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### *"What Is In A Name"*

God did a wonderful thing when he created all the creatures of the earth; he gave them names. Then he went about giving names to all of the plants, minerals, rocks, elements and everything else in this world. But that was not all. When "he made the stars also," he called them by name! Names are important for they identify everything in our world and heaven above. But they are also important in how they make us feel, like the way you react when someone says "kitten" or "skunk". We also make a name for ourselves among the people we associate with. I pray you will think about these things as you go through this issue of "Jewels" and consider, "What is Your name?"

~Teresa Miller

Good men must die,  
but death cannot kill their names.  
~Unknown

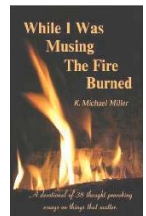
From our ancestors come our names,  
but from our virtues our honors.  
~Unknown

### *Our Book Store*

We still have two books available, "As The Days Go By", a collection of poems by Sis. Teresa Miller. The book is a 68-page paperback edition of original poetry. The cost is \$5.95 plus sh/hdl charges.



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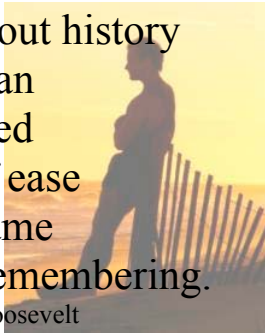
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*Our names are labels,  
plainly printed on  
the bottled essence  
of our past behavior.  
Logan Pearsall Smith*

Never  
throughout history  
has a man  
who lived  
a life of ease  
left a name  
worth remembering.  
Theodore Roosevelt



**A** good name  
is rather to be chosen than great riches,  
and loving favour rather than silver and  
gold.  
Proverbs 22:1

## **Look Out! Something is Following You!**

Yes, there is something that is following you, through every thing you try to do and with every crowd that you find yourself in. It follows relentlessly, never tiring or giving you a moments peace. Sometimes, its presence is not such an unwelcome thing, especially if you have fed it with the right words, actions and behaviour. But, most often than not, it is a thing of anxiety, a dreadful reminder of some willful action or sinful deed. Have you figured it out yet? It is your name. Not the one that your parents gave you but the one that you made for yourself.

The Bible says, "Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right." Proverbs 20:11 It is while you are a child that you begin to make a name for yourself, the name that you will be know by for the rest of your life. The greatest danger is that when you are young you can not understand the magnitude of that responsibility. You may be told, "It matters what you do," but you let the warning go by you without much regard. Then by the time that your teen years are passed, you have made yourself a reputation that will not leave you.

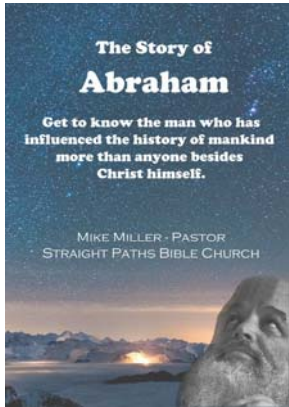
Of course, there is a way to change. Jesus promises us forgiveness when we confess and forsake our sin. Rahab, in the old testament, turned from her sin and became the wife of one of the Israelites and a follower of God. But her identifying handle was, "the harlot". What you do through your young life MATTERS!

So, remember, and do not forget; there is something that will follow you for the rest of your life. It is your reputation...your name.

T. Miller

"We know what we are,  
but not what we may be."  
— William Shakespeare

Do you have someone in your family who loves to listen to series sermons but they have trouble finding them from reliable sources? Bro. Mike has put together some of the series that he has been preaching to us at Straight Paths and is making them available to everyone. Here are the first three:

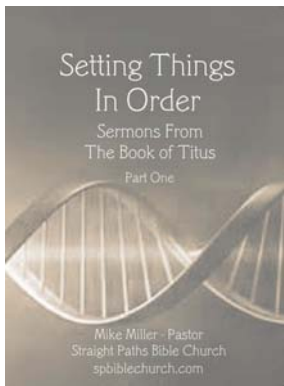
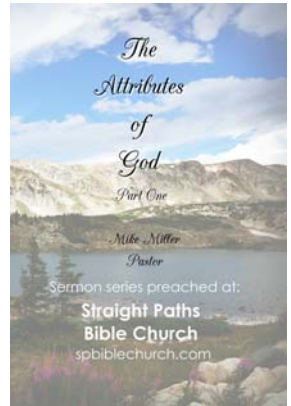


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## *What is Your Name?*

*"Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name." Revelation 3:12*

A name carries a lot more meaning than anyone realizes. Some names will make you laugh, while other names can invoke anger or fear, as was Hitler's name during the war in 1943. God used names in the Bible to identify certain people, such as Abraham, the "father of many nations;" Israel, which means "prince," who had been Jacob, the "trickster;" Nabal, the first husband of Abigail, King David's wife, whose name meant "fool".

Sometimes people acquire a name for the things that they do or how they look. Did you ever wonder where last names came from? Miller could have been a man who owned the neighborhood mill (John the Miller, later changed to John Miller), as are other names such as Carpenter, Boatwright, Smith, Farrier, and countless others. It was a means of identification for the various tradesmen in the area and eventually became the family name. Eric the Red had red hair, and when he had a son he named him Leif Ericson (Leif, son of Eric). Very interesting, is it not?

Have you ever thought of what kind of a name that your friends and family would call you if your actions and character were described in a word? What would that word be? Hannah Hurnard, author of "Hind's Feet on High Places," wrote a sequel to that book called, "Mountain of Spices." The main character in "Hind's Feet" was a girl named Much Afraid who later became Grace and Glory. In "Mountain of Spices," she describes various members of the community of the town which she was from. In this book, we encounter folks named Dismal Forebodings, Gloomy, Spiteful, Bitterness, Murmuring, Self-Pity, Pride, Umbrage, Resentment, Craven Fear, Moody, Lord Fearing and Superiority. Although these are descriptive words, they were put into characters in the book and played out as real people. To be honest, when you read the book you can see those very traits in the people around you and sometimes even in your own self. These people came to know the Shepherd, Jesus Christ, and through his guidance and goodness, many of them found new names. Umbrage was changed to Forgiveness, Craven Fear became Fearless Witness, and Pride and Superiority were changed to Meekness and Lowliness-of-Heart.

People will judge you for the way that you act and the things that you say and do. You can scream, "Judge not!" all you want to but everyone makes a judgment on every person that they meet. My son worked with a young man for a while last year and he would invite him to his house for supper once a week for fellowship and encouragement. When graduation time came, our local newspaper put a special insert with photographs of all the graduating seniors of the year, and as they sat at the table that evening looking through the various pictures, he was asked which of the girls he thought would make a good wife. Soberly, he began considering them

individually, stating why each of them would not, and some of the statements were pretty scathing. When my daughter-in-law told me of this, it really made me sad and troubled my heart. I wondered what those girls would think if they could hear the name that they had made for themselves while going through high school. But that is the trouble, they never thought that some day someone would label them with such a name. And it made me wonder what kind of name my classmates would have given me.

Everyone's great desire to "fit in" and not to be thought odd or old fashioned has caused young girls especially to think that they have to be sexy, sensual, and act like the popular singers and actresses in the movies to be popular, too. The word popular means "intended for or suited to the taste, understanding, or means of the general public rather than specialists or intellectuals." A girl that thinks she is special because she is popular should know that to be popular she is "suited to the means of the general public." In other words, she is nothing special. She is just like everyone else because that is what she is trying to be. She dresses like them, acts like them, gives away her purity like them, and becomes just one of the multitude. And she does all this "rather than" being a specialist (a person who concentrates primarily on a particular subject or activity; highly skilled in a specific and restricted field) or an intellectual (a person possessing a highly developed intellect.) It does not mean that she does not have any intelligence but that she has purposefully "dumbed" herself down to the level of people who are very much below her. This girl could make something of her life but because she wants popularity and a good time while in high school, she makes such a name for herself that by the time that she wants to settle down and get married, the good young men are wise to her ways and know her name, which is not what they are looking for in a wife.

Names can be very interesting. It is always the height of the birth of a child to know what his parents have named him. In Bible times, a child's name was not revealed until the eighth day after his birth. Indians who lived in these United States before we came have been known to name their children after some event that was important to them. They would even change a child's name when they were grown if that child accomplished some feat of bravery or honor. I suppose it was similar to Naomi (which means laughter) in the book of Ruth, when she came back to Bethlehem after her husband and sons were dead and stated that all should call her Mara (which means bitter) "*for,*" she said, "*the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me.*" The meaning of her name was enough to cause hurt to her wounded soul when she finally made her way back to the place she should have been all along.

Our God has many names that he uses to refer to himself. In my older Bible, I have a corner of one blank back page filled with some of the names of God I have read in the Bible. His names show his character, power, and deity. Here are a few: Prince of Life, Wonderful, Faithful Witness, Counselor, Holy One, Lamb of God, Captain of my Salvation, The Everlasting Father, The Sun of Righteousness, Jealous, Just, Savior, Jesus...and that is just a few! The names of God give us an idea of what

kind of person he is and that is just the reason that he put so many of them in his word. He wants his people to know him. As you read the Word of God and find his various names you will begin to know him better and understand and love him more.

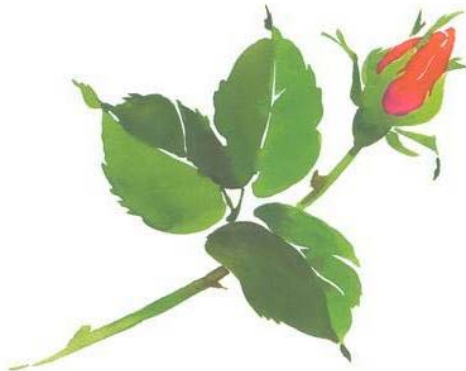
For every child of God, there is a name that he has chosen for you that only you will know. *"To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it."* Revelation 2:17 To me, this is very exciting! What a wonderful gift to be given a new name that my God has chosen for me! And no one will know it but me! What good is that, you may ask. Why would he give you something that only you know and no one else does? Because we have a personal, private relationship that no one really knows about but me and him. He knows me better than I know myself and will give me a name that will be fitting to who I am in this relationship with him. Like the sweet little names that married people call each other that no one else is supposed to know but them (remember that!). The privacy of those names is what makes it so special, and that is why no one will know that new name of yours that *he* gives you but you yourself. Just how special are we to God!

So, what does your name mean? We are: Kenneth Michael (Handsome and like God, and I say it fits him well), Teresa Sue (Harvester of Lilies, whatever that is supposed to mean), Seth Michael (Appointed and like God), Sarah Elaine (Princess with a Shining Light), David Isaiah (Beloved and God is Salvation), Daniel Paul (God is my Judge and Little...and there is nothing little about Daniel, but Paul was a great man of God), Esther Ruth (A Starry Friend), and Elisabeth Abigail (God is My Oath and My Father's Joy). We tried to be very careful in choosing the names for our children, even thinking of the character of the Biblical person for whom they were being named. There is something special in a name, and even though Mr. Shakespeare thought that *"a rose by any other name would smell as sweet"*, I am more inclined to think like Anne of Green Gables; *"I read in a book once that a rose by any other name would smell as sweet, but I've never been able to believe it. I don't believe a rose WOULD be as nice if it was called a thistle or a skunk cabbage."* So, are you a rose, or are you a thistle or a skunk cabbage? What is **your** name?



Here is something that you can do in your notebooks. Remember to write the question or instruction first before your answers so that in the future you can read through them again. This is a fun subject and I hope you enjoy exploring and discovering some interesting information about names.

1. First of all, find the meaning of your own name. You might find a reference book in a library or look it up on a computer. Write down what you find, the meaning and origin, if possible. Ask if you were named after a certain person and why.
2. Everyone has a favorite Bible character. Start with your number one favorite. Using a concordance, look up the various places in the Bible where he or she is mentioned and make a list of those. After reading these references, write in your own words what kind of a person you think they were and what God accomplished in their life. Continue with any other person that you like and study out their life. It makes a great Bible study!
3. Make a name poster of your name and meaning for your room. This can be sized to fit a frame or just put on a poster. Try decorating it in the theme of your name, being careful to use figures and drawings that are not worldly but that will be a blessing to you and to the Lord. You might even find a Bible verse that you like or that might go with your name and its meaning to add to the picture.





## *Just a Few More Christmas Recipes!*

### *Fantasy Fudge - A must-have for Christmas!*

- 3 cups sugar
- 3/4 cup margarine
- 2/3 cup evaporated milk
- 1 12-oz. (340 g) package semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 1 7-oz. (198 g) jar Kraft Marshmallow creme
- 1 cup chopped nuts
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract



Combine sugar, margarine and milk in heavy 2-1/2 quart saucepan; bring to full rolling boil, stirring constantly. Continue boiling 5 minutes over medium heat, stirring. Remove from heat, stir in chocolate till melted. Add marshmallow creme, nuts & vanilla; beat until blended. Pour into greased 13 x 9-inch baking pan. Let cool and cut into 1-inch squares.



### *Candy Cane Blossoms*

- 1 bag Hershey's Candy Cane Kisses
- 1/2 c. butter, softened
- 1 c. sugar
- 1 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1 egg
- 2 c. all purpose flour
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. baking soda
- 2 Tbsp milk

green and red colored sugar or other holiday sprinkles

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Remove the wrappers from 36 Kisses.
2. Beat the butter, sugar, vanilla, and egg in your stand mixer or in a large mixing bowl until well blended. In a medium bowl, whisk together flour, salt, and baking soda. Add a little of the dry mixture to the butter mixture, then put one of the tablespoons of milk in and mix. Then add more flour mixture and mix, and the last tablespoon of milk and mix. Add the remaining flour mixture, if any.
3. Shape the dough into 1-inch balls. Roll the balls in the different sugars and/or sprinkles and place on an ungreased cookie sheet.
4. Bake 8-10 minutes or until edges are lightly browned and the cookie is set. Remove from the oven and cool for 2-3 minutes. Then press a Kiss into each cookie. Remove the cookies from the cookie sheet to a wire rack and allow to cool completely.

*Merry Christmas*  
& HAPPY NEW YEAR

## Crafts

### **Embroidery Hoop Wall Hanging**

This one is so simple and such a pretty addition to your decorations. Simply cut a piece of white fabric larger than your hoop and add novelty ribbon, rick-rack, buttons, sequins, whatever is festive and bright. Insert in your hoop tightly and trim the excess fabric around the back. Add a small red bow to the top and you can use something as small as a straight pin to hang them on your walls. By using various sizes of hoops, it makes them look like the decorations on your tree.



### **Mom and Dad Mugs**

Locate some plain, white mugs (they can be colored but should at least be a light color.) Please do not use a regular Sharpie to do this project for the author says it will wipe off too easily. She used "Craft Smart" paint pens, which are available at "Michaels" or other craft

stores. Draw your design on the cup, either free-handed or with a stencil. Let them sit for 24 hours, and then bake them at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Turn off oven and leaving them inside, let them cool for a couple of hours. This should make the ink permanent on them.

### **Fleece Fingerless Mitten Gloves**

This one is so easy that you do not even need a pattern! For adult size, measure two pieces of fleece 12"x9". Fold each in half along the 12" side and sew up to 8" and back-tack. Then, skip the next 1 1/2" and sew up the last 2 1/2" to the edge. Decorate the mittens any way you like with lace, rick-rack, ribbons, and such. Make several pair and give as gifts to your friends and cousins! They are great for computerizing family members. :-)



### **Name Letters**

This would be a great way to display your name or a great gift to make for Christmas. Either purchase the wooden letters from a craft store or get really creative and cut them out of a sheet of foam board. Then decorate each letter differently or in a certain pattern according to room color and theme. Attach a 1/2" ribbon to the top of each and tie a bow. They can be hung straight or in any way you like.

## Recipes

### ***Monkey Bread with a New Twist!***

- 1 can large flaky biscuits
- 1 1/2 tablespoons cinnamon
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1 cup white sugar
- 1 cup brown sugar, packed

1/2 cup pecans, raisins and/or coconut, if desired

1. Spray a fluted bundt pan with pan spray; add biscuits, standing on their edges, all around the pan.
2. Combine the next four ingredients and work butter in to dry with a fork. Add raisins, nuts, coconut as desired and blend in to dry.
3. Evenly pour sugar mixture over the top of the biscuits, making sure some gets in between the pieces as well.
4. Bake at 375° for 15 minutes, or until biscuits are golden brown and mixture is bubbly.
5. Can turn out while hot onto a plate or eat it from the pan.



### ***Candy Corn Fruit Cups***

- 1 can pineapple bits, drained
- 1 can mandarine oranges, drained
- tub or can whipped cream or topping
- few candy corns for garnish

1. In small dessert containers (or redeemed shot glasses) layer a small amount of pineapple tidbits; top with an equal amount of mandarine oranges.
2. Pipe or stray a nice amount of topping on top of fruit and garnish with two or three candy corns.

### ***Peppermint Bark Snow Flakes***

- 4-5 peppermint sticks, broken in small pieces
- 1 pkg. white almond bark
- 1 pkg. chocolate almond bark
- Snowflake candy or soap form

1. Melt chocolate bark according to directions.
2. Fill a small amount of chocolate bark in the bottom of each mold, covering the pretty design; tap mold gently on table to remove bubbles. Allow to cool.
3. Melt white bark according to directions; pour a layer of white on top of the chocolate.
4. Immediately sprinkle a few pieces of the broken peppermint stick on top of white bark. Allow to cool completely and pop out.  
(For extra flavor, add a few drops of mint extract to the white bark after melting.)



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