

"None Other Name"

TEXT: Acts 4: 1-12

Verse 12 - title of message "None Other Name"

Intro:

Peter & John were imprisoned for preaching through Jesus the resurrection from the dead.

Previously, Acts 3 - Peter healed lame man.

Peter & John were brought in front of the religious leaders of their day.

The religious rulers were upset because their authority and position were being threatened.

We are told in vs 4 - Read "many believed"

Some today, we you witness to folks and tell them how to be saved through believing only on the Lord Jesus Christ.

The religious rulers of our day get upset, call us a bunch of Bible fanatics, dangerous. Try to lump in the Bible Believers - with so-called religious fundamentalists -

People at Waco - Considered Religious Fundamentalists
A lot of Moslem groups considered as a Religious fundamentalists.
Anti-Abortion Crowd - protesters - considered as religious fundamentalists.

When the Bible Believers - witness to folks and people start getting saved, religious rulers today like them are threatened.

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They fear they will be found out.

Here in our passage - The religious rulers want to know "by what power or by what name" the lame man was healed.

Notice Peter's Answer - vs 8-12
Notice first - vs 8 Peter was filled with the Holy Ghost.

Whenever we witness - we need to pray to be filled with the Holy Ghost.

So, what is spoken will be from God not man.

Bottom line vs 12 - "no other name ^{meaning only name, no other way to heaven} under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved".

Peter didn't say in the name of Mohammed, Buddha, etc -
Only one name that can get the job done -

Of course here we have the actual physical healing of a man, immediately in the name of Jesus".

Different dispensation - than now, no divine healing by putting hands on someone -

God still heals but through prayer - But doesn't heal in every case -

See James 5:14-15.

Acts 4:12 - Spiritual application - true today -
"For there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

Prov 22:1 - "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches"

The name of Lord Jesus Christ, is a good name - rather to be chosen than great riches -

Why? - Because only name that can save -
Romans 10: 9, 10, 13 - Read -

People today have chosen and trusting -
in many names - except the none other name "

Names trusting in -

- Religion - Roman Catholics - Pope - No hope in
- Medicine - Psychiatry - Joseph Smith - Mormons
- Education - all end in hell - Judge Russell - J.D.
- Philosophy - Mary Baker Eddy - Christian Scientist
- AA + 12 Steps - luxury for eternity - Mary Ellen White 7 day
- Money - Banking - Venetian
- The Gov't - welfare - Freud
- Buddhism

Men of god had opportunity -
They didn't speak of just any name -
They spoke of none other name " - The Lord Jesus Christ - only name to save -

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1) Peter spoke to the nation of Israel, the rulers - he told them Acts 2:38

2) Phillip - Ethiopian - Eunuch - Acts 8 - we told preached Jesus not AA + 12 steps - not some man made philosophy or religion -

3) Peter - Acts 10 to Cornelius & family - preach death, burial, & resurrection.

4) Paul & Silas - Acts 16 - Phillippian Jailor

5) Paul Acts 24: 24-25 Read - Felix

6) Paul Acts 26: Testimony to King Agrippa - was get saved - by believing in the Lord Jesus Christ - Luke 23

7) Thief on cross - turn to Jesus "Lord"
Thief on cross knew: "none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved"

Acts 4:12 - "none other" only Jesus -

My dear friend when the opportunity presents itself -

What name will you chose - to tell others to trust in?

Some Doctrin -

AA + 12 steps -

Pope

The Gov't. Some Gov't Program -

Get a good education

The Bible says "none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved"

All these men considered narrow minded by the world because only one way to heaven