

"What's Your Name?"

Read Luke 1:59 - 66:

Names can be a very important part of who we are, but not always. Parents choose names for different reasons - the name runs in the family, or a name is given because it is popular at the time (both very legitimate reasons to be given those names). In the time of Jesus Christ and before, names were important because they pointed to a special purpose that child can choose to fulfill later in life. The name Jesus means, "God Is Salvation," and the name Christ means "Messiah," in Greek, and He certainly fulfilled His purpose, as the personification of His name. However, a person does not always need a special name to fulfill a special purpose - that purpose is up to Jesus Christ's will for our lives, what He wants us to do. You matter, you are special, and you have a purpose, named or not, that will fulfill the best meaning of your life if you choose to follow the One named Jesus Christ.