

Matthew McConaughey Reveals the Biblical Truths Behind His Son's Name

Actor Matthew McConaughey recently said the Bible was the inspiration behind the decision to name his son Levi.

"Levi's another name for Matthew in the Bible," McConaughey said in an interview on *Good Morning America*. "We had talked about possibly Matthew Jr. if he were a boy."

McConaughey said his favorite Bible verse, Matthew 6:22, also influenced the decision: "The light of the body is the eye. Therefore, if your eye is clear, your whole body will be full of light."

The verse matched up perfectly with the exact time of their son's birth.

"We find out he's a boy when he's born. You're not thinking about the name, right?" he continued. "An hour later, the doctor comes up, and he hands you that card to fill out: 'Blank was born at 6:22 p.m.' So we went, 'It's Levi.'"

McConaughey was raised a Christian, but his sudden rise to fame caused him to drift away from his faith. He says it was his wife Camila's faith that brought him back to God.

"Let's go make a covenant, with you, me and God," McConaughey said he told his wife before they were married.

The actor has been more vocal about his faith in recent years.

In his acceptance speech for Best Actor at the Oscars, he thanked God.

"First off I want to thank God because He's the one I look up

to," McConaughey said. "He's graced my life with opportunities which I know are not of my hand or any other human kind. He has shown me that it's a scientific fact that gratitude reciprocates. In the words of the late Charlie Laughton, who said, 'When you got God, you got a friend, and that friend is you.'"

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