**SERMON SHEET 7/3/22**

**“Blessed Be the Name of the Lord, #6”**

**Text: Judges 13:15-18**

I. Introduction

II. More names of Jesus

1. Jesus is the Firstborn.
   1. Firstborn of all creation (Colossians 1:15)
   2. Firstborn from the dead (Colossians 1:18)
2. Jesus is Faithful and True (Revelation 19:11).
3. Jesus is the friend of sinners (Luke 7:34).
4. Jesus was forsaken.

III. Conclusion: a final word

**QUOTES**

1. John MacArthur:

*In both Greek and Jewish culture, the firstborn was the ranking son who had received the right of inheritance from his father, whether he was born first or not*… *Jesus is the firstborn in the sense that He has the preeminence and possesses the right of inheritance over all creation. He existed before creation and is exalted in rank above it*.

2. Glen Scrivener:

*In the minds of these accusers, “friend of sinners” was a shameful epithet. But Jesus owns the title with pride. He is indeed a friend – The Friend – of sinners*.

3. Kent Hughes:

*To people who think they are righteous, I have nothing to say. But to those who know they have need, I have come*.

**SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE TEXTS**

* **Ephesians 3:14-19**
* **Mark 2:15-17**
* **Acts 5:41**
* **Luke 7:36-39; Luke 18:9-14**
* **John 15:12-15**