

## JESUS – NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES

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

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

<u>Prov. 18:10</u> The name of the LORD is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.

<u>Psa. 34:3</u> O magnify the LORD with me, and **let us exalt his name together**. Last week we considered <u>Rev. 1:5</u> which contains several titles of Christ, but we only focused upon one...THE FAITHFUL WITNESS.

We will now consider another verse that contains several titles of Christ, <u>Isa. 9:6</u>, but only focusing upon one that is appropriate for today, being Father's Day:

## THE EVERLASTING FATHER

<u>Isa. 9:6</u> For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and **his name shall be called** Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, **The everlasting Father**, The Prince of Peace.

<u>Isa. 63:16</u> Doubtless **thou** *art* **our father**, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not: thou, **O LORD**, *art* **our father**, our redeemer; **thy name** *is* from everlasting.

We begin by considering the clarity of the title.

#### I. <u>THE CLARITY OF THE TITLE</u>

**EVERLASTING**, *adjective* [ever and lasting.] Lasting or enduring for ever; eternal; existing or continuing without end; immortal. The *everlasting* God, or Jehovah. Genesis 21:33. Everlasting fire; *everlasting* punishment. Matthew 18:8.

**1. Perpetual; continuing indefinitely**, or during the present state of things.

I will give thee, and thy seed after thee, the land of Canaan, for an *everlasting* possession. Genesis 17:8.

The *everlasting* hills or mountains. Genesis. Habakkuk.

**2.** In popular usage, endless; continual; unintermitted; as, the family is disturbed with *everlasting* disputes.

**EVERLASTING**, *noun* Eternity; eternal duration, past and future. From *everlasting* to *everlasting* thou art God. Psalms 90:2.

https://webstersdictionary1828.com/Dictionary/everlasting

- The title of father indicates one who is a provider, protector, and a personal one who is in a passionate relationship with another exhibiting all the characteristics of fatherhood.
- An "everlasting father" is the relationship of one who will be such in eternal perpetuity.

# II. THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE TITLE

## A. Eternal in Deity

<u>Gen. 21:33</u> And *Abraham* planted a grove in Beersheba, and called there on **the name of the LORD, the everlasting God**. <u>Psa. 41:13</u> Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel **from everlasting, and to everlasting**. Amen, and Amen.

<u>Psa. 90:2</u> Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, **even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God**.

<u>Rom. 16:26</u> But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of **the everlasting God**, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:

B. Eternal in Duty

1. In providing love:

<u>Jer. 31:3</u> The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.

2. In providing mercy:

<u>Psa. 100:5</u> For the LORD *is* good; **his mercy** *is* **everlasting**; and his truth *endureth* to all generations.

<u>Psa. 103:17</u> But **the mercy of the LORD** *is* **from everlasting to everlasting** upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children;

<u>Psa. 86:5</u> For thou, Lord, *art* good, and **ready to forgive**; and **plenteous in mercy** unto all them that call upon thee.

Fathers must often be gracious and merciful to their children:

<u>Eph. 6:4</u> And, ye **fathers, provoke not your children** to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

<u>Col. 3:21</u> Fathers, provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged.

3. In providing righteousness:

Psa. 119:142 Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and thy law is the truth.

4. In providing salvation:

<u>Isa. 45:17</u> But Israel shall be saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end.

5. In providing strength:

<u>Isa. 26:4</u> Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in **the LORD JEHOVAH** *is* everlasting strength:

6. In providing joy:

<u>Isa. 51:11</u> Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and **everlasting joy** *shall be* upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; *and* sorrow and mourning shall flee away.

7. In providing kindness:

<u>Isa. 54:8</u> In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the LORD thy Redeemer.

8. In providing light:

<u>Isa. 60:19</u> The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but **the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light**, and thy God thy glory.

<u>20</u> Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for **the LORD shall be thine everlasting light**, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

9. In providing protection:

<u>Deut. 33:27</u> The eternal God *is thy* refuge, and **underneath** *are* the everlasting arms: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy *them*.

10. In providing assurance:

<u>Isa. 40:28</u> Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding. C. Eternal in Destiny

1. In His Kingdom:

<u>Heb. 13:20</u> Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of **the everlasting covenant**,

Jer. 10:10 But the LORD *is* the true God, he *is* the living God, and an everlasting king: at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation.

<u>2 Pet. 1:11</u> For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the **everlasting kingdom** of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

#### 2. In Heaven:

<u>Jn. 3:16</u> For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have **everlasting life**. ... <u>36</u> He that believeth on the Son hath **everlasting life**: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

<u>Jn. 5:24</u> Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath **everlasting life**, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. <u>Jn. 6:27</u> Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto **everlasting life**, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed. ..

<u>47</u> Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath **everlasting life**.

<u>Gal. 6:8</u> For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap **life everlasting**.

<u>Mt. 19:29</u> And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit **everlasting life**.

### 3. In Hell:

<u>Dan. 12:2</u> And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to **everlasting life**, and some to shame *and* **everlasting contempt**.

<u>Mt. 18:8</u> Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast *them* from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into **everlasting fire**. <u>Mt. 25:41</u> Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into **everlasting fire**, prepared for the devil and his angels: ... <u>46</u> And these shall go away into **everlasting punishment**: but the righteous into life eternal.

<u>2 Thess. 1:9</u> Who shall be punished with **everlasting destruction** from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

<u>Jude 1:6</u> And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in **everlasting chains** under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

- A loving father will do his best to provide, protect, and persevere for his children.
- The Everlasting Father will do all of that and more – providing love, mercy, righteousness, salvation, strength, joy, kindness, light, protection, and assurance.
- The children of the Father can count on Him to always be what is needed in every situation, for all eternity.

#### <u>Conclusion</u>

<u>2 Thess. 2:15</u> Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle.

<u>16</u> Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and **God**, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,

<u>17</u> Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.