

When the Lord God created Adam and Eve, He did not create them simultaneously. First, He formed Adam, and later, He created Eve from Adam's rib. The marriage of Adam and Eve was the very first wedding, and it was officiated by God Himself.

The Power of a Name

From the beginning, God gave the first human a name Adam. However, when He made Eve, God did not personally name her. Instead, it was Adam who named his wife and called her Eve, because "she was the mother of all the living" (Genesis 3:20).

"The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living." Genesis 3:20 (ESV)

This name, however, came not from God, but from Adam. Why did God withhold naming the woman Himself? As we go deeper, we'll understand the spiritual significance behind this.

In our daily lives, we recognize that names carry weight and authority. The name of a president carries more influence than that of a local official. Similarly, a business with a strong name or reputation easily

attracts more customers than an unknown one. This shows that a name is not just a label it carries identity, authority, and honor.

The Name "Adam" Given by God

God gave the name Adam to the first human being, and this name held both honor and dominion. Through this name, humanity was entrusted with both physical and spiritual authority over creation. What's even more remarkable is that God gave this name not only to the man but to both Adam and Eve.

"This is the book of the generations of Adam. When God created man, He made him in the likeness of God.

Male and female He created them, and He blessed them and named them Man (Hebrew: Adam) in the day when they were created."

Genesis 5:1-2 (ESV)

Did you catch that? God called both of them "Adam." That was the single name given to them their shared identity. Eve's name was a secondary, earthly distinction given by Adam. But before God, their identity was one Adam.

The Fall and the Loss of Honor

However, after their disobedience when they ate the forbidden fruit Adam and Eve lost their place of honor. They were expelled from the Garden of Eden. With that, the power of their name diminished. Creation, which once submitted to them, turned hostile. Animals no longer feared man; thorns and thistles grew from the ground instead of fruit (Genesis 3:17-19).

Their spiritual authority crumbled. But God, full of mercy, had already prepared another Adam the Second Adam to restore everything that the first Adam had lost.

THE SECOND ADAM AND HIS BRIDE

This Second Adam is Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 15:45), who also has a bride. But unlike the first Adam's bride who was taken from his physical side, the bride of Christ is spiritual the Church taken from His pierced side at Calvary.

"But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water." John 19:34 (ESV)

From this, we understand that the Church is born through the blood and the water symbols of redemption and cleansing. Hallelujah!

“For I feel a divine jealousy for you, since I betrothed you to one husband, to present you as a pure virgin to Christ.” 2Corinthians 11:2 (ESV)

Just as God did not give Eve a new name apart from Adam, so too the bride of Christ does not receive a separate name apart from Christ. She is called by His Name.

“And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.” Acts 4:12 (ESV)

This means that the only name recognized in heaven for salvation, identity, authority, and spiritual power is the Name of Jesus.

THE NAME OF THE BRIDE IS JESUS

Jesus, before His crucifixion, prayed to the Father:

"I have manifested Your Name to the people whom You gave Me out of the world..." John 17:6 (ESV)

"I made known to them Your name, and I will continue to make it known..." John 17:26 (ESV)

The Church (His bride) bears His Name, just as Eve shared Adam's. In the spiritual realm, when angels or demons see the Church, they see Jesus, because the Church carries His Name not just on the lips, but in the heart.

"And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."
Colossians 3:17 (ESV)

WHO IS THE BRIDE OF CHRIST?

The bride of Christ is anyone who:

- Believes in Jesus as Lord and Savior,
- Has genuinely repented of sin,
- Has been washed by His Blood and Water which includes baptism in water in His Name,
- Lives a holy and surrendered life to God,
- And remains faithful in heart and conduct.

This person is spiritually united with Christ and shares His Name. Just as

Adam and Eve shared one name before God, so Christ and His true followers share one spiritual identity.

HAS YOUR NAME BEEN CHANGED?

You cannot walk in full spiritual authority unless your identity has been changed. Just as Jacob became Israel, and Abram became Abraham, you must be born again to carry the Name of Jesus in truth and power.

“Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” Philippians 2:9-11 (ESV)

CALL ON HIS NAME TODAY

It is my prayer that today, Jesus does not pass you by. If you haven't yet surrendered to Him, receive Him today. Let Him change your name, identity, and destiny. Let Him bring you under the protection and

authority of His name a name that is a strong tower:

“The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe.” Proverbs 18:10 (ESV)

Remember, the Name of Jesus must live in your heart, not just rest on your lips. If the Name of Jesus is truly in you, then whatever you speak in faith will align with God’s will and carry power. But if you’re lukewarm or unsaved, that Name will have no effect in your life.

What is your name in heaven?

Are you still walking in the old identity, or have you received the name that is above all names JESUS?

If you’ve not been born again truly repented, baptized in His Name, and filled with His Spirit you are still outside the covenant, and the spiritual forces will continue to torment you.

But the moment you enter Christ through faith and obedience, you receive His Name, and with it comes His authority, His protection, His power, and His life.

WHAT IS YOUR NAME?

Be blessed.

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