

CAROLS Wk4: O COME, O COME EMMANUEL

TEACHING NOTES

Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:20-23; John 14:15-18; Matthew 28:18-20; Romans 8:38-39

O Come, O Come Emmanuel: Veni, Veni Emmanuel

1200 years in the making beginning in the 8th or 9th century

Originally 7 separate O Antiphons

1710 first appeared all together in Germany. The Tune came from the 15th century in France

1851 John M Neale translated the first 5 antiphons into English and in 1916 Henry Sloane Coffin translated the last 2 antiphons

Each represents a different attribute of God: Emmanuel...Rod of Jesse...Dayspring...Key of David... Adonai...Wisdom...Desire of Nations

Emmanuel (also Immanuel) means God **WITH** us

Elohem Ma'as means God has rejected, despised or left us

The truth is...God was...God is...and God will be with us...because that was what He promised

Blake's version:

- O come Emmanuel and ransom your people as we wait for your coming...
 - O come Rod of Jesse and free us from satan's power and give us victory over the grave...
 - O come Dayspring from on high and remove the clouds of gloom and give us joy...
 - O come Key of David and make a way to our heavenly home...
 - O come Adonai who gives us your commands...
 - O come Wisdom and give us the knowledge we need to follow those commands...
 - O come Desire of Nations and give all of us one heart and one mind and put an end to envy, strife, and quarrels and give us your peace...
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O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Veni, veni Emmanuel!
Captivum solve Israel!
Qui gemit in exilio,
Privatus Dei Filio,
Gaude, gaude, Emmanuel
nascetur pro te, Israel.

Veni o Jesse virgula!
Ex hostis tuos ungula,
De specu tuos tartari
Educ, et antro barathri.
Gaude, gaude, Emmanuel
nascetur pro te, Israel.

Veni, veni o oriens!
Solare nos adveniens,
Noctis depelle nebulas,
Dirasque noctis tenebras.
Gaude, gaude, Emmanuel
nascetur pro te, Israel.

Veni clavis Davidica!
Regna reclude coelica,
Fac iter Tutum superum,
Et claude vias Inferum.
Gaude, gaude, Emmanuel
nascetur pro te, Israel.

Veni, veni Adonai!
Qui populo in Sinai
Legem dedisti vertice,
In maiestate gloriae.
Gaude, gaude, Emmanuel
nascetur pro te, Israel.

Veni, O Sapientia,
Quae hic disponis omnia,
Veni, viam prudentiae
Ut doceas et gloriae.

Veni, Veni, Rex Gentium,
Veni, Redemptor omnium,
Ut salves tuos famulos
Peccati sibi conscios.

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;
From depths of hell Thy people save,
And give them victory o'er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Dayspring, from on high,
And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Key of David, come
And open wide our heav'nly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Adonai, Lord of might,
Who to Thy tribes, on Sinai's height,
In ancient times didst give the law
In cloud and majesty and awe.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Wisdom from on high,
And order all things, far and nigh;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And cause us in her ways to go.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Desire of nations, bind
All peoples in one heart and mind;
Bid envy, strife and quarrels cease;
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

TALK IT OVER

INTRODUCTION

During this Christmas season, take some time to reflect on what Jesus has done in your life. 2020 is like none other and we hope that as we move toward 2021 it will be like none other as well...in a great way. Download the 25 day devotional and listen the Spotify Playlist, both of which can be found on our website www.fbchiawatha.org. Have a great Christmas season!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Describe a time when you have prayed that God would be with you.
2. Describe a time where you knew God was with you even when it did not feel like it.
3. Describe a time where you have felt abandoned or left by God.
4. How has today's conversation changed that perspective?
5. What steps do you need to take during this Christmas season to fully believe that God is with you?

MOVING FORWARD

Even when the voices and circumstances would lead us to believe that God has abandoned us, remember that He was...He is...and He will be with us...because that is what He promised...and He always keeps His promises.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

"If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you."

— John 14:15-18 (NIV)