

The Name that Opens Heaven

John 14:1-6

14 “Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. ²In My Father’s house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. ³If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, *there* you may be also. ⁴And you know the way where I am going.”

Jesus told His disciples that thus far they had trusted in God, and He is asking them to place that same trust in Him now.

But why? Because He had told them that He was going away, and that where He was going they could not come.

But wait! He was not leaving them forever, but had to go to prepare a place for them in His Father’s House!

When He would return, He wanted to find them walking in the Way He had shown them.

⁵Thomas *said to Him, “Lord, we do not know where You are going, how do we know the way?” ⁶Jesus *said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me. ⁷If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; from now on you know Him, and have seen Him.”

Jesus explained to them what they were looking at all along: He is the God-man; God revealed in a human body.

He came to build an impossible bridge: to open the Way for humanity to reach the Father, to reveal all truth, and to give us life!

The Way: The Name the Opens Heaven

The Truth: The Name the Releases Revelation

The Life: The Name that Brings Resurrection

Matthew 3:16-17

¹⁶After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove *and* lighting on Him,¹⁷ and behold, a voice out of the heavens said, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased.”

John 1:50-51

⁵⁰Jesus answered and said to him, “Because I said to you that I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You will see greater things than these.” ⁵¹And He *said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see the heavens opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

Acts 7:55-56

⁵⁵But being full of the Holy Spirit, he gazed intently into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God; ⁵⁶and he said, “Behold, I see the heavens opened up and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.”

That where I am...

Ephesians 2:5-7

⁵even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), ⁶and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

Jesus' name is the name that opens Heaven to us (salvation), and the heavens over us (blessing)!

When the heavens are opened, heavenly things come down to earth.

When the heavens are opened, earthly things go up to heaven.

God's children on earth, through our cries IN JESUS' NAME, can set the powers of heaven to work in others' lives, and into impossible circumstances.

John 14:12-14

¹²Truly, truly, 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 the Father. ¹³Whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do *it*.

Matthew 18:19-20

¹⁹"Again I say to you, that if two of you agree **on earth** about anything that they may ask, it shall be done for them by My Father who is **in heaven**. ²⁰For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst."

Matthew 6:9-10

⁹"Pray, then, in this way: 'Our Father who is in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. ¹⁰'Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.

Jesus' name is the key, and the prayers of the righteous are the hands that turn it.

Wherever the Kingdom of God is not, we cry out, heaven is opened, and God begins to bring it down!

Wherever the Kingdom of God is, we cry out, and His work goes on, spreading throughout the earth.

Commission:

Luke 18:1

18 Now He was telling them a parable to show that at all times they ought to pray and not to lose heart

Galatians 6:9 New International Version (NIV)

⁹Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.