
TAKING THE LORD'S NAME IN VAIN



Disclaimer: this post reflects what I have come to know and understand in Christ, in contrast to the life I lived as a 'pagan' and the experience of initially not taking my husband's last name when we were first married back in 2005 [I know, I was that girl, ugh!]. Yes, our marriage got real bumpy and for no real clear reason either. Yet we NEVER desired divorce: if anyone would of asked us, we would of told them we loved each other ...but indeed, we lacked the real Love that never fails, that Love which never ends and always wins! Therefore honestly I admit, we felt 'something pulling us apart', and I sought help e-v-e-r-y-w-h-e-r-e, I mean everywhere but to no avail, no guidance or real wisdom ever came. So we felt hopeless w/o any other option bt to 'd', sadly (Today I know our "issue" was spiritual in nature, bt I was secular and truly pagan going into our marriage initially and he was raised 'religious' as a baptist yet not really a 'practicing religious-church goer'. So, we were both, what most Christians might refer to as 'carnal' — unconverted; not spiritual and w/o an ounce of any Godly wisdom, Godly counsel or knowledge [of the Truth] that could've saved us both and reinforced our covenant-union back then).

Now, there's a longer version to this story, of how God drew me back to my covenant husband in 2011, gave me favor in his eyes again, and led us to recommit our vows in 2016... bt I'll spare you that saga for now. I honestly couldn't just write about that anyway — it really wouldn't do it any justice. Just know, a v valuable lesson was learnt (and is still at work w in me til this day!), and you better believe I took his last name, this time!!! C'mon now, I'm not a fool anymore. I admitted to God, confessing why I rejected his name the first time...and renounced my reasoning bc it wasn't justified. I'm not saying this was the culprit as to why all the ebbs and flows and rugged terrains of our initial union existed back then, bt I will say my lack of knowledge concerning God's divine will for marriage and the honorary call to the office of his help meet/wife, to do my beloved good and not evil all the days of my life, was literally non-existent to me. I had absolutely no clue what marriage was truly all about. Our mtgs w the elder who married us, sat us down to counsel us, bt severely lacked sharing any knowledge of God's biblical Truth concerning covenant marriage. And w/o knowledge, (we that study the Word know) God's ppl perish: and indeed, our initial marital union 'perished', as a result.

Yet, for over the past 12 years or so, walking in full allegiance w Abba Father and my Lord Jesus, who graciously has given me a new fleshy heart and put His Spirit w in me [July of 2018], showed me just a few months prior, what He can do and will do in my husband, as He restores the image and the likeness of Him and His Son w in our life and marriage. I'm telling you, repentance is truly a precious gift, which can only be granted to us by the living God. And from my perspective, it just seems those who truly receive this gift, do not take His name nor any of His doctrine for granted—or in vain...

Taking the Name of the Lord in vain, is one of those commandments that seem sooo many just glazed over, esp here in these last days. Bt why?! If I asked any real man living today, esp one who has taken a wife, I'd say, "Sir, did it matter to you whether your covenant wife took your name before all the witnesses and guests at your wedding? Or no?" W/o a doubt, I'm almost sure they'd all agree — YES IT DOES MATTER TO ME, AS A MAN. Especially men who claim to serve Christ or claim to keep the faith of Jesus. Do they not make known their own name, plastered over their social media presence, their ministries, on all their websites, juxtaposed next to their spiritual gift(s), and all the deeds they tend to do and have done, etc.? I mean, this is common amongst us and goes w/o saying. Nothing unusual here. A name is given to identify a person, as well as to identify their rulership, authorship, and their ownership. If I were to write a book, it's obvious I ought to write my name on it. Why? Bc I am the author of that book — basic human understanding, this is not deep. Yet God forbid, a man's own covenant wife decides not to take his [last] name (like I did), by either rejecting it or hyphenating it to their maiden name [their daddy's last name]. And women do this, even those who claim Christ...we've all seen it. My argument is this: in a covenant marriage, one man and one woman become one flesh, for life, and that means there cannot be two [last] names for a one flesh covenant. There is only ONE [last] name. Why? Bc this name signifies headship/rulership.

Now... this post may rub my secular, more new age-y friends a bit wrong. And that's okay bc I'm not addressing you all, so don't mind me. Just hear me out. For those who study God's Word, tho? You and I both know this is relevant to us, as we are to be getting ready for our Bridegroom every single day, now.

A bba has heard many tears and prayers of mine, which has led me to what I have come to understand of Him, today: Abba Father designed covenant marriage specifically to reflect His authority over His entire Family in heaven and [now] on earth, THRU HIS only begotten Son — They are one — and as the Son of man, those that believe on Him do inherit eternal sonship, thru His Name. Better known as "the law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus" that sets us free from the law of sin and death. We know this bc Romans 7:1-4, affirms Genesis 3:16 where we find 'the law of marriage' or 'the law of her husband' given and now established thru Christ, for all eternity: this law has dominion over a man as long as he lives. Now, the old mosaic covenant passed away when Christ died and gave up His authored and finished life, solidifying His role as Head over the entire born-again, divine-human race that receive Him. To them He gives power to become children of God, even to them that believe on His name.

So thru Christ, any one that believes God isn't lying or speaking metaphorically about His Son, trusting His Son's faithful and true witness [His identity of being the only begotten of the Father, who came out from or who came forth from His Father], will inherit eternal life, as an adopted child of God. Jesus is our Last Adam, for He has fully restored us to His Father. This is why the first man Adam who was made a living soul, was made in the image of God, and after His likeness — as the head or 'the father of all living' (the father of the fallen human race). Christ, being not made or created but the only begotten [literal divine] Son of God, who Abba Father sent to save the world, delivers the weak and foolish things of this world — even to this day [just look at me!]: He (having been exalted by His Father after overcoming sin and death, as the Son of man) loved righteousness and hated iniquity and bc of this, Abba anointed and blessed His Son for ever w the oil of gladness (bc that Jesus is now glorified). And now, as our everlasting Father, the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus is sent forth into our hearts (aka the Spirit of the Living God; the Holy Spirit; the Spirit of Truth; the Spirit of prophecy; the Spirit of Christ; the Comforter; our Advocate; the Living Waters, that the prophet Joel prophesied would be poured out upon all flesh in these last days — so that the testimony of Jesus, which all genuine believers are endued w power from on high w, can serve God via their spiritual gift(s) to preach/confess/testify of that which was, which is and which is to come: the Gospel of Jesus Christ, that souls truly believe on His name and be saved, John 20:30-31.

So in the home, (specifically in covenant marriage) we get a glimpse of this eternal glory and divine signature, this divine authorship, rulership and ownership of Abba Father being glorified in and thru His Son! Even in us who bear His name, and walk and live by the faith of Jesus. This gift of Grace and Truth, came by/thru His Son, and it is the reason the name of the husband is given to his wife: it represents his headship, kingship, rulership, to serve as authority over his entire family and household to provide, protect, direct, cultivate and lead.

👑 PSALMS 118:20-26

"This gate [the strait gate; the Door] of the LORD [YAH], into which the righteous shall enter. I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation. The *STONE which the builders refused* is *BECOME THE HEAD STONE* of the corner. **This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.** This *is the day which the LORD hath made* [the day you harden not your heart anymore, to this Truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ/His literal divine Sonship]; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Save now, I beseech thee, O LORD [Abba Yah]: O LORD [Yah], I beseech thee, send now prosperity. Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the LORD: we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD.

👑 JOHN 17:5-6

"And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was. **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."

👑 JOHN 17:22-26

"And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that **they may be ONE**, even as **WE ARE ONE: 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. Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they **MAY BEHOLD MY GLORY**, which **THOU HAST GIVEN ME**: for thou lovedst me **BEFORE THE FOUNDATION of the world**. O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: **BUT I HAVE known thee**, and these have known that **THOU HAST SENT ME**. And **I HAVE DECLARED UNTO THEM THY NAME, and will declare it** [now, thru His brethren who have received the testimony of Christ confirmed w in them]: that the love wherewith thou **HAST LOVED ME MAY BE IN THEM**, and **I IN THEM**.

👑 EPHESIANS 1:9-11

"Having **MADE KNOWN UNTO US THE MYSTERY OF HIS WILL**, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself: That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might **gather together IN ONE** all things **IN CHRIST**, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; **EVEN IN HIM: IN WHOM WE ALSO HAVE OBTAINED AN INHERITANCE**, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:"

👑 EPHESIANS 1:19-23

"And what *is* the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, which he wrought [did; crafted, fashioned; etc.] in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and **SET HIM AT HIS OWN RIGHT HAND** in the heavenly *places*, **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: And hath put **ALL THINGS** under **HIS FEET**, and **GAVE HIM TO BE THE HEAD OVER ALL THINGS TO THE CHURCH**, which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all."

👑 EPHESIANS 3:14-15

"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**,"

I think for those of us who claim Christ, we can now begin to examine ourselves and see if we bear His name. Have we taken His name in vain, or not. Thru our Lord Jesus, I feel we can also see what that commandment really meant — we don't only say or confess His name before others (beginning) at our baptism into Christ's death but, it's a principle by which we actually live by, thru the faith of Jesus abiding in us. This is why I ponder why so many have shrugged their shoulders at 'the calling upon the name of the Lord'? Or try their best to contrive and concoct sermons to undermine this glorious reality which we receive only by believing and thru confessing His everlasting name [ref., "**Name: Identity: Doctrine**"]? It is only thru the Son of man that this could of been authored and finished. So why is the so-called Bride of Christ acting like I was when I first married to my husband (disrespectful)? I suppose many tend to look back to the commandments given by Moses vs. the commandments of Jesus? And then perhaps look forward to the faith of Jesus? Bt how does that work? Seems doubled-minded. Why do so many covet the 4th commandment, to keep the sabbath day, and not to covet the Lord of the sabbath and keep all His teachings/sayings? In the New Covenant, we were never commanded nor instructed to love a certain day of the week. We love the Lord Jesus and bear/keep His Name. What? We wouldn't have a rest to abide in; a righteous life to live, if it weren't for that Just One. I'm saying...

👑 PSALMS 44:20-21

"If we have FORGOTTEN THE NAME OF OUR GOD, or stretched out our hands to a strange god; shall not God search this out? for **he knoweth the secrets of the heart.**"

👑 2 TIMOTHY 2:19

"Nevertheless **THE FOUNDATION OF GOD standeth SURE**, having **THIS SEAL**, the Lord KNOWETH THEM THAT ARE HIS. And, LET EVERY ONE THAT NAMETH THE NAME OF CHRIST depart from iniquity."

👑 REVELATION 14:1

"And I looked, and, lo, a LAMB stood on the mount Zion, and with him an hundred forty *and* four thousand, having **HIS FATHER'S NAME WRITTEN IN THEIR FOREHEADS.**"

👑 REVELATION 7:2-3

"And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having THE SEAL OF THE LIVING GOD: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have **SEALED THE SERVANTS OF OUR GOD IN THEIR FOREHEADS.**" ← the seal of salvation [thru the name of the Lord Jesus we receive remission of sins + Life from the dead] for all who come out of every nation, to enter into Christ.

👑 ISAIAH 28:16

"Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a **FOUNDATION**, a **STONE**, a **TRIED STONE**, a **PRECIOUS CORNER STONE**, a **SURE FOUNDATION**: he that believeth shall not make haste."

👑 MATTHEW 16:15-18

"He saith unto them, But **WHOM SAY YE THAT I AM?** And Simon Peter answered and said, **Thou art the CHRIST, the SON OF THE LIVING GOD.** And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed *it* unto thee but MY FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN. And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and **UPON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH**; and the GATES OF HELL SHALL NOT PREVAIL AGAINST IT.

👑 ACTS 4:10-13

"Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that **by the NAME of Jesus Christ of Nazareth**, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, *even* by him doth this man stand here before you whole. **THIS IS THE STONE** which was set at nought of you builders, which is become **THE HEAD OF THE CORNER**. Neither is there SALVATION IN ANY OTHER: for there is **none other NAME under heaven GIVEN** among men, whereby **we MUST be saved.**"

👑 EPHESIANS 2:18-22

"For **THROUGH HIM** we both have access by ONE SPIRIT [the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus; the law of faith, [Rom 8:2](#), [1 Jn 5:9-13](#)] unto the Father. Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but **fellowcitizens with the saints**, and **of the household of God**; And **are built upon THE FOUNDATION of the apostles and prophets, JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF BEING THE CHIEF CORNER STONE**; In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an **HOLY TEMPLE** in the Lord: In whom ye also are builded together **FOR AN HABITATION OF GOD THROUGH THE SPIRIT** [the Spirit of Truth; the Spirit of God; the Holy Spirit; the Spirit of prophecy; the Spirit of Christ; the Comforter; our Advocate].

👑 1 CORINTHIANS 16:22

"If any man **love not the Lord Jesus Christ**, let him be Anathema Maranatha."

Something I never ever really considered before came to mind one afternoon a few months ago: the name of the Son of God reveals His identity, pls ref. [Matt 1:21](#), [1 Jn 4:14-15](#), [Jn 3:18-21](#), [Jn 20:31](#), [1 Jn 5:13](#). Abba is v intentional: [He sent His only begotten Son, in His own name](#) to seek and to save that which is lost... and invites the whole world to believe on His Name which His Son inherited from Him, for eternal life. So, how is it we show respect, honor and our affinity for His Son? Would not our allegiance be unashamedly commenced at our "public declaration", calling upon His name at our water baptism into Christ's death, for the remission of our sins? How and why do so many deviate here? Isn't this gate strait for a reason? The Son of God's name is not merely only the language we speak but His name is a declaration of God's righteousness, and it's where [God, thru His Son, begins the work](#) of His power, glory and life w in the obedient/believing soul.

The identity of the Son of God and His name are inseparable. Yet many seem to take the name of God for granted: re-attaching it and slapping it onto strange and foreign msgs/doctrines that were never seen nor revealed to anyone thru out Scripture. All of which Abba did not send His Son to testify of, either. Bc Jesus never testified or taught these popular ideologies we hear most notably today — nor did any of His apostles.

In Rev 22:14-15, anyone that 'loveth or maketh a lie' (bears false witness) will not enter thru the gates into that city.

Something for us to ponder prayerfully: is there anything w in our hearts, that we have an affinity for that precedes our love for our Messiah? Or anything that is 'man-made', foreign to the Scriptures, that usurps, denies, opposes or blasphemes the Word of God? We see the wife who has an unbelieving husband, can win his heart back to God, by her chaste [*virtuous, pure, loving*] behavior and Godly reverence [*Godly fear, respect, honor*]. This can also be an allegory or a picture of the Bride of Christ navigating an unbelieving world, too. They indeed are watching us. I know I was watching those who especially like to go to church bt never tell a word about their God or why they even go to church in the first place, when I was straight sinning.

Could an alternate identity, and a different doctrine, in which the Son of man did not say, nor confess, nor preach, nor teach, nor command, nor testify of, that gets associated to His inherited Name [the Name above every other name] — could this be 'taking the name of the Lord in vain'? We're not going to be judged by your beloved church-fathers and founders and their interpretations, from times past. The word which Jesus spoke 2000 yrs ago, [will judge us in the end](#) — not Moses', but Jesus' words, [bc He is the Son of God](#).

Our Beloved Messiah, also did not have to go to the extent that He went to on that tree, in order to make a divine highway for us to be forgiven of our sins and saved by His authored and finished Life. His name is not just us announcing one of our Babylonian bastardized languages either, let's be real. We all speak varying languages bc of what went down in the city of Babel a v long time ago. Abba knows all our languages, like a parent knows the voice of their child when they cry out for them. So to allow that to deflect some of us from the Truth, that Abba sent His Son in His own Name, for a genuine purpose (*cough! cough!* Salvation), just seems immature, combative, petty and partial. Not only that, there's a mafia of 'title-loving callers' and triune worshipers populating the fold, who love and abide in that ideology and aren't even moved to be like a Berean and PRAY, that they might be granted repentance and flee from it, renouncing it...this is amazing to me. Thankfully, I've never been indoctrinated w any of the common modern theologies, ideologies, (sorceries), or mythologies of our day, all I had was a Bible my husband gifted me a few years back, that I earnestly prayed, seeking God to open my understanding, that I might understand the scriptures, like Jesus did for those two disciples in [Luke 24:13-35](#), which is just an awesome passage that really catapulted my faith to just ask Abba to teach me what it means [and looks like] to be His daughter now.

So let us not trip and fuss over things like which language to call upon, it's clear how we must be saved. Peter proclaimed it in [Acts 4:12](#) and all the apostles walked in the same doctrine, had the same understanding, and convictions, surrendering to no other way — they all submitted to this form of doctrine and boldly taught these things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ: this goes hand in hand. They were never ashamed of the name of the Lord Jesus, as so many shy away from proclaiming and preaching, today. Which concerns me, as this not only [the foundation to the faith](#) but it doesn't edify to be partial and many tend to make a mountain out of mole hill w their preferred language or their preferred titles. Which is just foolishness. We're missing the point: it was never about which *language* we confess His name in or what 'science', proclaiming titles is equivalent to. It's, do we know and believe that He is who He says He is? Is there gladness in our hearts for the knowledge of salvation, and a desire to willingly confess Him/His Name aloud before ALL? Do we [love Him](#)? Will we tell ppl? Do we continue to tell ppl? Or are we puffed up thinking, God can work w a "three-title-calling-deviation" that deviates from the plain Word of God, clearly illustrated by the life of the apostles? How can so many be a 'special exception'? How is that, 'saying [the same thing, and having the same mind](#)'? The apostles' doctrine is clear: we either hear it, understand it, love it, and walk in it — or we don't.

A bba desires to continue to make known to those who will believe on His Son, what this mystery was which was hid for ages and generations, and the least thing we can do, as His servants, is preach His doctrine w/o partiality. If you don't believe on His name, that's a serious problem for you and I implore you to seek God right now and work that out patiently thru prayer.

Bt be it known unto all who think they can just 'toe the line', the Messiah's name both certifies and officiates God's doctrine, bc God's doctrine demonstrates the Truth of His literal and divine Son's identity [by real evidence and power; the power of the living God]. Which confirms the msg that He was sent to teach us, that we might be saved... Here is what most of christendom shuns and rolls their eyes at, I catch it all the time from those who think they're wiser and deeper and more merciful than the Lord Jesus Christ, Himself: this same msg Christ commissioned His apostles and disciples to continue in and teach the nations, and it comes w receipts: signs (the evidence of the power of God: Christ working in and thru us) will follow His brethren who love Him and keep His commandments (not Moses') and all His sayings, as we are now His faithful and true witnesses, going forth bearing the reproach of His precious and holy name, breathing/speaking the judgments of truth and the judgments of peace to every man our neighbor. Yes, our Master, Teacher, Guide and Wonderful Counselor is w us and will never leave us nor forsake us, verifying that it is His Righteousness/His eternal Life working in us, and any one else who will gladly call upon His name, faithfully. He will come to dwell w in them too, for ever.

PSALMS 45:2

"Thou Art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for ever." [ref. [Heb 1](#)]

