

INVOKING THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS: The Jesus Prayer, Part One

The Holy Name of **Jesus** is the most beautiful and powerful Name. It is the Name of our Great God and Savior. The Holy Name of Jesus was given to Christ our Lord at the Annunciation by the Archangel Gabriel to the Holy Virgin Mary: *“And you shall call His name Jesus.” Luke 1:31.* When the Archangel spoke to Saint Joseph, he stated the reason why this name was given: *“You shall call His name Jesus; for HE SHALL SAVE His people from their sins.” Matthew 1:21.* Jesus means “the Lord is Savior.” Our Lord Jesus Christ is the Savior of the world (*John 4:42*), Who liberates us from the chains of sin, the deceit of Satan, and the lasting power of death. For centuries, faithful Christians have called upon the Name of Jesus, our Blessed Savior, and have experienced His loving and transforming presence. *“For whoever calls upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved.” Romans 10:13.* *“For there is no other Name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.” Acts 4:12.*

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