

Matthew 8:25 “And his disciples came to him, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish.”

Romans 5:12 “Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned”

Colossians 1:13-14 “Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son, in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins”

YOU SHALL CALL HIS NAME JESUS

“HE came to bring us SALVATION”

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.”

There is something about the name JESUS! It is very important that His name be called Jesus, and it is important that we call His name Jesus. His name is a reminder to us as to the reason he came to the earth.

In **Matthew 1:18-21** it says, “Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.”

Joseph was told that the child that lay in Mary’s womb was to be called JESUS. His name was to be called *Jesus* because He would save His people from their sins!

Jesus was not born to give us another holiday. He was not born to be a decoration in a manger scene. He was born (He came) to save His people from

their sins. His people needed to be saved back then and we still need to be saved today. **GODS PEOPLE ALWAYS NEEDED SALVATION!**

Salvation is what God’s people need in every situation. An *Unknown Author* wrote a poem called “*Our Greatest Need*” in which it says, “If our greatest need had been **information**, God would have sent an **educator**; if our greatest need had been **reformation**, God would have sent a **politician**; since our greatest need was **deliverance from sin**, God sent us a **Savior**.”

The word “*save*” (Greek: *sozo*) is connected with deliverance in every form. For example, to be “*saved*” means to be rescued from:

~**Disease** (**Matthew 9:21, 22**). Here salvation was **HEALING**. *Jesus came to save His people from DISEASE!*

~**Danger** (**Matthew 8:25**). Here *salvation* was **PROTECTION**. *Jesus came to save His people from DANGER!*

~**Death** (**Matthew 24:22**). Here *salvation* was **PRESERVATION**. *Jesus came to save His people from DEATH!*

The reason His name is Jesus is because



He came to save from every situation! The reason sin is mentioned is because sin is the source of all misery (disease, danger, calamity, death). Jesus came to save us from all that. **Romans 5:12** says, “Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned”.

Most people only sing about Him during the Christmas season but He is here to save in every season. **He is our Savior! He is the Salvation!** We were held captive by sin, sickness, danger and disease; but glory to God, Jesus came to rescue His people from the curse of sin! When Jesus saved us, He saved us from every form of sin. We no longer have to be afraid of danger, disease or death. When Jesus took care of sin, He took care of it all. God knew that His people needed a savior and so He sent Jesus to save His people from their sins.

BY WORKS OR BY FAITH

Have you ever been in danger and just remembered the name **JESUS**? Have you ever called out in that name and salvation came? His name is **JESUS** and He came to save us from sin and all of its effects. You need to let the enemy know that he cannot do anything to you because Jesus has saved you! In **Luke 7:50** Jesus said to the woman, “*Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.*” You need to confess that **YOUR FAITH HAS SAVED YOU SO GO IN PEACE!** We must point out that this salvation comes **BY FAITH**. **Ephesians 2:8-9** “*For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.*”. He is called Jesus because He came to bring salvation to His people, but **you must receive Him by your faith**. We are not saved by our works. Our works eventually fail us because “by grace you have been saved.” Salvation has already been accomplished (see **Colossians 1:13, 14**). Jesus said it was “your” faith and not His faith that makes you whole. Your faith receives and obtains the faith that Jesus brings, so receive it by faith!





I HAVE A JESUS AND HE IS MY SAVIOR

Matthew 1:24-25

Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.

HE SHALL SAVE HIS PEOPLE



In **John 10:25-27** it says, "Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me. But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me". Jesus is saving those who **HEAR-BELIEVE** and **FOLLOW** Him.

In **Matthew 1:25**, Joseph exercised self-restraint (*dwelt in holiness*). He did not try to lay claim to Jesus (*salvation*) by mixing in his seed (*self-works*).

We too are to exercise self-restraint and not try to add our works to our salvation. We must hear His voice and do it His way! **Galatians 5:4-9** says "Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace. For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith. For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love. Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth? This persuasion cometh not of him that calleth you. A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump." Jesus is still saving His people!

Are you looking to Jesus for salvation? Satan has usurped authority by convincing men they are still under his dominion. If we are not experiencing deliverance from satan's kingdom, it is because we have not believed the report (see **Hebrews 4:1-2**; **2 Peter 1:3**)! In **Hebrews 2:3** it says, "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him;"

You can be delivered from sickness but if you don't maintain your faith the affects will come back. We are saved from calamity by faith. WE CAN'T MIX IN OUR OWN WORKS WITH FAITH. WORKS WILL NEVER SAVE YOU! Any salvation that looks to works will fail. You can't save yourself. If you expect to enjoy permanent salvation, Jesus better mean more to you. You have to put your faith in Him because "by grace you **HAVE BEEN saved**". This is not in your immediate future but really is in your distant past.

We are not looking to be saved; our salvation has already been accomplished and secured! You need to claim it by faith right now **I HAVE BEEN SAVED!** This is the truth whether you have activated it or not, whether you are enjoying it or not. Jesus said "it is finished" and it was. In **Colossians 1:12-14** it says, "Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins".

Jesus has already delivered us. Faith says it's already done not going to be done. He is not going to save us; He already has saved us and delivered us. The enemy had us captive but Jesus through His blood paid the ransom. **FAITH WILL ALLOW YOU TO SEE EVEN BEFORE IT IS ACCOMPLISHED!**

Where is your faith? Why won't you believe Him? Why

will you put Him on your front lawn at Christmas, but won't put him in your heart daily. Yes He was a baby but He is our Savior!

In **Matthew 1:24-25**, Joseph responded immediately to the commandment as to what to name Jesus. In doing so, Joseph showed himself to be the kind of person Jesus came to save. Here we are told that Jesus has come to **SAVE HIS PEOPLE**. Jesus told us who His people are in **John 10:25-27**. Jesus died for the world, but He is saving His people, even today.

God's people (*sheep*) are those who believe, hear (*with attention*) and obey. Joseph heard, believed and obeyed immediately (i.e. *he did not put Mary away but he paid attention*). I'm sure there was pressure to put away his wife and, therefore, put away his faith. We are often tempted to put away our faith, not in a way that will bring reproach upon the gospel, but privily. Yet, we must keep it (see **Luke 8:15**) and confess it or name it (see **Mark 11:23**)! There is a Savior in the world and JESUS is His Name!



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