

CALLING ON THE NAME OF THE LORD

Text: Joel 2:28-32

INTRO: The OT prophet foretold the day when God would pour out the HS on men, & “Whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

- A. Many mistakenly think calling on the name of the Lord is “praying thru.” Matt. 7:21; LK 6:46
- B. The only sure way to understand OT prophecy is in the light of NT explanations. 2 Pet 1:20-21; Acts 8:31
- C. The NT clearly indicates how we are to call on the name of the Lord.

I. THE FULFILLMENT OF JOEL 2:28-32 IN ACTS 2:14-21.

- A. Hear, vs. 14
- B. Believe, vs. 36
- C. Repent, vs. 38
- D. Be baptized for remission of sins, vs. 38

NOTE: This is the only way to properly call on the name...

II. THE CONVERSION OF SAUL OF TARSUS, Acts 22:6-16; Acts 9:6, 9, 11.

- A. Hear, 22:6-10
- B. Believed, 9:6
- C. Repented, 9:6, 9-11 NOTE: was praying when Ananias arv.
- D. Was instructed to be baptized & wash away his sins, calling on the name of the Lord, 22:16.

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III. THE TEACHING OF PAUL AFTER HE BECAME AN APOSTLE OF JESUS CHRIST, Romans 10:8-21.

- A. Hear, vs. 14
- B. Believe, vs. 14
- C. Confess faith, vs. 9-10
- D. Obey the gospel, vs. 16, 19-21

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