

The Good Name

What is in a name?

My last name is Lingus... which I received from my father, George Lingus.

When my mom, Elsie Martinez, became one flesh with my father through marriage, she took my dad's last name, Lingus, becoming... Elsie Lingus.

By the Lingus name... my mother... my brother and I in turn... were granted favor and rights of the Lingus name by George Lingus throughout his presence with us... and beyond.

How?

The testament (living trust or will—a covenant) of George Lingus protected us (see essay... *In God We Trust* at www.Hopelshere.com)... “for the rest of our natural born life”... in the event he was no longer in our presence.

For the kids... some of those rights are withheld until maturity of the recipient—for protection from their foolishness.

Hint... some prayers... some promises... aren't experienced today—they're reserved for tomorrow.

That is the power in a “name”.

A “name” is what identifies, and proclaims, a “relationship” between the people possessing the “name” as valid. This “relationship” is initiated by the “life” of the grantor of the “name”. He “shares” his “life”... and thus his “name”... with the grantee—a husband “grants” his “life” and his “name” to his wife through a marriage covenant. Their individual lives become “one life”... expressed and carried on through their flesh—the lives of their children, and children's children.

I think the Name of Christ is what releases, or manifests, the Spirit of God—the Life of Christ—the Will of the Father—in our lives. The Holy Spirit in the Lion's Heart—the pure and perfect Heart of Flesh of the New Covenant—all starts with...

We're told that whosoever calls, or believes, on the Name of Christ shall be saved—they shall be granted the Life of Christ, the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:21; 1 John 5:11-13; 1 John 4:13,15)*. In other words... *Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost* (Acts 2:38).

The Name of Christ is so powerful that when Peter spoke the words... ***“through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins”***, the ***Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word*** (Acts 10:43-44). Was it the phrase... “through his name”... that moved God to release the Holy Spirit upon the people that believed in Christ? Notice, it was after Peter spoke the phrase.

Christ seems to say... “being kept in the Fathers Name” equates to being at one with God as Christ is. Christ did manifest to us the “Name of the Father” making us one with God—the Father and Himself. He describes this as... “being given the Glory of God”—“oneness with God”—thereby perfecting us (John 17:10-12, 5-6, 21-23).

Is Christ saying that... *I have declared unto them thy name [the Father’s Name], and will declare it...* is also saying... *that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.* (John 17:26)?

The only thing I understand that Christ put in me when I was baptized **in the Name of the Father, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit**, was... the Holy Spirit—the Life of Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:19). This Spirit makes me “one with God”—the Spirit known as... Love (Timothy 1:7).

Now, I more deeply understand why Christ would start the “Lord’s Prayer” with... *Our Father which art in heaven, **Hallowed be thy name.** Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth* (Luke 11:2). It’s the Fathers Name... through Christ’s sacrifice at the Cross... that released the Holy Spirit for us—the Spirit called the Kingdom of God of righteous, peace, and joy (Romans 14:17).

To be filled with the Holy Spirit—the Life of Christ—is to be made... *accepted in the Beloved*—the will of our Father God for us (Ephesians 5:17-18; Galatians 1:3-5; Ephesians 1:4-6). Christ said... *Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom* (Luke 12:32).

The Name of Christ is above and greater than all names (Ephesians 1:20-23). It releases, grants, and places within our Heart of Flesh of the New Covenant... the Spirit of God—the Life of Christ—forever sealing us as... “sons of God”.

I see “wisdom” mentioned in Proverbs as being the Holy Spirit (see essay... *The Spirit of Wisdom—The Holy Spirit Series* at www.Hopelshere.com). We’re to seek “wisdom” above silver and gold (Proverbs 3:13-15). A “good name”... *is rather to be chosen than great riches...* the favor of a “good name”... *rather than silver and gold.* Does the Holy Spirit represent a... “good name”?

God is good (Mark 10:18)... so His Name is good. God is Spirit... *and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us* (Matthew 1:23).

God—the Father... Jesus Christ... the Holy Spirit... have a “Good Name”!

And...

It was possible through **“Hallowed be thy name”**.

22 A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold. Proverbs 22

11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but **ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.** 1 Corinthians 6

14 If ye be **reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you:** 1 Peter 4

With what's been said, could the following, in brackets, be interpreted as...

16 Let the word of Christ [the Holy Spirit] dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace [the Holy Spirit] in your hearts to the Lord. 17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus [the power of the Holy Spirit], giving thanks to God and the Father by him. Colossians 3

If we've got the name... let's treasure and protect it (1 Timothy 6:12; Philippians 3:13-14; Hebrews 3:12)!

For this cause I bow my knees unto **the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named**, That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love... Ephesians 3:14-17 [bold emphasis mine]

²¹ And it shall come to pass, that **whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.** Acts 2:21

11 And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. 13 These things have I written unto you that **believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.** 1 John 5

¹³ **Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.**

¹⁵ **Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.** 1 John 4:13,15

43 To him give all the prophets witness, that **through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.** 44 While Peter yet spake these words, **the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.** Acts 10

10 And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them. 11 And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, **keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are.** 12 While I was with them in the world, **I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost,** but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled. John 17

5 And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.⁶ **I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world:** thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word.

21 **That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us:** that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.²² **And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:**²³ **I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one;** and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

26 And **I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.** John 17

19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Matthew 28

7 For God hath not given us **the spirit** of fear; but of power, and **of love**, and of a sound mind. 2 Timothy 1:7

17 For the **kingdom of God is** not meat and drink; but **righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.** Romans 14:17

17 Wherefore be ye not unwise, but **understanding what the will of the Lord is.** 18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but **be filled with the Spirit;** Ephesians 5:17-18

3 Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ,⁴ **Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:**⁵ To whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. Galatians 1:3-5

4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:⁵ **Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,** ⁶ To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein **he hath made us accepted in the beloved.** Ephesians 1:4-6

20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,²¹ **Far above** all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and **every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:**²² And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,²³ Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all. Ephesians 1:20-23

13 **Happy is the man that findeth wisdom [the Holy Spirit in the Lion's Heart], and the man that getteth understanding [the mind of Christ].**¹⁴ **For the merchandise of it [the Holy Spirit] is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.**¹⁵ **She [the Holy Spirit] is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her [the Holy Spirit].** Proverbs 3

18 And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God. Mark 10:18

23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. Matthew 1:23

Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses. 1 Timothy 6:12

13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, 14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Philippians 3

Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God. Hebrews 3:12

**** All text reference scripture quoted or discussed is King James Version unless otherwise noted. Bold, underline, italics, highlight, and brackets (my take on things) – mine.***