

# **Calling On the Name of the Lord**

**“For whosoever  
shall call upon the  
name of the Lord  
shall be saved...”**

**But what does it  
mean to “call on  
the name of the  
Lord?”**

## **Strong’s Greek Lexicon**

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**“call upon”**

**G1941**

*epikaleomai*

*to entitle; by implication to invoke  
(for aid, worship, testimony,  
decision, etc.): - appeal (unto), call  
(on, upon), surname.*

The word translated as “**call upon**” is

Translated as **appealed** 4 times

Acts 25:12, 21, 25; 26:32

Translated as **appeal** 2 times

Acts 25:11; 28:19

## Strong's Greek Lexicon

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“**name**”

**G3686**

*on'-om-ah*

From a presumed derivative of the base of G1097 (compare G3685); a “name” (literally or figuratively), (authority, character): - called, (+ sur-) name (-d).

The Name of the Lord (name = authority)					
Praying in	Miracles done in	Speaking in	Doing all in	Calling on	Baptized in
John 14:13,14	Acts 3:6	Acts 4:18	Col. 3:17	Joel 2:32	Acts 2:38
John 15:16	Acts 4:10	Acts 5:40		Acts 2:21	Acts 8:12, 16; 10:48; 19:5
John 16:23, 24	Acts 4:29,30	Acts 9:27, 29		Romans 10:13-16	1 Cor. 1:13
Eph. 5:20	Acts 16:18	James 5:10		1 Cor. 1:2 Acts 22:16	1 Cor. 6:11 Matt. 28:18-20

We "call on the name of the Lord" (appeal to His authority) to be saved when we are baptized to be saved (Acts 2:21>2:38; 22:16; cf. 1 Peter 3:20-21).

Acts 2:21	Acts 2:38
"...whosoever shall call on <u>the name of the Lord</u> shall be <u>saved</u> "	"...Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the <u>name of Jesus Christ</u> for the <u>remission of sins</u> ..."

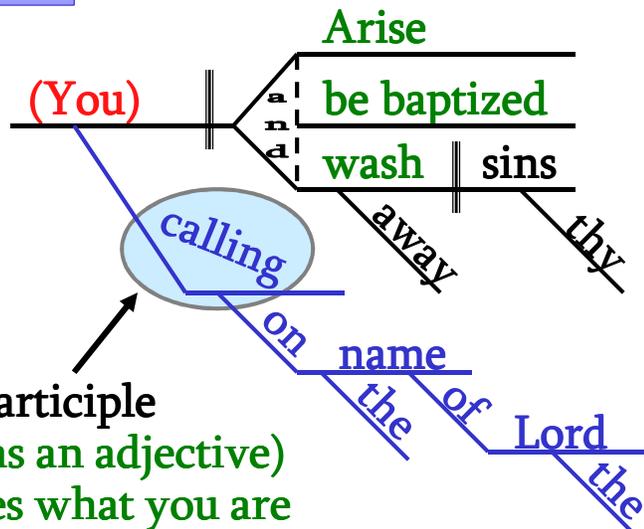
### Matthew 28:18-20 ASV

(18) And Jesus came to them and spake unto them, saying, All **authority** hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth.

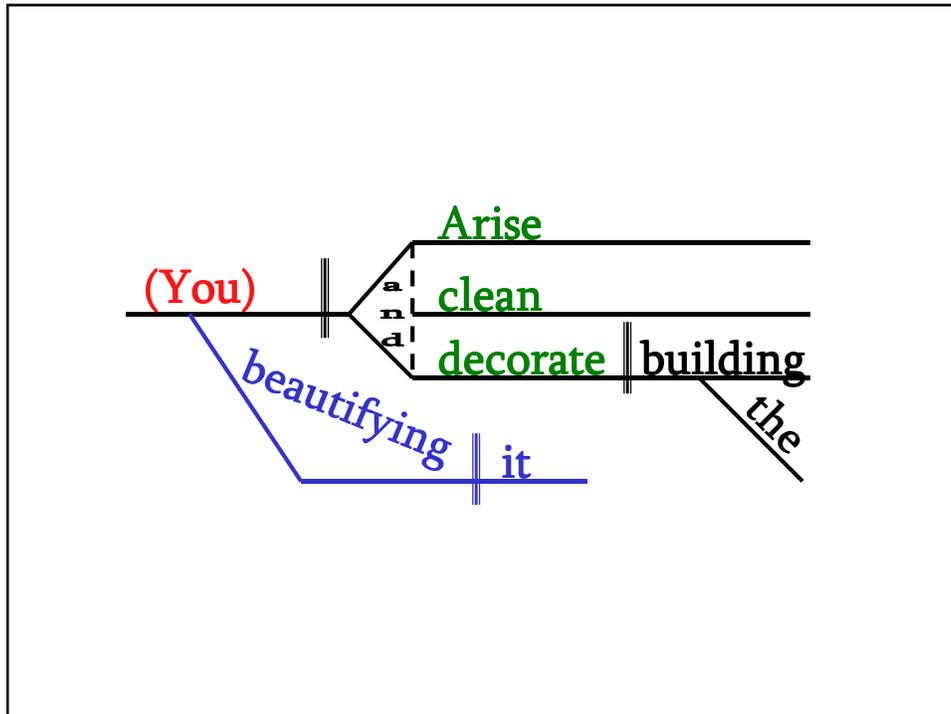
(19) Go ye **therefore**, and make disciples of all the nations, **baptizing** them into **the name of** the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit:

(20) teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

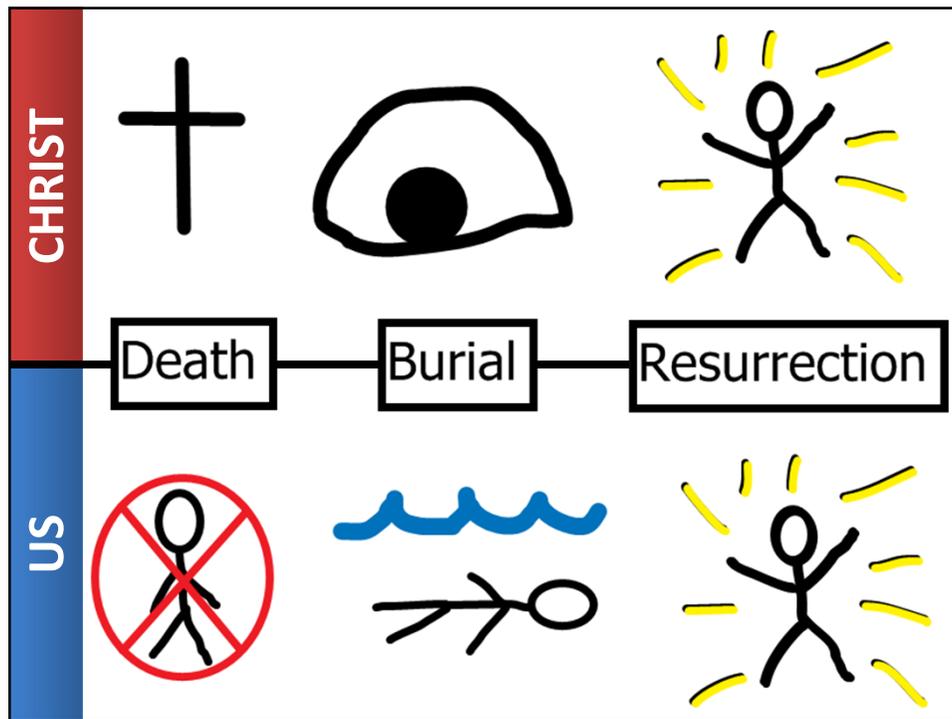
### Acts 22:16



participle  
(serves as an adjective)  
Describes what you are doing when baptized—  
appealing to His authority



“For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved...  
...but they have not all **obeyed the Gospel**” (Rom. 10:13, 16;  
cf. 1 Cor. 15:1-4).



“The like figure whereunto even **baptism** doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but **the [appeal for] a good conscience** toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ” (1 Pet. 3:21).

KJV “**answer**” of a good conscience defined by Thayer:

- 1) an enquiry, a question
- 2) a demand
- 3) earnestly seeking
  - 3a) craving, an intense desire

I do not have the **power**  
(or **authority**) to save myself,  
but all **power (or authority)** has been  
given to the Lord;  
therefore, I must appeal to the  
**power (authority, name)** of the  
Lord to be saved!

“And being made perfect, he  
became the **author** of eternal  
salvation unto all them that  
**obey him**”(Hebrews 5:9).

I call upon the **authority** of the  
Lord for salvation when I **obey**  
what the **Author authorized** us  
to do to be saved!

**“For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved...”**

**We call upon the name of the Lord to be saved when we are Scripturally baptized in the name of the Lord!**