THERE IS POWER IN THE NAME OF JESUS

INTRODUCTION

Two weeks ago I spoke on the power we have in the Blood of Jesus.

- It has power to break the separation from God caused by our sins.
- It has power to pay for our sins.
- It has power to give us a clean conscience.
- It has power to sanctify us.
- It has power to make us overcomers.

My heart's desire is to continue glorifying Jesus by telling you about the NAME of Jesus and the power wrapped up in that wonderful name!

MESSAGE

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

When Cheryl was pregnant with Joshua, we were visiting at the Neumeier's farm and pastor Harold Weitz was there. He asked what we were going to name our child and he told us that we must name the child very carefully because a person's name can impact their life incredibly powerfully. Hence, we chose very carefully when we named our children.

We know from reading the Bible, that when we study the names of places and people in it, these names have significant spiritual meaning. For example, the name of the town where Jesus was born, "Bethlehem" means "Beth" – "House" and "Lechem" means "bread". Jesus Christ, the "Bread of life" was born in the "House of Bread".

The angel instructed Joseph this way: **Matthew 1:21** And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins."

The name "Jesus" is the English form of the Hebrew word, "Yeshua". It means, "YHWH Saves" or "God Saves"

In the name of Jesus is tied up all the fullness of the Godhead. When we use the name Jesus, we are calling on God Himself in the form of His Saviour-son, Jesus Christ.

THERE IS NO OTHER NAME LIKE IT

Jesus. fully God, chose to come to save us in the form of a man – He was not just God looking like a man, rather, He set aside all His heavenly glory and came, not as God, but as man! Therefore His Father took special notice and Paul writes this:

Philippians 2:5-9 (NKJV) Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, 7 but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. 9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and **given Him the name which is above every name**,

There is no other name like the name of Jesus – it is "sovereign', without compare, without equal and it has power without comparison!

What can we learn about this name without compare?

- It was earned in humility.
- It was earned in sacrifice.
- It was earned in obedience.

When we call on the matchless name of Jesus we need to come humbly, we need to come with self-crucified and we need to come in obedience.

When we call on Jesus, we call on GOD Himself!

What has been our attitude when we have called on this matchless name of Jesus?

Is there any arrogance and pride that has got in the way when using His beautiful name?

If so, we need to humbly repent so that the name of Jesus can do it's wonderful work in our lives.

THERE IS POWER FOR SALVATION IN THE NAME OF JESUS

The promise of salvation is tied up in the meaning of Jesus name – "God Saves".

Acts 2:21 (NKJV) And it shall come to pass That whoever calls on the name of the Lord Shall be saved.

No matter what the world says. No matter even what the church (those who have drifted from God's Word) says. The only way to be saved, to be bornagain is by calling on the name of Jesus:

John 14:6 (NKJV) Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

The name of Jesus is the key to coming to the Father, it has to be believed in, and called on so that we can be saved before we can enter God's presence.

THERE IS POWER OVER SATAN AND EVIL FORCES IN THE NAME OF JESUS

Our God is omnipotent – He can't be beaten, He is THE supreme ruler, and He has embedded that omnipotence in the name of Jesus:

Philippians 2:10-11 (NKJV) that at the name of Jesus **every** knee should bow, of those **in heaven**, and of those **on earth**, and of those **under the earth**, 11 and that every **tongue should confess** that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Every knee shall bow, not only some!

• In heaven (angels), on the earth (man), under the earth (demonic forces and satan).

Every tongue shall confess – not only some.

• Even the demons confess that name: **Mark 5:6-8** (NKJV) When he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and worshiped Him. 7 And he cried out with a loud voice and said, "What have I to do with You, **Jesus**, Son of the Most High God? I implore You by God that You do not torment me."

We have access to that same power and authority through the name of Jesus.

- **Luke 10:17** (NKJV) Then the seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us **in Your name**."
- **Luke 10:18-19** (NKJV) And He said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven.19 Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

There is more power in the name of Jesus than what is contained in all the power of angels, humans and demons and even satan himself combined – NOTHING is greater, NOTHING is stronger than the name of Jesus.

Do you realise that when you pray, and when you call on the name of Jesus, you are accessing power greater than an atomic bomb? You access the very person and power of Jehovah, YHWH, God Most High. Are you calling on the name of Jesus in the fullness of understanding what a powerful name it is, and of the authority that you have in His amazing name?

THERE IS POWER IN THE NAME OF JESUS TO DO SUPERNATURAL WONDERS

John 14:12-13 (NKJV) "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. 13 And whatever you ask **in My name**, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

Whatever, whatever we ask in the name of Jesus, we can have – Jesus does what we ask in His name so that His father will be glorified!

- One condition James said this: "James 4:3 (NKJV) You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures" ... If our request can't glorify Father God, then our prayer will not be answered.
- This power is to do the works that Jesus did!
 - He healed the sick.
 - He raised the dead.
 - He delivered the demon possessed.
 - o He taught the people about God!
 - H performed miracles He turned water into wine, fed thousands with small amounts of fish and bread, stilled the storms on the sea and sent a shoal of fish into a net!

Mark 16:17-19 (NKJV) And these signs will follow those who believe: **In My name** they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; 18 they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

Jesus didn't say we MAY, He said we WILL:

- cast out demons
- speak with new tongues
- they will take up serpents
- by no means be hurt if they drink anything deadly
- lay hands on the sick, and they will recover

That's POWER for YOU and for ME! Wow!!!!

We see too few miracles taking place! Is it possible that we are asking in this powerful name of Jesus but doubt lays in our hearts, or sin prevents our prayers from being heard? It's time to start praying in full belief that the Lord will raise the dead, cause the lame to walk, open blind eyes, give speech to the mute, open deaf ears and perform any miracle we ask Him to do in Jesus' name.

CONCLUSION

The magnificent name of Jesus:

- THERE IS NO OTHER NAME LIKE IT
- IT IS THE POWER OF GOD FOR SALVATION
- IT CARRIES POWER OVER SATAN AND EVIL FORCES
- IT CARRIES POWER TO DO SIGNS AND WONDERS

Colossians 3:17(NKJV) And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

There is so much more I could have said this morning about the power we have in Jesus name, but let us take the little we have heard this morning, apply the name of Jesus by faith and attain great victory!