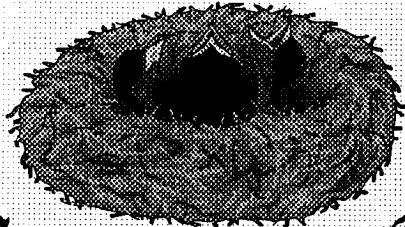
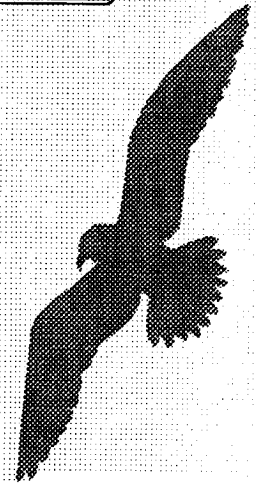


*"They shall
mount up...*

ON EAGLES' WINGS

*... with wings
as eagles."
Isaiah 40:31*



AERY NUGGETS

Jesus! How much Thy name unfolds
To every opened ear,
The pardoned sinner's memory holds
None other half so dear.

Thy name encircles every grace
That God as man could show,
There only could He fully trace
A life divine below.

Jesus--it speaks a life of love,
Of sorrows meekly borne;
It tells of sympathy above,
Whatever makes us mourn.

Jesus, the One who know no sin,
Made sin to make us just;
Thou gav'st Thyself our love to win
Our full confiding trust.

The mention of Thy name shall bow
Our hearts to worship Thee;
The chiefest of ten thousand Thou,
Whose love has set us free.

Little Flock #6 —Mary Bowley

Dear Book of Life Believers,

After your birth, what was the first long lasting gift you were given? In these days it might be given before birth, and that is your name. Names may be selected in honor of some relative, friend, dignitary, or just because the parents like its sound. Some people receive names they don't like, and in some instances, change them.

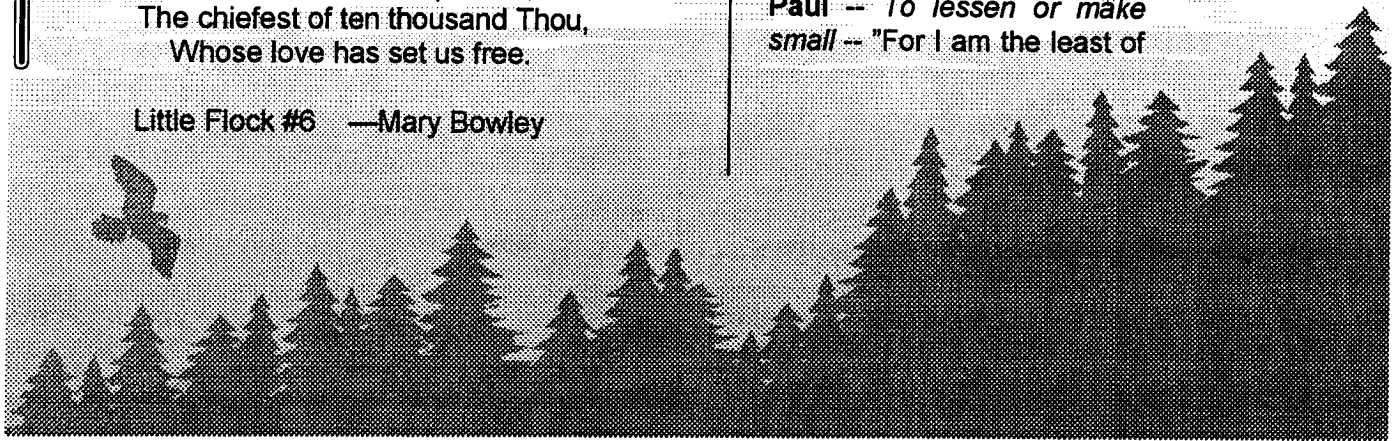
But "What's in a name?" My name "Leslie" can have the meaning of "Meadowland" or "Calm Spirit," though the meaning of a person's given name does not necessarily indicate what that person will be like. A few samples of the names of Bible characters which are fitting are:

Adam -- *Red earth* -- "Dust thou art" -- Gen.3:19
Israel -- *A prince prevailing with God* -- "For as a prince hast thou power with God." -- Gen.32:28

Moses -- *Drawn forth* -- "And she called his name Moses: and she said, Because I drew him out of the water" -- Ex.2:10

Cephas [Peter] -- *A stone* -- "Thou shalt be called Cephas, which is by interpretation, A stone." John 1:42

Paul -- *To lessen or make small* -- "For I am the least of



the apostles." -- Acts 15:9

Besides being a personal identification our name may also become synonymous with our character and what we stand for. In that relation the verse, "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favor rather than silver and gold." (Prov.22:1) is very appropriate. In the business world especially, though in other areas as well, the push is on to make a name or standing for oneself, so that when you hear a certain name, immediately might come to mind, pickles, hamburgers, jeans or smooth running wheels. Name brands are the ultimate-cost more-worth it! (So they say).

Now, what picture comes to mind when I mention the name of Jesus? Do you envision the lowly Carpenter of the despised city of Nazareth, treading a lonely pathway on earth, an outcast and a stranger, fit only to be classed with thieves and robbers and crucified with them? To many of His day, and today, this was, and might be, the case.

Or does the name of Jesus cause your heart to leap with joy as you recall, not only the previously mentioned facts, but at the meaning of His human name, "Salvation of God"; knowing that, "God hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow...and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Phil.2:9,10). Let us not forget His compassionate consideration of many needs which He ministered to along His pathway here.

The outcome of His death and resurrection, procured for all who would put their trust in Him, eternal salvation. "These things were written that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name" (John 20:31). Though God is not prone to forget, except our forgiven sins, He has recorded our names in heaven--"Whose names are in the book of life." Phil.4:3

Now, we find a collective name which should characterize all believers—**Christian** --*An adherent of Jesus*. "The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch" (Acts 11:26). Though this term was first applied to believers in scorn, it later became a name to be lived. "Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf" (1Peter 4:16).

While we can't accuse God of showing partiality, yet, He has a special treatment for a certain group of followers which all can participate in. "To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the

stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he which receiveth it" (Rev 2:17). May each one reading these lines so live that he might obtain this white stone and the new name.

One whose name is written in the book of life,

Leslie L. Winters



"Names in Scripture are significant things. They are not there as in the present day put upon people for their prettiness, or because they run in the family. God did not think it an unworthy thing often Himself to interfere and change or give a name, as we can all remember, and so the Lord with His disciples. There was a reason for the name. It was the expression of what the person was, most generally, or would be, as in Abraham, Israel, Peter and such like; and so especially with the names of God or of Christ."

". . . So Christ is Immanuel, "God with us," and in order that that prophecy may be, or shown to be fulfilled, He is called "Jesus," His people's Saviour from their sins. God could not be with us except our sins were met, and none but a Divine person could meet them, ---salvation must be of God: and this is all expressed in that name "Jesus."

"Again the name "Christ," which every one knows, is but the Greek form of the Hebrew "Messiah," speaks of Him as the One anointed of God to be the Deliverer in three necessary ways: a Prophet to bring out the error; a Priest to open the way to God; a King to govern for God".

"Thus Christ's name is a remarkably explicit declaration of Himself. And this name of His, with the facts which it implies, is what is committed to His people to hold fast and maintain as His, in the midst of a world which has rejected Him. To confess His name involves thus the confession of His absolute deity; His true humanity; His salvation of His people; His being their only and sufficient Teacher, Intercessor and Lord. This we have not to "profess" of Him merely, but to "confess," for the world will not allow that He is really this."

From the "History of the Church"—F.W.Grant

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