

## Wednesday Devotional

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Scripture: Acts 4: 12

### The Name of Jesus By Dr. Charles Stanley

There is power in the name of Jesus. We see it throughout the book of Acts. By His name, people were saved (2: 37 – 40), the lame walked (3: 6 – 7), the disciples preached with boldness, the sick were healed, and wonders were performed to His glory (4: 29 – 31).

Even the council of Jewish leaders recognized the power of it, commanding the disciples “not to speak in the name of Jesus” (5:40). But regardless of the persecution they encountered, the disciples not only spoke His name, but embraced His lordship and carried out His mission. And Christ blessed them for it.

Friend, you bear the name of Jesus, and His mighty power is available to you as well. Are you still clinging to the reins of your life and hoping that somehow God will bow to your will and make your name great? Understand that when you do so, you’re missing out. Nothing but Jesus will ever satisfy your deepest longings, and only the name of Jesus will ever bring fruit that lasts in eternity. So bear His name and do His will with joy. Because then you’ll experience the power that’s available to you.

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