



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

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

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

As we continue considering the names and titles of the Lord Jesus Christ, which one means the most to you, personally? As I contemplated that question, I thought of the Lord's abiding presence at all times, and in all situations. In consideration of His abiding presence, I am mindful of the term "Comforter." Tonight, we will consider that title of the Lord Jesus –

## The Comforter

### Jn. 14:16

Jn. 14:16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you **another Comforter**, that he may abide with you for ever;

❖ As the Lord Jesus began to prepare His disciples for His return to heaven, He began and ended Jn. 14 by stating, “Let not your heart be troubled.”

Jn. 14:1 **Let not your heart be troubled**: ye believe in God, believe also in me. ...

27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. **Let not your heart be troubled**, neither let it be afraid.

❖ In the middle of the chapter, Jesus said, Jn. 14:16 “And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you **another Comforter...**”

- ❖ By using the term, “another Comforter,” Jesus was promising the Holy Spirit’s influence to aid the disciples in place of Him, indicating that He, Himself is the Comforter.
- ❖ The Lord Jesus used a synonymous title in 1 Jn. 2:1, being translated as Advocate:

1 Jn. 2:1 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, **we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:**

- ❖ The Greek word translated both Comforter and Advocate is “παράκλητος” – simply defined means “one called to your side.”

**Original Word:** παράκλητος **Transliteration:** paraklétos

**Definition:** called to one's aid

**Usage:** (a) an advocate, intercessor, (b) a consoler, comforter, helper, (c) Paraclete.

*paráklētos* (from *pará*, "from close-beside" and *kaléō*, "make a call") – properly, a *legal advocate* who makes the right judgment-*call* because *close* enough to the situation. *paráklētos* ("advocate, advisor-helper") is the regular term in NT times of an *attorney* (lawyer) – i.e. someone *giving evidence that stands up in court*.

<https://biblehub.com/greek/3875.htm>

- ❖ A good verse that indicates the same principle is Prov. 18:24.

Prov. 18:24 A man *that hath* friends must shew himself friendly: and **there is a friend *that sticketh closer than a brother***.

- ❖ The practicality of the Lord Jesus as our true Comforter is as follows:
  - A true Comforter is by your side when you need encouragement.
  - A true Comforter is by your side when you are all alone.

- A true Comforter is by your side when everything is calm with no problems.
- A true Comforter is by your side when you need someone just to listen.
- A true Comforter is by your side when tragedy overwhelms you.
- A true Comforter is by your side when you celebrate a victory.
- A true Comforter is by your side when you need correction.



Prov. 17:17 **A friend loveth at all times**, and a brother is born for adversity.

Prov. 27:9 Ointment and perfume **rejoice the heart**: so *doth* the sweetness of **a man's friend by hearty counsel**.

Prov. 27:17 Iron sharpeneth iron; so **a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend**.

❖ A true Comforter is a Protector.

➤ Someone that has your back.

❖ A true Comforter is a Peacemaker.

➤ Someone that calms the troubling times.

❖ A true Comforter is a Provider.

➤ Someone that will provide all your needs.

Phil. 4:19 But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

❖ A true Comforter is a Partner.

Heb. 13:5b “...for he hath said, **I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.**”

Josh. 1:9 Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: **for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.**

## Summary

Mt. 11:28 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and **I will give you rest.**

29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and **ye shall find rest unto your souls.**

30 For my yoke *is* easy, and my burden is light.

## Conclusion

2 Cor. 1:3 Blessed *be* God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and **the God of all comfort;**

4 Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, **that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.**