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Revelation 17:14, "These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him [are] called, and chosen, and faithful."

In the above verse, Jesus is called by three names. They that are with Him are also called by three names.

1. Lamb. Jesus is called the Lamb of God in John 1:29 and again in verse 36. Both times John writes, "Behold, the Lamb of God." This is the first time Jesus is directly called a "lamb." Twice more before Revelation Jesus is called a lamb. Acts 8:32, "The place of the scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth." I Peter 1:19, "But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot." By far the most times Jesus is called a lamb is in Revelation. There are 26 verses in Revelation where Jesus is called, "Lamb."

It's interesting that Jesus is called "Lamb" so many times. Under the Old Testament law a lamb was used as a sacrifice to God. The lamb

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had to be without blemish. It was given for the sins of the people. Certainly Jesus is our Passover lamb. He is the perfect lamb offered for us. He is without blemish.

A lamb is meek and gentle. Certainly these qualities, along with Jesus being our perfect sacrifice, make "lamb" one of the most fitting words to describe Jesus.

2. Lord of lords. Jesus is above all others. Philippians 2:9-10, "⁹Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: ¹⁰That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of [things] in heaven, and [things] in earth, and [things] under the earth."

The name of Jesus is above all others. In Hebrews 1:9, Jesus is called God. "*Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, [even] thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows*." Jesus is LORD, and over all others, and truly Lord of lords. He is God.

3. **King of kings**. Jesus is not only king, but He is king of kings. Paul wrote in I Timothy 6:15, "Which in his times he shall shew, [who is] the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords." There are kings upon earth, but we who are in the LORD also are kings. Revelation 1:6, "And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him [be] glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen." Revelation 5:10, "And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth." With Jesus being King of kings, and we being kings, He is our King. Jesus is truly over all and is King of kings.

Revelation 19:16, "And he hath on [his] vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS." It's interesting that Jesus has both phrases written on His thigh.

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-Continue to remember Alice Vanderstoep, Steve Seaton, Brad Terry, Enola Zigler, Ken & Erin Davis, Becky Hatcher, Joanna Locke, Richard Connolly, Larry Compton, Linda Terry. Lauren Candela, Rick Gibbs, and Jerry

Reynolds.

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The thigh is one of the largest parts of the body as well as the strongest. It has the largest bone and one of the strongest muscles in the body. The names were placed where they could be easily seen and in a place of great strength. This image shows us how firmly and forever that Jesus is indeed King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

-Our Three Names-

4. **Called**. In referring to God, Paul wrote in II Timothy 1:9, "*Who* hath saved us, and called [us] with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began." We have been called, but not all will answer that calling.

5. **Chosen**. We were chosen before the world was created. Ephesians 1:4, "According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love." This does not mean that the ones saved were predetermined. The LORD chose before the world that those who obey Him would be saved. It's like knowing who will be on the honor roll ahead of time. You don't know the individuals, but you know it's the ones who will make a certain grade. Likewise, all those who obey the LORD are chosen.

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Sunday, October 15, 2023		
Classes	24	Mark 15:22-28
Preaching	35	John 20:19-29 (Thomas was absent.)
Contribution	\$1471.00	
Evening	6	Zechariah 4:1-14
Wednesday, October 18, 2023		
Classes	13	Hebrews 6:1-20

Visitors— Oct 15 (AM) Emma Biggs (Legrande, KY)

Bible Quiz

The candlestick Zechariah saw had two what by it?

Last Week's Answer— Seven eyes (Zechariah 3:0)

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6. **Faithful**. Those who are in the LORD are faithful. We cannot simply obey the LORD then not live for Him. Revelation 2:10, "...*be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.*" The faithfulness is not just until death, but unto death. Even if living for the LORD brings death, we are to be faithful.

-Marty Edwards *

-God's Plan of Salvation-

- 1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
- 2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
- 3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
- 4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
- 5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
- 6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)