

## Immanuel, God With Us

It is something for God to give us a goal to shoot for. It is quite another for God to come and live that goal for us. This is Jesus. In the name, Immanuel, we discover what that goal is and how to live in it.

Scripture(s): Matthew 1:18-25; Isaiah 7:10-16; 8:5-8

Remember this - Our Immanuel is God's invitation to us to live in His \_\_\_\_\_.

I. The first meaning of Immanuel that demonstrates God's glorious plan in Jesus is Jesus is our \_\_\_\_\_. The promise of Jesus is not something we should \_\_\_\_\_ with. Christ's coming means that victory has \_\_\_\_\_ been won for us.

Isaiah 7:10 Then the LORD spoke again to Ahaz, saying, 11 "Ask a sign for yourself from the LORD your God; make it deep as Sheol or high as heaven." 12 But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, nor will I test the LORD!" 13 Then he said, "Listen now, O house of David! Is it too slight a thing for you to try the patience of men, that you will try the patience of my God as well? 14 "Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel. 15 "He will eat curds and honey at the time He knows enough to refuse evil and choose good. 16 "For before the boy will know enough to refuse evil and choose good, the land whose two kings you dread will be forsaken.

II. The second meaning of Immanuel that demonstrates God's glorious plan in Jesus is we trust God for \_\_\_\_\_. God's justice is sure even when how or when it comes \_\_\_\_\_ us.

Isaiah 8:5 Again the LORD spoke to me further, saying, 6 "Inasmuch as these people have rejected the gently flowing waters of Shiloah And rejoice in Rezin and the son of Remaliah; 7 "Now therefore, behold, the Lord is about to bring on them the strong and abundant waters of the Euphrates, Even the king of Assyria and all his glory; And it will rise up over all its channels and go over all its banks. 8 "Then it will sweep on into Judah, it will overflow and pass through, It will reach even to the neck; And the spread of its wings will fill the breadth of your land, O Immanuel.

III. The third meaning of Immanuel that demonstrates God's glorious plan in Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ us is what God is about. In Jesus, God has sent \_\_\_\_\_ to save us.

Matthew 1:20 But when he had considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. 21 "She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." 22 Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 23 "BEHOLD, THE VIRGIN SHALL BE WITH CHILD AND SHALL BEAR A SON, AND THEY SHALL CALL HIS NAME IMMANUEL," which translated means, "GOD WITH US."

Our challenge: Live today in the future \_\_\_\_\_ that is Jesus.

Questions to ask Jesus...

1. Do I put my trust in the victory that is You, Jesus?
2. Do I trust to do right even when it seems that evil will win if I do?
3. Do I live in the confidence that knows that God has come to be with us?

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