

How come Jesus has so many names?

Actually Jesus has one name: "Jesus." Which, incidentally, is the Greek form of the Hebrew name "Joshua." That was the name the angel gave to Joseph to give God's Son. He was named "Jesus" because "Jesus" means "The Lord Saves" and that's exactly what he came to do.

But there are countless other things Jesus is called. Many of these are titles (like "Christ") or what we might today call "nicknames" (a nickname describes some aspect of the person, but isn't his given name). These titles and "nicknames" further describe the person whose name is Jesus.

Here is a sampling of those titles and "nicknames." As you read through them, answer the question, "What does this name/title show me about Jesus?" Which one means the most to you at this point in your life?

- Wonderful,
- Counselor,
- Mighty God
- Prince of Peace,
- Holy One
- Immanuel (means "God is with us")
- Lamb of God
- The Way,
- The Truth
- The Life
- The Good Shepherd
- The Gate for the sheep
- The Light of the World
- The Resurrection and the Life
- The Word of life
- King of Kings
- Lord of Lords
- Lord of All
- Messiah,
- Son of God
- Son of Man
- Savior
- Lord of all
- Advocate
- Author and finisher of our faith
- Chief cornerstone
- Righteous judge
- Head of the church
- Alpha and Omega.

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