

## Small Group Questions | December 11, 2022

*Matthew 1:18–25* | “*God With Us*”

1. Which two gospels give an account of the birth of Christ? How do those two accounts compare with each other? How is Matthew’s account unique?
2. How does this passage make clear that Mary was a virgin? Why is the virgin birth essential to the Christian faith?
3. While Joseph’s situation is obviously unique, in what ways is it similar to circumstances we sometimes find ourselves in? How does Joseph’s example instruct us in those times?
4. Discuss the meaning and significance of these names/titles: *Jesus*; *Christ*; *Immanuel*
5. Was God *with* His people before Christ was born? How does the birth of Jesus mean that God is *with us* in an even better way?