

## The Question of God's name and is Jesus God

For many in the world today a name can mean a great deal not only to a person or a place but also to someone who is regarded as someone of great importance.

So let us look at this subject and see how a name is determined and to see the application of what a name means!

In any given dictionary it will tell you that a "name" defines what a person is like and also it will tell you what a person is; by way of his or her character. This could illustrate what their morals are like, are they of good standing, are they truthful and honest and also are they worthy of such names!

One good example to use is the name of Satan which means a "rebel" and a evil one at that! No wonder that Jesus called him a murderer and a liar and that the truth is not in him!

Ever learning, yet not coming to the truth.

2 Timothy 3:1-7 This scripture tells us that in the world today people are "ever learning" and are not coming to the knowledge of the truth. Now, why is this? Is it because they don't want to know the truth? Surely, that is the situation with the world.

2 Timothy 4:1-4 Here, the apostle Paul is instructing Timothy and is telling him what will come to pass. Because here you can see that these people who had at one time "sound doctrine" that is, they had sound teaching from the scriptures but were now turning away from the good teachings of God's Word and then turning back to fables!

### Greater Detail

With these things in mind let's look at this subject in greater detail. There are three or four points that we should look at which will answer the questions about why some will only use certain names for God the Father and that of Jesus the Son of God. These names that are used which for many are sacred and this being so, one should only use the sacred name in order to pray and worship our heavenly Father and his Son.

The then question is this: do we need to only use the sacred names of God in order to pray and worship Him and do we need a "pure" language? And if so, does that language have to be in Hebrew?

In Genesis 6:5 gives us some information as to what was happening at that time in man's history and at that time the world of mankind had come to a level of total evil. Even their "thoughts and imaginations" were only centred on evil.

Genesis 6:11 The earth was filled with violence. Question: Did one universal language at that time stop sin? No! So, the language that had been used since the creation of Adam and Eve was still the same speech as at this particular time in man's history.

You may well be asking, "what has that got to do with using a sacred name?" The answer will become clearer as we go on. Genesis 11:17 Let's look at the situation and realize what

was about to happen to the world of mankind. They had congregated into one geographical area on earth and had one speech. Question: Did the human race have any idea that they were to be scattered from that place where they were and be spread around the world? The Bible tells us that was the case. (see verse 4) Men wanted to be in one place but God had other ideas. Now when Adam was in the garden of Eden was he able to talk to God? Yes!

Yes he did and if the same language was used between him and his creator then what language was used? The Bible tells us that all of mankind were of one speech, meaning one language. So, it would be logical then, that the world of men from Adam right up to the time of Babel would know God's name or names!

Does Satan Know God's Name or Names?

Genesis 3:1-3 The information here given tell us that Satan did indeed know God's name and still knows God's name and His other names! Did that help Satan in anyway? Yes, it did! Because there was no objection on the part of Eve and Adam when Satan was having a conversation with the human pair! And also there is no objection by our heavenly Father as regards to his name being used by Satan, Adam and Eve in their conversation.

Genesis 11:7 Tells us that God then went down into the world of man and confounded their language into many languages so that men did not understand each others speech!

So let's ask the question: If the universal language was some how sacred then the name or names of God would have been lost or changed-into Does that mean that we have to use all of their names and titles in order to have our prayers answered? No! The reason being that in the world of mankind there are many different languages spoken and used by we human beings. The question that comes to the fore is this, does God call many people who speak different languages? Yes! That being the case does He call you to repentance and into His church by starting out by telling you that you must use some sacred name in order for you to know that you are being called? No!

All languages have been given to men by God and there are no barriers to God and His spirit. God's word does not need to ask permission to cross any borders of any kind. There is one particular point that we should realize and it is this in Genesis 2:19-20 the scriptures tell us that Adam named every animal that was brought before him by God. Now, don't you think that Adam would know God's name? Yes! But

what language was used? That at the present time is known only by God the Father and His Son Jesus the Messiah.

Paul At Athens

Acts 17:16-28 Let's understand that the New Testament was written almost entirely in Greek and the reason for that is that it was the language of the time.

Question: If the sacred name or names of God are to be used by Christians in both New Testament times and in our time today, why did not God and Jesus make it known in the New Testament? And why did not the Father and His Son make it known for the benefit of His followers? The fact is that they did not.

Notice verse 23 Paul was speaking to the Athenians at Mars Hill and he mentions to them of what he saw there, an inscription on an alter which read, "To the Unknown God". Paul tells them that the "unknown God " that they worship in ignorance is in fact the one that he (Paul) had come to declare to them! So, where does that leave them and many others in relation to the "sacred name"?

Let's come over to Revelation 7:9-12 Now a question arises; did these people have to know the sacred name of God in order to be saved? Did they have to pronounce it in Hebrew? Did they just have to read "YHWH" or miss out that word in the scriptures as some Jewish people do? No! Rev 7:9.