

We Call His Name Jesus!

KJV 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.

The angel of The Lord tells Joseph the women he's about to marry is pregnant with a child.

But not a regular child, not an ordinary child, Mary is **not** pregnant by a man, she's pregnant by God The Holy Spirit.

Since the circumstance around His birth are **extraordinary** so to everything about the child will be **extraordinary!**

His Name must be **extraordinary! They will call His Name Jesus!**

The name reveals the **nature, character and reputation** of the person!

It was common for people of that time to give their child a name that represented their purpose and destiny.

So, the angel of The Lord tells Joseph he can't name the child after any of his ancestors. He aint gonna be like Uncle Fred!

His name must be **JESUS!** Because of what He **will** do!

Jesus is the English form of **Iesous** (ee-ay-sooce) in Greek, **Joshua or Yehoshua** in Hebrew and means the same thing "**Jehovah is Salvation**"

In short it means "**Savior**" because He **saves** people from their sins!

Sin is fun but it's **dangerous** that's why we need to be rescued from it!

Salvation is the **REASON** Jesus is born!

Salvation manifests in 4 ways:

1. Being rescued from danger.
2. Saved from destruction.
3. Preserved for eternity.
4. Blessed forevermore.

1. **Rescued from Danger:**

When God brought Israel out of slavery the Egyptians chased them down to bring them back to rule over Moses said...

"Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will shew to you today: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen today, ye shall see them again no more forever." (Ex 14:13)

The Egyptians that chased the people down to bring them back would die that day! They would never see those enemies again!

Israel would see other Egyptians, there are Egyptians around today!

But the ones that tried to hold them back from their God given destiny had to be removed.

Egypt is a type of the world system of sin that has people in bondage, the prophetic picture is once God **rescues** us from the dangers of sin if we don't turn back those sins will **never** be a part of our lives again!

I've heard people cry out the **name Jesus** when a plane is in danger of crashing! It's been said there are no atheist in fox holes!

Just about everyone calls on the **name of Jesus** when in danger!

2. Saved from destruction:

KJV Psalm 103:2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

*3 Who **forgiveth** all thine iniquities; who **healeth** all thy diseases;*

*4 Who **redeemeth** thy life from **destruction**.*

Matthew 10:28 And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

*KJV Psalm 91:1 He that dwelleth in the **secret place of the most High (Jesus)** shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.*

2 I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.

3 Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler(hunters traps), and from the noisome pestilence.(deadly plagues)

*4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy **shield and buckler**. (Faith in The Word is our shield of faith Eph 6:16)*

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

6 Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

3. Preserved for eternity:

*KJV 1 Peter 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a **lively hope** by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,*

*4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved (preserved, watched over & kept safe)in heaven for you,
5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.*

Jesus said in **John 14** that He's going to prepare a place for those who place their faith in Him.

No doubt since He has preserved this present world He can preserve me for the place He is preparing for me!

4. Blessed forevermore:

ESV Psalm 16:11 You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Jesus told one of the criminals being crucified beside who believed in Him and repented, he would be with Him that day in paradise.

ESV Matthew 7: 13 "Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many.

14 For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.

*KJV Matthew 25:31 When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:
32 And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats:
33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.
34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:*

Goats are rebellious people who lived life their own way!

Sheep are the people who follow Jesus, The Good shepherd!

He had to be called Jesus because He was given a name above every name!

He had to be called Jesus because that's the name every knee will bow to and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is LORD to the glory of God The Father!

He had to be called Jesus, so we know who to call on for salvation!

