

Family Values #3 Part 2 **Exodus 20:7**
Ways to use God's Name correctly:

I. REVERENCE GOD'S NAME CONTINUALLY.

Use His Name carefully, lovingly, and as an act of worship.

Psalm 29:2

- A. Christians ought to be offended whenever God's Name is misused!
The problem is, we have been desensitized to what is going on.
- B. What does this have to do with building strong families?
One of the major places we need to work on our mouths is at home.
Make sure yours is a home where God's Name is honored and respected.
Blessings are promised to those who reverence God's Name.

Psalm 61:5

- C. Reverencing God's Name continually leads to
the development of a New mind and a New Heart!

Philippians 4:8

II. REPRESENT GOD'S NAME CLEARLY. 2 Timothy 2:19

- A. If we claim to be a Christian, we need to act like one.
As a believer, you represent God wherever you are.
- B. People are watching and evaluating the things you say and do.
They want to see if you're different, and if so, how?
- C. As Christians:
We need to guard our mouth and our actions.

III. RELY ON GOD'S NAME COMPLETELY Psalm 33:21; John 14:13, 14

- A. Asking in Jesus' name is equivalent to saying *on his account*, or for his sake.
Asking in Jesus' name is asking for things that will honor and glorify God.
- B. Praying in Jesus' Name reminds us why we have the privilege of prayer.
- C. No privilege is greater than that of approaching God in the name of his Son.

IV. NAMES ARE IMPORTANT Acts 4:12

- A. The Name of Jesus Christ is the most important Name you will ever hear or know.
There is Power in His Name.

John 20:30,31

The words I speak; the choices I make are simply a reflection
of what is going on in my heart.

Luke 6:45

- B. Only Jesus has the power to make that change.
We are to take seriously the Name of God.
Make sure you respect and honor God's Name.

Matthew 12:36,37

- C. God has promised blessings to those who respect and honor His Name.