

What's in a Name?

Matthew 1:18-25

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"What's in a name? That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet." Juliet to Romeo Montague

1. The name Jesus means Savior

- The name Jesus (Joshua in Hebrew) literally means Jehovah (God) delivers
- Messiah or Christ is not His last name
- It is a title designating Jesus as the one sent from God to be the Savior

2. Jesus saves us from what exactly?

- People need to be delivered from their sins
- Salvation is God's reason for the season

3. To properly understand Christmas, we must first properly understand sin

- Sin is missing the mark
- **Romans 3:23**
- Sin is stepping over the boundary
- **Ephesians 2:5**
- Sin is a violation of the Law
- **1 John 3:4**
- **James 2:10**

The bad news is we are sinners. The Good News is Jesus can save us from our sins. The death of Christ is as important as the birth of Christ.