Anytime Jesus speaks to the Father, He hears Him. You remember Jesus said at the tomb of Lazarus that Father I thank you because you have heard Me and I know that you always hear Me (John 11:41-42). Why will Jesus be so confident that the Father always hears Him and the believers are not confident that the Father always hear them? Believers pray in the name of Jesus and are not confident because they don't understand the power of His name.

If you understand the power of His name, you will be confident to meet the sick and rebuke their sickness or release healing over them in the name of Jesus. With the name of Jesus, you command sicknesses and they disappear. As long as you are a believer, you can make use of the name of the anointed one because the anointed one is Jesus. You

know the word Christ in the Greek is “Christos” and it simply means the anointed one. It is time believer should contend for the understanding of the name of Jesus. When you understand the power in the name of Jesus, you will begin to call the name of Jesus from the realm of the understanding not from the shallow mind.

UNDERSTANDING THE USE OF THE NAME OF JESUS

Now, when we call the name of Jesus, what are we doing? Here is what we are doing. Every time you say in the name of Jesus, you are not using it to do backup. Some people call it as though it was a backup. It is not how you call the name that makes it work but your understanding behind that name. The reason the name of Jesus doesn't work on the lips of some is because they don't call it from the realm of understanding,

When you call it from the realm of understanding, you will see the kind of result you will command. What you need when it comes to the name of Jesus is not one special anointing to put the name of Jesus to work, what you need is the understanding of the power in the name of Jesus. When you have the understanding, you will command unusual result. The power behind the name of Jesus is released to you when you call that name with the picture in your

mind that it is the name of the superior authority in the universe.

Here is the understanding: when you call the name of Jesus, you just put on the identity and authority of Jesus. When believers understand this they will command result fast, they will know that there is more to Christianity because every time you say in the name of Jesus, what you have simply done is that you wear the identity of Jesus and the authority.

When you say in the name of Jesus, what you have done is that, what I am about to say now, it is not you that wants to say it, it is Jesus that want to say it. When you say in the name of Jesus, you have put on the identity of Jesus. When you declare in His name with understanding, you should always bear in mind that whatever you want to declare now, it is Jesus that declares it. When you understand that whatever I say, the person saying it is Jesus, the next thing you have to understand is that whenever Jesus talks, He talks with authority. Whatever I say now, it is Jesus that is saying it and He is saying it with his authority.

Think on the Power of His Name

Sometimes, when some believers mention the name of Jesus, they think about their anointing and fasting and prayer, instead of them to think about the power of His name. The power of His name is that everything should obey it. Jesus was in the boat with His disciples and a mighty tempest; the storm arose, when Jesus woke up. He didn't say in my name peace be still, he addressed it with the understanding that He is an authority over nature. So, anytime you call the name of Jesus, you should believe that you have taken the identity and authority of Jesus and whatever you talk to at that instant must obey the Jesus talking to them.

You remember that when Jesus saw the fig tree, He said let no man eat from you again. Jesus spoke to things. You should begin to address things as Jesus. You have to think it that it is Jesus that is talking

when you talk and if Jesus cannot be disobeyed, you cannot be disobeyed.

The name of Jesus is very powerful; anytime you call the name, what you are activating is the authority of Jesus. Anytime you call the name of Jesus, just know that whatever you declare, it is Jesus that is declaring it with His authority. The reason you call the name of Jesus is just to wear His identity, and speak with His authority.

All believer need to understand that we can't speak anyhow. For example, if the thunder wants to strike, you can tell it to the thunder that in the name of Jesus, thunder stops. If it was Jesus Himself, He doesn't need to call the name of Jesus, all He need to say is thunder stop. The reasons you have to call his name while speaking on His behalf is because you want to wear His identity and authority. When you call His name, believe that things will happen.

When Peter met the man at the Beautiful gate and said what I do have I give to you in the name of Jesus rise and walk, when he said that what he did was that the person speaking to you now is not Peter but Jesus, and immediately he said that, the man didn't rise to walk. But Peter knew what has happened, he pulled him up and the man began to walk. Believers need to understand that the name of Jesus can work healing. When you call the name of Jesus over sickness and diseases, what you are saying is that it is Jesus that

is addressing that sickness.

The power of His name is that whenever you call His name, it is Jesus that is at work. If thousands of believers converge in a place and lift their voice to Jesus and say Father, we ask that you do this for us in the name of Jesus. Since their request was in the name of Jesus, the way the Father will hear it is as if it was Jesus Himself that is making the request. When you say Father I ask that you do this for me in the name of Jesus, what you are simply saying is that you want the Father to see you as Jesus. Every believer need to come to the place of understanding that the name of Jesus is powerful and potent. What must be in your mind is that "I have worn the identity and authority of Jesus and whatever I address must obey as Jesus should be obeyed.

So, when you declare the name of Jesus over anything and any matter, Jesus is the one addressing it and it is with His authority. It is time believers' use what they are given and what they are given is the name of Jesus. The Apostles of Jesus after He ascended to heaven, they went everywhere preaching the gospel and salvation to people. They went everywhere declaring the name of Jesus to people, healing the sick, in the name of Jesus. In other words, when you come across a blind person, and you look at the person just as Jesus did when He came across them in His days, you say in the name of Jesus receive

your sight. The moment you say in the name of Jesus, it is no longer you that is talking but Jesus. So, whatever you say after then must be acknowledged and executed, put to work, and such declaration must be carried out. With the understanding of the name of Jesus, you will exercise dominion over the affairs of life.

When you come across any diseases and any issues of life, you address all in the name of Jesus. Jesus said all power and authority in heaven and on earth has been given unto me. So, if He has the authority, whatever He address must always obey His authority. It is time you begin to call the name of Jesus from the place of authority.

TALK TO THINGS BY THE POWER OF HIS NAME

Thank God for Paul the Apostle that wrote the book of Philippians; he said God has highly exalted Him and given him name above every other name. There could be many names but there is name above every other name, and he says at the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow, of those in heaven, on earth, and beneath the earth. When you come across any issue of life, when you say the name of Jesus, it is no longer you that is talking. You have worn the identity and authority of Jesus. The moment you mentioned in the name of Jesus, whatever name

given to you by your parent cease existing that moment and the Person of Jesus come alive through you.

It is time you talked to things just as Jesus addressed things. Its time believers understand what God has given them. The name has been given to us to wear consistently, let every principality and force know now that you now know what the name of Jesus is. When you come across challenges all you need do is to address them in the name of Jesus, and whatever cannot disobey Jesus cannot disobey you.

Use what God gave you and that is the name of Jesus. It doesn't matter if people are dying anyhow in your family. All you need do is to speak to your family, that in the name of Jesus "I come against anything that make people die in my family." Declare that death no longer exist in your family. When you say that, what you have done is that you no longer address the thing yourself but Jesus Himself addressing that thing.

If you notice that certain spells were cast against you, you don't need to be fearful, you don't need to shiver, all you need is to come against it in the name of Jesus. I want you to have this reality that every time you call the name of Jesus, it is not you that is speaking, it is Jesus that is speaking. If you have this understanding, every sickness, issues of life, confusion, disappointment, and anything that

has name is in trouble. They have no choice than to obey.

DOMINATE OVER NAMES

The name of Jesus is the name that is highly above all names. Whatever has a name can be dominated by the name of Jesus. To dominate means to control and influence. I am not saying you should dominate your fellow people by the name of Jesus. I am simply saying that anything negative or evil that has a name should be dominated over by the name of Jesus. With the name of Jesus, you will dominate over sicknesses, diseases, satan, time, attack, etc. Learn to talk to names as Jesus. Address all sicknesses and diseases as Jesus. If Jesus spoke to the fig tree and it obeyed him, then, headache should obey Jesus.

If you address any name by the name of Jesus, believe that such has been conquered. Names are symbols of authority and the name of Jesus is the superior authority in the universe. Everything in the spirit realm know that Jesus is the authority over them.

THINK YOU ARE JESUS!

There is a level you get to that you will not need to mention the name of Jesus. You have to upgrade to this level. This is the level where you think that you are now Jesus and whatever you address, you

address it, as Jesus. In other words, you should be effective at switching from within you. You switch and see yourself as Jesus. That is how to operate.

As long as you are a believer, you are in Christ and Christ is also in you. wherever you go, you go with Christ. If you understand this, you will know that you are Jesus' identity on the earth. See yourself as Jesus on earth and you will exercise dominion over situations of life.



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