

WHAT *does it mean*
to FOLLOW JESUS?

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

“Some gifts by their very nature
make you swallow your pride.”

Timothy Keller, *Hidden Christmas*

Matthew 1:18–25

THE NAME OF JESUS

“You shall call his name *Jesus*,
for he will save his people from their sins.”

Matthew 1:21

“And he called his name *Jesus*.”

Matthew 1:25

THE NAME OF JESUS

J e s u s

J e = Jehovah *s u s* = saves

THE NAME OF JESUS

1. Jesus' name points to His identity.

Jesus is God.

THE ENGAGED COUPLE MODELS...

1. Godliness in youth.
2. Sexual restraint before marriage.
3. Conviction that infidelity is treacherous.
4. Justice tempered with compassion.
5. Obedience to God over personal honor.

Craig Keener, *A Commentary on the Gospel of Matthew*

THE NAME OF JESUS

2. Jesus' name points to
His mission.

Jesus came to save sinners.

THE NAME OF JESUS

1. Don't misuse Jesus' name.
2. Pray in Jesus' name.
3. Live for Jesus' name.
4. Experience the power of Jesus' name.