

That Christians should be holy but I am not a Holiness; that Christ will come again, but I am not an Adventist; that the church is universal or catholic, but I am not a Catholic. According to some good folk – since I believe in the above facts – I should call myself a Methodist-Episcopalian-Presbyterian-Congregationalist-Baptist-Holiness-Catholic-Christian.” Wouldn’t this be a rather long name? _____ We believe that these words, written more than half a century ago, succinctly sum up the folly of adding anything to the “*new name*” Isaiah prophesied about found in the NT.

6. **A Documented Quote From Charles Spurgeon** He is generally regarded as the most recognized and talented of all Baptist preachers. Carefully note his words: “I say of the Baptist name, let it perish, but let Christ’s name last forever. I look forward with pleasure, to the day when there will not be a Baptist living. I hope they will soon be gone. I hope the Baptist name will soon perish; but let Christ’s name endure forever.” -Spurgeon Memorial Library, Vol. 1, p. 168 - Why do you think he felt this way? _____
7. **A Documented Quote From Martin Luther** Anyone remotely familiar with the Reformation Movement readily recognizes Martin Luther. Note his words carefully: “I pray you to leave my name alone, and call not yourselves Lutherans, but Christians. Who is Luther? My doctrine is not mine. I have not been crucified for anyone. St. Paul would not let any call themselves after Paul, nor of Peter, but of Christ. How then, does it befit me, a miserable bag of dust and ashes, to give my name to the children of God? Cease, my dear friends, to cling to these party names and distinctions: away with all; and let us call ourselves only Christians after him from whom our doctrine comes.” The Life of Luther, by Stork, p. 289 Don’t you imagine Luther was familiar with the account of King Herod (Acts 12) where the people said of his oratory (V22), “*It is the _____ of a _____, and not of a _____?*” Don’t you think Luther knew that (V23), “*immediately the _____ of the Lord smote him, because he _____ God the _____: and he was eaten of _____, and gave up the ghost?*” Do you believe Luther was right in what he said?
8. **The Half Speech Of Ashdod** (Neh 13:23-24) The Jews during this period (V23) “*had married _____ of Ashdod, of _____, and of _____.*” (V24) “*Their children spake _____ in the speech of Ashdod, and _____ in the _____ language, but according to the language of each people.*” We have much of this sullied *language of Ashdod* in religious parlance today. (1 Pet 4:11) “*If any man speak, let him _____ as the _____ of God.*”
9. **What About Various Titles?** (a) We must “call Bible things by Bible names.” (b) Any title that is un-scriptural is wrong. (c) A name or title that is ascribed to God can never be designated to a man. The ancient seer (Job 32:21-22) was quite plain: “*Let me not, I pray you, _____ any man's _____, neither let me give _____ unto man. For I know _____ flattering titles; in so doing my _____ would soon _____.*”
10. **What About “Reverend?”** This word is found only 1X in the English translation, but numerous times in the original language. It is never used with reference to a man. Where is “*holy and reverend is his name*” found? _____ To whom does it apply? _____ We hear this title applied to men all the time. Give several reasons why people commit this mistake. _____ Was any NT preacher ever called by this title in the Bible? _____
11. **The Proper Attitude Of Preachers** Jesus said (Mt 20:26-27), “*but whosoever will be _____ among you, let him be your _____; And whosoever will be _____ among you, let him be your _____.*” Paul’s attitude: (2 Cor 12:10) “*I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for _____.*”
12. **The Titles “Pastor” And “Father”** The GK for “*pastor*” is *poimen* and means “*shepherd.*” There were always a plurality of pastors in (Acts 14:23) “*every _____,*” never just one man. Jesus said (Mt 23:9), “*Call no man your _____ upon the earth: for one is your _____, which is in _____.*” Let us (2 Tim 1:13), “*Hold fast the form of _____ words.*”