

# NOT IN VAIN

## HONORING THE NAME ABOVE EVERY NAME

### Sermon Questions

1. What one word best describes the context of the 10 commandments? \_\_\_\_\_
2. List the 8 practices to avoid which bring dishonor upon God's name:
  - i. \_\_\_\_\_ speech.
  - ii. \_\_\_\_\_ speech.
  - iii. Hypocritical \_\_\_\_\_.
  - iv. \_\_\_\_\_ conduct.
  - v. \_\_\_\_\_ promises.
  - vi. Presuming \_\_\_\_\_.
  - vii. Thankless \_\_\_\_\_.
  - viii. Deceptive \_\_\_\_\_.
3. What will the Lord do if we confess our sin of dishonoring his name? \_\_\_\_\_
4. God has revealed himself, not in physical \_\_\_\_\_, but through his name.
5. List the 3 ways in which we ought to exalt the name of God:
  - i. We \_\_\_\_\_ the honor and glory of his name.
  - ii. We do our \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus' name.
  - iii. We \_\_\_\_\_ reproach in honor of his name.
6. What brings the greatest glory to God's name? \_\_\_\_\_

## Discussion Questions

1. Which of the eight negative practices most convicted you personally today, and why? What specific step can you take this week to repent and change in that area?
2. In what areas of your daily life (work, home, parenting, friendships, online presence) do people most clearly see that you bear the name of Christ? Are there any habits or attitudes that need adjustment?
3. When you face hardship or suffering, how can “suffering well for the sake of his name” look in your current circumstances? How might persevering with joy and trust (instead of grumbling) become a testimony that magnifies Christ?
4. The sermon closed by reminding us not to despair over our failures, but to rest in Christ’s mercy—which itself glorifies his name as he saves sinners. How does remembering that Jesus died for every instance of taking his name in vain encourage you to confess quickly, receive forgiveness, and pursue holiness?
5. What was your most significant take-away from this passage and sermon?

## Discussion Questions for Children

1. When we do good things (like being kind, helping others, or working hard), we can do them “in Jesus’ name” to make him look great. What is one kind thing you could do this week, and how could you tell someone, “I’m doing this because I love Jesus”?
2. What are some things we can tell others about Jesus to bring honor to his name?