

THE NEW NAME

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INTRODUCTION:

A. Read text: Isa 56:5; Acts 11:26.

B. Regarding the text:

1. Names are important.
 - 1) God told Adam to name all living things (**Gen. 2:19**).
 - 2) God chose to change the names of certain people.
 - a. Abram became Abraham (**Gen. 17:5** "father of a multitude").
 - b. Jacob became Israel (**Gen. 35:10** "God prevails").
 - c. Saul of Tarsus became Paul (**Acts 13:9** "little").
2. **Prov. 22:1** "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold."
 - 1) A good name is hard to establish.
 - 2) Easier to lose than to build.

C. Christians wore a worthy name.

1. **James 2:7**.
2. They suffered for it **1 Pet 4:16**.
3. The name Christian must be worn with honor.
 - 1) It signifies who we are.
 - 2) And identifies whom we follow.

DISCUSSION: IN THIS DISCUSSION LET US OBSERVE...

I. WHAT THE PROPHETS SAID CONCERNING THE NAME.

A. They spoke this concerning the new name.

1. God will give a new name.
 - 1) **Isaiah 62:2** A name that had never been worn before.
 - 2) **Isaiah 56:5**.
 - a. Would be given to the Lord's house.
 - b. It will be an "everlasting name" (**Isaiah 56:5**).

II. THE INTRODUCTION OF THE NAME.

A. Names distinguish one person from another.

1. In our families. (Well, one man that named ALL FIVE of his sons George!)
2. But normally we give names to distinguish one person from another.

B. The name Christian was used to identify the people of God.

1. It means a follower of Christ! (And Him only Him.)
2. The word is a descriptive word! A disciple and a follower of Christ.
3. First used at Antioch.
 - 1) **Acts 11:26** "first called Christians at Antioch."
 - 2) It distinguished the saints from all others.
 - a. From the pagans or Jews.
 - b. From all else.

C. The word Christian found only three times in the Bible.

1. **Acts 11:26**.
2. **Acts 26:28**.
3. **1 Peter 4:16**.

III. WHY DO WE WEAR THE NEW NAME?

A. We wear His name because:

1. He was crucified for us (**1 Cor 1:12**).

2. In His name we glorify God (**1 Pet 4:16**).
 3. No other name can bring salvation (**Acts 4:12**).
- B. It is wonderful to wear such a beautiful name.**

IV. WHAT DOES THIS NAME MEAN TO US?

- A. We will honor Him who gave it. (As a husband and wife)**
- B. We will live like Christ:**
1. **1 John 2:6.**
 2. **1 John 1:7.**

V. CONCLUSION:

- A. THE NEW NAME...**
1. It is a wonderful name.
 2. It is a name to be worn with honor.
- B. Glorify His name **Psalm 29:2**.**