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## I. THE COMPARABLE VALUE OF A GOOD NAME

## II. THE INESTIMABLE VALUE OF THE BEST NAME

DR. SAMUEL ALEXANDER MUDD - WAS THE DOCTOR WHO TREATED JOHN WILKES BOOTH. Tried and convicted as a conspirator and "accessory after the fact." Spent four years in prison. (YOUR NAME IS MUD.)

THERE ARE SOME NAMES THAT ARE ASSOCIATED WITH HONOR, AND SOME WITH DISHONOR.

NAMES THAT BESPEAK CHARACTER:

Adolf Hitler\*

Rasputin

Benedict Arnold\*\*

I can't imagine anyone in America who might choose Benedict Arnold as a badge of honor, or some other NUTTY NAME. Oh wait,

Earlier this year. \*\*[France Court Won't Let Parents NAME Their Kid 'Nutella'](#)

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The journalist wryly notes: “This totally ruins all of my life plans to move to France and NAME my kids **Hummus, Spam and Jif Crunchy**.”

**ECCL. 7:1** "A GOOD NAME IS BETTER THAN PRECIOUS OINTMENT; AND THE DAY OF DEATH, THAN THE DAY OF ONE'S BIRTH." .

"A **GOOD NAME**, ONCE IT IS ESTABLISHED, **CAN NEVER SPOIL**; THUS THE DAY OF DEATH IS BETTER THAN THE DAY OF ONE'S BIRTH IN THIS SENSE."

**Ecc 10:1** Dead flies putrefy the perfumer's ointment, And cause it to give off a foul odor; **So does a little folly to one respected for wisdom and honor.**

(**Jared Fogle**— of **Subway Sandwich** fame – has a NAME almost as recognizable as some “**one-NAME**” rock stars. Up until a few weeks ago – I was always proud of him for his accomplishments and success in life. However – it was brought to light that he is a **pedophile** – a child molester. Now this NAME, at least as it is associated with this “**Jared**” at least, will be synonymous with **depravity**.)

11/19/2015 update: INDIANAPOLIS (Reuters) - Former Subway sandwich chain pitchman Jared Fogle on Thursday was sentenced to **15-1/2 years in federal prison after pleading guilty to child pornography and sex charges.**

**Bill Cosby** is another one. I have known his name and admired him for decades. His "Cosby Show" is one of the most widely watched sitcoms ever. I saw him honored on TV at a great assemblage of A List celebrities – he sat in the balcony of honor as a king . . .but no more. He is a filthy rapist – and has been throughout his career – statures are torn down – honors withdrawn – shame and reproach will follow him to the grave.

As we have discussed previously, (cf. July 2, 1989 "NAME of God") the NAMEs that were given to people in Bible days (during the period when the OT and NT were recorded) were NAMEs that had significance. **Often a NAME was given to a child in hopes that he would live up to the characteristics found in the meaning of the NAME.**

At birth, a child's NAME may bring to mind only certain physical characteristics of the baby. If we speak of **Zachary, Hunter or Kalynn**, we think of the "looks" of the child. **As they grow, and their physical characteristics change, we will more and more associate their NAME with their personalities, and ultimately, as they mature, with their CHARACTER (or lack there-of.)**

We really **know very little about the physical characteristics of NOAH, JOSEPH or DANIEL** - but when we mention their NAMEs, their **COURAGE** and **EXEMPLARY CHARACTER** come to mind.

(HOW MANY PEOPLE WOULD NAME THEIR CHILDREN, **JUDAS ISCARIOT OR JEZEBELL?**)

"**A GOOD NAME IS RATHER TO BE CHOSEN THAN GREAT RICHES**, and loving favor rather than silver or gold." **Prov. 22:1**

for, as

**Prov. 23:5** points out, ". . . **RICHES CERTAINLY MAKE THEMSELVES WINGS . . .**"

THE POINT OF ALL THIS TALK ABOUT NAMES IS THAT, A MAN'S DEEDS, GOOD OR BAD, BECOME INEXORABLY LINKED WITH HIS NAME.

## **II. THE INESTIMABLE VALUE OF THE BEST NAME**

FEW PEOPLE LIVE UP TO ALL THAT THEIR NAME MAY IMPLY - BUT THERE IS ONE WHO DID. HIS NAME IS FIRST MENTIONED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT IN:

**Matt. 1:21** AND SHE SHALL BRING FORTH A SON, AND THOU SHALT CALL HIS NAME **JESUS**: FOR HE SHALL SAVE HIS PEOPLE FROM THEIR SINS.

"THIS THE FIRST OF **144 REFERENCES** TO THE NAME OF CHRIST IN THE NEW TESTAMENT.

The Greek word "NOMA" occurs only about 95 times in respect to all other NAMEs in the New Testament. This fact is itself a sort of COMMENTARY on **Phil. 2:9**:" *dop 7-7-89*

**Philippians 2:9** WHEREFORE GOD ALSO HATH HIGHLY EXALTED HIM, AND GIVEN HIM A **NAME** WHICH IS ABOVE EVERY **NAME**:

"**JESUS**" means "**JEHOVAH SAVES**" or simply "**SALVATION**"

The **NAME** "**JESUS**" WAS **GIVEN TO HIM BY HIS FATHER** through the angel that announced His pending birth:

**AS THE ANGEL EXPLAINED - THE REASON FOR THE NAME WAS - HE SHALL SAVE HIS PEOPLE FROM THEIR SINS"**

HE WAS AND IS THE "**MONOGENASE**" - THE "**ONLY BEGOTTEN OF THE FATHER!**" (**JOHN 3:16**)

THERE IS BUT "**ONE**" **SAVIOR** - AND THAT IS THE "ONLY BEGOTTEN" OF THE FATHER.

"THERE IS **NONE OTHER NAME** UNDER HEAVEN GIVEN AMONG MEN, WHEREBY WE MUST BE SAVED." **Acts 4:12.**

BUT BY THIS PRECIOUS **NAME** OF **JESUS** - MEN MAY BE SAVED!!!!

**John 1:12** But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, **even to them that believe on his NAME**:

"**THOSE WHO DO RECEIVE CHRIST - ARE THENCEFORTH ASSOCIATED WITH HIS NAME - AND THEREFORE, HIS PERSON AND HIS WORK"**

THEY ARE **BAPTIZED** IN REALITY **BY THE HOLY SPIRIT**, THAT IS THEY ARE "**PLACED INTO**" **THE BODY OF CHRIST, HIS CHURCH.**

Then they are to be **BAPTIZED (symbolically)** "IN THE **NAME** OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE **SON** AND OF THE HOLY GHOST." **Matt. 28:19.**

BUT THIS IS NOT THE END OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE **NAME** OF **JESUS!** FURTHERMORE:

that . . . EVERY ONE THAT **NAMETH** THE **NAME** OF CHRIST (is to) **DEPART FROM INIQUITY. II TIM. 2:19**

THERE ARE ALSO PRECIOUS PROMISES TO THOSE WHO HAVE TRUSTED IN HIS **NAME**. **JOHN 15:16**

THAT WHATSOEVER YE SHALL ASK OF THE FATHER IN MY **NAME**, HE MAY GIVE IT YOU.

BUT IT IS ALSO BECAUSE WE BEAR THE **NAME** OF **JESUS** THAT WE SUFFER PERSECUTION AT THE HANDS OF THE WORLD!

**John 15:20-21** Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying,

they will keep yours also. **BUT ALL THESE THINGS WILL THEY DO UNTO YOU FOR MY NAME'S SAKE, BECAUSE THEY KNOW NOT HIM THAT SENT ME.**

OBSERVATION: In particular reference to the direct applicability of this verse (21) to the disciples, **it is clearly stated that those who persecute them, "know not him that sent me" ("do not know God!")** the Jewish persecution of the early church was done by **zealous men such as Saul.**

**They were religious - but they were lost!**

THOSE WHO BEAR THE NAME OF JESUS, BEAR ALSO THE REPROACH OF JESUS.

LIKE FATHER - LIKE SON?

LIKE LORD - LIKE SERVANT!!

PAUL KNEW THIS PRINCIPLE ALL TOO WELL!

IN **Phil. 3:10** HE SPOKE OF THE "FELLOWSHIP OF CHRIST'S SUFFERINGS

and IN **GAL. 6:17** HE SAID "I BEAR THE MARKS OF THE LORD JESUS"

PAUL WAS **NOT COMPLAINING!** - HE WAS **PROCLAIMING** THE JOY OF BEING COUNTED WORTHY TO SUFFER FOR THE NAME OF JESUS, FOR WE READ IN

**Philippians 1:20** . . . but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, **WHETHER IT BE BY LIFE, OR BY DEATH. FOR TO ME TO LIVE IS CHRIST, AND TO DIE IS GAIN.**

(ONLY IN OUR CASE, IT IS **NOT** ALWAYS A MATTER OF "**PERSECUTION WITHOUT PROVOCATION**")

WE LOVE TO CALL ON HIS NAME FOR OUR **SALVATION** AND FOR OUR **PETITIONS** - BUT, ARE WE LESS QUICK TO IDENTIFY WITH THE NAME OF JESUS WHEN IT IS **SUFFERING AND PERSECUTION** THAT ARE ATTACHED TO HIS NAME?

**BUT A LIFE OF SUFFERING FOR THE NAME OF JESUS IS NOT RESERVED FOR THE APOSTLE PAUL!**

**1 Peter 2:21** "FOR EVEN HEREUNTO WERE YE CALLED: BECAUSE CHRIST **ALSO SUFFERED FOR US, LEAVING US AN EXAMPLE, THAT YE SHOULD FOLLOW HIS STEPS:**

Sweetly, Lord, have we heard Thee calling,  
Come, follow Me!  
And we see where **Thy footprints falling**  
**Lead us to Thee.**

Footprints of Jesus,  
That make the pathway glow;

We will follow the steps of Jesus  
Where'er they go.

Well – 1 Peter 1:21 tell us that those footprints lead us to SUFFERING>

I Peter 2:22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: Who, when he was **reviled**, reviled not again; when he **suffered**, he threatened not; but **committed himself to him that judgeth righteously**:

In times of **testing and trials**, of **ridicule** and **worldly wrath**, of **persecution** and **prosecution**, of **scorn** and **slander** - those who truly trust in the **NAME of Jesus**, those who know him as their friend as well as their savior, know also that He Himself bore such things in his own body as he traversed this terrestrial ball. We find comfort in knowing that not only are we not alone - but our Lord And Savior Jesus Christ himself has suffered at the hands of this merciless world!

"FOR **CONSIDER HIM** THAT ENDURED SUCH CONTRADICTION OF SINNERS AGAINST HIMSELF, LEST YE BE WEARIED AND FAINT IN YOUR MINDS."  
**HEBREWS 12:3**

WE CAN GO FROM HAVING A "PITY PARTY" TO HAVING HEARTFELT "PRAISE & PRAYER" IF WE WILL BUT REMEMBER THAT CHRIST HAS TREAD THIS PATH BEFORE US AND THAT WE CAN:

. . . **REJOICE, INASMUCH AS YE ARE PARTAKERS OF CHRIST'S SUFFERINGS**; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy. **I Peter 4:13**

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MAYBE COME BACK AT END WITH THE NEXT BOLD SECTION ☐

"WHEN A MAN OR A WOMAN CALLS THEMSELVES A CHRISTIAN, THEY LAY CLAIM TO A **NAME** AND **REPUTATION** FAR MORE PRECIOUS THAN RICHES - THAT OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST." *dop 7-30-89.*

"THE CHOICES WE MAKE IN OUR LIFETIME WILL NO DOUBT BE ASSOCIATED WITH OUR OWN **NAME**, BUT FAR MORE IMPORTANTLY, THEY WILL BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE **NAME** OF OUR LORD! *dop 7-30-89.*

**Luk 10:19** Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

**Luk 10:20** Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

**Revelation 22:4** AND THEY SHALL SEE HIS FACE; AND HIS **NAME** SHALL BE IN THEIR FOREHEADS.

# \*Baby Hitler Parents Lose Custody of All Three of Their Kids

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Dec. 16, 2008: **Adolf Hitler Campbell**, 3, poses in Easton, Pa., with his mother Deborah Campbell. (AP)

Parents who NAMED two of their children "**Adolf Hitler**" and "**Aryan Nation**" **lost custody of all three of their children Thursday, even though they say a New Jersey appeals court found no evidence of abuse**, ruling the children have been taken away without cause, MyFoxPhilly reports.

"Actually, the judge and DYFS told us that there was no evidence of abuse and that it was the NAMES. **They were taken over the children's NAMES,**" Heath Campbell told NBC 10 Tuesday.

However, the appeals court ruled last year that sufficient evidence of abuse or neglect existed because of domestic violence in the home, and removed the children from their Philipsburg, N.J. home.

In protest, Heath and Deborah Campbell picketed with three other people outside of child services offices in Flemington, N.J., Tuesday, saying that the state has no right to keep their children away from them now that the court allegedly ruled that the kids were taken away without cause, NBC 10 reports.

**The case originated after the local ShopRite refused to decorate a birthday cake for the son, Adolf Hitler Campbell, and reported the incident. Adolf and siblings JoyceLynn Aryan Nation and Honszlynn Hinler Jeannie have been in foster care since then.**

In January 2009, the Campbells told MyFoxPhilly that Adolf Hitler Campbell is just like any other 3-year-old boy.

"It's not like he's growing up to be a killer or nothing like that," Deborah Campbell said.

**"I went to just to get a cake... it was a circus of racism,"** Heath Campbell added.

At the time both parents acknowledge the hate behind their children's NAMES. But say that was not their intention.

"This is America, they say it's free, you have the right to NAME your child whatever you want to NAME your child, no matter what," Heath Campbell said.

The parents say that a judge will decide by early December if the kids will eventually come home.

## From Messiah to Hitler, What You Can and Cannot NAME Your Child

A judge's order calls attention to the rules governing baby NAMES By [Katy Steinmetz @katysteinmetz](#) Aug. 12, 2013  
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For at least one Tennessee family, it's very likely that a "Messiah" will return. Late last week, a judge in the small town of Newport ordered that a 7-month old boy's NAME be changed from Messiah to Martin, saying that "it's a title that has only been earned by one person ... Jesus Christ." But legal experts say the judge overstepped — even abused — her authority and expect the mother to handily prevail when her appeal goes before a county chancellor next month.

Legal decisions about children must weigh parents' right to raise their children however they see fit, an implicit freedom the Supreme Court has grounded in the Constitution, against the government's "parens patriae" authority — Latin meaning father of the country — which allows officials to intervene on behalf of vulnerable kids. Though many states have laws governing what a parent can NAME their child and there are times when a child's NAME might warrant action, family law professors say **"Messiah" didn't put the infant in harm's way.**

"Parents enjoy extraordinary autonomy in raising their children," says Melissa Murray, a family law professor at the University of California, Berkeley. "This is totally absurd ... If this stood up in court, I would eat my hat."

In ordering the NAME change, Child Support Magistrate Lu Ann Ballew argued that the Tennessee boy lives in a heavily Christian area where a NAME like Messiah "could put him at odds with a lot of people." But Murray and other experts say whatever perceived harm comes from a NAME like Messiah isn't enough to justify a judicial order. **Indeed, plenty of babies would be in legal limbo if Ballew's theory stood. More than 800 American children born in 2012 were NAMED Messiah, according to the Social Security Administration; nearly 4,000 were NAMED Jesus; about 500 were NAMED Mohammed; and 29 baby boys were NAMED Christ.**

The bigger problem, Columbia University Law Professor Elizabeth Scott says, is the nature of Ballew's justification. "The judge made it clear that her primary motivation was religious ... the child's NAME offended her Christian beliefs," she says via email. "Thus her decision violates the First Amendment." Kathryn Bradley, a family law professor at Duke University, says it "seems like the court really is overstepping its bounds in terms of imposing the court or the community's beliefs ... on the child." It didn't help that Jaleesa Martin and the child's father had gone before Ballew because they couldn't agree on the child's last NAME, not his first. Berkeley's Murray says she believes the judge's action may rise to level of being an "abuse" of her power.

When and whether government officials can object to baby NAMES is often dependent on state law. In 2009, three-year-old Adolf Hitler Campbell made headlines when a New Jersey bakery refused to decorate a cake ordered by his father. The business may have been within its rights to refuse service, but the state had little ground on which to object. New Jersey law allows parents to confer any NAME on a child so long as it doesn't include obscenity, numerals or symbols. "If the Campbells had NAMED their son 'R2D2,' state authorities would have intervened," Carlton Larson, a law professor at the University of California, Davis wrote in a 2011 study of United States baby NAMES. "'Adolf Hitler Campbell,' by contrast, presented no legal impediments."

The baby naming laws of individual states, Larson's study found, vary widely. In California, baby NAMES cannot contain umlauts or accents. In South Dakota, if a mother is unmarried at the time of conception, her surNAME goes on the birth certificate (unless a man signs an affidavit saying he's the father). Roman numerals are allowed for suffixes in Texas, but not Arabic ones, so a boy could be Rick

Perry III but not Rick Perry 3. In Massachusetts, the total number of characters in first, middle and last NAMES cannot exceed 40. New Hampshire, meanwhile, prohibits all punctuation marks except for apostrophes and dashes.

These rules aren't limited to the U.S. Spain bans "extravagant" NAMES while Portugal outlaws those that "raise doubts about the sex of the registrant." And in New Zealand, a judge in 2008 spared a girl of being called Tulula Does The Hula From Hawaii; in his ruling he cited other NAMES nixed by registration officials, such as Fish and Chips, Keenan Got Lucy and Sex Fruit. A 1995 act states that "unreasonably long" NAMES are "undesirable in the public interest" in New Zealand.

While reactions to the Messiah order have centered on the questions of religious freedom and free speech, the inspiration behind the NAME seems to be a common one: the appeal of alliteration. Martin said she thought the NAME was unique and complemented the NAMES of his two older siblings: Micah and Mason.

## **\*\*[France Court Won't Let Parents NAME Their Kid 'Nutella'](#)\*\***

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**A baby born in France will not get the chance to be known as a walking and breathing shrine to Nutella, thanks to a judge who ruled babies can't be NAMED after spreads.**

According to [La Voix Du Nord](#) ([via Time](#)), a court in Valenciennes ruled that a baby girl born in September who was NAMED "Nutella" by her parents needs to have a new NAME. Because naming a person after food is probably not a good idea for that person in the long run, the court ruled.

"The NAME 'Nutella' given to the child is the trade NAME of a spread," the court's decision read, according to a translation. "And it is contrary to the child's interest to be wearing a NAME like that can only lead to teasing or disparaging thoughts."

**This totally ruins all of my life plans to move to France and NAME my kids Hummus, Spam and Jif Crunchy.**

The judge (who is probably just a closet Hershey Chocolate Hazelnut fan or something) reNAMED the baby "Ella," when her parents failed to show up for a scheduled court appearance. So to recap: Naming a kid after food in France is a no-go, ~~but naming a kid after a Disney princess is the thing to do~~. Oh nevermind, there is no Disney princess NAMED Ella. Ella is a lovely NAME though and certainly more fitting for a princess than "Nutella." Unless, you are the Princess of the [Land of Chocolate](#) in which case it might make sense.

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