

“In My Name Because I Go to My Father”

The title of our message today is – quote – “In My Name Because I Go to My Father.” These are the words of Jesus, and ultimately, the question we want to answer today is:

What does it mean to pray “in Jesus name?”

John 14:12-14 (NKJV)

12 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.

14 If you ask anything IN MY NAME, I will do it.

The phrase “because I go to My Father” refers to the resurrection of Jesus, which means Jesus is alive today and He’s praying for you! (Mark 16:19-20; Romans 8:34; Hebrews 7:25)

John 16:23-24

23 And in that day you will ask Me nothing. Most assuredly, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father IN MY NAME He will give you.

24 Until now you have asked nothing IN MY NAME. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

The phrase “in My name” refers to the authority of Jesus. (Matthew 28:18)

The phrase “in My name” refers to your power of attorney. (1 John 2:1)

A power of attorney or letter of attorney is a written authorization to represent or act on another's behalf in private affairs, business, or some other legal matter. The person authorizing the other to act is the principal, grantor, or donor. The one authorized to act is the agent or, in some common law jurisdictions, the attorney-in-fact.

The phrase “in My name” refers to God’s will. (1 John 5:14-15)

John 16:7-11 (NKJV)

7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.

8 And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

9 Of sin, because they do not believe in Me;

10 Of righteousness, BECAUSE I GO TO MY FATHER and you see Me no more;

11 Of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

John 14:26 (NKJV)

But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send IN MY NAME, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

You are authorized to pray "in Jesus name" because you're the righteousness of God in Christ. (2 Corinthians 5:21)

Praying "in the name of Jesus" means Jesus is alive and He's praying THROUGH you!