

2. God with Us!

The Encounter – Series

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LG Discussions



Last week we looked into the different names that Christ is called and what that means to us. This week we focus on his name Immanuel (God with us) as we interact with this Child, the Messiah, Our Lord and Savior who is anointed the King of all Kings, Greatest Prophet and our High Priest.

Read: Matthew 1:18 – 25

Discuss

1. Assuming you had not read the story about Jesus' birth into the earth as a child, how would you have expected God's coming? Why?
2. God created man in love and for love, always desiring fellowship with us (Exodus 29:46, Revelation 21:3) He therefore wanted to ensure that the restoration of that relationship was executed with a perfect plan. **Why was the strategy used in the Savior's coming on earth as a child an effective one?**
3. To be with us, God went out of his way in very many ways (*Philippians 2: 6- 7*). Joseph and Mary had their lives "interrupted" to "accommodate" the will of God in ways that were controversial and contrary to what people knew. Write down some of the ways that doing the will of God has made you change your normal ways of doing things
4. How can we adjust our lives in the following listed areas to get closer to God in the coming days?
 - a. Your Time
 - b. Your reputation
 - c. Discipline
 - d. Your plans
5. What lessons have we learnt about God today?

He went out of His way for you, will you go out of your way for Him?