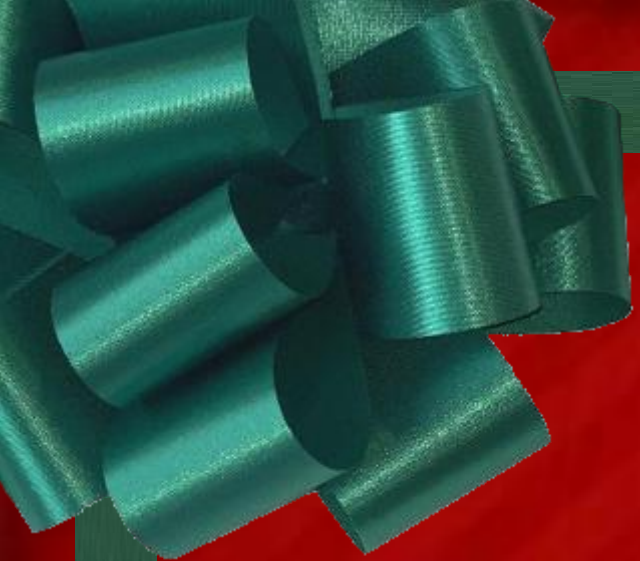




# The Christmas Present



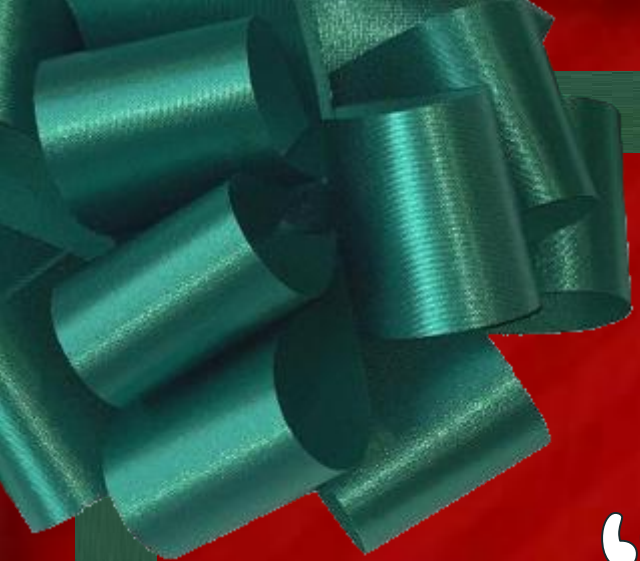
Biblically speaking,  
we can learn MUCH from the  
names of people and places  
recorded in Scripture



“Jesus” = The Lord **saves**

The name Jesus is a  
**declaration of the mission**

God sent Him on



“Angel” = messenger  
or one who is sent with  
a specific message



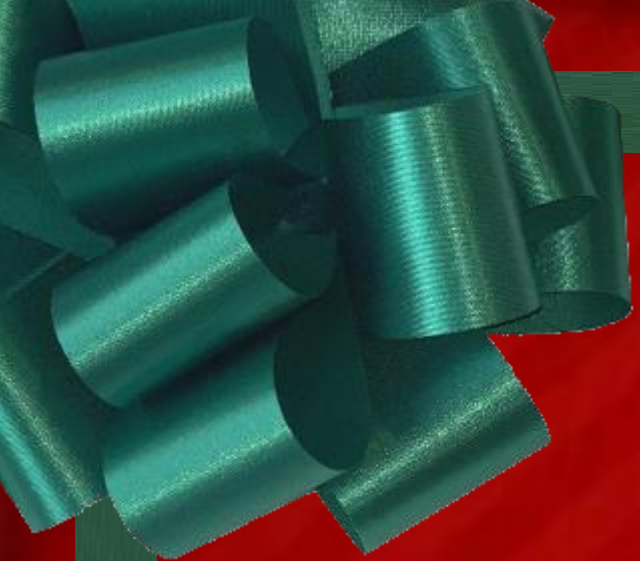


Joseph was afraid of  
taking Mary to be his wife

John 6:41-42



This angel assures Joseph  
that his concern of being  
shamed, while understood,  
was unnecessary



**Jesus:  
Name Above  
All Names**





# Matthew 1:18-19


Joseph was **compassionate**  
(clearly, he cared about  
Mary and despite the hurt  
and betrayal he felt,  
he **wanted good** for Mary)





Joseph's eyes were  
refocused and realigned  
to God's bigger picture  
and bigger plan

Matthew 1:20



“Joseph” = the Hebrew name  
is related to the idea of  
“taking away” and in its place  
“God shall add”


God was taking away Joseph’s shame  
and in its place, God was going to  
add the fulfillment of His  
incredible promise



Matthew 1:22-25

Matthew 1:21





“Jesus” = the Lord saves  
(this name encapsulates ALL  
of the Old Testament promises  
of God sending a Savior,  
Deliverer, Redeemer, etc)

Matthew 1:21



“Save” = **rescue**, but it  
also contains another nuance,  
it means to protect,  
to **keep alive**, to preserve life