



THEME:

THE NAME ABOVE OTHER NAMES

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Let this Mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: 6. Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: 7. But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: 8. And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. 9. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: 10. That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in Heaven, and things in Earth, and things under the Earth; 11. And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the Glory of God the Father.

We are to talk on: "THE NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES". One Great Poet in the Past asked the Question - He said that: What is in a name? He said that a rose called by any other name will still smell as sweet. A name is very important because if you meet Somebody that you have not met before and you want to Introduce yourself; the first thing that you mentioned is your name. If you are meeting Somebody for the first time, you don't start by telling him/her your Address? You don't even tell him/her what you do? You don't tell him/her how you are? The first thing you want to tell that Fellow is your name? Because your name is a Summary of all you are - Your Address may Change but your name is your Personality rolled together. For Example, in Genesis 17:1; God introduced Himself to Abraham - He said that: "I am Jehovah El-Shaddai; I am the God who is More

Than Enough". And He was talking to: Somebody who was barren. Someone who has been Promised that he is going to the father of Nations. Someone who has been told that his children will be like the Stars in Heaven. And this Man said that you said that I am going to be the father of Nations and now I am about to die and I don't even have a Single child. God said to him - I am the God that is More Than Enough. Whatever I have said, I can do it and I can do much more. So, I have Good News for all of us who are here today and reading now; much more than you can ever believe; my God will do it for you - Amen. When more than 40 years ago; I was crying to Him for a house - I was living in one-room in Mushin (A City in Lagos State Nigeria) and so I asked Him: Please, build me a Boys Quarter. He said: Son, don't ask me for a house because I have decided to give you a City. And when He noticed that as a Human Being I thought that was impossible; He reminded me that I am Jehovah El-Shaddai. I want to decree to all of you who are here today or reading now on the Label of DMC: The Glory that you can never believe Possible, God will give to your Kingdom - Amen. Now, your name is so important because that name follows you throughout Life. Whatever name you are called is actually spelling in Advance for you for what your Life can be. Let's take the Example of Moses - His name was called Moses because he was drawn out of the water. And if you follow the Story of Moses, every time in his Life, water Played a Major role: When he wanted to cross the Red Sea, the name Moses was involved in Parting the Red Sea. As the children of Israel were continuing their Journey, they got to a Place where they had water that was bitter; Moses was there to Change Bitter water to Sweet water. When the People Were Thirsty, the Man who was drawn out of the water was used by God to bring out water out of the Rock.

Throughout his Life; water water water. Your name is important as you can't run away from your name - It follows you wherever you go. Many of us might not know what happened in 1 Kings 18: 30-39 - When. Elijah called down fire from Heaven and the People fell down and began to say: Jehovah is Lord. That's the meaning of Elijah - Elijah means "Jehovah is God". So, if you are there that day, what the People were saying is - They were just calling the name: Elijah, Elijah, Elijah. So, your name is so important that occasionally when your name is creating a Problem for your Progress, you might need to go to God and ask Him to Change your name. Because many a times, what is inside your name, can be the "Real Problem" that you are having. If Someone is called in my native Language (Yoruba): "ESUGBAYI" - Which means Satan has accepted this one; it will be difficult for that Fellow to escape from Satanic Attacks. So, from time to time in the Bible, God Himself had to Change the name of some People before their Miracles can begin:

I. The Original name of Abraham was Abram. God said alright, I will Change your name to Abraham. You will just think that He is just making the name longer but He was enlarging his Coast. II. He Changed the name of the wife from Sarai to Sarah. III. He Changed the name of Someone called Simon to Peter. And if you Study Peter very closely, at a time when Simon was going to Perish, Peter came in to help. IV. He Changed the name of one Young Man from Saul to Paul. From Someone who was going to Hell to Someone who will be a Leader going to Heaven. I have done all these so that you can know that when we are talking about a Name above all names, your name is important. And one of the Prayers that you must Pray today is that: God, if my name is causing me Problems, Please Change the name. If there is anyone here who is not where God wants him/her to be and

the reason was because of the name he/she was giving at birth - In the Name that is above every other names, God will Change that name tonight (Amen). There is tremendous Power in a name! There are many things that I could talk about the Power in your name. If I am very, very busy and then Somebody comes and says: I have been sent to you. The question that I will ask is: Who sent you? When I hear the name, it will determine whether I will add that business to my business. There are names that opens door. And in the Name that is above every other names; from today onwards anywhere in the world, your names will be opening doors – Amen. For Example, several years ago; I was in Kenya and one of my sons was working for United Nations - They have a very big Camp in Nairobi. And I said that I will love to see their Camp so that I can learn some things that maybe I can do same in my Camp. My son drove to the front of the Camp and went out of the car to get Permission for me to come in. They told him - You work here and you know that Strangers are not allowed here. This is a Top Security Place. Oh he Pleaded with them - The one coming is my father, and I can't say No to him. They told him: Don't waste our time. They called the Top Man - The Man said, tell him as he knows the rules. But suddenly one of them said: Who is this your father? And he said that he is Pastor E.A Adeboye. The Man said: Why didn't you tell us that? He came to the car himself, apologized and say that I will take you round the whole Place. In the Name of the God that I served: Every door that has been closed against you will open to you from now on - Amen. The Name that is above every other names is the Name of Jesus - And it opens Mighty Doors. For Example: It opens the Door of Prayers. John 14:14 says: if you ask anything in my Name, I will do it. So, if there is anybody here today or reading now on the Label of DMC; and there is a Prayer that you have been Praying for some time which has not yet been answered. I am going to join my Faith with yours - We will cry to God in the Name of Jesus and before tomorrow Morning, the answer will come - Amen!

Tonight, I want you to focus on one Particular Name of this Man called Jesus! Before He was called Jesus, what was the first name that He was called the very first time that God gave Him a Name? You will find it in Isaiah 7:14 - It said: A Virgin is going to conceive and give

birth to a son and his name shall be called Emmanuel. That was before he was born - Hundreds of years before He came. And the meaning of Emmanuel is: "God with Us". And I want you to do something with all boldness - Turn to your Neighbour to your Left and Right and say: Beginning from now on, God will be with me. Why is this Name so important? Those of you who are Traditional Rulers, when we are talking of a name; you hear: The Majesty in Charge of Such and Such a Town. And then they traced him to the fellow in the Family Line who became a King. Then we say that there are so many Ruling Houses - This is Somebody from the Ruling House of Somebody et cetera et cetera. They go back to the Origin. The Origin of Jesus is Emmanuel. And there are some very serious Implications of that Name: 1. It means that when He is seated, He is in Absolute Control. It doesn't matter what is happening in a Town, if they run to the Palace and they bring their Reports; the Kabiyesi (Meaning King) will be sitting on his Throne, taking Decisions. Because while He is seated, he is in Control. Now, Jesus Christ is also called "The Most High". And in Isaiah 66:1, He said: Heaven is my Throne and the Earth is my Footstool. It means that when He is sitting there in Heaven, whatever may be here on Earth is under His Feet - He is Completely in Control. For Example, in Numbers 16: 1-33 - When some People decided to gang up against Moses who was the Anointed of God. God told Moses: Leave them to me and let me handle the case. I don't have to get up from my Throne - The Ground they are walking upon is under my Feet. I will speak to the Ground and say: Open your mouth, swallow these Enemies and then close again. You know that I have a Good News for you - As long as Emmanuel is behind you; whatever Problems might be in your Kingdom right now, the Ground will swallow them before you (Amen) Years ago, I went to my Native Town to conduct a Wedding. And when I got there, I saw some People who came to attend the Wedding and I remembered what happened way back in 1960. That same People who were there had a quarrel with my father and they told him Point blank that they will not allow me to see the following Morning. My father came home, told my mother and that night, my mother took me and ran away - And so, I saw the following Morning. So, I was at

the Wedding - And as a Young Preacher, I had zeal but I don't have the kind of Wisdom I have now. Oh because I know that I have Jesus Christ and they can't kill me anymore; so I began to attack them in my Sermon. After the Program I left. These same People went and meet the mother of the Bride and told her - It is because your daughter is Wedding that this "Foolish Boy" had the opportunity to come and insult us. They told her that we know that your daughter will soon be Pregnant and we will see where she will deliver. So the mother ran to me - Look at the trouble that you have caused o? I laughed - I said that my father is seated in Heaven and His Feet is on the Earth. If these People said that it is not on this Earth your daughter will deliver; then they will not be awake when your daughter delivers. And when the daughter was going to deliver, she just came to do something in the Camp here and the baby was born. Today, the baby that they said will never be born is a Medical Doctor. *I want to decree to you - Any Plot of the Enemies concerning you, concerning your family and concerning your Kingdom shall fail - Amen

2. What happens if He should now Stand Up? The Bible says that when He Stands Up from His Throne, His Enemies scatter. Psalms 68: 1-3 says: Let God arise and His Enemies will scatter. Because you came, God will arise for you – Amen. When you read Judges 15: 9-16; it told us about how three thousand Men went to bind Samson. And just when the Enemies were happy that they have brought their Enemy bound to them, God arose. In the Name that is above any other name; God will arise for you – Amen. The Bible tells us that Samson killed one thousand of the Enemies. And the Question is: Why only one thousand? It is because the others fled! By the time you arrive back home after this RCCG Royal Fathers' Convention 2024; you will just have heard that some People has left Town. Why? Because God will arise for you, some years ago, one of my sons has a Testimony he couldn't share Publicly because he was a Top Man in the Military. He was Promoted to a Position and the People there said that you are here now; this is how we do things from this Level. And he said that I can't do that as I am a Child of God. Is that so? They said that we will know what we will do. And they made arrangements to see to it that he will be Prematurely Retired.