



For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6

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WHAT DO PEOPLE CELEBRATE?

- Birthday
- Anniversary
- Graduation
- Promotion
- Retirement
- Cultural Festivals
- Holidays
- And etc



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#1 : GOD WITH US

#2 : GOD IS THE
LIGHT OF THE WORLD

#3 : THE GOD OF
HOPE

GOD WITH US


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IMMANUEL

WITH US


GOD

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¹⁸ Now **the birth of Jesus Christ** took place in this way. When his mother **Mary** had been betrothed to **Joseph**, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly.”

Matthew 1:18-23 ESV



²⁰But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹She will bear a son, and you shall call his name **Jesus**, for he will save his people from their sins.”


Matthew 1:20-23 ESV



²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

²³ “Behold, the **virgin** shall **conceive** and **bear** a **son**, and they shall **call** his name **Immanuel**”
(which means, **God with us**).

Matthew 1:22-23 ESV




*“Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign.
Behold, the **virgin** shall **conceive** and **bear** a son,
and shall **call** his name **Immanuel.**””*

Isaiah 7:14 ESV

WHAT DOES *IMMANUEL* MEAN TO
**ISAIAH,
MATTHEW &
US TODAY?**

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WHAT DOES *IMMANUEL* MEAN TO
ISAIAH?



¹⁰Again **the Lord** spoke to Ahaz: ¹¹“Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven.” ¹²But **Ahaz** said, “I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test.” ¹³And **he** said, “Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also?

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.**””

Isaiah 7:10-14 ESV

**“GOD IS WITH US” EVEN IN
THE MIDST OF MAN’S
FAILURE : FOR HE IS A
FAITHFUL GOD.**

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WHAT DOES *IMMANUEL* MEAN TO
MATTHEW?


God with us :

#1 : Jesus came to fulfil the ancient prophecy, as foretold by the prophet Isaiah;

*²²All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:
Matthew 1:22*

God with us :
#2 : Jesus is the incarnation of God's presence;

*“Behold, the **virgin** shall **conceive** and **bear** a **son**, and they shall **call** his name **Immanuel**” (which means, **God with us**). Matthew 1:23*



*“And the Word **became** flesh and **dwelt among us**, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

John 1:14

God with us :

#3 : Jesus came to save his people from their sin.

*“She will **bear** a son, and you shall **call** his name **Jesus**, for he will **save** his people from their sins.”. Matthew 1:21*

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*“For the wages of sin is death, **but** the free gift of
God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

Roman 6:23 ESV

“GOD WITH US” MEANS
THAT GOD **SENT** JESUS TO
SAVE US FROM OUR SINS.

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18 “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me **to proclaim** good news to the poor. He has sent me **to proclaim** liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, 19 **to proclaim** the year of the Lord's favor.”

Luke 4:18-19 ESV

WHAT DOES *IMMANUEL* MEAN TO
US TODAY?

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God with us :
#1 : reminds us that
God's Presence is
Constant;


*“You make known
to me the path of
life; **in your
presence there is
fullness of joy;** at
your right hand
are pleasures
forevermore.
Psalm 16:11*

God with us :
#1 : reminds us that
God's Presence is
Constant;

The Lord is **near** to
the **brokenhearted**
and **saves** the
crushed in spirit.
Psalm 34:18

God with us :
#2 : reminds us that
God Strengthens us in
times of Adversity;

*“Fear not,
for I am with you;
be not dismayed,
for I am your God;
I will strengthen
you, I will help you,
I will uphold you
with my righteous
right hand.
Isaiah 41:10*



But now thus says the Lord, he who **created** you, O Jacob, he who **formed** you, O Israel: “Fear not, for I have **redeemed** you; I have **called** you by name, you are mine.² When you **pass** through the waters, **I will be with you**; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you **walk** through fire you **shall not** be burned, and the flame **shall not** consume you.”

Isaiah 43:1-2 ESV

God with us :
#3 : reminds us that
God Dwells within us;

*“And the Word
became flesh and
dwelt among us,
and we have seen
his glory, glory as
of the only Son
from the Father,
full of grace and
truth.”*

John 1:14

God with us :
#3 : reminds us that
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*“I will **never** leave
you **nor** forsake
you.”.*
Hebrews 13:5b



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GOD WITH US
HIS NAME IS JESUS

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CHURCH · PENANG

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