

Phil. 2:9-11

JESUS - NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES



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Phil. 2:9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;

11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Psa. 9:10 And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.

This evening we begin a new series studying the names of the Lord Jesus Christ found throughout the Word of God. We will see how the various names are descriptive terms describing various characteristics of the Lord Jesus.

In <u>Phil. 2:9</u>, the Bible says that God has given the Lord Jesus a name that is above all names. The Ten Commandments states that God highly values His name:

Deuteronomy 5:11; Exodus 20:7

Throughout the Scriptures the name of the Lord is to be revered, honored, and glorified:

Psalms 148:13; Jeremiah 10:6; Malachi 1:11; Psalms 138:2; Matthew 6:9; Acts 15:26

We began with "The Advocate," followed by "I Am." Tonight, we will consider...

ZACHARIAH – THE GOD WHO REMEMBERS

Tonight, our title regarding the "Name Above All Names" is appropriate for this weekend's national holiday, Memorial Day – ZACHARIAH – THE GOD WHO REMEMBERS.

The passage for tonight, <u>Heb. 6:9-12</u>, is complementary to our series on Sunday morning as we observe the churches in Rev. 2-3. Let's read our text:

- Heb. 6:9 But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak. 10 For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.
- 11 And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end:
  12 That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

We should all be encouraged by knowing that God remembers. Let's examine our text:

## I. THE EXPECTATION FOR BELIEVERS, 6:9

Heb. 6:9 But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak.

- A. The Explicit Expectation "...beloved, we are persuaded better things of you..."
- The term of endearment, "beloved," is used to comfort and encourage the recipients.

Rom. 15:13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

14 And I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another.

- The testimony of a believer should be more dynamic than an unsaved person in glorifying the Lord Jesus Christ.
  - B. The Extra Expectation "...and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak."

- Not only are "better things" expected of a believer, but also "...things that accompany salvation..."
  - Sorrow and hatred for sin;
  - Humility and self-denial;
  - The peace of God;
  - Godly fear;
  - The principle of obedience;

- Faithfulness in perseverance;
- The perpetual spirit of prayer;
- A joyful expectation of being conformed to the image of Christ;
- A joyful expectation of dwelling eternally with Christ.
- Col. 2:6 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him:
- 7 Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

## II. THE EXPERIENCE OF THE BELIEVERS, 6:10

Heb. 6:10 For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.

A. The Remembering – "For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love..."

Original Word: ἐπιλανθάνομαι

Transliteration: epilanthanomai

Definition: to forget, neglect; Usage: I forget, neglect.

epilanthánomai (from epí, "on, fitting" and lanthánō, "unnoticed") – properly, to overlook, especially the effects that go with failing to notice. epilanthánomai ("overlooking"), as an intensification of (lanthánō), focuses on the consequences that build on the forgetting (note the epi, "upon"). https://biblehub.com/greek/1950.htm

Original Word: ἔργον

Transliteration: ergon

**Definition: Usage:** work, task, employment; a deed, action; that which is

wrought or made, a work.

érgon (from ergō, "to work, accomplish") – a work or worker who accomplishes something. érgon ("work") is a deed (action) that carries out (completes) an inner desire (intension, purpose.

Original Word: κόπος

Transliteration: kopos

**Definition:** laborious toil; **Usage:** (a) trouble, (b) toil, labor, **laborious** 

toil, involving weariness and fatigue.

kópos (from kóptō, "to hit, strike") – properly, a strike (blow) that is so hard, it seriously weakens or debilitates; (figuratively) deep fatigue, extreme weariness (wearisome toil).

https://biblehub.com/greek/2873.htm

- B. The Relevance "...which ye have shewed toward his name...
- The focus of the believer is to honor "the name above all names!"
  - C. The Routine "...in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister."
- The expectation is explained as the experience of the believers, one of service done and service ongoing.

Original Word: διακονέω

Transliteration: diakoneó

**Definition:** to serve, minister; **Usage:** I wait at table (particularly of a slave who waits on guests); I serve (generally).

diakonéō – actively serve – literally, "kicking up dust" because "on the move."

diakonéō ("to serve") means caring for the needs of others as the Lord guides in an active, practical way.

https://biblehub.com/greek/1247.htm

The expectation for the believer is to be continual.

## III. THE ENCOURAGEMENT TO THE BELIEVERS, 6:11-12

- Heb. 6:11 And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end:
- 12 That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.
  - A. The Desire Expressed "And we desire that every one of you..."
- The desire is for "every one of you" to remain faithful and fruitful.

- B. The Diligence Exercised "...do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end:"
- All believers are encouraged to "...shew the same diligence..." – no exceptions for lazy slackers!
- All the believers are encouraged to have "...full assurance of hope unto the end:"

## **Conclusion**

Consider the pattern with Zacharias:

Zechariah and Zacharias = "Jehovah remembers"

- Luke 1:13 But the angel said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: for **thy prayer is heard**; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John.
- 36 And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren.
- 37 For with God nothing shall be impossible.

- God remembered the prayer of Zacharias, and Paul mentions the principle to the church in Thessalonica:
- 1 Thess. 1:2 We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers;
- 3 Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father;
- This Memorial Day remember the God Who Remembers:

- Mal. 3:13 Your words have been stout against me, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, What have we spoken so much against thee?
- 14 Ye have said, It is vain to serve God: and what profit is it that we have kept his ordinance, and that we have walked mournfully before the LORD of hosts?

  15 And now we call the proud happy; yea, they that work wickedness are set up; yea, they that tempt God are even delivered.
- 16 Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard *it*, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.

17 And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him. 18 Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.