

**Sermon Title:** Taking the Name of God  
**Scripture Reading:** Exodus 20:7

**THREE QUESTIONS:**

**Question 1: What does it mean to take the name of the LORD in vain?**  
(Exodus 3:14-15; 33:19; Leviticus 19:12, Deuteronomy 1:27; Jeremiah 7:8-10)

**Question 2: What is the real harm in taking the name of the LORD in vain?**  
(James 3:2, 6-12; Matthew 6:9)

**Question 3: What is the right way to take the name of the LORD?**  
(Leviticus 19:12, 18; Acts 4:12)

**Quotes:**

"The name of the LORD is to speak of anything whereby he is known." (W.S. Plumer)

[Someone who commits this sin] "may perhaps hold himself guiltless; he may esteem himself a fine fellow; he may think that he graces his profanity with the air of a gentlemen; he may imagine that he is quite above all responsibility even to God. Moreover his fellows may hold him guiltless; may make light of his sin; may call him brave and elegant. But [God], the lawgiver of heaven and earth, will not acquit him. To God he is responsible. If the profane man, at the last day, stands hand in hand, surrounded by a crew of the ungodly, their numbers shall not protect him (W.S. Plumer).

Exodus 20:7  
James 3:6-10  
Matthew 12:36-37  
Exodus 3:14-15  
Exodus 33:19  
John 17:6  
Leviticus 19:12  
Deuteronomy 1:27  
Jeremiah 7:8-10  
James 3:6-12  
James 3:2  
Acts 4:12