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"Yannis the Macedonian" <makedon@vip.gr> wrote in message
news:4124af7c@news.sch.gr...

> *"Harlan Messinger" <h.messinger@comcast.net> wrote:*

> > *My words are about "important" names.*

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> > *Since you have failed to address the current flurry of naming examples
in*

> > *any manner that indicates what *you* think the difference is between*

> > *"important" and "unimportant" in this context, I conclude that names are*

> > *"important" when they are consistent with your position and*

"unimportant"

> > *when they show your position to be flawed.*

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> *And you disagree on this, right ??*

> *Well, can you tell us when a name is important ??*

**You're* the one using the characterization of "important" to distinguish
one set of place names from another. I suspect all of us want to know what
you mean by it.*

> *Is there anything else, BUT PEOPLE, that makes names important or*

> *unimportant ??*

Unless you mean Bavaria has people and England doesn't, you still haven't
explained what you are using the word "important" to mean.