



Lesson #16: Emmanuel

The name “Emmanuel” is one Hebrew words that can be defined by three English words. It’s an amazing word! It’s a very precious name! The name “Emmanuel” means “_____!” When Mary was expecting her first born it was rather easy for her to name him. You see in Matthew 1:21-23 God named Mary’s baby for them. The angel was actually quoting from the prophet Isaiah when he said, “*And they shall calls his name _____, which being interpreted is, God with us*” (Matthew 1:23). While ministering on earth, Jesus was never called “Emmanuel” as a proper name, but He was reconized as the true fulfillment of the *meaning* of the name.

So what does “Emmanuel” really mean? This morning we are going to look at the meaning and implications of the name “Emmanuel.” Together, we are going to dig into this name by emphasizing in sequence each of the three words “God with us.”

THE NAME “EMMANUEL” SPEAKS OF HIS _____

“GOD with us.” Isn’t it amazing that the high and holy God of the universe would come down to us by becoming one of us?

A. You can know that Jesus came to be with us because of the manner of His _____

The virgin birth of Jesus is essential to the faith because only through this miracle can Christ be simultaneously fully _____ and fully _____. Christ could not be called “Emmanuel” unless he was virgin born!

B. You can know that Jesus came to be with us because of the _____ of His claims

Jesus, Himself, made the claim that He was _____. There are many Scriptures that assure us of this wonderful truth (John 10:30; 14:9). Jesus claimed to be God in the flesh, the fulfillment of this prophecy that God would come be with us in the person of the Messiah.

C. You can know that Jesus came to be with us because of the ministry of His _____

Those who knew Jesus both in his public and private life were assured that He truly was the Son of God.

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“God WITH us.” Webster’s dictionary states that “with” means “alongside of or _____ to.” God intends to be alongside of His people. It’s not just that God is up there in heaven. Instead, he wants to be “with” us.

A. He is with us through all the experiences in _____

God did not come to be with us for a brief visit. Instead, God became one with us from _____ to _____. God can thus assure us more fully that He understands us in every stage and circumstance in life (Hebrews 4:15). We can confidently conclude that He knows and undersands our _____ and _____.

B. He is with us through all the experiences _____ life

We need God to help us with the struggle of life. But we especially need God as we face _____. For the believer our Emmanuel will be “with us” even in death. You see, Jesus identified with us in death as well as in life. He literally tasted death for every man (Hebrews 2:9). But Jeus did not remain in the clutches of death. He rose from the dead (Romans 1:4). And what does this mean? Jesus said, “*Because I _____, you shall _____ also*” (John 14:9).

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“God with US.” Who is the “us” here? Though the prophecy of Isaiah 7:14 was first given to the jews it was extended to the Gentiles. If it were only for the Jews there would have been no need to _____ it. But Matthew 1:23 reads, “*Emmanuel*” which is translated “*God with us*.” The Hebrew name was interpreted into Greek for all the Roman world to undersands. Today, it has been translated into hundreds of languages.

Human logic cannot fathom the possibilyt o fa relationship between a perfect, all-righteous God and sinful human beings. For centuries, making offered burnt offerings to God but never once did they go in to speak with Him unless directly called. But they did not hesitate to approach the _____ in Bethlehem. The mangy shepherrds hurriedly went to find this Emmanuel. God with US!

Concluding Thoughts

When the true meaning of Emmanuel (“God with us”) strikes home to us, our hearts will burn with us. This name shows us God’s incarnation, intent, and influence over all of history. Come now! Let us come now without and question or hesitancy. How can you refuse? For any man to say, “I will not come to God,” after God has come to us is an act of _____ against the _____ of the universe.

Arise now, go to the one who came to you! “Come to me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” (Matthew 11:28)