

# God With Us.

## We Can Put Our Trust in Him

John 1:12-13

**Matt. 1:22-23** All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: <sup>23</sup>“Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name **Immanuel**” (which means, God with us).

**Isa. 7:14** Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

### I. What Does Immanuel Mean?

**Isaiah 29:13** And the Lord said: “Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men,

**Jeremiah 31:31-33** “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a **new covenant** with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, <sup>32</sup> not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. <sup>33</sup> For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

**Jeremiah 32:40** I will make with them an everlasting covenant, that I will not turn away from doing good to them. And I will put the fear of me in their hearts, **that they may not turn from me.**

**Ezekiel 36:26-27** And **I will give you a new heart,** and a **new spirit I will put within you.** And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup> And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

**John 1:11-13** He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. <sup>12</sup> But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

**John 3:1-2** Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup> This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.”

**John 3:3-4** Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, **unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.**” <sup>4</sup> Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?”

**John 3:5-7** Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. <sup>6</sup> That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup> Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’

**John 3:9-10** Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?”<sup>10</sup> Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things?”

*The Son of God became a man to make us God's children.*

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- **The right to totally belong to God.**

**Ephesians 1:3-5** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, **who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places**,<sup>4</sup> even as he chose us **in him** before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love<sup>5</sup> **he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ**, according to the purpose of his will,

**Ephesians 2:5-6** even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—<sup>6</sup> and raised us up with him **and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus**,

- **The right to have power over sin, the devil, and death**

**Colossians 1:12-14**<sup>12</sup> giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.<sup>13</sup> **He has delivered us from the domain of darkness** and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,<sup>14</sup> **in whom** we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

**1 Corinthians 15:22-23** For as in Adam all die, so also **in Christ shall all be made alive**.<sup>23</sup> But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.

- **The right to be guided by God**

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- **The right to be like Christ**

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- **The power to be always under God's protection.**

**Romans 8:32** He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

## II. How can Immanuel become a reality for you?

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**John 3:16** “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that **whoever believes in him** should not perish but have eternal life.

**John 3:18** **Whoever believes in him** is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

**John 3:36** **Whoever believes in the Son** has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.

- **Trusting His view of who we are.**
- **Trusting the reality of who He is.**
- **Rejecting our claim to independence from God**
- **Trusting ourselves to Christ**

**Ephesians 1:13** In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit...