

The background features a complex marbled paper pattern in shades of grey, black, and white. A large, solid blue triangle is positioned on the left side, pointing towards the center. Several thin, parallel yellow lines run diagonally across the top left corner. The text 'NEW BEGINNINGS' is centered horizontally and partially overlaps the blue triangle and the marbled paper.

**NEW**  
BEGINNINGS

WEEK OF JANUARY 11, 2026

## WHAT'S IN A NAME? (GEN. 17 & 2 COR. 5)

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### ICEBREAKER

HAVE YOU EVER LOOKED UP THE MEANING OF YOUR NAME? WHAT DOES YOUR NAME MEAN?



#### INTRODUCTION

- *What New Thing have you asked God to do FOR You in the last week? What New Thing has God asked FROM You?*

#### THERE IS POWER IN A NAME

- *Are you living your life on purpose? How are you fulfilling God's purpose in your life?*
- *Have you ever asked, "Lord, what do you want from me?" What did He say?*
- *As soon as God made a promise, He changed Abrams name to Abraham BEFORE He fulfilled the promise. You are also renamed by God. What is your God given title that needs to take the place of the worldly names you were known by?*

#### GOD HAS NEW NAMES FOR US

- *God has given us many names. Son/Daughter, Forgiven, Redeemed, Beloved, Righteousness of God, Chosen Generation, Child of the Most High God, Holy, A Royal Priesthood, Friend of God, Masterpiece, Accepted, and Disciple are all names God has given us as His followers. Of all of these names, which one do you have the hardest time accepting.*
- *God plucked you out of this life and said, "You are mine." Describe your thoughts on this.*
- *Of all the names God has given us, Disciple is the one we should focus on. How are you doing at this in your life? How can you improve on this?*

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## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

### ACT ON IT

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#### ENCOURAGE

*2 CORINTHIANS 5:17 SAYS, "THEREFORE, IF ANYONE IS IN CHRIST HE IS A NEW CREATION, THE OLD HAS PASSED AWAY; BEHOLD THE NEW HAS COME." THIS NEW NAME AND NEW LIFE FROM GOD MEANS YOU CAN LIVE IN HARMONY WITH GOD. THE WORLD CALLS US ALL SORTS OF THINGS BUT BE ENCOURAGED THAT THE LABELS THE LORD GIVES US ARE ALWAYS GOOD!*



#### ASK

*WE AREN'T CALLED TO BE PERFECT CHRISTIANS, JUST A COMMITTED AND GROWING DISCIPLE. HOW ARE YOU DOING AS A DISCIPLE OF JESUS? IS THAT A NAME YOU CARRY WELL? IS THAT A NAME AND A TITLE THAT TRULY DESCRIBES YOUR LIFE?*



#### CHALLENGE

*PRAY THESE NAMES OVER YOURSELF AND CHALLENGE YOURSELF TO LIVE IN THE NAMES THAT GOD CALLS YOU! YOU ARE A SON/DAUGHTER. FORGIVEN AND REDEEMED. BELOVED. RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD. A CHOSEN GENERATION, CHOSEN BY GOD AND SET APART. HOLY. A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD. A FRIEND OF GOD. MASTERPIECE. ACCEPTED. DISCIPLE.*

## PRAYER

Father God, Thank you that you are a God who calls us by name. Thank you that in you, our past does not define us, and that through Christ, we are made new. Help us to let go of the names the world has placed on us and to walk confidently in the names You give. Teach us, Lord, to live each day as new creations, trusting the power of Your promises and the identity You have spoken over our lives. We give you all the glory, in Jesus' name, Amen.