

One Word—Jesus

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What did the angel tell Joseph to call the name of that baby that Mary was to bare? Jesus. Why? He will “save His people from their sins.” Matthew 1:21. Yes, Jesus is His name. What a wonderful name. It is the name that means Savior, a God-inspired name.

“Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved” Acts 4:12.

No other name. This wonderful name of Jesus. This evening we are going to take a survey of the different stations, positions that Jesus has occupied, and the work that He has done at various times. We are going to begin with the beginning. “In the beginning God” what? Created. Genesis 1:1.

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him” John 1:1-3.

And the fourteenth verse says that “the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.” So Jesus, the Word, was the active agent in creation. And so Paul says in Colossians 1:16”

“By him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, ... all things were created by him, and for Him: And he is before all things” Colossians 1:16-17.

So Jesus had a long pre-existence all through eternity, and He is the One that made this world. Shall I put it this way, no wonder that He was willing to give His life for it, He made it. He thinks we are that precious, that valuable.

“I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise”

Who is this One that made the mountains rise? Jesus. I am not leaving the Father out, of course, the Father and the Son worked together, but my point is this—the Father didn’t make the world and leave the Son out of it, the Son was the active agent. We must associate in our minds the wonderful power of Christ as the Creator because it is that creative power that redeems us.

“There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?” James 4:12.

What was that name that we read about in Matthew 1:21? Jesus. And it means what? Savior. He is not only the Savior, He is not only the Creator, He is the what in this verse? The Lawgiver. The same One that saves us is the One that gave us the law. The law then is not something apart from Christ, it is properly called the law of Christ. So when we think of the Ten Commandments on Mt. Sinai, who is the One through whom that law was given? Jesus. Who spoke them? Jesus Christ. Who wrote them on the stone then? Jesus. Think of it. The hand that later was nailed to the cross is the hand that wrote those Ten Commandments on the stone.

Ten commands, ten promises. To the sinner, they are negative. To the Christian they are positive. The Christian doesn't want to kill, and the Sixth Commandment is God's promise to keep him from murdering anybody. The Christian doesn't want to break the bond of marriage, and the Seventh Commandment is God's promise to keep him from committing adultery. The Christian doesn't want to steal, and how precious is the promise, You won't steal, I will keep you from falling. “There is one lawgiver,” Jesus, “who is able to save” as well as “to destroy.”

Now I will tell you how interested God is in all this, both the Father and the Son. Before this world was ever made, They clasped Their hands in a solemn covenant to redeem man if he should fall. When Adam and Eve fell and broke God's law, Christ entered in at once into His work as mediator. But after four thousand years of the great controversy, God was manifested in the flesh. His name in Bethlehem is Immanuel, God with us.

“And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh” 1 Timothy 3:16.

Who is that little baby there in the manger? Is that God? Yes. The Son of God. Is He a man? Yes. The Son of Mary. Our brother. The Son of God, One with the Father from all eternity. Understand it? No. Comprehend it? No. Believe it? Yes. Enjoy it? Yes. Thank God for something bigger than our little minds can comprehend, friends. God is so anxious to live with us and save us that He comes down and takes our humanity, grows up in Nazareth, and gives His life for us upon the cross.

“And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all *men* unto Me” John 12:32.

What did Jesus say would happen if He was lifted up? Draw. How many? All men. Oh yes. But so many resist. So many do not respond. God draws all men, but He leaves with each one of us the choice as to whether we will respond to that drawing.

Notice that this is speaking of the death on the cross for the thirty-third verse says:

“This he said, signifying what death he should die” John 12:33.

What death did He die? The death of the cross. Lifted up between earth and heaven. Crucified, the nails piercing His hands and feet.

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